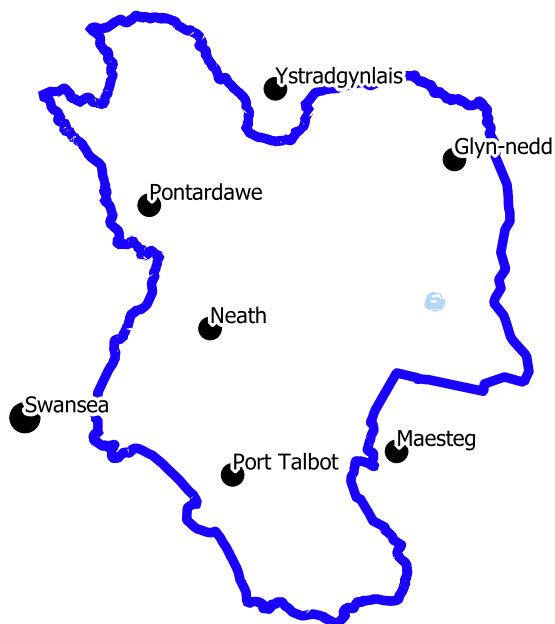


BRYN GWYN

Reference No: NPTSINC024
Ward: Glyncorrwg
Grid ref at centre: SS8710999093
Area (ha): 6.64

Reason for selection:
H7:1 Lowland dry acid grassland
H9:3 Purple moor-grass and rush
pastures



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SITE OF IMPORTANCE FOR NATURE CONSERVATION

BRYN GWYN

Site Description:

A square parcel of land to the west of Glynccorrwg with an easterly aspect at 265-330m asl. The underlying geology in this area is the South Wales Upper Coal Measures Formation, overlain by glacial till. Modified blanket bog covers much of the site with the vegetation predominantly comprising marshy grassland (M25a) and valley mire (M6d) communities. Limited management has resulted in rank sward prone to burning. Recorded taxa include 135 vascular plants, 40 bryophytes, 7 bird species, 2 reptiles and 1 invertebrate

Qualifying features

H7:1 Lowland dry acid grassland - 8/7
H9:1 Upland fens, marshes and swamps
H9:2 Lowland Fen
H9:3 Purple moor-grass and rush pastures - 12/12

Important species

Species recorded: Tree pipit, Cuckoo, Reed bunting, Slow-worm, Common lizard, Sphagnum 8 species, Bog pimpernel, Heather, Cross-leaved heath, Common cottongrass, Slender St John's-wort, Bog asphodel, Lemon-scented fern, Bog pondweed, Lesser skullcap, Devil's-bit scabious, Deergrass, Western gorse, Marsh violet

Management Recommendations

Light grazing needs to be introduced to bring habitat into favourable condition, though fencing will be required.

Last surveyed: 2011 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.