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Acronyms

| Acronym | Description |
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| MAFF | Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food |
| MHWS | Mean High Water Springs |
| PRoW | Public Rights of Way |

1 RECREATIONAL RESOURCES PLAN

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1.1 This technical report provides details of the recreational resources within the Mona Proposed Onshore Development Area. This information has been used to inform the baseline environment and assessment in volume 3, chapter 20: Land use and recreation, of the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR).

1.2 Study area

1.2.1.1 The land use and recreation study area focuses on areas landward of Mean High Water Springs (MHWS) and is described below:

- The area of land to be temporarily or permanently occupied during construction, operations and maintenance, and decommissioning of the Mona Offshore Wind Project (i.e. the Mona Proposed Onshore Development Area).
- The following aspects are considered within the land use and recreation study area:
 - Recreational resources (e.g. recreational facilities, areas of public access and Public Rights of Way (PRoW))
 - Users of recreational resources, including pedestrians, cyclists, equestrians, and other recreational users.

1.2.1.2 The Mona Onshore Development Area will be refined following submission of the PEIR which will reduce the land within the land use and recreation study area. As such, a 1km buffer will be added to the land use and recreation study area for the Environmental Statement from the onshore elements of the Mona Offshore Wind Project.

1.3 Methodology

Desktop study

1.3.1.1 Information on recreational resources within the land use and recreation study area was collected through a detailed desktop review of existing studies and datasets. These are summarised at Table 1.1 below.

Table 1.1: Summary of key desktop sources.

| Title | Source | Year | Author |
|---|--------------------------------------|------|------------------------------|
| Recreation mapping data, including definitive PRoW for Conwy County Borough Council | Conwy County Borough Council website | 2022 | Conwy County Borough Council |
| Recreation mapping data, including definitive PRoW for Denbighshire County Council | Denbighshire County Council website | 2022 | Denbighshire County Council |
| National Cycle Route mapping data | Sustrans website | 2022 | Sustrans |

| Title | Source | Year | Author |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------|------------------|
| Active Travel Route mapping data | Lle – Geo-Portal for Wales | 2016 | Welsh Government |
| Access Land and Common Land | Lle – Geo-Portal for Wales | 2016 | Welsh Government |
| Areas of Public Open Space | Lle – Geo-Portal for Wales | 2016 | Welsh Government |
| Ordnance Survey 1:25,000 mapping | Ordnance Survey website | 2022 | Ordnance Survey |

1.4 Results

1.4.1.1 The location of recreational resources within the land use and recreation study area, including active travel routes, national cycle network, access/common land, public open space, golf courses, PRoW and other recreational assets are presented in Figure 1.1, Figure 1.2, Figure 1.3 and Figure 1.4 below.

