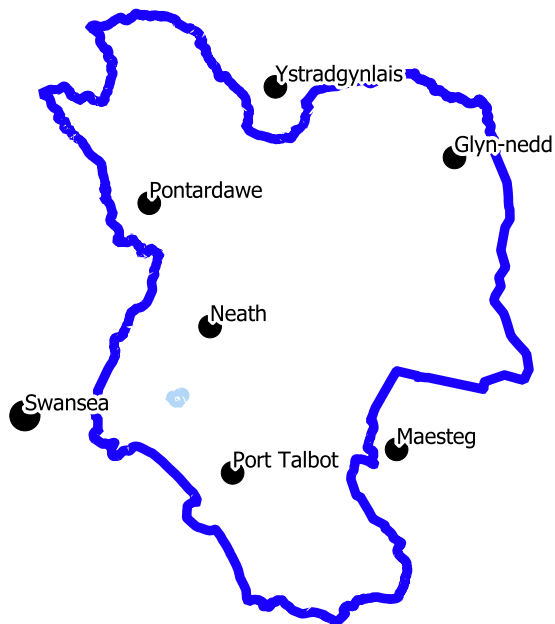


# BRITON FERRY WASTE GROUND

Reference No: NPTSINC016  
Ward: Briton Ferry West  
Grid ref at centre: SS7362493908  
Area (ha): 3.87

Reason for selection:  
H14:3 Open Mosaic on Previously  
Developed Land  
S5 Invertebrates



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**SITE OF IMPORTANCE FOR NATURE CONSERVATION**

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## Site Description:

An area of made up ground (historically tidal flats) comprising industrial slag and other waste materials, located in the Neath Estuary on the south side of Warren Hill, Briton Ferry, the site lies adjacent to NPTSINCO41 Brunel Dock Reedbed. The northern boundary is marked by a quarried face comprised of Mudstone, Siltstone and Sandstone of the South Wales Upper Coal Measures Formation, but the bulk of the vegetation comprises secondary herb-rich grassland overgrown in patches with scrub.

## Qualifying features

H5:1 Lowland meadow 11/8  
H14:3 OMPDL a17/20 b+4  
S5 Invertebrates - Brown-banded carder bee *Bombus humilis*, Small blue *Cupido minimus*

## Important species

Species recorded: Brown-banded carder bee, House sparrow, Dunnock, Song thrush  
Habitat suitable for: Reptiles, bats

## Management Recommendations

Areas of open mosaic habitats on previously developed land are becoming heavily scrubbed in places with grassland areas becoming rank. Opportunities exist to improve and enhance these habitats by carrying out periodic scrub clearance / open land rejuvenation. Those areas with limited interest could be enhanced by provision of pond(s) for amphibians and invertebrates and herpetile refugia. Suitable for Community Projects sites where full potential is achieved.

Last surveyed: 2013 Surveyor: BS Author: BS

To be read in conjunction with Wildlife Sites Guidance Wales (WBP 2008) and the NPT amendments. This area has been designated as a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation by Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council. This does not formally protect the site or place any restrictions upon the landowner. Neath Port Talbot Council's Countryside & Wildlife Team will endeavour to support and encourage activities that maintain and enhance the biodiversity interest of the land; where funding is available, funds may be provided to facilitate these activities. The information given is used to ensure that nature conservation is taken into account in planning decisions. The designation itself does not confer any rights of access to the site and places no restriction on the management of the land.