Historic Environment Feature Management Report: Kings Mill, Farmstead Customer Reference Number: A0028568 UID: 303,302



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PRN 12488 Name KING'S MILL Period Medieval/Modern Site Type Water mill/Farmstead NGR SR924987

Site Description

Kings Mill is a former medieval water driven corn mill. The extant ruins at the site, being the subject of this report, comprise an L shaped range of buildings and a further rectangular building to its NE. The standing ruins are of a 19th century farmstead established at the site which may have incorporated former ancillary buildings for the mill such as storage or workshops. Below ground archaeological remains of both the farmstead and earlier features associate with the mill may survive. The whole complex is medieval in origin with earliest known reference being a mention in a land grant in 1591. The main mill buildings (PRN 7848) the farmhouse now called Corn Mill House PRN 59432) are both Listed and occupied buildings lying in the east of the complex. The 19th century layout is clearly shown on the 2nd edition Ordnance Survey Map (1907). Recent aerial photographs (Next Perspectives 2009) show the buildings as roofless but standing to full height.

Management Issues

The main management issue for this site is the control of vegetation which has the potential to damage both buried archaeological remains and the built structures.

Desired Management Outcome

The desired management outcome is to reduce further decay of the buried archaeology and built structural remains and to keep them in a stable and visible condition with no invasive vegetation.

Management Actions

The following management actions are required in order to keep the structure in a stable condition:

- Cut back vegetation by hand in order to prevent further damage and to enhance the visibility of the structure.
- Do not pull-up by the roots as this is potentially destabilising to masonry bonds.

Management Opportunities

It may be desirable to carry out a programme of masonry consolidation and repointing in order to make the structure safe. Contact Dyfed Archaeological Trust for further advice.

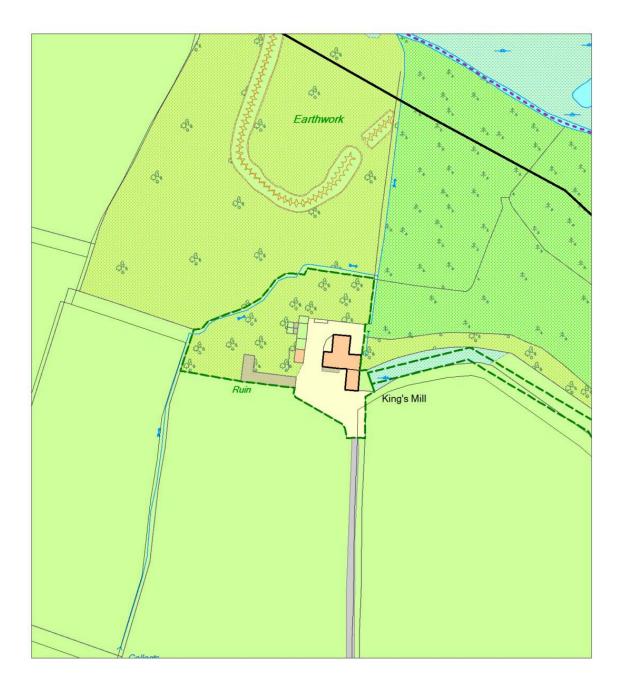
NOTE; The ruins lie within the curtilage of a Listed Building(s) so LBC may be required, Guidance can be obtained from the local authority historic building conservation office.

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:

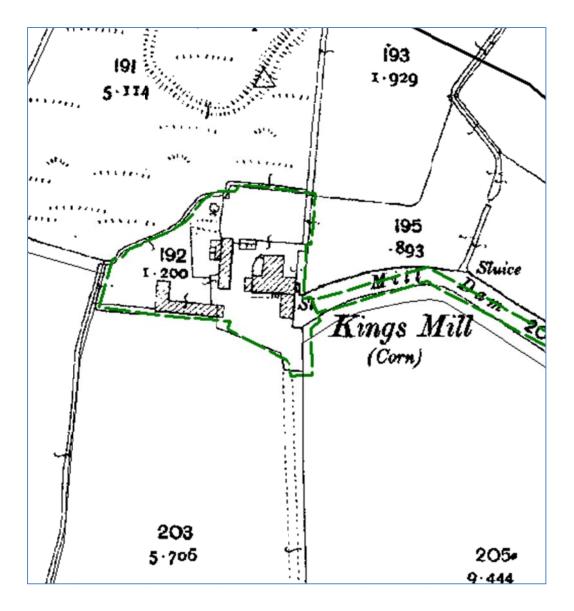
- Ground disturbance or excavation especially extending beneath topsoil.
- Dumping or storage of material, including temporary storage.
- Removal of any material, including stones, soil or subsoil.
- Visible signs of active erosion (loss and disturbance of topsoil) caused by livestock and vehicles or other agricultural practice.
- Planting trees.
- Allowing scrub to develop.
- Ploughing or reseeding.
- Displacing individual stone features.

Location Map





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