

Historic Environment Feature Management Report:

Plas Bach, Ruined Farmstead

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This management plan has been produced by Dyfed Archaeological Trust Heritage Management to inform the positive management of the identified Priority Historic Environment Feature. The identified management outcome will meet the objective for the Historic Environment Feature Targeted Layer as part of the Glastir Land Management Scheme.

PRN 62687 **Name** PLAS BACH
Period Post-Medieval **Site Type** farmstead
NGR SN58120994

Site Description

A minor farmstead named as Plas Bach on the Ordnance Survey 1st edition map (1889). It is shown with a rectangular linear building interpreted as a farm building with a smaller square structure to its south east being the farmhouse. By the 1907 2nd edition mapping a further square structure is located to the north east of the barn range. The complex lies within a group of small yards and gardens.

Plas Bach is depicted on the most recent Ordnance Survey mapping (Mastermap 2011). Recent aerial photographs (Ordnance Survey Next Perspectives 2009) show the walls of the barn range, including internal divisions, roofless but standing to full height and the northern structure having a corrugated metal roof. The structure to the south east is obscured by trees so its condition is unclear.

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 through the disruptive activity of root development. Trees can pose a threat through wind throw or falling limbs.

Desired Management Outcome

The management outcome is to maintain built structural remains and associated boundaries in a stable and visible condition.

Management Actions

The following actions are required in order to keep the structures in a stable condition.

- Remove any young trees or vegetation growing out of the wall by cutting by hand. 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.
- Spot treat to prevent regrowth
- Maintain a canopy of mature trees around the site. This will inhibit scrubby vegetation growth.

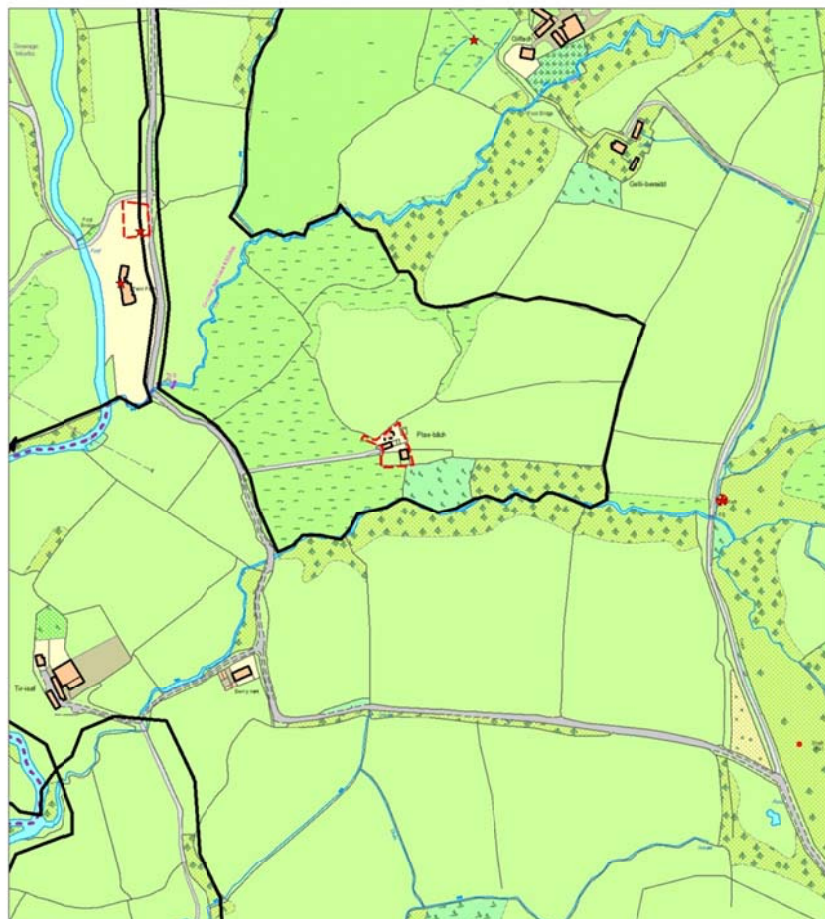
Glastir Whole Farm Code

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:

