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COUNTRYSIDE COUNCIL FOR WALES**

SITE OF SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC INTEREST CITATION

SWANSEA

OYSTERMOUTH OLD QUARRY

Date of Notification: 1958, 1986

National Grid Reference: SS 615883

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Site Area: 0.6 ha

Description:

This site shows the 'Black Lias' facies of the Upper Limestone Shales, now called the Oystermouth Beds. These uppermost Brigantian marine shales and muddy limestones contain a common Carboniferous limestone fauna of brachiopods, corals and the trilobite *Griffithides*. This facies marks the final phase of carbonate deposition in South Wales in the Carboniferous Limestone.