

Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation in Merthyr Tydfil County Borough

SINC No	Site Name/s	Summary Description	Meets and/or Exceeds Mid Valleys selection SINC Criteria	Survey information
1	Bryn Morlais/ Morlais Hill	Complex semi-upland area of limestone-influenced habitats, partly derived from old limestone quarries (Morlais Quarries) and screes associated with the former Morlais Castle. Part of the site is currently in use as a golf course. Extensive calcareous grasslands and screes supporting numerous rare and characteristic species, including nationally scarce plants. Also includes areas of neutral grassland and some small areas of acid grassland. Other habitats include limestone outcrops with ledge communities, bracken stands, limestone scrub and a pond.	H3, H4, H5, H6, H7, H9, H16, H20, H21 & H22. S6, S7 & S9.	SO 00NE/1, David Clements Ecology Limited, April 2008. Resurveyed in June 2016 and SINC boundary retained.

Extracted from Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council Replacement Local Development Plan (2016 - 2031).

<https://www.merthyr.gov.uk/media/5642/replacement-ldp-written-statement-final-composite-version-140120.pdf>