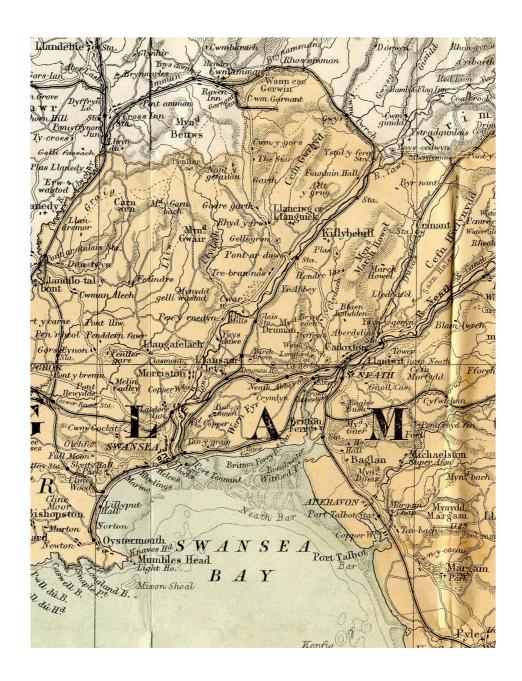
# A Gazetteer of Localities in the West Glamorgan area



A gazetteer of over 300 localities, villages, towns, parishes and districts in the West Glamorgan area

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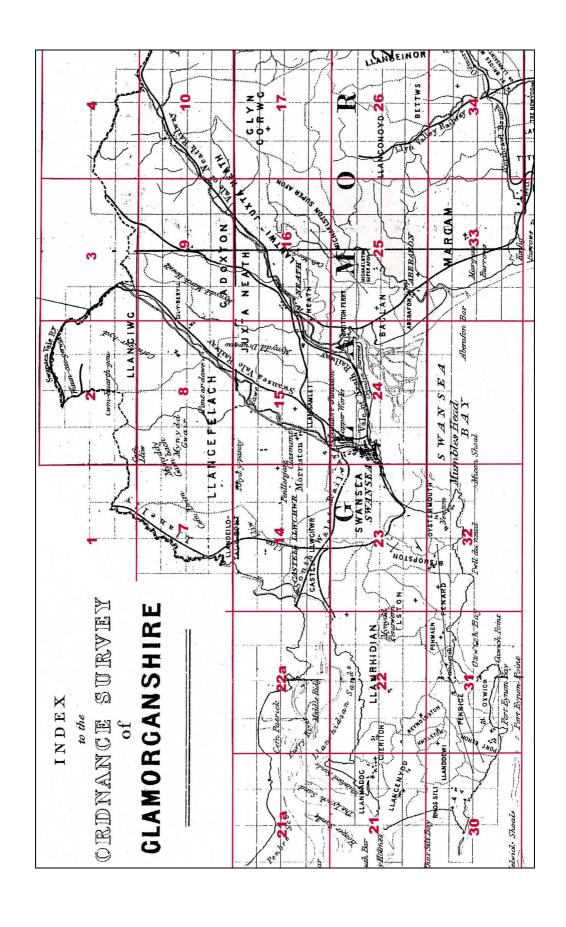
#### Introduction

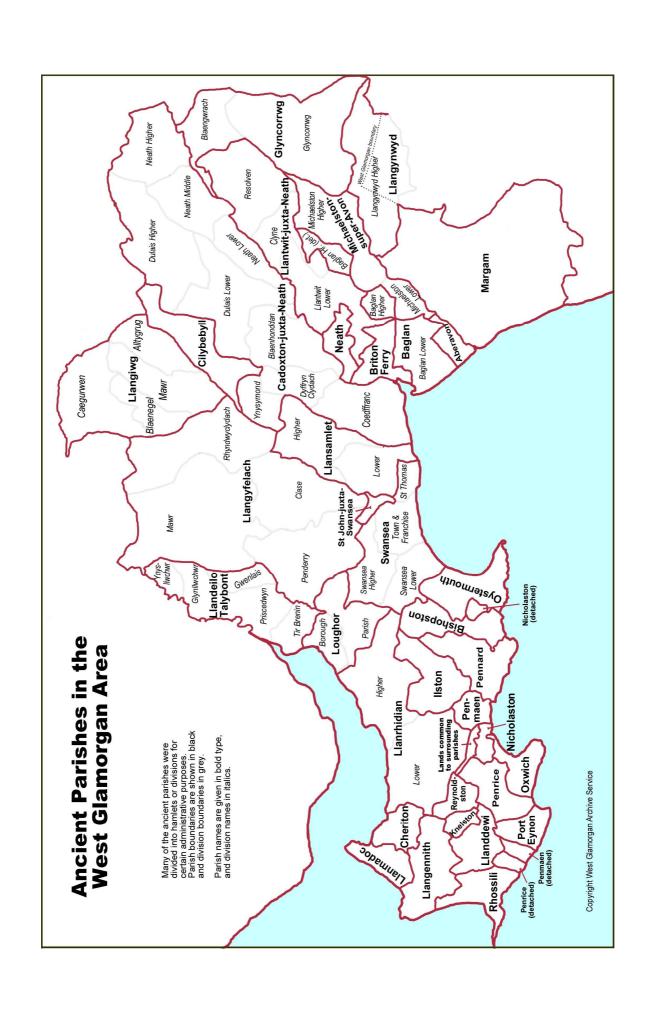
This is a list of the parishes, manors, localities, hamlets, villages and towns in the West Glamorgan area, with information about each which will help to show its location and give some background information to it. The aim has been to show which ancient parish (and where possible, modern ecclesiastical parish) each is in, with details of which local authority it has been part of over the years, which estates owned land in the area, and its location.

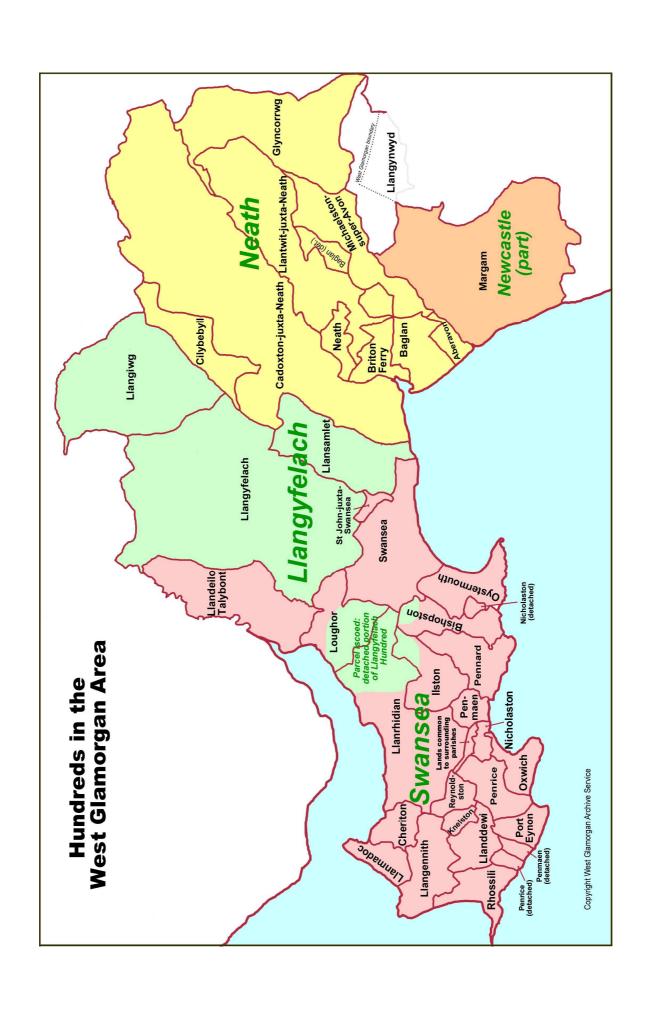
Locations are given in two ways. The abbreviation NGR has been used for National Grid Reference, which is given correct to 1km. The Ordnance Survey County Series sheet is also given; see the keysheets on the next few pages. In addition, the ancient parish and, where relevant, the parish division, are also given for each place described. This should make it possible to locate each place on the tithe map, as well as superseded and current Ordnance Survey maps at a scale of 1:2500.

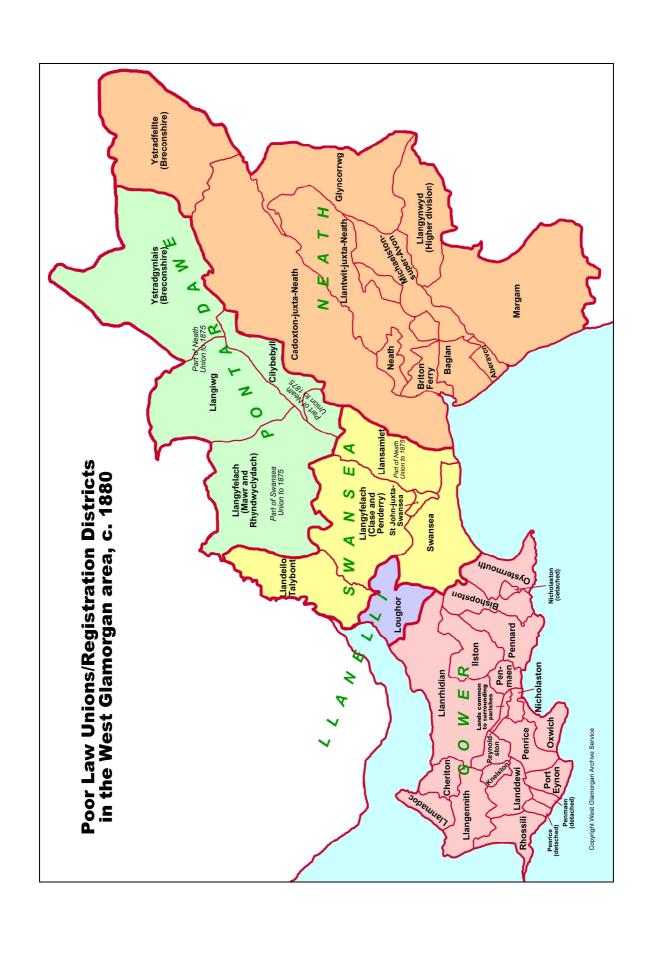
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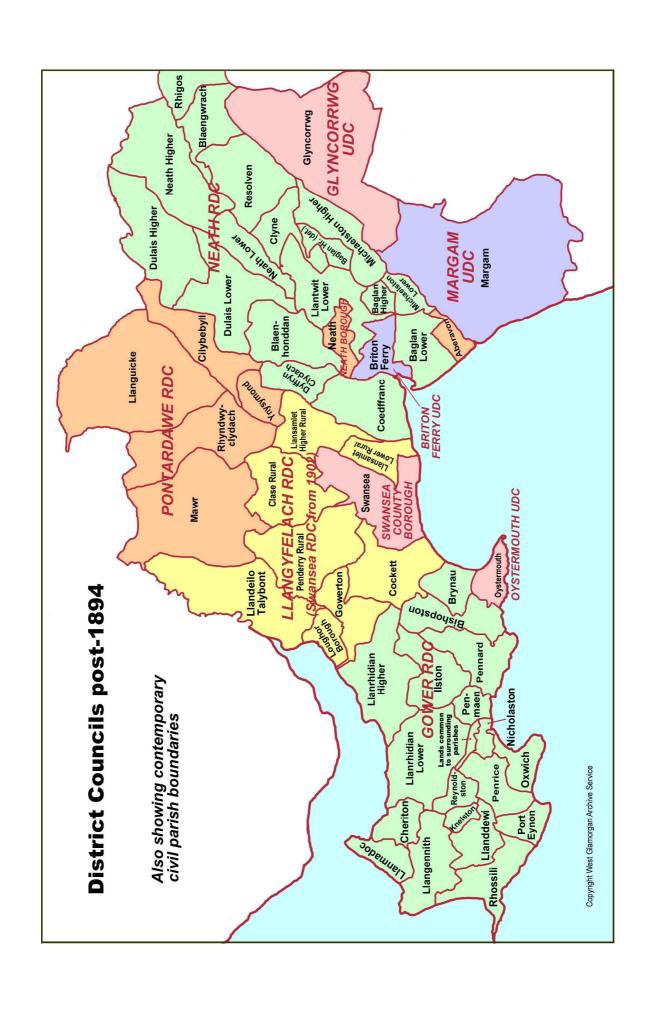
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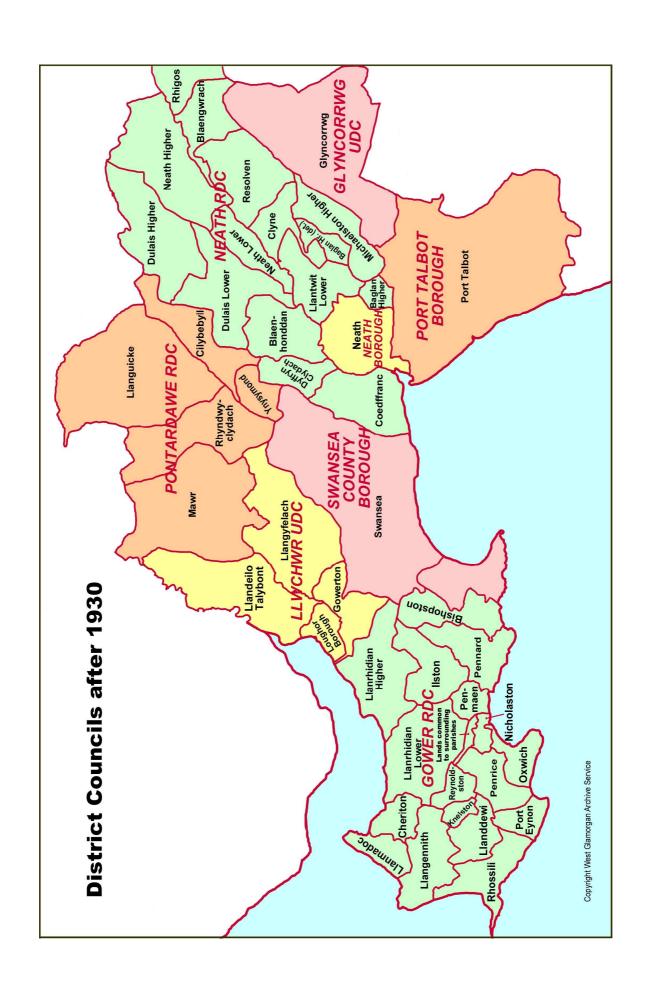