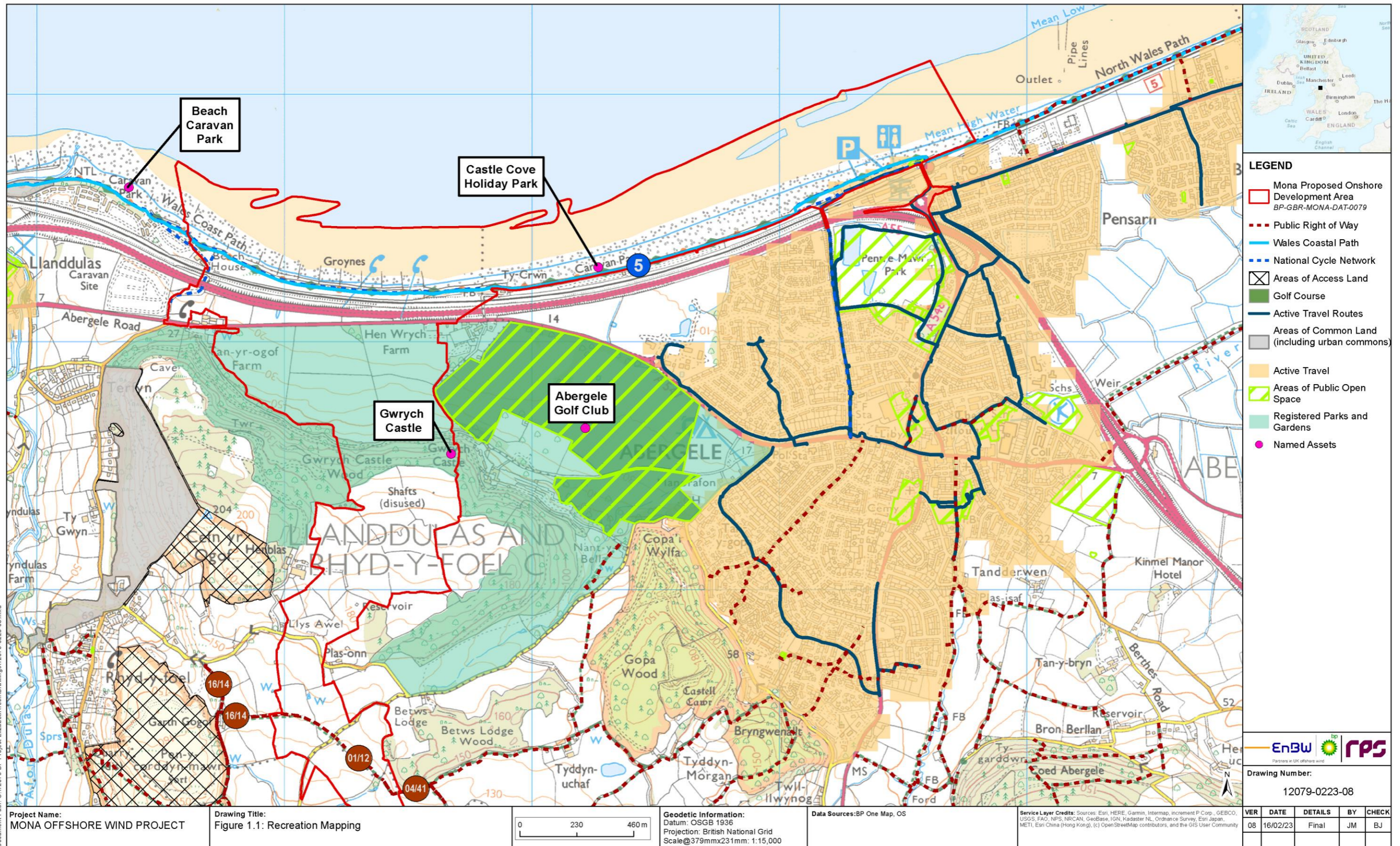


Figure 1.1: Recreational resources within the land use and recreation study area.

