

# 60. Rhos Glandenyys

Cross Inn, Ceredigion

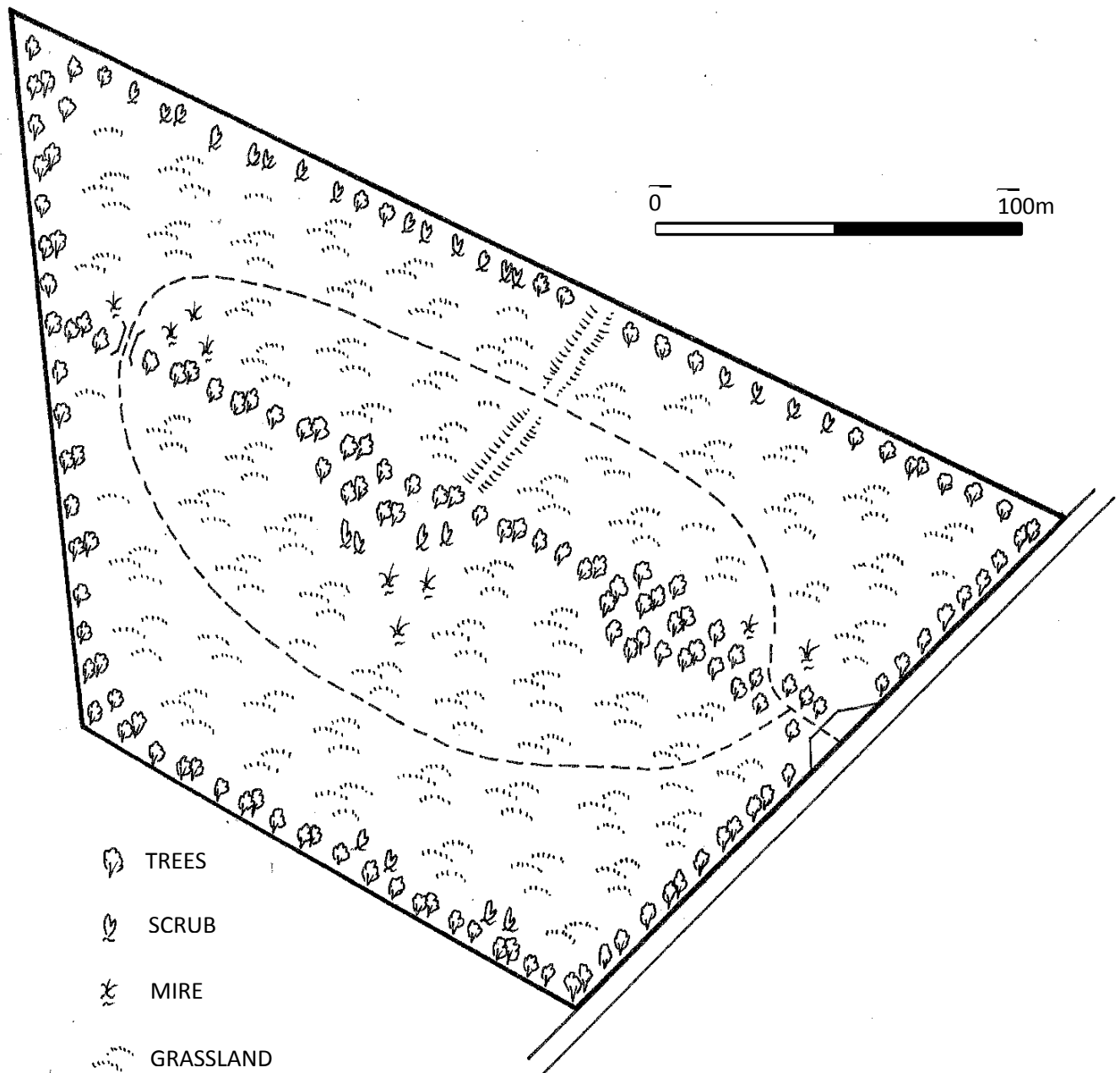
Grid References	O.S. Explorer map 199 Lampeter. Main entrance: SN539650, Site centre: SN538650
Status	
Tenure	Freehold was purchased in 1989 with grant aid from the National Heritage Memorial Fund.
Size	2.4 ha (5.9 acres)
Location and Access Notes	Off road parking for 2 cars. Access is via a kissing gate. There is a bridge with a stile over a boggy area at the western end to connect the 3 fields in the site. The site is flat but there are large areas of wetland, it is not wheelchair friendly. No footpaths but open access.
Public Transport	Not on a regular bus route

**Description:** Rhos pasture.

Rhos Glandenyys can be divided into 3 compartments of wet, species-rich grassland with a mosaic of communities associated with the varying wetness of the land and is an excellent example of wet Ceredigion 'rhos' grassland. It is surrounded by banks with mixed species hedges, mainly Willow, and a small scrub woodland which contains a large shallow pond. There are other areas of standing water on the site.

Hedgerow birds are abundant, including Dunnock, Robin, Blackbird and Wren. Grasshopper Warblers have also nested on site. Willow Warblers and Chiffchaff are common summer visitors. Common and Jack Snipe and Woodcock are frequent visitors in the autumn/winter and early spring months.

The site is noted mainly for its abundance of Southern Marsh Orchids (6-7), and Heath Spotted Orchids (6-7) can be seen as well as a beautiful summer display of Ragged Robin (5-7), Sneezewort (7-8), Devil's-bit Scabious (6-10) and Greater Bird's-foot Trefoil (6-8).



**Management objectives:** Maintain the current habitat for the species of particular conservation importance by using horse grazing throughout the summer and early autumn months. Rushes are topped annually in one compartment to increase botanical diversity. The hedgerows may be managed by laying in the future.

Good times to visit	
May-Sept	Rhos Pasture flowers
May-Jul	Breeding birds
Jun-Sept	Flowering orchids
Oct-Feb	Woodcock and snipe