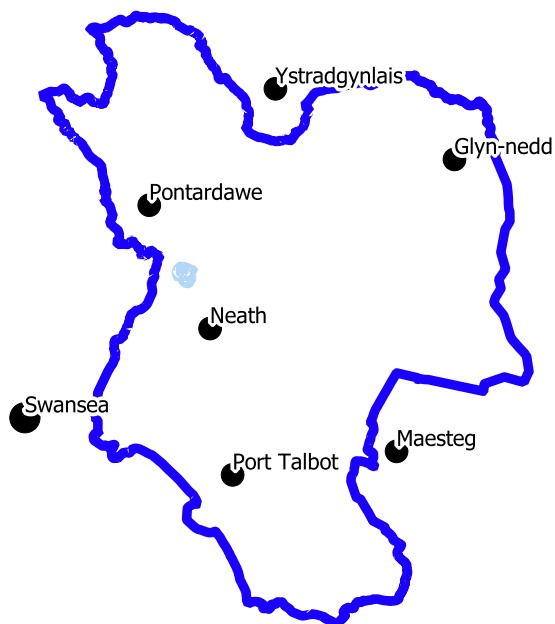


BRYNCOCH FARM

Reference No: NPTSINC101
Ward: Bryncoch North
Grid ref at centre: SN7405800521
Area (ha): 15.51

Reason for selection:
H1:3 Native Woodlands
H2:1 Hedgerows
H9:3 Purple Moor-grass and Rush
Pastures



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SITE OF IMPORTANCE FOR NATURE CONSERVATION

BRYNCOCH FARM

Site Description:

This site comprises a large mosaic of habitats situated immediately north of the village of Bryncoch. The lowland meadows and marshy grassland areas have been known to be grazed by cattle but some fields are obviously under grazed and are suffering from scrub invasion. There are two areas of woodland within the SINC which are classed as ancient woodland. The River Clydach bisects the northern to central part of the site, then forms the western boundary.

Qualifying features

H1:3 Native woodlands
H2:1 Hedgerows - field size below 4ha
H9:3 PMGRP 20/12

Important species

Species recorded: Song thrush, bullfinch
Habitat suitable for: Bats, Badgers, Marsh fritillary, woodland birds

Management Recommendations

Management of scrub within the grasslands. Suitable grazing regime needed. Woodland may need full assessment and management plan

Last surveyed: 2011 Surveyor: BS WJL 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.