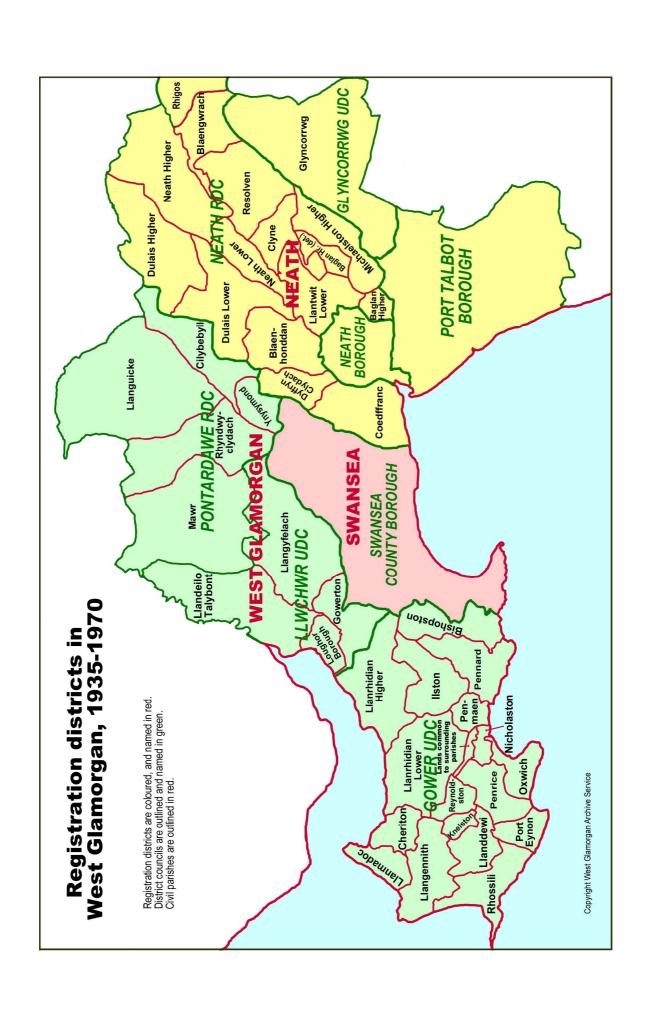


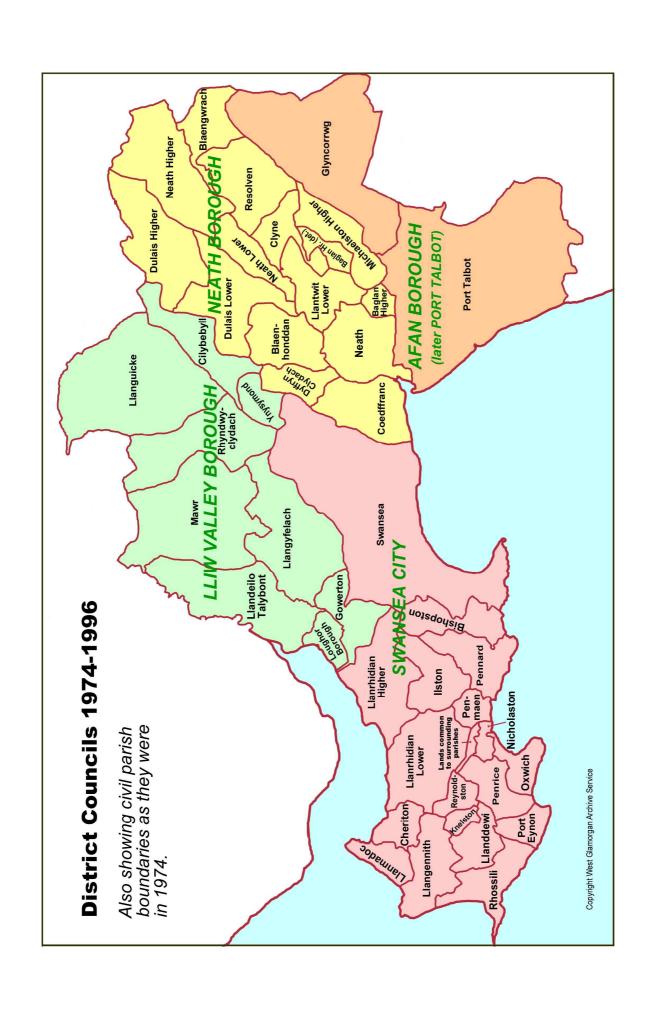


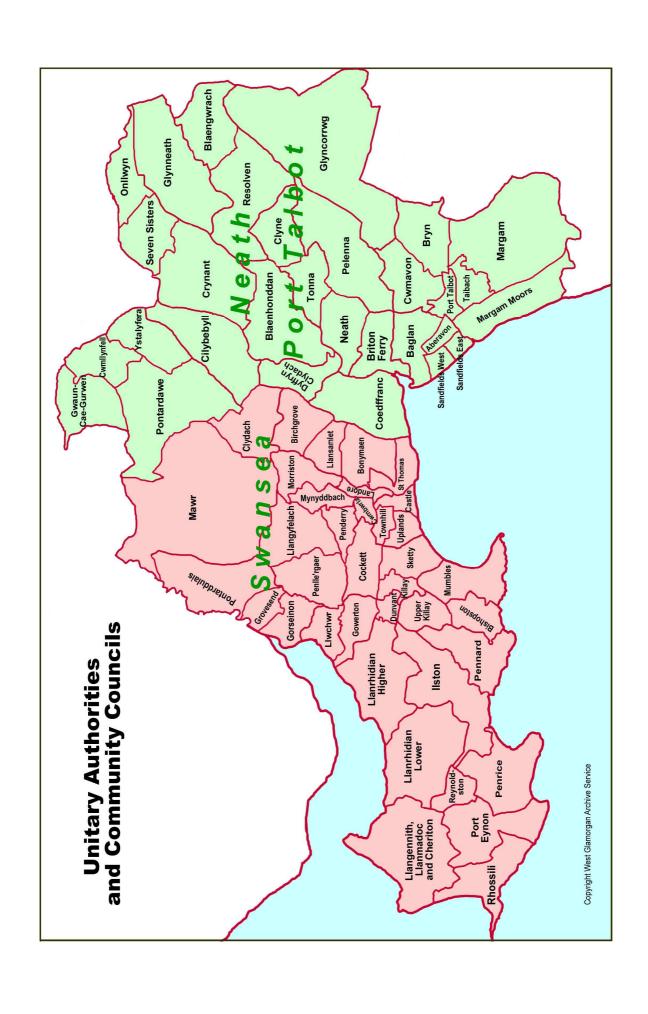












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Aberafan: see Aberavon

Aberavon: town, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish, and ancient borough (which lay within the boundaries of the parish; was reformed in 1861, then enlarged in 1922 and renamed Port Talbot Borough). In Neath registration district, Borough of Aberavon to 1922, then Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974; Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. The church is dedicated to St Mary and is at NGR 7690 and OS sheet 25.14. Major local estates: Margam Estate (D/D Ma), Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn) and Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF). Aberavon is named from its position at the mouth of the River Afan.

**Aberclydach:** locality in Llangyfelach ancient parish (division of Clase) to the south and west of the centre of Clydach. Aberclydach takes its name from its location at the place where the Lower Clydach flows into the River Tawe.

Abercregan: hamlet in Glyncorrwg ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish, Neath registration district, Glyncorrwg UDC 1894-1974, Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 8496 and OS sheet 17.13. Named from its position at the lower end of the River Cregan.

Aberdulais: village/locality in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (Dulais Lower division); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF), Tennant Estate (D/D T), Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, RISW Gn and NAS Gn). NGR SS 7699-7799 and OS sheet 16.5. The village is situated near to where the River Dulais flows into the River Neath.

Abergwynfi: hamlet in Llangynwyd ancient parish (higher division), included in Glyncorrwg from 1880; in Neath registration district, Glyncorrwg UDC 1894-1974, Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR 8996 and OS sheet 17.15. Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF). Named from its position at the lower end of the River Gwynfi.

**Aberpergwm:** locality and former ecclesiastical parish in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (Neath Higher division); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Aberpergwm Estate (D/D Ab). The church, dedicated to St Cadoc, is on the site of one of the ancient chapels-of-ease to Cadoxton-juxta-Neath. NGR SN 8606 and OS sheet 10.5. Named from its position at the lower end of the River Pergwm.

- Alltwen: village in Cilybebyll ancient parish; contains St John's church (chapel-of-ease to Cilybebyll). In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7203 and OS sheet 8.16. Major local estates: Dyffryn Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4). Alltwen grew up in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century, on land forming part of the various Alltwen farms.
- Alltygrug: easternmost division of Llangiwg ancient parish, containing Ystalyfera. In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Ynys-Cedwyn Estate (D/D Yc).
- **Avon Burgus:** a name for the manor of the Borough of Avon. See section on Aberavon.
- **Avon Wallia:** manor in the lordship of Glamorgan consisting of the parishes of Glyncorrwg, Michaelston-super-Avon and Baglan, and the Clyne division of Llantwit-juxta-Neath parish.
- **Avon:** original name for the Borough of Aberavon. Also Afan, Avan, Avene.
- **Baglan Higher:** division of Baglan ancient parish. There is a large detached portion. Baglan Higher was in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Baglan Higher contains the village of Tonmawr.
- **Baglan Lower:** division of Baglan ancient parish. In Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1922, then part of Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974; Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot.
- Baglan: large village and modern ecclesiastical parish (churches dedicated to St Baglan and St Catherine) situated in Baglan ancient parish (Lower division). In Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1922, then part of Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974; Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7494 and OS sheet 24.4. Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF), Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn); other estates include Baglan Hall Estate, whose records are held at the Glamorgan Record Office, D/D Lle. Baglan takes its name from the dedication of the church to St Baglan.
- Banwen: locality in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (Dulais Higher division); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Banwen is in the manor of Neath Ultra and Cilybebyll, which included a good deal of copyhold land. Many of the records of this manor are among the records of the Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, RISW Gn and NAS Gn). NGR SN 8509 and OS sheet 4.13.

Birchgrove: village in higher division of Llansamlet ancient parish. There is a church there dedicated to St John, a daughter church in the modern ecclesiastical parish of Llansamlet. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 7098 and OS sheet 15.11. This area belonged to the Birchgrove Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4.

