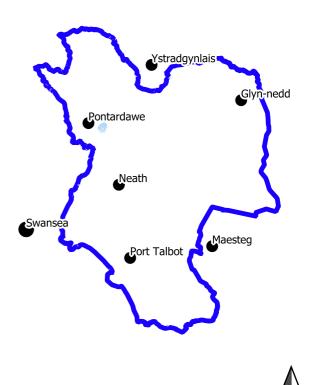
# **RHOS BENDS BOG**

Reference No: NPTSINC042 Ward: Rhos Grid ref at centre: SN7370103666 Area (ha): 5.98

Reason for selection: H10:2 Blanket bog





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### SITE OF IMPORTANCE FOR NATURE CONSERVATION

## **RHOS BENDS BOG**

#### **Site Description:**

An area of lowland marshy grassland and bog adjacent to the A474, just north of the village of Rhos close to Pontardawe. The site is dissected by a central ditch, along which runs a public right of way. Cotton grass is a prominent feature in the summer. Peat at least 1.5m deep. The site is grazed by cattle and is occasionally mown. Fforest Goch bog SSSI lies to the south of Rhos.

### **Qualifying features**

H10:2 Blanket bog

A degraded bog which still shows some remaining distinctive features of the habitat type. Peat >1.5 meters deep 2017

#### **Important species**

Species recorded: Bell heather, Heather, Purple moor-grass, Lesser spearwort, Whorled caraway, Common cottongrass, Star sedge, Carnation sedge, Cross-leaved heath

**Management Recommendations** 

#### Last surveyed: 2017 Surveyor: WJL Author: WJL

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