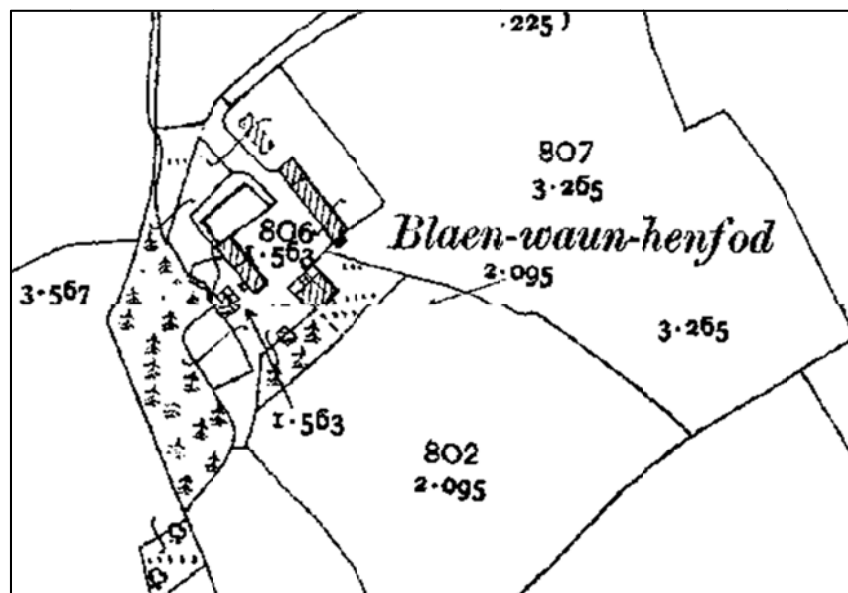


Historic Environment Feature Management Report:

Blaen-waun-henfod, Ruined Farmstead

Customer Reference Number: A0023376

UID: 309,588



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PRN 9474 Name BLAEN WAUN HENFOD FAWR
Period Post-medieval **Site Type** Farmstead
NGR SN52724104

Site Description

A minor post-medieval farmstead which first appears on the Llanybydder tithe map of 1841 when it was part of the High Mead Estate. At that time the area was unenclosed common and the farmstead was already well established with a farm house and separate farm building clearly shown on the map. It is named as Blaen-Cynhenfod on the Ordnance Survey 1st edition map (1891) where it is depicted in an expanded form. By the second edition Ordnance Survey map of 1908 the complex had been slightly enlarged and re-named as Blaen-waun-henfod. It was still occupied into the 1940s. The surviving remains include a set of buildings grouped around a central yard and set within a series of stone and earth banked enclosures with laid stone faces and beech hedges. The ruined farmhouse (PRN 42102) lies on the south side of the yard with opposing ranges of farm building to the west (PRN 42104) and east (PRN 42105). To the rear of the western range is a former pig sty (PRN 42103) and traces a small building (PRN 42106). A wheel pit to support a water wheel is located in the north-west part of the area (PRN 42107).

The surviving buildings are depicted on the most recent Ordnance Survey mapping (Mastermap 2011) and a site visit in 2001 recorded most of the buildings as roofless standing ruins. At the time of that field visit the area was used for herding and collecting livestock. Recent aerial photographs (Ordnance Survey Next Perspectives 2009) show the area covered with trees with a thick canopy so the current condition is unclear.

PRN 42102 Name BLAEN WAUN HENFOD FAWR
Period Post Medieval **Site Type** Farmhouse
NGR SN52714104

Site Description

Two-storey rubble and lime farmhouse with a gabled roof to the southeast of the farmyard at Blaen-waun-henfod farm (PRN 9474). Orientation northeast-southwest. Openings are headed with stone voussoirs, as is the surviving fireplace against the northeastern gable wall. This wall still stands to roof height although the other walls are substantially lower. The interior is filled with rubble.

PRN 42103 Name BLAEN WAUN HENFOD FAWR
Period Post Medieval **Site Type** Pigsty
NGR SN52694104

Site Description

Single-storey rubble and lime pigsty, to the southwest of the farmyard at Blaen-waun-henfod farm (PRN 9474). First recorded on the 1st edition Ordnance Survey map of 1891. Orientation northwest-southeast. No roofing material survives. Openings are headed with stone voussoirs. The southeastern gable wall stands to roof height. The interior is filled with rubble.

PRN 42104 Name BLAEN WAUN HENFOD FAWR
Period Post Medieval **Site Type** Farm building
NGR SN52704105

Site Description

One and a half storey rubble and lime outbuilding to the north east of the farmyard at Blaen-waun-henfod farm (PRN 9474). First recorded on the 1st edition OS map of 1891. Orientation northwest-southeast. The southeastern end is slightly offset from the remainder of the building and may be later. Accessed from openings along the northeastern wall. Walls stand to gable height in places. No roofing materials or complete openings survive. Interior is filled with rubble and rubbish. Attached to a u-shaped enclosure to the northwest, defined by a massive stone bank (c.1.5m high by 1.5m wide).

PRN 42105 Name BLAEN WAUN HENFOD FAWR
Period Post Medieval **Site Type** Farm building
NGR SN52724107

Site Description

One and a half storey, L-shaped, rubble and lime farm-building forming the northeastern range of the farmyard at Blaen-waun-henfod farm (PRN 9474). Orientation northeast-southwest. First recorded on the tithe survey of 1841. Openings are square headed with timber lintels. No roofing material survives. Walls stand to gable height in places. Accessed by openings in the southwestern wall. The wing that extends to the northwest has been demolished by the farmer. The interior is filled with rubbish.