**Bishopston:** a village, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish (dedicated to St Teilo); also a manor (occupying the southern half of the ancient parish). In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 5789 and OS sheet 32.2. Major local estates: Little Hill/Bach-y-gwreiddyn (NAS BG), Vivian/Gilbertson/Thomas (D/D Vi 3). Bishopston is Llandeilo Ferwallt in Welsh. Bishopston is so named because the manor belonged to the bishops of Llandaff.

Blackhills: locality in Bishopston parish and modern ecclesiastical parish, and in Weobley manor; in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5891 and OS sheet 23.10. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P) and David Trevillian Jenkin estate (D/D SB 16)

Blackpill: a locality and ancient hamlet in north of Oystermouth ancient parish and Oystermouth Manor; modern ecclesiastical parish of Llwynderw; Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857); in Brynau civil parish and Gower RDC 1894-1918 then Swansea County Borough/City to 1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 6190 and OS sheet 23.15. Major local estates: Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau).

Blaendulais: see Seven Sisters.

**Blaenegel:** western division of Llangiwg ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. The River Egel runs along one boundary.

Blaengwrach: village and former division of Glyncorrwg ancient parish; also a modern ecclesiastical parish (the church, which is an ancient chapel-of-ease to Glyncorrwg, is dedicated to St Mary); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 8705 and OS sheet 10.6.

**Blaengwynfi:** hamlet in Glyncorrwg ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish, Neath registration district, Glyncorrwg UDC 1894-1974, Afan/Port

Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR 8996 and OS sheet 17.15. Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF). Blaengwynfi takes its name from the River Gwynfi which flows nearby.

Blaenhonddan: a division of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath ancient parish, containing Bryncoch, Cadoxton-juxta-Neath, Rhydding, Cilffrew, ; became a civil parish in 1894. in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Neath Abbey Estate (D/D D); Tennant Estate (D/D T).

Blue Anchor: hamlet in Llanrhidian ancient parish (Higher division) and in Llanyrnewydd modern ecclesiastical parish, in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5595 and OS sheet 22.4. Major local estates: Bryn-hir Estate (D/D SB 25) and Berrington Estate (D/D Xge 32).

Bonymaen: village in lower division of Llansamlet ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish of Glantawe; parish church of St Margaret's is in Bonymaen. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6795 and OS sheet 24.2. Bonymaen belonged to the Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF).

Bovehill: hamlet and castle in the ancient parish of Cheriton and manor of Landimore (northern part). In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4593 and OS sheet 22.5. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).

Briton Ferry: village, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish. The parish became a local board, then in 1894 an Urban District Council. Briton Ferry was in Neath registration district, Briton Ferry UDC 1894-1921 (which became part of Neath Borough 1921-1974; Neath Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7494 and OS sheet 24.4. Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF) which once owned the entire parish.

**Brombil:** division of the ancient parish of Margam.

Bryn: hamlet in Margam ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish, Neath registration district, Margam UDC 1894-1922, then part of Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974; Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 8192 and OS sheet 25.7. Major local estates: Margam Estate (D/D Ma). Bryn means Hill in Welsh.

Brynamman, Lower: see Lower Brynamman.

**Bryncoch:** village/locality in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (Blaenhonddan division); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Dyffryn Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4); Neath Abbey Estate (D/D D); Tennant Estate (D/D T). NGR SS 7499 and OS sheet 15.8.

Bryndylais: locality in the west of Seven Sisters.

**Brynhyfryd:** locality in the north of Swansea, originally in the ancient parish of Llangyfelach, Clase division, but part of Swansea Borough from 1835, County Borough from 1889, City from 1969 and City and County of Swansea from 1996. In Swansea Registration District. NGR SS 6595 and OS sheet 15.13.

**Brynmill:** locality named after two mills which formerly stood beside the stream called Brynmill Stream; in the Town and Franchise division of Swansea ancient parish; originally in parish of St Mary's but in St Gabriel's parish since 1889. In Swansea registration district; Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6392 and OS sheet 23.12.

Burry Green: hamlet in Llangennith ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish, and in the manor of Burry alias Stembridge. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4691 and OS sheet 22.9. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).

Bwlchymynydd: part of Loughor, at NGR SS 5798 and OS sheet 14.9.

Bwilfa: an old name for part of Ynystawe. NGR SN 6800 and OS sheet 15.6

Cadle: locality on the outskirts of Swansea, in Llangyfelach ancient parish, division of Penderry. On the boundary between Swansea RDC and Swansea County Borough following the 1918 enlargement of the borough. NGR SS 6297 and OS sheet 14.16. Major local estates: Penlle'rgaer Estate (records in NLW).

**Cadoxton, manor of:** manor consisting of the southern half of the parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath, i.e. Coedffranc, Ynysymond, Dyffryn Clydach and Blaenhonddan divisions. The first three made up the lands granted to Neath Abbey by its foundation charter of 1129-30. This manor was in the Lordship of Glamorgan.

Cadoxton-juxta-Neath: (Welsh Llangatwg Nedd) village, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish; the ancient parish was divided into 9 parts –

Coedffranc, Dyffryn Clydach, Ynysymond, Blaenhonddan, Dulais Lower, Dulais Higher, Neath Lower, Neath Middle and Neath Higher. All these became civil parishes in 1894, but Neath Middle and Neath Higher were amalgamated in 1902. All but Ynysymond were in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. The ancient parish was very large; see the sections on each of its constituent parts for details of local estates. The parish church is at Cadoxton-juxta-Neath village and is dedicated to St Catwg; there were also ancient chapels-of-ease at Aberpergwm and Crynant (both are still in use as churches) and St Margaret's, Coedffranc (in ruins, situated near Jersey Marine). The village is at NGR SS 7598 and on OS sheet 16.5.

**Caegurwen:** northernmost division of Llangiwg ancient parish, containing Gwaun-Cae-Gurwen; also a manor. In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot.

Carnglas: locality in the west of Swansea, in the Lower division of Swansea ancient parish; in Tycoch modern ecclesiastical parish. From 1894, it was in the civil parish of Cockett and In Llangyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council; became part of the enlarged County Borough of Swansea from 1918, Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. In Swansea Registration District. NGR SS 6293 and OS sheet 23.7, 23.8

Cas-Ilwchwr: see Loughor.

Castell-nedd: see Neath.

Caswell: a locality in Oystermouth ancient parish and Oystermouth Manor; also Newton modern ecclesiastical parish; Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857); Oystermouth UDC 1894-1918 then Swansea County Borough/City to 1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 5987 and OS sheet 32.6. Major local estates: Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau)

**Cefn-hengoed:** locality in lower division of Llansamlet ancient parish and Glantawe modern ecclesiastical parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6895 and OS sheet 24.2.

**Cefn-y-garth:** locality, part of the village of Glais, in the higher division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SN 7000 and OS sheet 15.3.

Cheriton: village, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish, dedicated to St Cadoc, historically joined with Llanmadoc parish. The parish contains the northern part of the manor of Landimore, which has similar boundaries to those of the parish. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. The village is at NGR SS 4593 and on OS sheet 21.8. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).

Cilâ: see Killay.

Cilffrew: village/locality in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath, Blaenhonddan division; in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Tennant Estate (D/D T). NGR SN 7700 and OS sheets 16.2 and 16.6.

**Cilmaengwyn:** hamlet in Llangiwg ancient parish (Alltygrug division). In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7406 and OS sheet 8.8. Major local estates: Ynys-cedwyn Estate (D/D Yc)

Cilybebyll: village, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish (church dedicated to St John). Situated in the manor of Neath Ultra and Cilybebyll. In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. The church is at NGR SS 7798-7799 and OS sheets 10.5 and 10.6. The major estates in the parish were the Ynys-Cedwyn Estate (northernmost part), Cilybebyll Estate (central portion) and Dyffryn Estate (formerly Briton Ferry Estate) (southern part).

Cimla: Suburb of Neath in Llantwit-juxta-Neath ancient parish (Llantwit Lower division), Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1921 then part of enlarged Neath Borough 1921-1974; Neath Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7696 and OS sheet 16.13. Major local estates: Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn).

Clase: ancient division of the parish of Llangyfelach, in the south eastern quarter of the parish; sub-divided into a higher and lower division. More recently, those parts of Clase that included Morriston, Plasmarl, Landore, Treboeth and Brynhyfryd became part of Swansea Borough in 1835, and became known as Clase Urban; the remainder was known as Clase Rural, and was part of Llangyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council, then amalgamated with the rural parts of Penderry division to form the civil parish of Llangyfelach following the enlargement of Swansea County Borough in 1918. Clase alias Clas Llangyfelach was the name given to a manor, which belonged to the Bishops of St Davids, and which was similar in size to the parish division of Clase, but with different boundaries. Clase is also the name of a suburb of Swansea, which is at NGR SS 6597

and OS sheet 15.9. Major local estates include the Ynystawe Estate (D/D SB 3), Dyffryn Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4), the Calland Estate (D 218 and RISW C) and the Morris Estate (D 11).

Clydach: town and modern ecclesiastical parish (church dedicated to St John) in Llangyfelach ancient parish (mostly in Rhyndwyclydach division, but partly in Clase division). The Rhyndwyclydach portion was in Swansea registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; the other part remained in Swansea Registration District, Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC to 1930 and Llwchwr UDC 1930-1974; both parts were in Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and are currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 6801-6901 and OS sheet 15.2. Major local estates: Ynys-penllwch Estate (D/D Yp). Clydach appears on some early maps as 'Pont-ar-glydach' (Bridge over the Clydach) from its position at the crossing of the Lower Clydach river. It was also known as Clydach-on-Tawe in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Clyne: hamlet and also the name of a division of Llantwit-juxta-Neath ancient parish. In Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974; Neath Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 8000 and OS sheet 16.3. Clyne comes from the Welsh 'clun' meaning a meadow.

Cockett: locality in the Higher division of Swansea ancient parish; an ecclesiastical parish since 1878, church dedicated to St Peter. In Swansea Registration District. In 1894 a civil parish called Cockett was created by the amalgamation of Swansea Higher and Swansea Lower, which was part of Llangyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council. However, Cockett became part of the enlarged Swansea Borough in 1918, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6294-6394 and OS sheet 23.4. In terms of local estates, the Cameron Estate and the Thomas family of Hill House and Glanmor are known to have held land in the vicinity; however no records are held at the WGAS.

Coedffranc: a division of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath ancient parish, containing Skewen, part of Neath Abbey, Jersey Marine and Llandarcy; became a civil parish in 1894. in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Neath Abbey Estate (D/D D); Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF). Coedffranc means 'Frenchman's wood'.

Corlannau: Locality in Port Talbot in the ancient parish of Aberavon; in Neath registration district, Borough of Aberavon to 1922, then Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974; Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7791 and OS sheet 25.10. Major local estates: Margam Estate (D/D Ma), Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn) and Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF).

**Craig Gellinudd:** locality, part of Gellinudd.

**Craig Llangiwg:** locality to the north east of Pontardawe in Llangiwg ancient parish. NGR SN 7305 and OS sheets 8.8 and 8.12. Major local estates: Cilybebyll Estate (D/D Cil)

**Craig Trebanos:** locality in Trebanos

Craigcefnparc: hamlet in Llangyfelach ancient parish (Mawr division). In Swansea registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in the City and County of Swansea. NGR SN 6702-6703 and OS sheets 8.14. Major local estates: Dyffryn Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4).

**Craig-y-Duke:** locality in Trebannos

**Creunant:** see Crynant.

**Croeserw:** hamlet, originally in Llangynwyd ancient parish (higher division) then Glyncorrwg from 1880; Neath registration district, Glyncorrwg UDC 1894-1974, Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 8695-8795 and OS sheet 17.14.

Crofty: hamlet in Llanrhidian ancient parish (Higher division) and in Llanyrnewydd modern ecclesiastical parish, in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5294-5295 and OS sheet 22.4. Major local estates: Bryn-hir Estate (D/D SB 25) and Berrington Estate (D/D Xge 32).

Cross Inn: see Sketty.

**Crwys, Y:** see Three Crosses.

Crynant: (Welsh Creunant) village, community council and former ecclesiastical parish in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (on the border between Dulais Higher and Dulais Lower divisions); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. The church is one of the ancient chapels-of-ease to Cadoxton-juxta-Neath. Major local estates: Gnoll Estate. Crynant is in the manor of Neath Ultra and Cilybebyll, which included a good deal of copyhold land. Many of the records of this manor are among the records of the Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, RISW Gn and NAS Gn). NGR SN 7904-7905 and OS sheets 3.15 and 3.15.