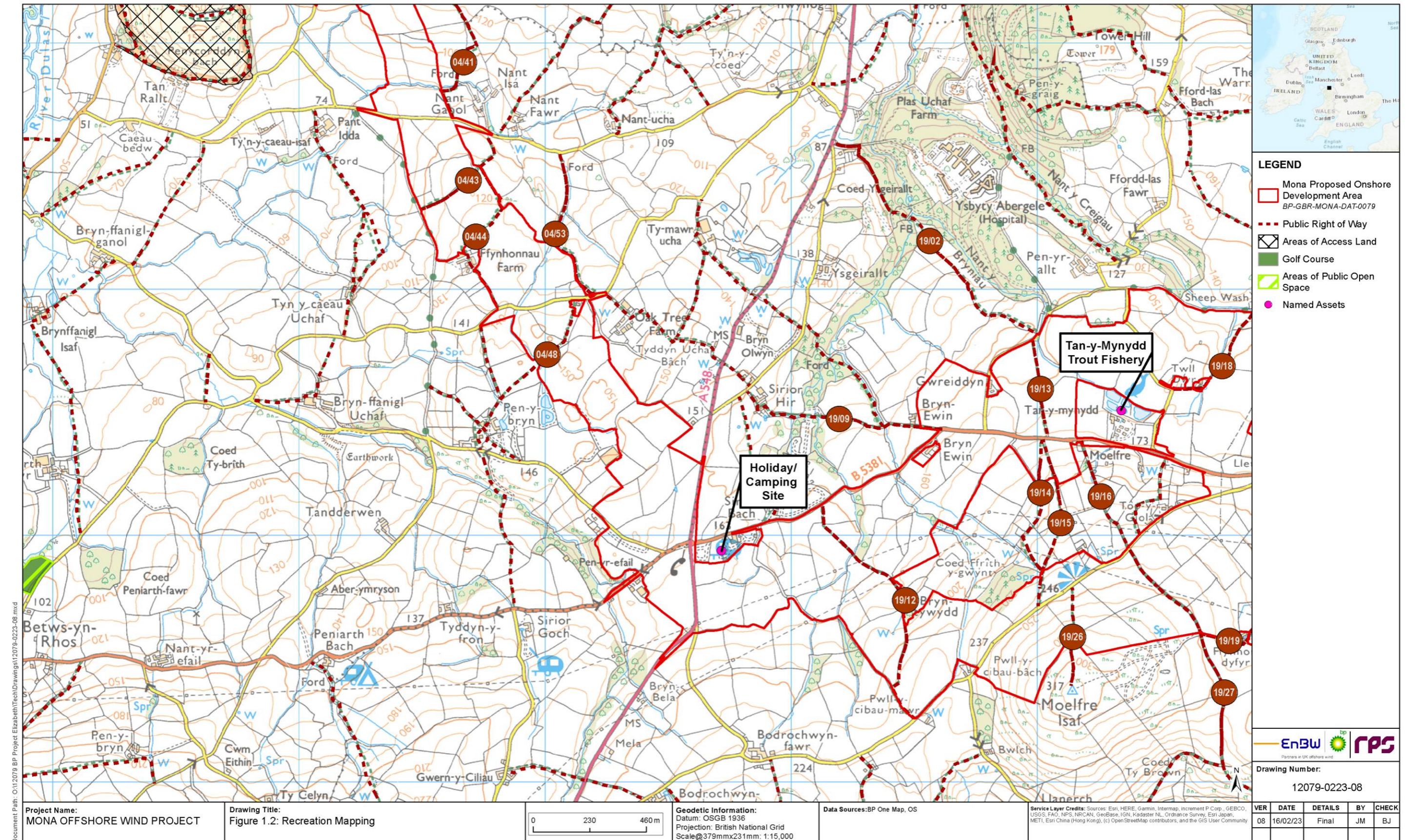


Figure 1.2: Recreational resources within the land use and recreation study area.

