RESOLVEN MINEWATER TREATMENT AREA OMH

Reference No: NPTSINC119 Ward: Resolven Grid ref at centre: SN8396303362 Area (ha): 5.06

Reason for selection: H1:3 Native woodland H14:3 Open Mosaic on Previously Developed Land





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SITE OF IMPORTANCE FOR NATURE CONSERVATION

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Site Description:

The site is an open mosaic habitat (on coal waste material) which lies between the River Neath and the A465 near Resolven. It supports a species-rich assemblage of vascular plants in a late successional stage, dominated in places by Gorse, Willows and Hairy birch. Open areas support a colourful forb flora. The ancient woodland alongside the River Neath is included in this site.

Qualifying features

H1:3 Native woodland - semi-natural woodland with 18 indicator species H14:3 OMPDL (24/20)

Important species

Species recorded: Devil's-bit scabious (white morph), Sneezewort, Purple loosestrife, Ragged robin, Common valerian Habitat suitable for: Bats, Herps, Marsh tit, Song thrush, Mistle thrush, Spotted flycatcher, Grey wagtail, Lesser redpoll

Management Recommendations

The site has reached a late successional stage and is dominated by Birch/Willow/Gorse scrub and will require some scrub clearance to maintain biodiversity and access.

Last surveyed: 2016 Surveyor: MRH/CH Author: CH

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.