**Cwm:** locality near Bonymaen in the lower division of Llansamlet ancient parish and Glantawe modern ecclesiastical parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR

SS 6795 and OS sheet 15.14. The Cwm area belonged to the Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF). Cwm is Welsh for valley.

Cwmafan (also known as Cwmavon): village in Michaelston-super-Avon ancient parish (Lower division) and modern ecclesiastical parish, Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1922, then part of Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974, Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7792-7892 and OS sheet 25.6 and 25.10. Major local estates: mostly Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF); also Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn). Cwm-afan is Welsh for Afan valley (the River Afan flows past the village).

**Cwmavon:** see Cwmafan.

Cwmbwrla: locality in the north west of Swansea, originally in the ancient parish of Swansea, Higher division, but incorporated within Swansea County Borough from 1889, City from 1969 and City and County of Swansea from 1996. In Swansea Registration District. The name comes from Cwmbwrlais (the Bwrlais brook forms the parish boundary). NGR SS 6494 and OS sheet 24.1 and 23.4. There is also a modern ecclesiastical parish of St Luke's, Cwmbwrla, formed out of Cockett parish in 1911.

**Cwmdu:** locality in the north of Swansea near Cwmbwrla. NGR SS 6494 and OS sheet 24.1 and 23.4. Cwmdu means black valley.

**Cwmgors:** locality to the south of Gwaun-Cae-Gurwen. NGR SN 7010 and OS sheet 2.11.

**Cwmgwrach:** hamlet in Llantwit-juxta-Neath ancient parish (Resolven division), Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974; Neath Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7798-7799 and OS sheets 10.5 and 10.6.

**Cwmllynfell:** hamlet in Llangiwg ancient parish (Caegurwen division). In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7412 and OS sheet 2.8. Cwmllynfell was originally the name of a farm which was also known as Esgair-llwyn-cyll.

**Cwmrhydyceirw:** locality to the south of Ynystawe (q.y.), originally known as Cwm-rhyd-y-cwrw (valley of the ford of beer), but the cwrw (beer) element was substituted with ceirw (deer) during the 19<sup>th</sup> century. NGR SS 6699 and OS sheet 15.5

**Cwrt Sart:** locality forming part of Briton Ferry.

**Cymmer:** hamlet in Llangynwyd ancient parish (higher division), included in Glyncorrwg from 1880; Neath registration district, Glyncorrwg UDC 1894-

- 1974, Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 8696 and OS sheet 17.13.
- **Cynonville:** hamlet, originally in Llangynwyd ancient parish (higher division) then Glyncorrwg from 1880; Neath registration district, Glyncorrwg UDC 1894-1974, Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 8295 and OS sheet 25.4.
- **Danygraig:** locality in the St Thomas division of Swansea ancient parish; originally in parish of St Marys but in since 1888 in St Thomas ecclesiastical parisn. In Swansea registration district; Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6793 and OS sheets 24.5 and 24.6. Danygraig takes its name from a farm in the area which belonged to the Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF).
- Derwen Fawr: locality in the west of Swansea, in the Lower division of Swansea ancient parish, and the modern ecclesiastical parish of Sketty. Named after an old house, Derwen-fawr, formerly known as Hen-dderwen (from a great oak that stood in the grounds) and before that Sketty Isaf. From 1894, it was in the civil parish of Cockett and In Llangyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council; became part of the enlarged County Borough of Swansea from 1918, Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. In Swansea Registration District. NGR SS 6191 and OS sheet 23.11. Major local estates: Derwen-fawr Estate (D/D SB 24) and Sketty Park Estate (D/D Sk).
- **Duffryn:** hamlet, originally in Llangynwyd ancient parish (higher division) then Glyncorrwg from 1880; Neath registration district, Glyncorrwg UDC 1894-1974, Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 8395-8495 and OS sheet 16.16 and 17.13. Dyffryn is Welsh for a valley.
- Dulais Higher: division of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath ancient parish, containing part of Crynant, Seven Sisters, Onllwyn, Banwen and Dyffryn Cellwen; became a civil parish in 1894. in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Dulais Higher was in the manor of Neath Ultra and Cilybebyll, which included a good deal of copyhold land. Many of the records of this manor are among the records of the Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, RISW Gn and NAS Gn).
- **Dulais Lower:** division of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath ancient parish, containing part of Crynant; became a civil parish in 1894. in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Dulais Higher was in the manor of Neath Ultra and Cilybebyll, which included a good deal of copyhold land. Many of the records of this manor are among the records of the Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, RISW Gn and NAS Gn).

**Dunns:** a locality in Mumbles in Oystermouth ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish; also Oystermouth Manor; Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857); Oystermouth UDC 1894-1918 then Swansea County Borough/City to 1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 6188 and OS sheet 32.3. Major local estates: Beaufort estate (D/D Beau)

Dunvant: village mostly in the parish of Llanrhidian Higher but with parts in the parish of Loughor. Those parts in Llanrhidian were in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996. Those for the parish of Loughor were in Llanelli poor law union and registration district (currently Swansea), Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District Council 1894-1931, Llwchwr UDC 1931-1974 and Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996. Dunvant is all currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5893-5993 and OS sheet 22.6. Major local estates: Berrington Estate (D/D Xge 32). Dunvant is Dyfnant in Welsh, which means deep stream.

**Dyffryn Cellwen:** locality in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (Dulais Higher division); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Dyffryn Cellwen is in the manor of Neath Ultra and Cilybebyll, which included a good deal of copyhold land. Many of the records of this manor are among the records of the Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, RISW Gn and NAS Gn). NGR SN 8510 and OS sheet 4.9.

**Dyffryn Clydach:** largely rural division of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath ancient parish; became a civil parish in 1894. in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Neath Abbey Estate (D/D D); Dyffryn Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4). The name means Clydach Valley (the River Clydach flows along the boundary)

**Dyffryn:** village and modern ecclesiastical parish (church dedicated to St Matthew) in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (Dyffryn Clydach division); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Dyffryn Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4). NGR SS 7399 and OS sheet 15.8. Dyffryn is Welsh for valley.

**Dyfnant:** see Dunvant.

**Dylais Higher/Lower:** see Dulais Higher/Lower.

**Felindre:** hamlet in Llangyfelach ancient parish (Mawr division). In Swansea registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in the City and County of Swansea. NGR SN 6302 and OS sheets 7.16. Major local estates: Dyffryn Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4). Felindre means mill town.

- **Felin-frân:** hamlet/locality in higher division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6998 and OS sheet 15.10. This area belonged to the Glan-brân estate. Felin-frân means ravens' mill.
- **Felin-newydd:** locality in the western part of the village of Llansamlet. The name means new mill.
- **Fforestfach:** locality in the north-west of Swansea, in the Higher division of Swansea ancient parish. From 1894, it was in the civil parish of Cockett and In Llangyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council; became part of the enlarged County Borough of Swansea from 1918, Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. NGR SS 6394 and OS sheet 23.4. Fforestfach means little forest.
- **Foxhole:** locality in lower division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter, Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6694 and OS sheet 24.1.
- **Frederick Place:** locality in higher division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 7097 and OS sheet 15.15.
- **Gellinudd:** hamlet in Cilybebyll ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7304 and OS sheet 8.12. Major local estates: Dyffryn Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4) and Cilybebyll Estate (D/D Cil).
- **Gendros:** locality in the north of Swansea, originally in the ancient parish of Swansea, Higher division, but part of Swansea County Borough following the enlargement of 1918, Swansea City from 1969 and City and County of Swansea from 1996. In Swansea Registration District. NGR SS 6395 and OS sheet 23.4.
- Glais: village situated on either side of a river called Nant y Glais, which forms the border between Llansamlet and Cadoxton-juxta Neath parishes. There is a church there dedicated to St Paul, a daughter church in the modern ecclesiastical parish of Llansamlet. The Llansamlet part of the village was in higher division of Llansamlet ancient parish; in Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. The Cadoxton part was in the Ynysymond division of the

parish, in Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe registration district thereafter; in Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974, Lliw Valley Borough 1974-1996 and currently in the County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7000 and OS sheet 15.3. Glais means stream and is the name of the river that flows through the village.

**Glandwr:** see Landore.

- **Glanmor:** locality named after a house of the same name (now demolished); in the Town and Franchise division of Swansea ancient parish; originally in parish of St Mary but currently in St Barnabas parish. In Swansea registration district; Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea, NGR SS 6393 and OS sheet 23.8, Glanmor means seaside.
- **Glantawe:** name for a modern ecclesiastical parish which includes the southern half of the ancient parish of Llansamlet, and takes in the Bonymaen and Pentrechwych area. Includes St Margaret's, Bonymaen and St Peter's, Pentrechwyth.
- Glyncorrwg: town, ancient parish (divided into two divisions, Blaengwrach and Glyncorrwg) and modern ecclesiastical parish with church dedicated to St John the Baptist. In, Neath registration district; ancient parish enlarged in 1880 and became Glyncorrwg UDC 1894-1974. In Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Glyncorrwg church is at NGR SS 8799 and OS sheet 17.6. Glyn Corrwg means the valley of the River Corrwg, which flows through the town.
- **Glynllwchwr:** ancient division of the parish of Llandeilo Talybont, to the south of Ynysllwchwr. In Swansea registration district; Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1930 then Llwchwr UDC 1930-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. Glynllwchwr means valley of the River Llwchwr.
- Godre'r-graig: hamlet in Llangiwg ancient parish (Alltygrug division). In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7406 and OS sheets 3.13 and 9.1. Major local estates: Ynys-Cedwyn Estate (D/D Yc)
- **Gorseinon:** town in Llandeilo Talybont ancient parish, also a modern ecclesiastical parish with church dedicated to St Catherine. N.B. however Gorseinon was the original name for the village known today as Penlle'rgaer; however, the railway station was situated more than a mile to the west. When a village grew up around the station in the early years of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, it also became known as Gorseinon. To avoid confusion, the original Gorseinon was renamed Penlle'rgaer, while the village by the station grew into the Gorseinon we know today. In Swansea registration district; Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1930 then Llwchwr

UDC 1930-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5898-5899-5998 and OS sheets 14.6 and 14.10. Major local estate: Lewis estate (D/D CV 4), also Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau). Gorseinon means Einon's bog.

**Gower Anglicana:** name for those parts of the Lordship of Gower that were held by English tenures. These include all the 'knight's fee' manors, and also several freehold tenements that were scattered across the northern part of the lordship.

Gower Iscoed: see Gower Subboscus

**Gower Road:** see Gowerton.

Gower Subboscus: (Welsh Iscoed) that part of the Lordship of Gower that lay below (i.e. to the south and west of) the wood that stretched from Swansea to Loughor. The division may have predated the conquest. Gower Subboscus contained the majority of the 'knight's fee' manors, but also contained an area where the farms were held directly from the Lord of Gower, originally mostly by Welsh tenures. This area, which included Three Crosses, Killay and the Gowerton area in the parishes of Swansea, Llanrhidian, Loughor and Bishopston, was known as Parcel Iscoed, and formed a detached portion of Llangyfelach Hundred.

Gower Supraboscus: (Welsh Uwchcoed) that part of the Lordship of Gower that lay above (i.e. to the north and east of) the wood that stretched from Swansea to Loughor. The division may have predated the conquest. The majority of this area was held by Welsh tenures directly from the Lord of Gower, although it did include several manors, including Caegurwen, Talybont, Clase, East and West Millwood and the Fee of Trewyddfa.

**Gower Wallicana:** ancient manor of Gower consisting of freehold tenements held directly from the Lord of Gower by Welsh tenures. Most of these tenements tended to be in the parishes of Llangiwg, Loughor, Llangyfelach and Llanrhidian.

Gowerton: village in Loughor ancient parish (Parish division), known until late 19<sup>th</sup> century as Gower Road. Called Tregwyr in Welsh. Gowerton is also a modern ecclesiastical parish, with a church dedicated to St John the Evangelist. In Llanelli poor law union and registration district (later transferred to Swansea), Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1931, Llwchwr UDC 1931-1974, Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5896-5996 and OS sheet 14.14. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P) and Berrington Estate (D/D Xge 32).

