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SITE OF SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC INTEREST CITATION

POWYS/CARMARTHENSHIRE

CWM TWRCH

Date of Notification: 1988

National Grid Reference: SN 756127

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Site Area: 2.4 ha

Description:

The best exposure in South Wales of the interval of Carboniferous rock strata straddling the Westphalian A – Westphalian B boundary. The Amman Marine Band, which indicates the position of the boundary, is well seen here and contains a relatively diverse fauna. This site is of considerable importance because it fills in the gap in the Cwm Gwrelych – Nant Llyn Fach section, completing a continuous sequence of strata from the base of the Westphalian A to the upper Westphalian C.

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