SITE SYNOPSIS

SITE NAME: FENNOR BOG

SITE CODE: 001697

Fennor Bog is a small wetland surrounded by low tufts about 5km west of Tramore. It is an area containing a variety of swamp, fen and bog communities.

The wettest patches are dominated by Bogbean (*Menyanthes trifoliata*), Water Horsetail (*Equisetum fluviatile*) and Bog Pondweed (*Potamogeton polygonifolius*).

In drier places these species become less common and the dominant species is the moss *Aulacomnium palustre*, with Common Cottongrass (*Eriophorum angustifolium*), Common Marsh-bedstraw (*Galium palustre*) and Bottle Sedge (*Carex rostrata*) all frequent. In addition Marsh St. John's-wort (*Hypericum elodes*) is very common, a local species in Ireland and Britain.

Other areas are dominated by the conspicuous tussocks of Greater Tussock-sedge (*Carex paniculata*) or by Common Reed (*Phragmites australis*). Willow (*Salix* spp.) and alder (*Alnus* spp.) bushes are frequent in some areas.

The interest of this site lies in the variety of wetland plant communities found in this area, and the abundance of Marsh St. John’s-wort.

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