Goytre: hamlet in Margam ancient parish, Neath registration district, Margam UDC 1894-1922, then part of Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974; Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of

- Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7889 and OS sheet 25.14. Major local estates: Margam Estate (D/D Ma).
- **Green, the:** locality in the town of Neath.
- **Grovesend:** hamlet to the north of Gorseinon in Llandeilo Talybont ancient parish; Pengelli in Welsh. In Swansea registration district; Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1930 then Llwchwr UDC 1930-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SN 5900 and OS sheets 14.2 and 14.6.
- **Gwaun-Cae-Gurwen:** village in Llangiwg ancient parish (Caegurwen division). In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7011 and OS sheet 2.7 and 2.11.
- **Gwenlais:** easternmost ancient division of the parish of Llandeilo Talybont. In Swansea registration district; Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1930 then Llwchwr UDC 1930-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. Gwenlais means white stream.
- Hafod: locality to the north of the centre of Swansea, in the south and east of John-juxta-Swansea ancient parish. In Swansea Registration District. Part of the Borough of Swansea from 1835 (county borough from 1889), Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. NGR SS 6594 and OS sheet 24.1.
- **Hafod-y-porth:** manor in the lordship of Glamorgan; also a division of the ancient parish of Margam.
- **Heol-las:** hamlet/locality in higher division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6998 and OS sheet 15.11.
- Horton: hamlet in the ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish of Penrice; also a subdivision of Penrice manor, consisting of the southernmost part. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4785 and OS sheet. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P)
- Ilston: village, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish dedicated to St Illtud; also the name of a small manor (properly called Brynawel alias Ilston) lying within the boundaries of the ancient parish. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and

County of Swansea. The village and church are at NGR SS 5590 and on OS sheet 23.13. Ilston is Llanilltud Gwyr in Welsh.

**Iscoed:** see Gower Subboscus

- Jersey Marine: village in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (Coedffranc division); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF). NGR SS 7194 and OS sheets 24.3 and 24.7. The Earls of Jersey owned the Briton Ferry Estate, giving the village its name.
- **Kenfig Higher:** division of the ancient parish of Margam, consisting of that part of the Borough of Kenfig that fell within the parish of Margam. Situated at the southern end of the parish.
- **Kenfig, Borough of:** an ancient borough, whose boundaries took in part of the parish of Kenfig and also included a part of the parish of Margam. Kenfig was a small town in medieval times, but the encroachment of sand dunes led to its depopulation. It was abolished as a borough in 1886 following the Municipal Corporations Act 1883.
- **Killay:** locality in Swansea ancient parish (Higher division) and Killay modern ecclesiastical parish, in Swansea poor law union and registration district, Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1918, Swansea County Borough/City 1918-1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 6093 and OS sheet 23.6 and 23.7. Killay is Cilâ in Welsh.
- **Kilvey:** modern ecclesiastical parish with church dedicated to All Saints; the church is situated at Foxhole to the north of St Thomas. Kilvey is also the name given to one of the member lordships of the Seignory of Gower and Kilvey: it was a manor that contained the parish of Llansamlet, the hamlet of St Thomas and a strip running along the coast to the River Neath.
- **Kittle:** hamlet in ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish of Pennard, and also a manor (more properly a subdivision of Pennard manor); in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5789and OS sheets 32.1 and 32.2. Major local estates: Kilvrough Estate, Beaufort Estate.
- Knelston: village, ancient parish and manor (which is also known as Knoylston). The manor boundaries are almost identical to those of the parish. There used to be a church here dedicated to St Maurice, but only ruins remain. The parish is joint with Llanddewi for ecclesiastical purposes. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. The village is at NGR SS 4688 and OS sheet 31.1. Major local estates: Dunraven Estate (records in the Glamorgan Record Office). The name is supposed to come from the surname de Bien Savoir,

some-time lords of the manor; this was translated into English as Know-well's town, which became Knoylston or Knelston.

Landimore: hamlet in the parish of Cheriton; also a manor in two parts, one in Rhossili parish, the other in Cheriton parish. The hamlet was in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4693 and OS sheet 22.5. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P)

Landore: locality in the north of Swansea, originally in the ancient parish of Llangyfelach, Clase division, but part of Swansea Borough from 1835, County Borough from 1889, City from 1969 and City and County of Swansea from 1996. In Swansea Registration District. There is also a modern ecclesiastical parish of Landore (church dedicated to St Paul), created out of Llangyfelach parish in 1906. NGR SS 6595 and OS sheet 15.13. Landore is Glandwr in Welsh, which means clean water.

Langland: a locality in south of Oystermouth ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish and Oystermouth Manor; Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857); Oystermouth UDC 1894-1918 then Swansea County Borough/City to 1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 6087 and OS sheet 32.7. Major local estates: Kilvrough; later Gilbertson/Vivian/Thomas estate (Langland farm); also Briton Ferry (before c. 1828) and Beaufort estates.

**Latt, the:** locality in the town of Neath.

**Leason:** hamlet in Lower division of Llanrhidian ancient parish, Manor of Weobley, Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4892 and OS sheet 22.10. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).

Limeslade: a locality in the south of Oystermouth ancient parish and Oystermouth Manor; Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857); Oystermouth UDC 1894-1918 then Swansea County Borough/City to 1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 6287 and OS sheet 32.8. Major local estates: Beaufort estate (D/D Beau)

Little Reynoldston: hamlet on the boundary between Reynoldston and Penrice ancient parishes and modern ecclesiastical parishes. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4889 and OS sheet 31.2. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P)

**Llanddewi:** village, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish dedicated to St David. There is a manor of Llanddewi which is considerably smaller

than, and completely within, the ancient parish, which also contains the manors of Scurlage and Henllys. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. The village is at NGR SS 4689 and on OS sheet 31.1. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P)

Llandeilo Fach: see Llandeilo Talybont.

Llandeilo Ferwallt: see Bishopston.

Llandeilo Talybont: (occasionally called Llandeilo Fach) ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish. The ancient church was dedicated to St Teilo and was situated at SN 5803 and on OS sheet 7.14. A new church dedicated to St Teilo was built in nearby Pontarddulais, and serves as the parish church today. The old church has been taken down and rebuilt at the Museum of Welsh Life in St Fagans. The ancient parish was divided into five divisions called Tir Brenin, Priscedwyn, Gwenlais, Glynllwchwr and Ynysllwchwr. In Swansea registration district, Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1930, Llwchwr UDC 1930-1974, Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. Major local estates: Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau), Cwrt-y-ceidrim Estate (D/D Xlf), Dyffryn Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4), Lewis Estate (D/D CV 4) and Eaglesbush Estate (D/D RE).

**Llanfihangel Ynys Afan:** Welsh for Michaelston-super-Avon

**Llangatwg Nedd:** see Cadoxton-juxta-Neath.

Llangennith: village, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish dedicated to St Cenydd. The parish contains three manors: East Town Llangennith, West Town Llangennith and Burry alias Stembridge. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. The village is at NGR SS 4291 and OS sheet 21.11 and 21.12. Major local estates include the Penrice Estate (D/D P) who owned lands at the eastern end of the parish, and All Souls' College, Oxford, whose archives include records relating to their Llangennith estates.

Llangiwg: ancient parish containing four divisions: Mawr, Caegurwen, Alltygrug and Blaenegel. Also modern ecclesiastical parish (original church, dedicated to St Ciwg, has closed, and is replaced by former chapel-of-ease St Peter's, Pontardawe. Other church in the parish: St Mary's, Ynysmeudwy). In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. St Ciwg's church is at NGR SN 7205 and OS sheet 8.8.

**Llangyfelach:** village, hundred, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish (church dedicated to Sts. David and Cyfelach). The ancient parish was

divided into four divisions, Mawr, Rhyndwyclydach, Penderry and Clase. The hundred of Llangyfelach consisted of the parishes of Llangiwg, Llansamlet and Llangyfelach, and an area called Parcel Iscoed, which took in parts of Loughor, Llanrhidian, Bishopston and Swansea parishes, and was detached from the rest of the hundred. In 1894, a Llangyfelach Rural District Council was created, comprising the parishes of Llandeilo Talybont, Loughor, Clase and Penderry Rural, Llansamlet Rural and Cockett. This was renamed Swansea Rural District Council in 1902. The whole of the parish was in Swansea Registration District to 1875, then Mawr and Rhyndwyclydach became part of the new Pontardawe Registration District. The village of Llangyfelach is at NGR SS 6498 and 6499 and OS sheets 14.8, 14.12. There were several major estates in the parish, although many farms were owner-occupied, and still more were part of small estates consisting of only a few properties, for which no records are held. See the sections on Clase, Penderry, Rhyndwyclydach and Mawr for details of the estates in each.

Llanilltud Fach: see Llanilltud Nedd

Llanilltud Gwyr: see llston

**Llanilltud Nedd:** Welsh for Llantwit-juxta-Neath (also sometimes Llanilltud Fach).

Llanmadoc: village, ancient parish, manor (with similar boundaries to those of the parish) and modern ecclesiastical parish dedicated to St Madoc, historically joined with Cheriton parish. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. The village is at NGR SS 4393 and 4493, and on OS sheet 21.8. Major local estates: the Llanmadoc Estate, for which no records are held except for sales catalogues.

Llanmorlais: hamlet in Llanrhidian ancient parish (Higher division) and in Llanyrnewydd modern ecclesiastical parish, in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5294 and OS sheet 22.4. Major local estates: Bryn-hir Estate (D/D SB 25) and Berrington Estate (D/D Xge 32).

Llanrhidian: large ancient parish (divided into Lower and Higher divisions), also modern ecclesiastical parish with church dedicated to Ss. Rhidian and Illtyd; an ancient daughter church dedicated to St Gwynour (situated near Penclawdd) has become the centre of Llanyrnewydd modern ecclesiastical parish. Llanrhidian village is in the Lower division of the parish, in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4992 and OS sheet 22.10. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P, which owned much of the western half of the parish); others for the eastern half include Benson

Estate (D/D SB 12), Berrington Estate (D/D Xge 32), Bryn-hir Estate (D/D SB 25) and Little Hill estate (Neath Antiquarian Society's collections NAS BG/M). The parish includes part of the Manor of Weobley in the west and the Manor of Llanrhidian in the centre; the south of the parish includes the manors of Cilibion and Walterston, and the eastern part forms part of the manor of Gower Iscoed.

- Llansamlet: ancient parish, divided into higher and lower divisions. The ancient church is dedicated to St Samlet. The parish is rectangular, its western boundary being the River Tawe for most of its length. The parish was formerly industrialised, with a good deal of coal mining; it is characterised by strings of small hamlets that have grown into each other. Llansamlet is also the name of a village in higher division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter, Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. Llansamlet village is at NGR SS 6897 and OS sheet 15.10. The major estates in the parish included the Briton Ferry Estate in the southern part of the parish and the Birchgrove and Glan-brân estates in the north.
- Llantwit Lower: westernmost division of Llantwit-juxta-Neath ancient parish, in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974 (although built up portions became part of enlarged Neath Borough in 1921); Neath Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 8192 and OS sheet 25.7. Major local estates: Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, NAS Gn and RISW Gn) and Eaglesbush Estate (D/D RE and NAS RE).
- Llantwit-juxta-Neath: ancient parish with church on the outskirts of Neath dedicated to St Illtyd). The ancient parish was divided into Llantwit Lower, Clyne and Resolven. In Neath registration district; the majority was in Neath RDC 1894-1974, although part of Llantwit Lower became part of the enlarged Neath Borough in 1921; Neath Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. The church is at NGR SS 7898 and OS sheet 16.9. Several estates owned land in the parish, including the Briton Ferry, Gnoll and Eaglesbush estates.
- Llanyrnewydd: modern ecclesiastical parish: the church, dedicated to St Gwynour, was an ancient chapel-of-ease to Llanrhidian, and is situated at Blue Anchor. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5494 and OS sheet 22.4. Major local estates: Berrington Estate (D/D Xge 32).
- **Lletyharri:** locality in Port Talbot, in Margam ancient parish and Port Talbot modern ecclesiastical parish; in Neath registration district, Margam UDC 1894-1922, then part of Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974; Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath

- Port Talbot. NGR SS 7790 and OS sheet 25.14. Major local estates: Margam Estate (D/D Ma).
- **Llwynbrwydrau:** hamlet in the higher division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 7097 and OS sheet 15.11.
- Lôn-las: hamlet/locality at the boundary of Llansamlet and Cadoxton-juxta-Neath parishes. The Llansamlet part was in the higher division of the parish; in Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. The Cadoxton part was in the Coedffranc division of the parish, in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7097 and OS sheet 15.11.
- Loughor: village (Cas-Ilwchwr in Welsh), ancient parish (divided into Parish and Borough divisions), ancient borough (abolished 1886), manor (which shared a boundary with the borough) and modern ecclesiastical parish, with an ancient church dedicated to St Michael and later daughter church dedicated to St David. In Llanelli poor law union and registration district (later transferred to Swansea), Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1931, Llwchwr UDC 1931-1974, Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. The oldest part of the village is at NGR SS 5697-5698 and OS sheet 14.9. Major local estates: Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau). Lands also belonged to the borough (TT/Lw). Loughor (or Llwchwr in Welsh) is also the name of the river that runs past the village.
- **Lower Brynamman:** locality to the north of Gwaun-Cae-Gurwen. NGR SN 7013 and OS sheet 2.7.
- Lower Sketty: locality in the west of Swansea, in the Lower division of Swansea ancient parish and the modern ecclesiastical parish of Sketty. From 1894, it was in the civil parish of Cockett and In Llangyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council; became part of the enlarged County Borough of Swansea from 1918, Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. In Swansea Registration District. NGR SS 6191 and OS sheet 23.11. Major local estates: Derwen-fawr Estate (D/D SB 24), Sketty Park Estate (D/D Sk) and Singleton Estate (records at Swansea University).
- **Lunnon:** hamlet in ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish of Ilston; also the name for a manor (or sub-division of Pennard manor) consisting of the western half of Ilston parish. ancient parish, Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea.

