Blaenau Gwent Wildlife Site/SINC Notification Form

SITE SUMMARY

SITE NAME: Rassau Pond SO15	512/198		
GRID REF: SO15901241			SURVEYOR(S):
SIZE (approx.): 450m ² /0.10ha			
DATE OF SURVEY: July 2007			SKETCH MAP OF
LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA:			
Blaenau Gwent			
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MAIN HABITAT TYPES PRES	ENT:		and the state of t
Habitat types	NVC type	Area (ha)	BO DEBAS
Open Water			100 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000
Eleocharis palustris swamp	S19		
Carex riparia swamp	S6		
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FULL DESCRIPTION OF SITE (including topography, adjacent land use, access and boundaries etc.):

The pond is located 100m north of Rassau on land adjacent to the Rassau Industrial estate, at an altitude of 380m. The surrounding land is unimproved grassland, woodland and heath.

The pond has a range of aquatic, floating and emergent vegetation. To the middle of the pond, where the water is deeper, there is 50% open water and 50% Potamogeton polygonifolius. The remaining pond area is emergent swamp vegetation, the western half is referable to S19 Eleocharis palustris swamp, the eastern half is dominated by Carex riparia with an abundance of *Eleocharis palustris* and *Juncus effusus*, this has been referred to as **S6** Carex riparia swamp. Other species found include Lemna minor, Glyceria fluitans, Galium palustre and Juncus acutiflorus.

One area was sampled for invertebrates, 12 species were recorded.

A 10m buffer zone which includes unimproved grassland is included around this pond.

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Official Use Only: Site selected as a Wildlife Site/SINC? YES NO

Date:

Please state the section(s) of the Wildlife Site Guidelines that this site qualifies under:

Habitats

Qualifying Habitat types	Number of indicator species present
Standing Open Water (H16)	
Swamps (H11)	