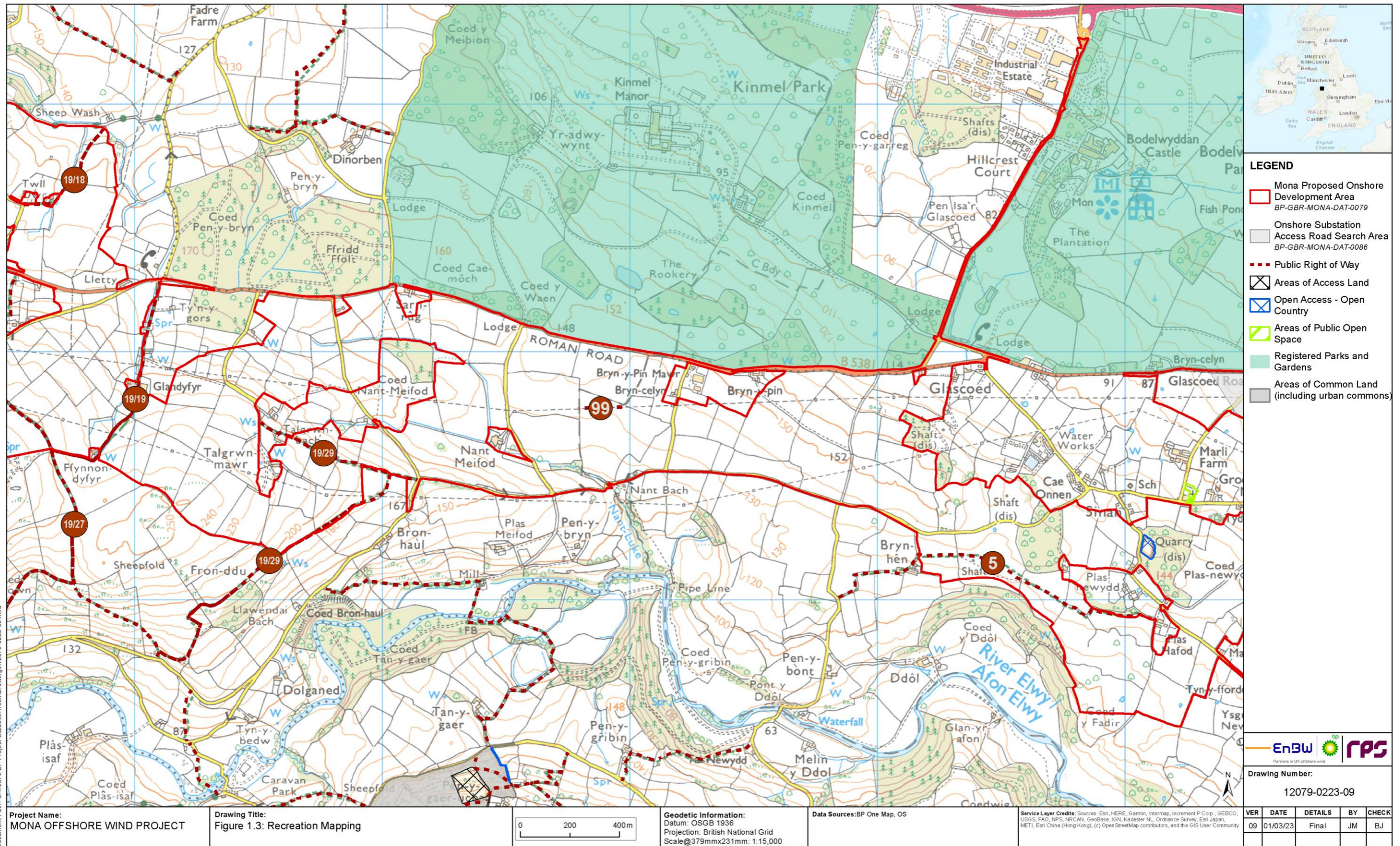


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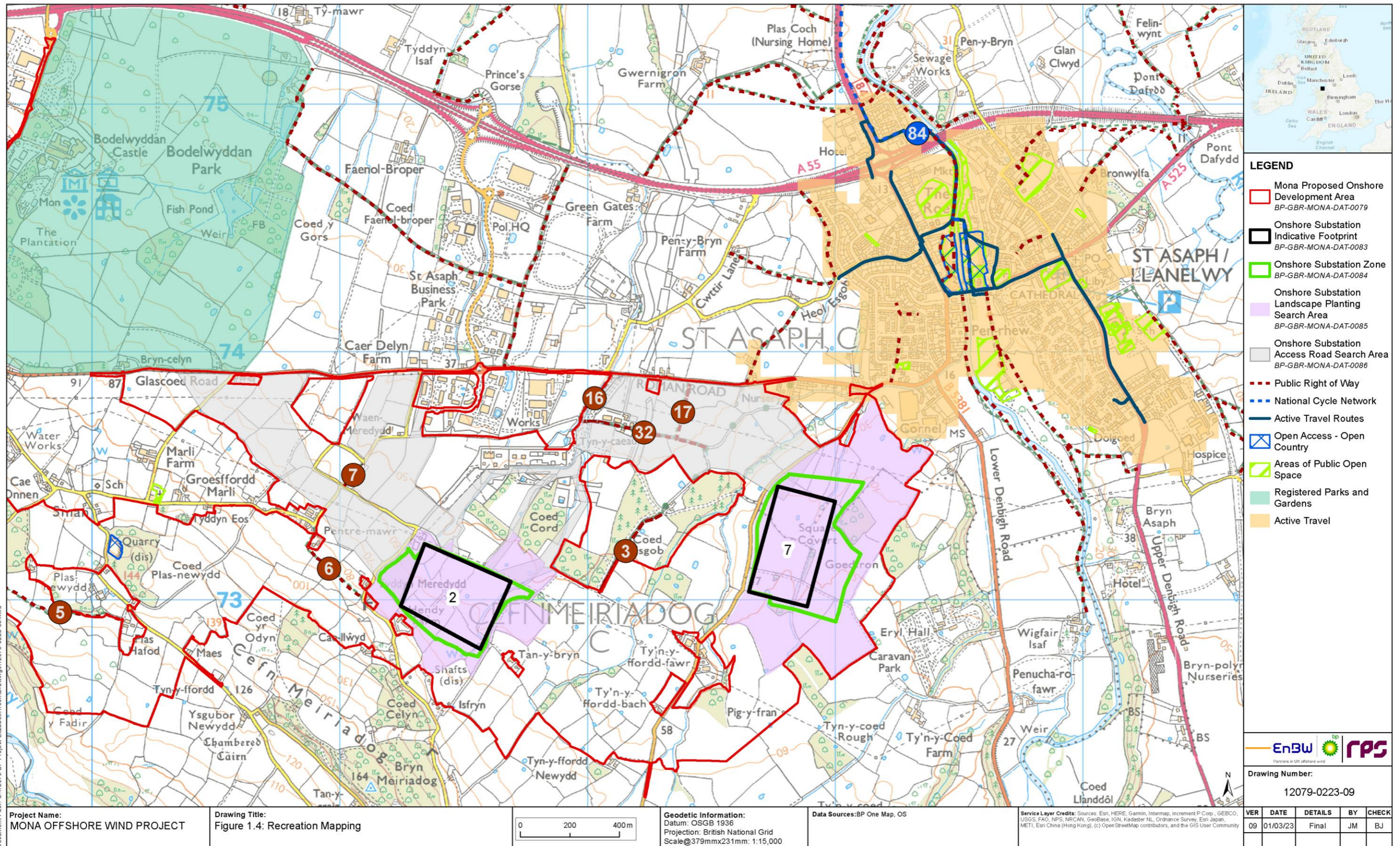


Figure 1.4: Recreational resources within the land use and recreation study area.

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