NGR SS 5489 and OS sheet 22.16. Major local estates: Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau)

Manselfield: hamlet and detached portion of Nicholaston parish and manor; in Bishopston modern ecclesiastical parish; in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5988 and OS sheet 32.2. Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF), Kilvrough Estate (D/D K). Manselfield at one time belonged to the Mansel family of Briton Ferry.

Manselton: locality to the north of the centre of Swansea, occupying the western half of St John-juxta-Swansea parish. In Swansea Registration District. Part of the Borough of Swansea from 1835 (county borough from 1889), Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. NGR SS 6594 and OS sheet 24.1.

Margam: village, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish; in Neath registration district, Margam UDC 1894-1922 (Margam UDC had the same boundaries as the ancient parish), then became part of Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974; Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Margam church is dedicated to St Mary, and is part of the medieval Margam Abbey church. It is at NGR SS 8086 and OS sheet 33.7. Major local estates: Margam Estate (D/D Ma) which once owned the entire parish.

Mawr: central division of Llangiwg ancient parish, which contains most of Pontardawe. In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Mawr means large referring to the size of this division.

Mawr: also a division of Llangyfelach ancient parish, originally divided into a higher and lower division, making up the north western quarter of the parish; became a civil parish council in 1894. In Swansea registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Mawr means large referring to the size of this division.

Mayals: a locality and ancient hamlet in the north of Oystermouth ancient parish and Oystermouth Manor; modern ecclesiastical parish of Llwynderw; Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857); in Brynau civil parish and Gower RDC 1894-1918 then Swansea County Borough/City to 1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 6089 and OS sheet 23.15. Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF) and Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau).

**Mayhill:** locality in the Town and Franchise division of Swansea ancient parish; originally in parish of St Mary but currently in St Nicholas-on-the-Hill parish. In Swansea registration district; Swansea Borough to 1889,

Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6594 and OS sheets 24.1 and 24.5.

**Melin**, **the**: see Melincryddan.

- **Melincourt:** hamlet in Llantwit-juxta-Neath ancient parish (Clyne division), Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974; Neath Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 8101-8201 and OS sheet 16.3.
- **Melincryddan:** suburb of Neath in Llantwit-juxta-Neath ancient parish (Llantwit Lower division), Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1921 then part of enlarged Neath Borough 1921-1974; Neath Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7495 and OS sheet 16.13. Major local estates: Eaglesbush Estate (D/D RE).
- Michaelston-super-Avon: ancient parish with a higher and lower division, in Neath registration district. Both divisions were originally in Neath RDC from 1894; Lower division became part of Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974, later Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996; Higher division Neath Borough Council 1974-1996. Both parts currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7494 and OS sheet 24.4. Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF) and Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn). The name comes from the dedication of the ancient church to St Michael, and the position on the River Afan.
- Middleton: hamlet in the ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish of Rhossili, in the manor of Landimore, in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4287 and OS sheet 30.7. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P)
- Morriston: locality in the north of Swansea, in the ancient parish of Llangyfelach and Division of Clase; also a modern ecclesiastical parish created out of Llangyfelach 1924; church dedicated to St David. Morriston was a planned town built by the Morris family for their workers in the late 18<sup>th</sup> century(hence the name), and was originally some distance outside Swansea town. In Swansea Registration District. Part of the Borough of Swansea from 1835 (county borough from 1889), Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. NGR SS 6698 and OS sheet 15.9. Morriston is known as Treforys in Welsh. Major local estates include the Morris Estate (D 11), the Calland Estate (D 218 and RISW C) and the Ynystawe Estate (D/D SB 3).
- **Mount Pleasant:** locality in the Town and Franchise division of Swansea ancient parish; originally in parish of St Mary's but in St Jude's parish since 1920. In Swansea registration district; Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea

County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6493 and OS sheet 24.5.

Mumbles (also The Mumbles): originally a hamlet but now a town in Oystermouth ancient parish, modern ecclesiastical parish and manor; Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857); Oystermouth UDC 1894-1918 then Swansea County Borough/City to 1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 6288 and OS sheet 32.3. Major local estates: Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau). Mumbles is Y Mwmbwls in Welsh.

**Murton:** a large hamlet in the ancient parish, manor and modern ecclesiastical parish of Bishopston; in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 5888 and OS sheet 32.2. The name is a corruption of Moor-town, from its position at the edge of Clyne Common.

**Mwmbwls**, y: see Mumbles.

Mynachlog Nedd: see Neath Abbey.

**Mynyddbach:** locality to the north of Treboeth at NGR SS 6597 and OS sheet 15.9. The name means little mountain.

**Mynydd-bach-y-glo:** locality on the northern edge of Waunarlwydd. The name means little coal mountain.

Neath Abbey: village in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (Dyffryn Clydach and Coedffranc divisions); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Neath Abbey Estate (D/D D). NGR SS 7397 and OS sheet 15.12. The name comes from the Cistercian Abbey (originally Savignac) that was built there in 1130.

**Neath Burgus:** the name for the manor of the Borough of Neath, which shared approximately the boundaries of the ancient parish of Neath.

**Neath Citra and Briton:** name of a manor that included the parish of Briton Ferry and the Llantwit Lower division of the parish of Llantwit-juxta-Neath. In the Lordship of Glamorgan.

Neath Higher: division of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath ancient parish, containing Glynneath; became a civil parish in 1894, but absorbed Neath Middle in 1902. in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Aberpergwm Estate (D/D Ab). Also, Neath Higher was in the manor of Neath Ultra and Cilybebyll, which included a good deal of copyhold land. Many of the records of this manor are among the records of the Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, RISW Gn and NAS Gn).

- Neath Lower: rural division of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath ancient parish, containing Skewen, part of Neath Abbey, Jersey Marine and Llandarcy; became a civil parish in 1894. in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Rheola Estate (NAS Rh); Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, RISW Gn and NAS Gn).
- Neath Middle: rural division of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath ancient parish; became a civil parish in 1894, but absorbed by Neath Higher in 1902. in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Aberpergwm Estate (D/D Ab). Also, Neath Middle was in the manor of Neath Ultra and Cilybebyll, which included a good deal of copyhold land. Many of the records of this manor are among the records of the Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, RISW Gn and NAS Gn).
- **Neath Ultra and Cilybebyll:** name of a manor that included the parish of Cilybebyll and the Dulais Higher, Dulais Lower, Neath Higher, Neath Middle and Neath Lower divisions of the parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath. In the Lordship of Glamorgan.
- Neath: (Welsh Castell-nedd) town, hundred, municipal borough, urban district, rural district, ancient parish, registration district, modern ecclesiastical parish and community council. The ancient parish and borough were roughly co-terminous. The ancient church is dedicated to St Thomas, but St David's was built nearby in Victorian times. Neath Hundred consisted of all the West Glamorgan parishes between the Afan and Tawe, with the exception of Llansamlet; Neath UDC was basically Neath Borough Council acting as in the capacity of an urban district council; Neath RDC consisted of most of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath, Llantwit-juxta-Neath, Baglan, and Michaelston-super-Avon parishes, with Blaengwrach, and Rhigos (a part of Ystradyfodwg parish, and currently outside the West Glamorgan area) although some of this area was lost as a result of the enlargement of Neath and Aberavon/Port Talbot boroughs. The town of Neath was in Neath Borough until 1996, and is now in Neath Port Talbot County Borough. Major local estates: Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn. RISW Gn and NAS Gn). The centre of the town is at NGR SS 7597 and on OS sheet 16.9.
- Newton: a locality and ancient hamlet in south west of Oystermouth ancient parish and Oystermouth Manor; also a modern ecclesiastical parish (dedication to St Peter); Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857); Oystermouth UDC 1894-1918 then Swansea County Borough/City to 1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 6088 and OS sheet 32.3. Major local estates: Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau)
- **Nicholaston:** village, manor, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish dedicated to St Nicholas. The ancient parish and manor were coterminous and included a detached portion, Manselfield (included since 1880s in the

parish of Bishopston). In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. The village and church are at NGR SS 5188 and 5189 and on OS sheet 31.3. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).

- Norton: a locality and ancient hamlet in central Oystermouth ancient parish and Oystermouth Manor; modern ecclesiastical parish of Oystermouth; Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857); Oystermouth UDC 1894-1918 then Swansea County Borough/City to 1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 6188 and OS sheet 32.3. Major local estates: Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau) and Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF). The name ('north town) probably comes from its position as the northernmost of the hamlets surrounding Oystermouth church.
- Oldwalls: hamlet in Lower division of Llanrhidian ancient parish, Manor of Weobley, Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4891 and OS sheet 22.10. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).
- Onllwyn: village and community in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (Dulais Higher division); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Onllwyn is in the manor of Neath Ultra and Cilybebyll, which included a good deal of copyhold land. Many of the records of this manor are among the records of the Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, RISW Gn and NAS Gn). NGR SN 8410 and OS sheet 4.9. Onllwyn means ash-tree grove.
- Overton: hamlet in Port Eynon parish, modern ecclesiastical parish and manor; in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4685 and OS sheet 31.9. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P)
- Oxwich Green: hamlet in the centre of Oxwich manor, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4986 and OS sheet 31.10. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).
- Oxwich: village, ancient parish, modern ecclesiastical parish (dedicated to St Illtyd) and manor with boundaries similar to ancient parish. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. Village and church are at NGR SS 4986 and 5086 and on OS sheets 31.6, 31.7, 31.10 and 31.11. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).

Oystermouth: manor, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish (dedicated to All Saints); in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857); southern half became Oystermouth UDC and the northern half the civil parish of Brynau 1894-1918 then became part of Swansea County Borough/City to 1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. Oystermouth church is at NGR SS 6188 and OS sheet 32.3. Major local estates: Beaufort estate. Oystermouth is Ystumllwynarth in Welsh.

**Pantteg:** Locality to the south of Ystalyfera. NGR SN 7608 and OS sheet 9.1. The name means fair valley.

Parcel Iscoed: see Gower Subboscus

**Parkmill:** hamlet in Ilston parish and modern ecclesiastical parish, and in manor of Lunnon; in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5489 and OS sheet 31.4. Major local estates: Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau).

**Paviland:** manor which formed a detached portion of the ancient parish of Penmaen, but included since the 1880s in the parish of Rhossili. NGR SS 4486 and OS sheet 30.12.

**Pen-caer-fenny:** hamlet in Llanrhidian ancient parish (Higher division) and in Llanyrnewydd modern ecclesiastical parish, in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5294-5295 and OS sheet 22.4. Major local estates: Bryn-hir Estate (D/D SB 25) and Berrington Estate (D/D Xge 32).

Penclawdd: village in Llanrhidian ancient parish (Higher division) and in Llanyrnewydd modern ecclesiastical parish, in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5495 and OS sheet 22.4. Major local estates: Bryn-hir Estate (D/D SB 25) and Berrington Estate (D/D Xge 32).

Penderry: ancient division of the parish of Llangyfelach, in the south western quarter of the parish; sub-divided into a higher and a lower division. Mostly rural, it contains Penlle'rgaer and part of Pontlliw. Following the creation of Swansea County Borough in 1889, a small area of Penderry division near Treboeth was taken into the county borough, and was known as Penderry Urban, the rest being known as Penderry Rural. The enlargement of the borough in 1918 saw more of the division become part of Swansea Borough; the remainder was amalgamated with the remaining parts of Clase to become the civil parish of Llangyfelach. Penderry Rural was part of Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District Council from 1894 and Swansea Registration District. Penderry shares its name with some farms in the area. Major local estates include the Penlle'rgaer Estate (records at

NLW), but the Bach-y-gwreiddyn Estate (NAS BG and RISW BG), Dyffryn Estate (D/D SB 4 and D/D Gw) and Nyd-fuwch Estate (some records among the Coytrahen Estate records, NAS C) all owned land in the area.

