

YNYS CORRWG FARM

Reference No: NPTSINC019

Ward: Glyncorrwg

Grid ref at centre: SS87489868

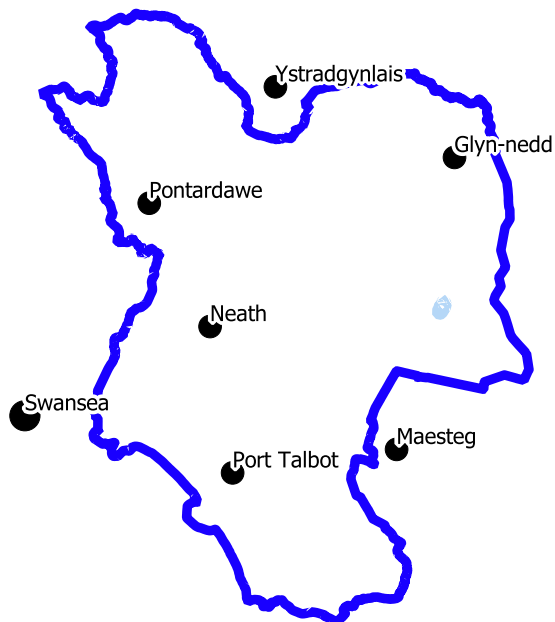
Area (ha): 3.59

Reason for selection:

H1:3 Native woodland

H5 Neutral grasslands

H8:1 Lowland heathland



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SITE OF IMPORTANCE FOR NATURE CONSERVATION

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Site Description:

A small site with a mosaic of semi-natural habitats on the west-facing side of the valley immediately south of Glyncorrwg. The site lies at 220m asl, with underlying geology of the South Wales Upper Coal Measures Formation, overlain by glacial till. Habitats present include elements of deciduous woodland, scrub communities, neutral grassland, lowland dry acid grassland (U4), lowland heathland, Purple Moor-grass and rush-pasture (M25), each generally represented by only small habitat fragments. Ownership is unknown and there appears to be limited management. Recorded taxa include 104 vascular plants, 36 bryophytes and 12 bird species

Qualifying features

H1:3 Native woodland - W10
H1:4 Scrub communities
H5 Neutral grasslands - MG5 14/8
H7:1 Lowland dry acid grassland - U4 (below 300m) 9/7
H8:1 Lowland heathland - H12 (0.1ha)
H9:3 Purple moor-grass and rush-pasture - M25 is species poor 15/12

Important species

Species recorded: Dunnock, Grey wagtail, House sparrow, Mistle thrush, *Hygrocybe chlorophana*, *Cladonia portentosa*, Blunt-leaved bog-moss, Bristly fringe-moss, Flagellate feather-moss, Mueller's pouchwort, Shining hookeria, Bilberry, Brown bent, Carnation edge, Common dog-violet, Eyebright, Greater bird's-foot-trefoil, Heath bedstraw, Heather, Heath-grass, Marsh pennywort, Marsh violet, Marsh-bedstraw, Narrow buckler-fern, Purple moor-grass, Rowan, Scaly male-fern, Sharp-flowered rush, Tormentil.

Management Recommendations

There appears to be no formal management at the site, but parts of the site showed evidence of occasional sheep grazing. Other than occasional cutting or grazing and an assessment to determine the merits of eradicating Himalayan Balsam, most habitats are likely to be self-sustaining and no direct intervention is considered necessary at present.

Last surveyed: 2019 Surveyor: LEP/MBP Author: LEP

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