

LAND BEHIND PEN Y BRYN

Reference No: NPTSINC047

Ward: Cwmllynfell

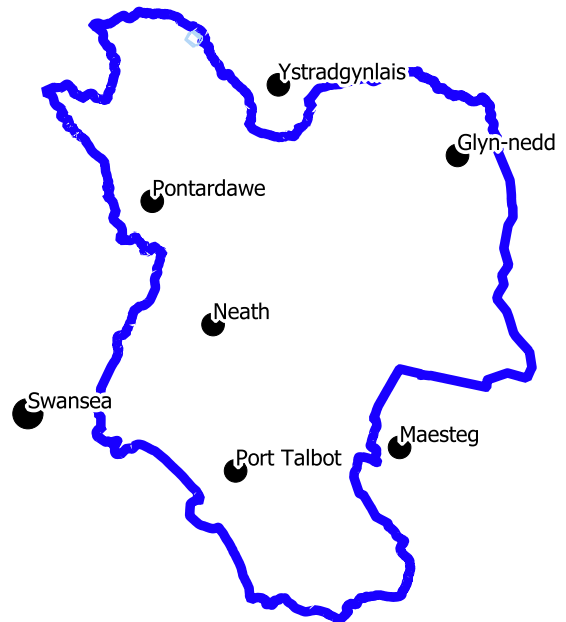
Grid ref at centre: SN7435712620

Area (ha): 1.33

Reason for selection:

H5:1 Lowland meadows

H9:3 Purple moor-grass and rush pastures



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SITE OF IMPORTANCE FOR NATURE CONSERVATION

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Site Description:

This grassland site is situated in Cwmllynfell, and is adjacent to several grassland SINCS including NPTSINC063 Tircoed Comin Cwm Amman Uchaf and NPTSINC045 Behind Heol Coed Cae. This site is a species rich damp meadow with small brook forming a boundary between adjacent marshy grassland fields which also support Whorled caraway. The species within the sward are akin to those of a traditional hay meadow, but it also has a mire community throughout, but more dominantly in the eastern side of the site.

Threats include development pressure and inappropriate grazing. 2011 was good condition wet meadow (see UDP doc) now overgrazed and poached, 2012 Ungrazed, recovering from poaching but Sneezewort, Ragged Robin, Lousewort & Marsh marigold not located - brief walk over.

Qualifying features

H5:1 Lowland meadows 10/8

H9:3 Purple moor-grass and rush pastures 16/12

Important species

Species recorded: Whorled caraway, Sneezewort

Management Recommendations

A suitable grazing regime is needed to retain floral diversity. Fields adjacent have some similar species and the site could be enlarged to encompass these.

Last surveyed: 2012 Surveyor: WJL Author: WJL

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