**Pengelli:** see Grovesend.

**Peniel Green:** locality in higher division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea, NGR SS 6997 and OS sheet 15.11.

Penmaen: village, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish dedicated to St John the Baptist; also a manor but not coterminous with the ancient parish. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5388 and OS sheet 31.4. Major local estates: Kilvrough Estate (D/D K) and Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau); also Penrice Estate (D/D P).

Pennard: Village, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish dedicated to St Mary. There is also a manor of the same name (but not coterminous with the ancient parish). In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. Pennard church is at NGR SS 5688 and on OS sheet 32.1. Major local estates: Kilvrough Estate (D/D K), Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau).

**Penrhiwfawr:** hamlet in Llangiwg ancient parish (Caegurwen division). In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7410-7411 and OS sheet 3.9. The name means 'top of the big hill'.

Penrice: village, ancient parish, modern ecclesiastical parish dedicated to St Andrew, and manor with boundaries sinilar to those of the ancient parish. Manor also includes sub-manor of Horton. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. Village and church are at NGR SS 4987 and OS sheet 31.6. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P). Penrice is Penrhys in Welsh.

**Penrhys:** see Penrice.

**Pentre Estyll:** old name for a locality to the south of Manselton. NRG 6594, OS sheet 24.1. The name means 'village of planks'.

**Pentre Guinea:** locality in lower division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter, Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of

- Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6694 and OS sheet 24.5.
- **Pentre'r-gaseg:** locality in lower division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter, Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6795 and OS sheet 24.2. The name means 'mare's village'.
- Pentre-cawr: locality in lower division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6896 and OS sheet 15.14. The name means 'giant's village'.
- Pentre-chwyth: hamlet/locality in lower division of Llansamlet ancient parish and in Glantawe modern ecclesiastical parish. St Peter's church is there. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter, Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6795 and OS sheet 24.1.
- Pentre-dwr: hamlet/locality in lower division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6996 and OS sheet 15.14. The name means 'water village'.
- **Pentrepoeth:** locality to the west of the centre of Morriston. NGR SS 6698 and OS sheet 15.9. The name means 'hot village'.
- **Penydre:** locality to the east of the centre of the town of Neath. The name means 'end of the town'.
- **Penyrheol:** locality at the northern edge of Gorseinon. NGR SS 5899 and OS sheet 14.6.
- **Pilton Green:** hamlet in Llanddewi ancient parish and Llanddewi with Knelston modern ecclesiastical parish. In Henllys manor. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4487 and OS sheet 30.8. Major local estates: Penrice Estate.
- **Pilton:** hamlet and manor in the ancient parish of Penrice (the manor forms a detached portion of the parish, but since the 1880s has been included in Rhossili parish). In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council

- 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4387 and OS sheet 30.8. Major local estates: Penrice Estate.
- **Pitton Cross:** hamlet in the ancient parish of Rhossili, in the manor of Pitton alias Fernhill, and in Rhossili modern ecclesiastical parish. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4387 and OS sheet 30.8. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).
- Pitton: hamlet in the ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish of Rhossili, and in the manor of Pitton alias Fernhill. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4287 and OS sheet 30.7 and 30.8. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P)
- Plasmarl: locality in the north of Swansea, originally in the ancient parish of Llangyfelach, Clase division, but part of Swansea Borough from 1835, County Borough from 1889, City from 1969 and City and County of Swansea from 1996. In Swansea Registration District. NGR SS 6696 and OS sheet 15.13
- Pontardawe: town, most of which was in Llangiwg ancient parish (Mawr division), although part was in Llangyfelach ancient parish (Rhyndwyclydach division). In Llangiwg modern ecclesiastical parish (church in Pontardawe dedicated to St Peter). In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7204 and OS sheets 8.11 and 8.12. Pontardawe is named from its position at the bridge over the Rover Tawe
- Pontardulais: (also commonly spelt Pontarddulais) town in Llandeilo Talybont ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish; the parish church dedicated to St Teilo is here. In Swansea registration district; Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1930 then Llwchwr UDC 1930-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SN 7011 and OS sheet 2.7. Local estates: Dyffryn Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4); also Eaglesbush Estate (D/D RE). The name refers to its position at the bridge over the River Dulais.
- Pontlliw: village situated on both sides of the River Lliw in Llandeilo Talybont and Llangyfelach ancient parishes. In Swansea registration district; Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1930 then Llwchwr UDC 1930-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SN 6101 and OS sheets 14.3 and 14.7. Major local estate: Penlle'rgaer Estate (records in NLW). Named from its position at the bridge over the River Lliw.

- Pontrhydyfen: hamlet in the parishes of Michaelston-super-Avon (Higher division) and Margam; in Neath registration district. The Michaelston part was in Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough Council 1974-1996, the Margam part was in Margam UDC 1894-1922, then part of Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974, Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996. Both parts are currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7994 and OS sheet 25.3. Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF) and Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn).
- Port Eynon: village, ancient parish, modern ecclesiastical parish dedicated to St Cattwg, and manor with boundaries similar to those of the ancient parish. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. The church and village are at NGR SS 4685, and on OS sheet 31.9. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).
- Port Talbot: town in the ancient parishes of Aberavon, Margam and Baglan, in Neath registration district; also a municipal borough 1922-1974 (based on Aberavon Borough, but enlarged to take in Baglan Lower, Michaelston Lower and Margam parishes) and district council 1974-1996. Currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Port Talbot is named from the Talbot family who owned the Margam Estate.
- Port Tennant: locality in the Town and Franchise division of Swansea ancient parish; originally in parish of St Marys but from 1888 in St Thomas ecclesiastical parish. Contains daughter church dedicated to St Stephen. In Swansea registration district; Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6793 and OS sheet 24.6. Named from its position at the western end of the Tennant Canal, which was built by the Tennant family of Cadoxton.
- **Portmead:** locality in the north-west of Swansea, in the Higher division of Swansea ancient parish. From 1894, it was in the civil parish of Cockett and In Llangyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council; became part of the enlarged County Borough of Swansea from 1918, Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. NGR SS 6396 and OS sheet 14.16.

**Poundffald:** part of Three Crosses.

- **Priscedwyn:** south-central ancient division of the parish of Llandeilo Talybont, in which were situated Pontarddulais and the ancient St Teilo's church. In Swansea registration district; Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1930 then Llwchwr UDC 1930-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea.
- **PwII-y-glaw:** in Michaelston-super-Avon ancient parish (Lower division) and modern ecclesiastical parish, Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-

1922, then part of Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974; Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7993 and OS sheets 25.6 and 25.7. Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF). The name means 'rain pool'.

**Pwll-y-gravel:** locality in the southern part of the village of Llansamlet.

**Quarr Clydach:** locality in Llangyfelach ancient parish (division of Clase) to the south and west of the centre of Clydach.

Ravenhill: locality in the north-west of Swansea, in the Higher division of Swansea ancient parish. From 1894, it was in the civil parish of Cockett and In Llangyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council; became part of the enlarged County Borough of Swansea from 1918, Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. NGR SS 6394 and OS sheet 23.4

**Resolven:** village, modern ecclesiastical parish (with church dedicated to St David) and also the name of a division of Llantwit-juxta-Neath ancient parish. In Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974; Neath Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 8202-8302 and OS sheet 9.16.

Reynoldston: village, ancient parish, manor (which has broadly similar boundaries to the ancient parish), also modern ecclesiastical parish dedicated to St George. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4890 and OS sheet 22.14. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).

Rhos: hamlet in Cilybebyll ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7302-7303 and OS sheet 8.8. Major local estates: Dyffryn Estate. Rhos means moor.

Rhossili: village, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish (dedicated to St Mary the Virgin). The parish includes manors of Landimore (southern part) and Pitton alias Fernhill. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. The church is at NGR SS 4188 and on OS sheet 30.7. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).

**Rhydding:** locality in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (Blaenhonddan division); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7498 and OS sheet 16.5.

- Rhydwyclydach: division of Llangyfelach ancient parish, making up the north eastern quarter of the parish. Named because of its position between the Upper and Lower Clydach Rivers (Rhwng dwy Glydach between two [River] Clydachs). It consisted of a higher and a lower division. In Swansea registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7798-7799 and OS sheets 10.5 and 10.6.
- Rhydyfro: hamlet in Llangiwg ancient parish (Mawr division). In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7105 and OS sheet 8.7.
- Sandfields: locality in the Town and Franchise division of Swansea ancient parish; originally in parish of St Mary's but in Christ Church parish since 1874. In Swansea registration district; Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6492 and OS sheets 24.5 and 24.9.
- Sandfields: also a modern Port Talbot suburb situated in Baglan (Lower division) and Aberavon ancient parishes; in Neath registration district; in either Neath RDC 1894-1922 (the Baglan portion) or Aberavon Borough (the Aberavon portion); both were part of Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974; Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7494 and OS sheet 24.4. Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF) which once owned the entire parish.
- **Sandy Lane:** hamlet in ancient parish, manor and modern ecclesiastical parish of Pennard, Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5588 and OS sheet 32.1. Major local estates: Kilvrough Estate.
- Scurlage: hamlet and manor at the eastern end of the ancient parish of Llanddewi; in modern ecclesiastical parish of Llanddewi with Knelston. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4688and OS sheet 31.5. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).
- Seven Sisters: (Welsh Blaendulais) village, community council and former ecclesiastical parish in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (Dulais Higher division); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. The name comes from the seven sisters who were daughters of Evan Evans Bevan. Major local estates: Seven Sisters is in the manor of Neath Ultra and Cilybebyll, which included a good deal of copyhold land.

Many of the records of this manor are among the records of the Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, RISW Gn and NAS Gn). NGR SN 8108, 8208 and 8209 and OS sheets 3.15 and 3.16.

**Sgeti**, **y** see Sketty.

Sgiwen: see Skewen.

Sketty: a village, locality and barony (i.e. a manorial division) in the west of Swansea, in the Lower division of Swansea ancient parish. The village of Sketty was known as Cross Inn until c. 1850, when the church was built. Sketty is also the name of a modern ecclesiastical parish created out of Swansea parish in 1851, the church being dedicated to St Paul. From 1894, it was in the civil parish of Cockett and In Llangyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council; became part of the enlarged County Borough of Swansea from 1918, Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. In Swansea Registration District. NGR SS 6292, 6293 and OS sheet 23.8. Sketty is Y Sgeti in Welsh. Major local estates: Derwen-fawr Estate (D/D SB 24), Sketty Park Estate (D/D Sk) and Singleton Estate (records at Swansea University).

**Skewen:** (Welsh Sgiwen) village and modern ecclesiastical parish (church dedicated to St John) in the ancient parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath (Coedffranc division); in Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, Neath Borough 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. Major local estates: Neath Abbey Estate (D/D D). NGR SS 7297 and OS sheet 15.12.

**Slade:** hamlet in the centre of Oxwich manor, ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish. In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4886 and 4887, and OS sheet 31.10. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).

- **Southgate:** hamlet in ancient parish, manor and modern ecclesiastical parish of Pennard; Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5587 and OS sheet 32.5. Major local estates: Kilvrough Estate (D/D K).
- St Helens: locality in the Town and Franchise division of Swansea ancient parish, named after an ancient monastic foundation of the same name; originally in parish of St Mary's but in St Gabriel's parish since 1889. In Swansea registration district; Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6492 and OS sheet 23.8.
- **St John-juxta-Swansea:** small ancient parish containing what today are the Hafod and Manselton areas of Swansea. The church, dedicated to St

John, was originally outside the main part of the parish (the churchyard formed a detached portion of the parish), but a new church, dedicated to St John, was built in 1879, and a new church, dedicated to St Matthew, built on the original site, opposite Swansea station. The parish became part of the enlarged Borough of Swansea in 1835, and was later a ward of the borough (St John's Ward). Part of Swansea Borough to 1969, Swansea City 1969-1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. Also part of Swansea Registration District. Major local estates include the Vivian Estate (D/D Vi 2) and the Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF). NGR SS 6594 and OS sheet 24.1

St Thomas: locality and ancient division of Swansea ancient parish, named after a (lost) pre-reformation chapel built on the east bank of the River Tawe; originally in ecclesiastical parish of St Mary's, but a new church dedicated to St Thomas was built in 1886 and a new parish created in 1888. In Swansea registration district; Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6693 and 6793 and OS sheets 24.5 and 24.6. The eastern part of St Thomas belonged to the Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF).

