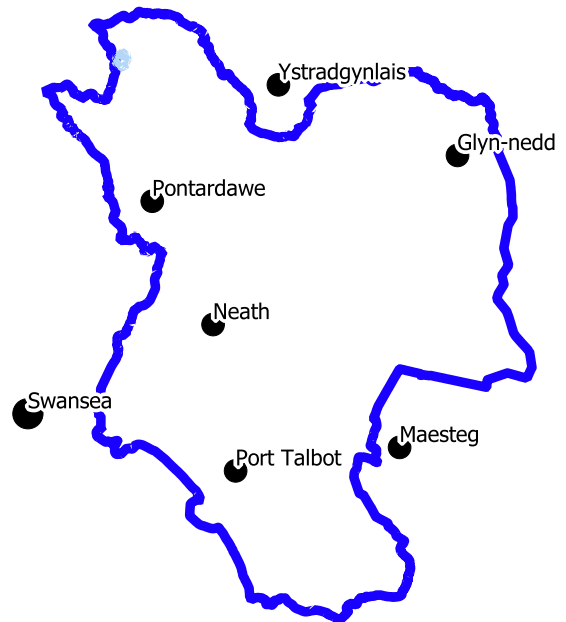


DERWYDD AVENUE

Reference No: NPTSINC052
Ward: Gwaun Cae Gurwen
Grid ref at centre: SN7059811524
Area (ha): 6.98

Reason for selection:
H16 Mosaic habitats



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SITE OF IMPORTANCE FOR NATURE CONSERVATION

DERWYDD AVENUE

Site Description:

A wetland mosaic site supporting areas of Purple Moor-grass & Rush Pasture, Willow carr/wet woodland, ponds and tall herb (fen). The Nant Hir forms the northern boundary of the site. In the western side of the site, there is a cycle track which runs north-south, adjacent to which is an area of neutral grassland, scrub and small stands of trees. The site lies immediately SW of the Biodiversity Conservation Area known as Maerdy playing fields. The site is currently unmanaged and may well be subject to invasive plants from neighbouring gardens. The site is inaccessible (other than from back gardens potentially) therefore no detailed assessment could be made.

Qualifying features

H16 Mosaic habitats - Wet woodland, ponds, purple moor-grass and rush pasture

Important species

Habitat suitable for: Bats, birds, herptiles

Management Recommendations

Control and monitor grazing levels.

Last surveyed: 2017 Surveyor: LEP Author: WJL

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.