

## **CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA**

<b>CONSERVATION AREA</b>	Penrice
<b>Date of Notification:-</b>	1973
<b>National Grid Reference:-</b>	SS 4920087950
<b>O.S. 1:10,000 Sheet No.:-</b>	SS 48 NE
<b>Conservation Area No.:-</b>	CA:012

### **Notes:-**

A hamlet of eight households one mile south of the A4118 and eleven miles west of Swansea. It stands on a wooded knoll around a stone built cruciform church and overlooks the wide expanse of Oxwich Bay.

The group also contains the wooded remains of an early Norman Ring Motte, predecessor to the 12<sup>th</sup> Century Penrice Castle across the valley.

The stone walled church yard, containing a very fine yew, forms one side of a long triangular green which is open to the south, with a group of four cottages along the lane on its third side. A mature wood to the east of the church provides shelter from this direction. This lane descends steeply, between high banks, to the wooded valley to the north.

The buildings, apart from the 14<sup>th</sup> Century church, are in the Gower vernacular of slate and colour washed render, and are well cared for.

The character and visual quality of the group is exceptional and Penrice is highly recommended for conservation.