**Stembridge:** hamlet at the boundary of Llangennith and Llanrhidian ancient parishes; also a manor (properly Burry alias Stembridge) in Llangennith ancient parish, Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 4491 and OS sheet 22.9. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P).

Subboscus: see Gower Subboscus

**Supraboscus:** see Gower Supraboscus

**Swansea Higher:** north western division of the ancient parish of Swansea, containing Cockett and Waunarlwydd, and the area of Fforestfach, Gendros and Cwmbwrla. In Swansea Registration District; amalgamated with Swansea Lower to make the civil parish of Cockett from 1894-1918; part of the enlarged County Borough of Swansea from 1918; Swansea City 1969-1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. The centre of the area is on NGR SS 6195, and the majority is on OS sheets 23.3 and 23.4.

Swansea Lower: south-westernmost ancient division of the parish of Swansea. From 1894, it was amalgamated with Swansea Higher to form the civil parish of Cockett and was in Llangyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council; became part of the enlarged County Borough of Swansea from 1918, Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. In Swansea Registration District. the centre of the area is on NGR SS 6193 and OS sheet 23.7. Major local estates: Derwen-fawr Estate (D/D SB 24), Sketty Park Estate (D/D Sk) and Singleton Estate (records at Swansea University).

Swansea: Abertawe in Welsh. An ancient parish, hundred, town, municipal and later county borough, rural district, registration district and modern unitary authority. The ancient parish was divided into Swansea Higher, Swansea Lower, the Town and Franchise (i.e. the ancient borough) and St Thomas. The ancient church is dedicated to St Mary, although as the town grew, so many new parishes were formed out of the original parish during the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Many of these have been re-amalgamated to create the Rectorial Benefice of Swansea. The town was originally small, situated in the east of the Town and Franchise section, but through the Industrial Revolution it grew rapidly, initially up the Tawe valley, but later westwards as well. The borough was established in Medieval times (the original charter is lost) and was enlarged in 1835 to include parts of Llangyfelach and Llansamlet parishes, and the whole of St John-juxta-Swansea parish and the division of St Thomas. The borough became a county borough in 1889 and was further enlarged in 1918 to take in the whole parish of Llansamlet, Cockett, Oystermouth and Brynau, and parts of Clase and Penderry as well. The county borough was granted city status in 1969. It amalgamated with Gower RDC and became a district council (retaining the name Swansea City) in 1974, then, with the addition of the western half of Lliw Valley Borough, it became the City and County of Swansea (a unitary authority) in 1996. Swansea Hundred consisted of the Gower parishes and Llandeilo Talybont, Loughor, Swansea and St John-juxta-Swansea parishes. In 1894, a Llangyfelach Rural District Council was created, comprising the parishes of Llandeilo Talybont, Loughor, Clase and Penderry Rural, Llansamlet Rural and Cockett. This was renamed Swansea Rural District Council in 1902. Much depleted after the enlargement of Swansea County Borough in 1918, this was redesignated and renamed Llwchwr Urban District Council in 1930. Major estates include the Swansea Corporation (the borough owned large areas of the town and surrounding countryside); then much of the western part of the town, which had originally consisted of farms, became a series of small estates - e.g. Pantygwydr (D/D SB 14), Singleton (records at Swansea University), Brynymor (D/D SB 15) and Derwen-fawr (D/D SB 24) - and there were some large estates in the west of the parish, including the Sketty Park Estate (D/D Sk). Parts of the town belonged to Calvert Richard Jones's Estate (D/D CRJ) and also to the Cameron Estate, from which no records are held. The old centre of Swansea is at NGR SS 6592 and OS sheet 24.5.

**Tai'r-ysgol:** locality in higher division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6997 and OS sheet 15.10. Tai'r-ysgol means school houses.

**Taibach:** suburb of Port Talbot, in Margam ancient parish and Port Talbot modern ecclesiastical parish, Neath registration district, Margam UDC 1894-1922, then part of Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974; Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath

- Port Talbot. NGR SS 7788-7789 and OS sheet 25.14 and 33.2. Major local estates: Margam Estate (D/D Ma). Taibach means little houses.
- **Tairgwaith:** hamlet in Llangiwg ancient parish (Caegurwen division). In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7111 and OS sheet 2.7. Tairgwaith means work houses.
- **Thistleboon:** a locality in Mumbles in Oystermouth ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish; also Oystermouth Manor; Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857); Oystermouth UDC 1894-1918 then Swansea County Borough/City to 1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 6187 and OS sheet 32.7. Major local estates: Beaufort Estate (D/D Beau)
- Three Crosses: Hamlet in Llanrhidian ancient parish (Higher division), Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5694-5794 and OS sheets 23.1 and 23.5. Major local estates: Berrington Estate (D/D Xge 32). Three Crosses is Y Crwys in Welsh. The village is built in the triangle made by three roads with a crossroads at each corner.
- Tir Brenin: Southernmost ancient division of the parish of Llandeilo Talybont, including much of modern Gorseinon. In Swansea registration district; Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1930 then Llwchwr UDC 1930-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. The name means 'the King's land', possibly named because the division was approximately coterminous with the manor of Talybont.
- **Tir-canol:** locality to the west of Morriston. NGR SS 6597 and OS sheet 15.9-15.10. Tir canol means 'middle land'.
- **Tirdeunaw:** locality in Swansea to the north of Treboeth. NGR SS 6597 and OS sheet 15.13.
- **Tir-Nest:** locality in lower division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter, Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6795 and OS sheet 24.2.
- **Tirpenry:** locality to the north of the centre of Morriston. NGR SS 6698 and OS sheet 15.9
- **Tonmawr:** in Baglan ancient parish (Higher division) and modern ecclesiastical parish, Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974, and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7494 and OS sheet 24.4.

Major local estates: Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF) and Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn).

Tonna: village and modern ecclesiastical parish (church dedicated to St Ann) in Llantwit-juxta-Neath ancient parish (Llantwit Lower division), Neath registration district, Neath RDC 1894-1974; Neath Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 8605 and OS sheet 16.6. Major local estates: Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn, NAS Gn and RISW Gn) and Ty'n-yr-heol Estate (D/D TH and NAS TH).

**Townhill:** locality in the Town and Franchise division of Swansea ancient parish; originally in parish of St Mary's but currently in St Nicholas-on-the-Hill parish. In Swansea registration district; Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6393 and OS sheets 23.4, 23.8, 24.1 and 24.5.

**Trallwn:** hamlet/locality in higher division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6996 and OS sheet 15.14.

Trebannws: see Trebanos

**Trebanos:** (Welsh Trebannws) village in Llangyfelach ancient parish (Rhyndwyclydach division), in Clydach modern ecclesiastical parish (includes St Michael & All Angels' church). In Swansea registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7103 and OS sheet 8.15. Major local estates: Ynyspenllwch Estate (D/D Yp).

**Treboeth:** locality in the north of Swansea, part of Llangyfelach ancient parish (Clase division); also a modern ecclesiastical parish or conventional district created c. 1926 from Llangyfelach (church dedicated to St Alban). In Swansea Registration District. Part of the Borough of Swansea from 1835 (county borough from 1889), Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. NGR SS 6596 and OS sheet 15.13. Treboeth means 'hot town'.

**Treforys:** see Morriston.

**Tregwyr:** see Gowerton.

**Tycoch:** locality in the west of Swansea, in the Lower division of Swansea ancient parish; also a modern ecclesiastical parish created from the parish of Sketty in 1966; church dedicated to All Souls. The name comes from a farmhouse in the area. From 1894, it was in the civil parish of Cockett and In Llangyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council;

became part of the enlarged County Borough of Swansea from 1918, Swansea City from 1969 to 1996 and City and County of Swansea thereafter. In Swansea Registration District. NGR SS 6293 and OS sheet 23.8. Ty-coch ('red house') was the name of a farm in the area.

**Uplands:** locality named after a house of the same name (now demolished); in the Town and Franchise division of Swansea ancient parish; originally in parish of St Mary but currently in St James and St Barnabas parishes. In Swansea registration district; Swansea Borough to 1889, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6492 and OS sheet 23.8.

**Upper Killay:** locality in Bishopston ancient parish, and in Killay modern ecclesiastical parish; in Gower Iscoed manor. in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea district council 1974-1996 and currently in CCS. NGR SS 5892 and OS sheet 23.10.

**Upper Town:** part of Loughor, at NGR SS 5798 and OS sheet 14.9.

**Uwchcoed:** see Gower Supraboscus

Vardre: locality in Clydach.

**Velindre:** Locality in Port Talbot in the ancient parish of Aberavon; in Neath registration district, Borough of Aberavon to 1922, then Port Talbot Borough 1922-1974; Afan/Port Talbot Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SS 7790 and OS sheet 25.14. Major local estates: Margam Estate (D/D Ma), Gnoll Estate (D/D Gn) and Briton Ferry Estate (D/D BF). Felin-dre is Welsh for mill town.

Waunarlwydd: locality in the Higher division of Swansea ancient parish; the name (Gwaun-arglwydd - the Lord's moor) relates to the fact that it belonged to the Beaufort Estate, i.e. the estate of the Lord of Gower. Part of Cockett ecclesiastical parish since 1878, but a parish of Waunarlwydd (church dedicated to St Barnabas) was created in 1888. In Swansea Registration District. In Cockett civil parish 1894-1918, which was part of Llangyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council. However, Cockett became part of the enlarged Swansea Borough in 1918, Swansea County Borough 1889-1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6294-6394 and OS sheet 23.4.

Wernffrwd: hamlet in Llanrhidian ancient parish (Higher division) and in Llanrhidian modern ecclesiastical parish; contains Wernffrwd Mission Church (CiW). In Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5193-5194 and OS sheet 22.7. Major local estates: Penrice Estate (D/D P)

- Wernllath: former hamlet (now largely deserted) in Bishopston ancient parish and modern ecclesiastical parish, in Weobley manor; in Swansea poor law union and registration district (Gower from 1857), Gower RDC 1894-1974, Swansea District Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 5890 and OS sheet 23.14. Major local estates: David Trevillian Jenkin estate (D/D SB 16) and Penrice Estate (D/D P).
- Winsh-wen: locality in lower division of Llansamlet ancient parish. In Neath registration district to 1875, Swansea registration district thereafter; in Llangyfelach/Swansea Rural District to 1918, Swansea County Borough to 1964, City of Swansea 1964-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea. NGR SS 6896 and OS sheet 15.14.
- **Ynysforgan:** locality to the south of Ynystawe. NGR SS 6799 and OS sheet 15.6
- **Ynysllwchwr:** Northernmost ancient division of the parish of Llandeilo Talybont. In Swansea registration district; Llangyfelach/Swansea RDC 1894-1930 then Llwchwr UDC 1930-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in City and County of Swansea.
- Ynysmeudwy: locality to the east of Pontardawe in Llangiwg ancient parish (Mawr division). In Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7305 and OS sheet 8.8. Ynys-meudwy means hermit's island.
- Ynystawe: village situated between Swansea and Clydach, in the Swansea Valley. It takes its name from a local mansion house (now demolished). In Llangyfelach ancient parish, Division of Clase. In Clase Rural civil parish and Llahgyfelach (later Swansea) Rural District Council; taken into Swansea County Borough following the enlargement of the borough in 1918; Swansea City from 1969, then City and County of Swansea from 1996. In Swansea Registration District. NGR SN 6800 and OS sheet 15.6. Major local estates: Ynystawe Estate (D/D SB 3); the Dyffryn Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4) also owned land in the area.

**Ynys-y-maerdy:** locality forming part of Briton Ferry.

- Ynysymond: largely rural division of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath ancient parish, containing part of Glais; became a civil parish in 1894. in Neath registration district to 1875, Pontardawe registration district after; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974, Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996, and divided between the City and County of Swansea and Neath Port Talbot County Borough in 1996. Major local estates: Neath Abbey Estate (D/D D); Dyffryn Estate (D/D Gw and D/D SB 4).
- Ystalyfera: populous village in Llangiwg ancient parish (Alltygrug division); also modern ecclesiastical parish (church dedicated to St David). In Neath

registration district to 1875, Pontardawe thereafter; Pontardawe RDC 1894-1974; Lliw Valley Borough Council 1974-1996 and currently in County Borough of Neath Port Talbot. NGR SN 7608-7708 and OS sheets 3.13 and 9.1. Major estates: Ynys-Cedwyn Estate (D/D Yc).

Ystumllwynarth: see Oystermouth.

