

ADJACENT TO GORS LLWYN

Reference No: NPTSINC075

Ward: Onllwyn

Grid ref at centre: SN8571010360

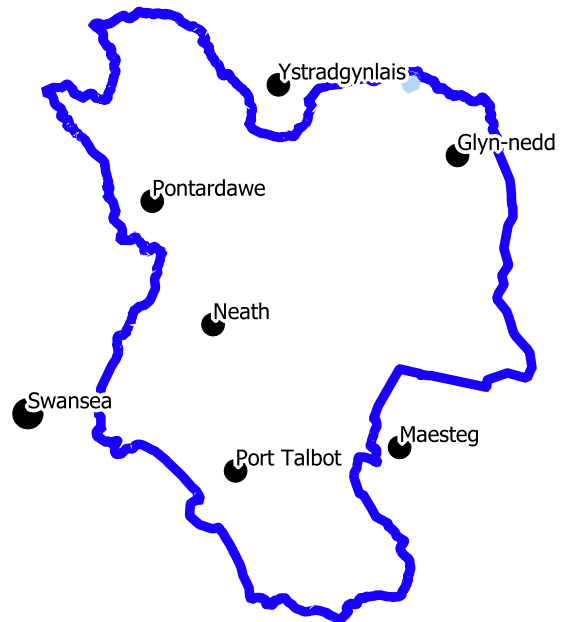
Area (ha): 7.34

Reason for selection:

H5:1 Lowland meadows

H7:1 Lowland dry acid grassland

H9:3 Purple moor-grass and rush pastures



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SITE OF IMPORTANCE FOR NATURE CONSERVATION

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Site Description:

The site comprises a series of fields supporting marshy grassland, acid grassland and semi-improved neutral grassland, bordered to the north by a small stream, the south and east by a road and open to the west. There is a small ditch to the south and small areas of dense and scattered scrub are present.

Qualifying features

H5:1 Lowland meadows 13/8
H7:1 Lowland dry acid grassland 9/7
H9:3 Purple moor-grass and rush pastures 25/12

Important species

Species recorded: Whorled caraway, Devil's-bit scabious, Greater bird's-foot trefoil
Habitat suitable for: Marsh fritillary, reptiles

Management Recommendations

Marshy grassland sites should ideally be grazed by cattle at a low density. The aim is an uneven patchwork of relatively short and longer vegetation. The application of broad-spectrum anti-parasitic drugs should be avoided as they persist in the dung and will kill dung beetles and dung fly larvae.

Last surveyed: 2011 Surveyor: HYDER Author: ER

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