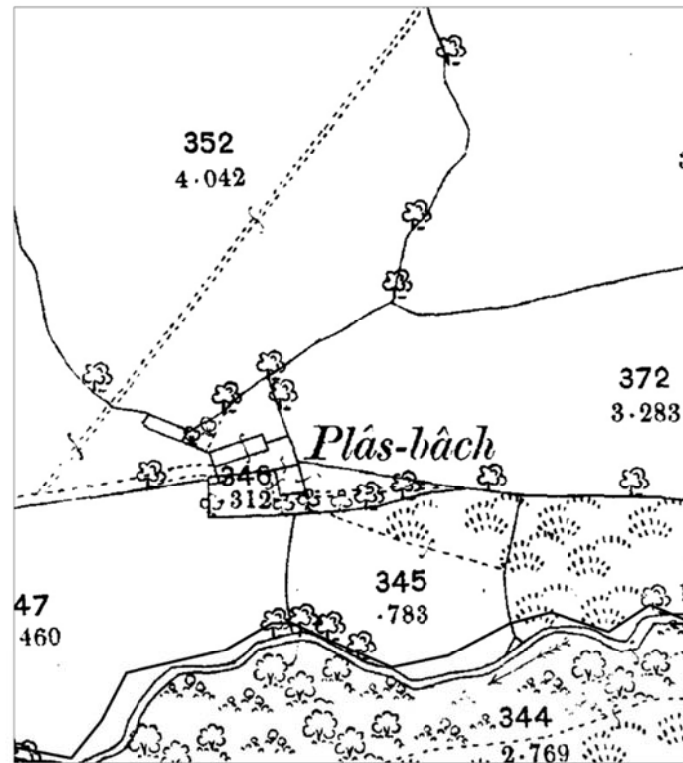
- Ground disturbance or excavation especially extending beneath topsoil.
- Dumping or storage of material, including temporary storage.
- Removal of any material, including stones, soil or subsoil.
- Visible signs of active erosion (loss and disturbance of topsoil) caused by livestock and vehicles or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

Location Map



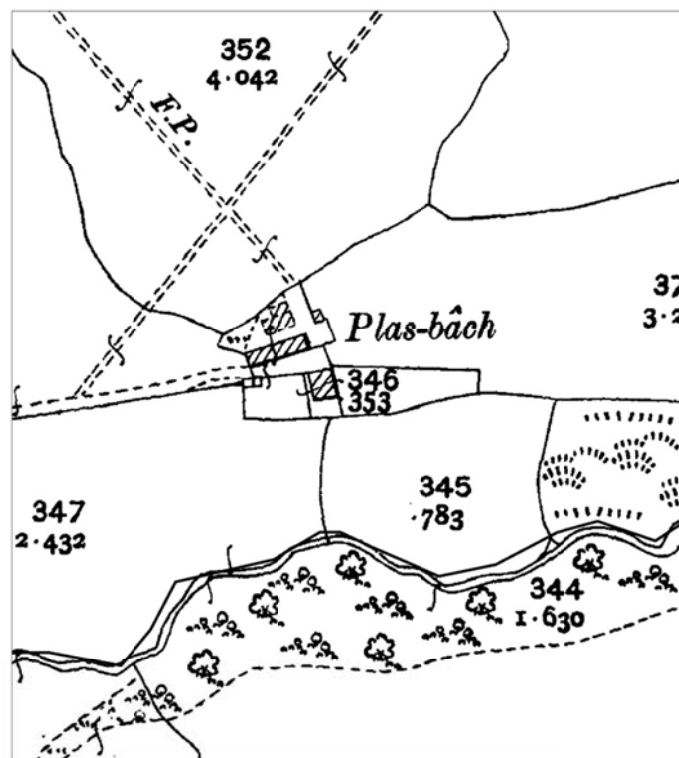
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1st edition Ordnance Survey Map



Detail from the Ordnance Survey 1st edition map (1889)
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2nd edition Ordnance Survey Map



Detail from the Ordnance Survey 2nd edition map (1907)
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