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SITE OF SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC INTEREST CITATION

POWYS LAKE WOOD, LLANDRINDOD WELLS

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National Grid Reference: SO 065604

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Site Area: 9.5 ha

Description:

A species-rich mature sessile oakwood that illustrates the variation in vegetation developed on free-draining and waterlogged soils. It is rather more species-rich than similar woods in the locality, probably because it has developed on soils derived from igneous rock. The upper wood is freely drained and has a particularly well developed understorey of hazel, hawthorn and blackthorn with a ground layer characterised by bluebells *Endymion non-scriptus*. The lower slopes are more nutrient-rich with alder and willow over a diverse herb-layer which includes species such as enchanter's nightshade *Circaea lutetiana*, marsh valerian *Valeriana dioica* and marsh-marigold *Caltha palustris*.

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