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**SITE OF SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC INTEREST CITATION**

**MONMOUTHSHIRE**

**MAGOR MARSH**

**Date of Notification:** 1979, 1982  
**National Grid Reference:** ST 425866  
**O.S. Maps:** 1:50,000 Sheet number: 171  
1:25,000 Sheet number: SO 48  
**Site Area:** 21.9 ha

**Description:**

The largest remnant of the formerly extensive fenlands near the Gwent coast. It lies on estuarine alluvium but receives run-off from an area of Carboniferous Limestone. The site supports a variety of reed *Phragmites australis*, sedge *Carex spp.* and submerged and emergent aquatic plants. There are areas of wet meadow and both willow *Salix spp.* and alder *Alnus glutinosa* carr with an intersecting system of drainage ditches – or reens and ponds. It is an important breeding ground for water and marsh birds.

**Remarks:**

A Gwent Trust for Nature Conservation Reserve.

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