

Historic Environment Feature Management Report:

Pen Allt Rhys Groes longhouse and enclosure

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PRN 13536 Name PEN ALLT RHYS GROES

Period Medieval, Post-medieval **Site Type** LONGHOUSE

NGR SN76394737

Site Description

A longhouse of two or three divisions, with associated enclosure (PRN 46009) recorded on the 1888 1st edition and 1905 2nd edition Ordnance Survey maps, located within the preserved boundaries of a medieval - post-medieval field system.

It is uncertain what survives of the longhouse today. The site is no longer recorded on modern mapping but it can be identified on recent aerial photographs (Ordnance Survey Next Perspectives 2009) which indicate it to be under tree and/or scrub cover (M.Ings, 2013)

PRN 46009 Name PEN ALLT RHYS GROES

Period Medieval, Post-medieval **Site Type** ENCLOSURE

NGR SN76394737

Site Description

Enclosure associated with longhouse (PRN 13536), recorded on the 1888 1st edition and 1905 2nd edition Ordnance Survey maps. The site is not shown on modern mapping but is visible as a possible earthwork on recent aerial photographs Ordnance Survey Next Perspectives 2009) (M.Ings, 2013)

Management Issues

The main management issue for this site is the control of tree and/or scrub growth, which has the potential to damage buried archaeological remains through the disruptive activity of root development, and built structural remains by prising apart masonry bonds or wind throw.

Desired Management Outcome

The management outcome is to maintain the earthwork and built structural remains of the longhouse and associated enclosure in a stable and visible condition.

Management Actions

Scrub growth is damaging to the long term survival of earthwork and built structural remains through the disruptive activity of root development. Trees can pose a threat through wind throw or falling limbs.

- Remove mature trees which are at risk of wind throw and could threaten upstanding remains of the longhouse and enclosure through uprooting (root plate damage) or falling limbs.
- Remove any young trees or vegetation growing out of the wall tops but cutting by hand. Spot treat to prevent re-growth. Do not pull-up by the roots as this is potentially destabilising to masonry bonds.
- Cut any scrub back by hand in order to retain the visibility of the building ruins.
- Where present maintain a canopy of mature trees over the site. This will reduce light reaching the ground, inhibiting scrubby vegetation growth.

Glastir Whole Farm Code

Please also remember that, unless we have indicated otherwise, the Glastir Whole Farm Code should be observed for all historic features on your farm. The Whole Farm Code states that you must not damage any historic feature identified on your agreement map.

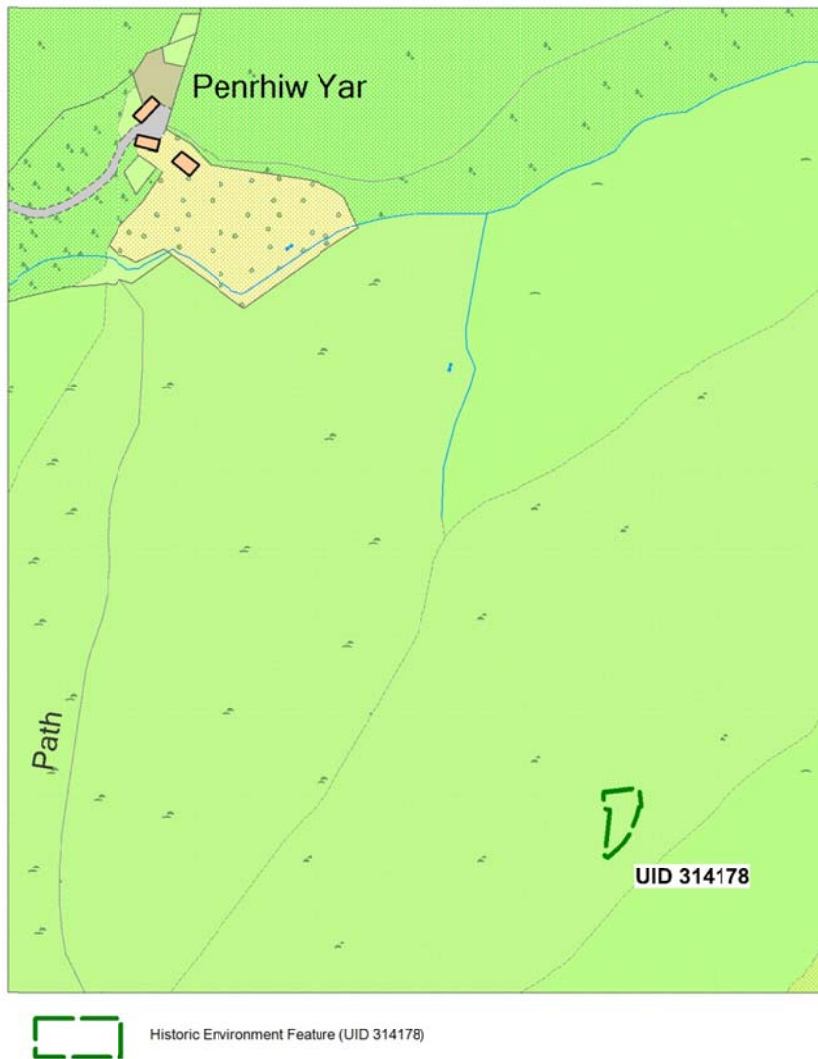
Definitions of damage to a historic feature include ANY of the following:

- Ground disturbance or excavation especially extending beneath topsoil.
- Dumping or storage of material, including temporary storage.
- Removal of any material, including stones, soil or subsoil.
- Visible signs of active erosion (loss and disturbance of topsoil) caused by

livestock and vehicles or other agricultural practice.

- Planting trees.
- Allowing scrub to develop.
- Ploughing or reseeding.
- Displacing individual stone features.

Location Map



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