

Monmouthshire County Council SINC

Site Code	Site Name	Grid Reference	Size	Main Habitats	LBAP Priority Habitats / Species	Full description	Wildlife Site Qualifying Features
WS/SO4 1/06	Coed-Cefn Meadow	SO428 103	5.83 ha	Species Rich Neutral Grassland (MG5/6) Species Poor Neutral Grassland Pond Parkland Trees	Species Rich Grassland (HAP)	<p>A semi improved neutral meadow of reasonable species diversity located c1km east of Tregare. Road borders the site at its southern/eastern edges and sheep pasture exists immediately at the site's west. Coed-Cefn House and associated garden lies at the north of the site and includes 2 ponds, a small orchard and area of scrub, woodland and tall vegetation left aside for wildlife. The site's southern most corner is separately owned and contains a trig point and area of species poor semi-improved tall grassland. The ground gently undulates and a moderate south/south west facing slope is present in the south west part of the site. The undulation provides different climatic conditions probably partly responsible for the variable sward composition and quality on site. The meadow is richest towards the west of the site on the south/west facing slope where <i>Hypochoeris radicata</i>, <i>Lotus corniculatus</i> and <i>Centaurea nigra</i> are frequent. The sward is generally of low grass content and areas of abundant yellow rattle are present. Areas of lower, wetter ground contain neutral grassland indicators at lower frequencies and scattered <i>Juncus effusus</i> exists at the sites southern/western edge. Vegetation is ranker with dock and tall lush grasses. A number of nice mature standard trees are present over the site including a veteran birch, and tree/hedgeline borders the site.</p>	H4 Neutral Grasslands