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SITE OF SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC INTEREST CITATION

CARMARTHEN BEACON BOG

Date of Notification: 1973, 1983

National Grid Reference: SN 354167

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Site Area: 11.5 ha

Description:

A basin mire with a small catchment. The peat is up to 2 metres deep near the centre. The surface is very wet with active growth of bog mosses *Sphagnum* spp. Several scarce plants occur, notably bog rosemary *Andromeda polifolia* near its most southerly known location in the British Isles. Others are royal fern *Osmunda regalis*, cranberry *Vaccinium oxycoccus* and petty whin *Genista anglica*. The latter grows on the drier western margin. Purple moor-grass *Molinia caerulea* dominates the drier edges of the site.

Remarks:

Registered as common land.

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