

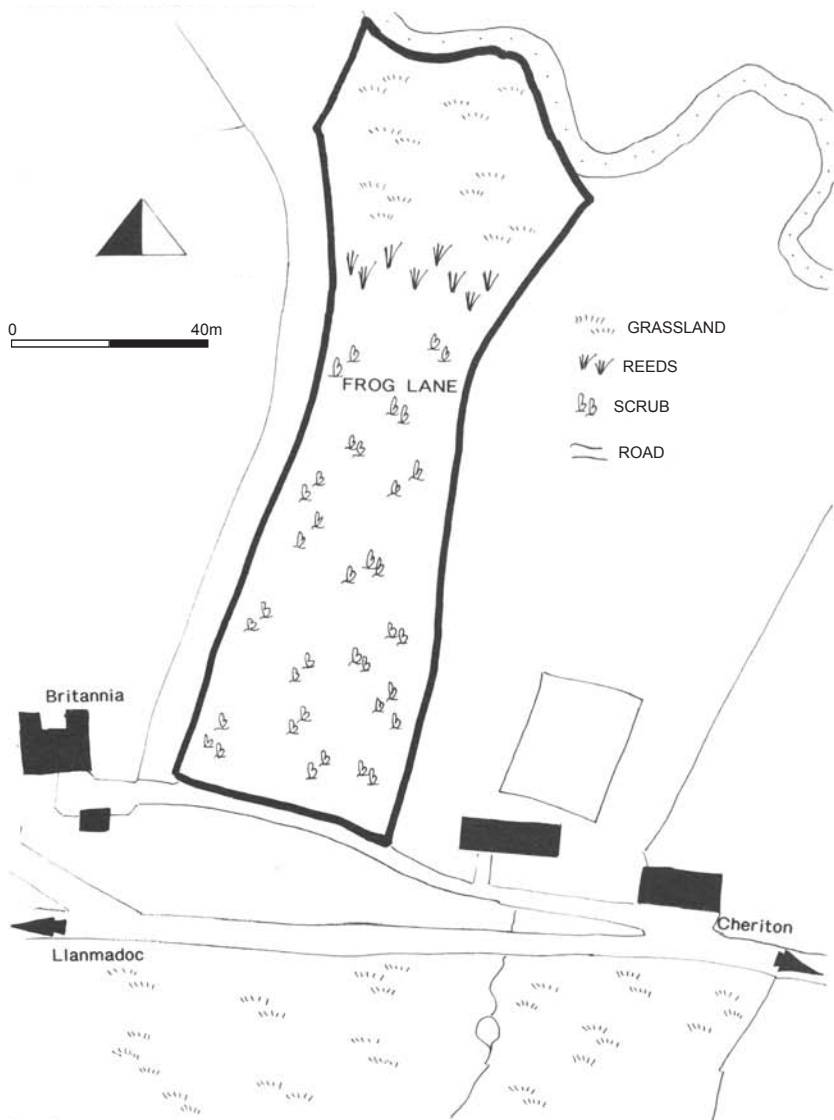
## 24. The Lucas Reserve

Frog Lane, Llanmadoc, Gower, Swansea

<b>Grid References</b>	O.S. Explorer map 164 Gower. Site centre: SS447933
<b>Status</b>	
<b>Tenure</b>	The reserve was acquired in September 1970 under a 99 year lease.
<b>Size</b>	0.45 ha (1.1 acres).
<b>Location and Access Notes</b>	Adjacent to the Britannia Inn, Llanmadoc. There are no formal footpaths.
<b>Public transport</b>	Bus service 116 from Swansea Quadrant Bus Station to Llanmadoc.

**Description:** Wet woodland, grassland and scrub.

The Lucas Reserve is a long meadow sloping northwards down to Burry Pill. Most of the reserve is on a slope made up of boulder clay and is dominated by Bracken/Bramble scrub with Willow, Ash, and Oak developing into secondary woodland. The northern part of the reserve, which is the lowest point, is level on alluvial sediments, and experiences periodic saline inundations from Burry Pill at high tides. The damp meadow is marked with stands of Yellow Flag (5-7) and Marsh Mallow (8-9), and its junction with the scrub and woodland is marked by a dense stand of Common Reed.



**Management Objectives:** To maintain the diversity of the site through grass cutting, and tree planting.

**Good times to visit**

Apr - Jun Spring and summer flowers  
 May - Jul Breeding birds