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SITE OF SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC INTEREST CITATION

POWYS COED YR ALLT-GOCH

Date of Notification: 1980, 1983, 1991

National Grid Reference: SN 903680

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Site Area: 22.4 ha

Description:

This site is a good example of a sessile oakwood with closely spaced even-aged trees, developed on free draining Silurian (Tarannon and Llandovery) strata. The presence of streams adds diversity to the woodland habitat. The site displays well a ground flora typical of grazed upland oakwood. The wood is comparatively species-rich including, for example, opposite-leaved golden-saxifrage *Chrysosplenium oppositifolium*, bluebell *Hyacinthoides non-scripta*, yellow pimpernel *Lysimachia nemorum*, tormentil *Potentilla erecta* and common valerian *Valeriana officinalis*, but these are all sparsely represented and the ground layer is typically of bent and fescue grasses *Agrostis* and *Festuca* with bracken *Pteridium aquilinum* locally abundant and heather *Calluna vulgaris* and bilberry *Vaccinium myrtillus* common.

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