PRN 42106 Name BLAEN WAUN HENFOD FAWR
Period Post Medieval **Site Type** Farm building
NGR SN52684104

Site Description

Small (c.3m by 2m), ruined outbuilding to the southwest of the farmhouse at Blaen-waun-henfod farm (PRN 9474). First recorded on the 2nd edition OS map of 1904. Footings are barely discernible and stand to a height of 0.5m.

PRN 42107 **Name** BLAEN WAUN HENFOD FAWR
Period Post Medieval **Site Type** Wheel pit
NGR SN52684104

Site Description

Infilled wheelpit and leat to the southwest of the farm yard at Blaen-waun-henfod farm (PRN 9474). The leat is still wet but silted up and grassed over and breached to the south of the former wheelpit. The wheelpit is infilled and littered with rubbish.

Management Issues

The main management issues for this site are firstly the control of vegetation which has the potential to damage both buried archaeological remains and the built structure through the disruptive activity of root development. Trees can also pose a threat through wind throw or falling limbs. Secondly the area has been used for collecting livestock which can have a detrimental impact on historic surfaces and buried archaeological through the intense trampling and also potential to damage standing ruins through stock management and the erection of pens.

Desired Management Outcome

The desired management outcome is to prevent damage to the built structural remains, historic surfaces and associated boundaries and maintain them in a stable and visible condition.

Management Actions

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

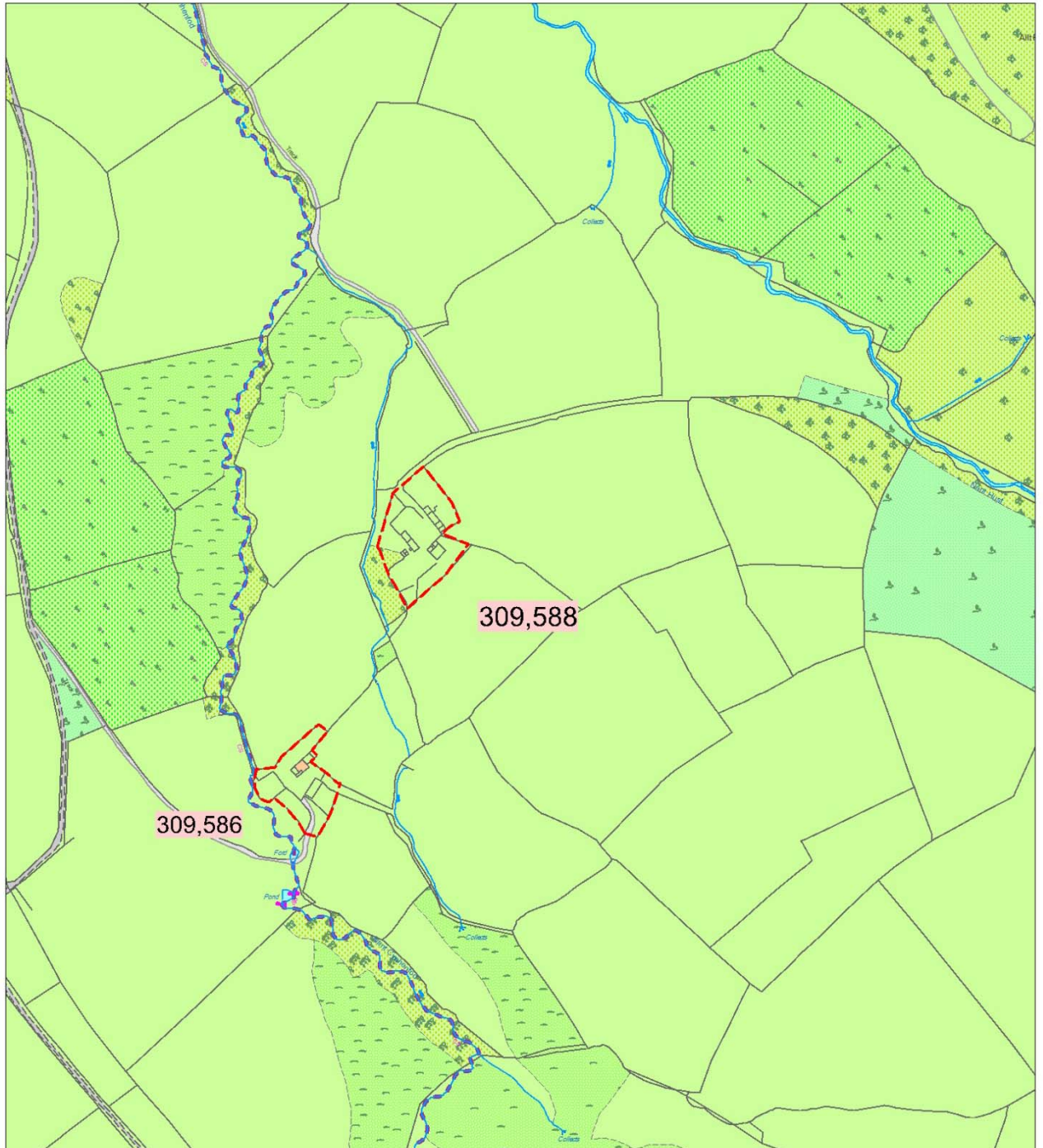
- Remove any young trees or vegetation growing out of the walls by cutting by hand. Do not pull-up by the roots as this is potentially destabilising to masonry bonds.
 - Cut any scrub back by hand in order to retain the visibility of the building ruins.
 - Spot treat to prevent re-growth
 - Maintain a canopy of mature trees around the site. This will prevent light entering the ground, inhibiting scrubby vegetation growth.
 - Refrain from managing livestock within and close to the buildings
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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:

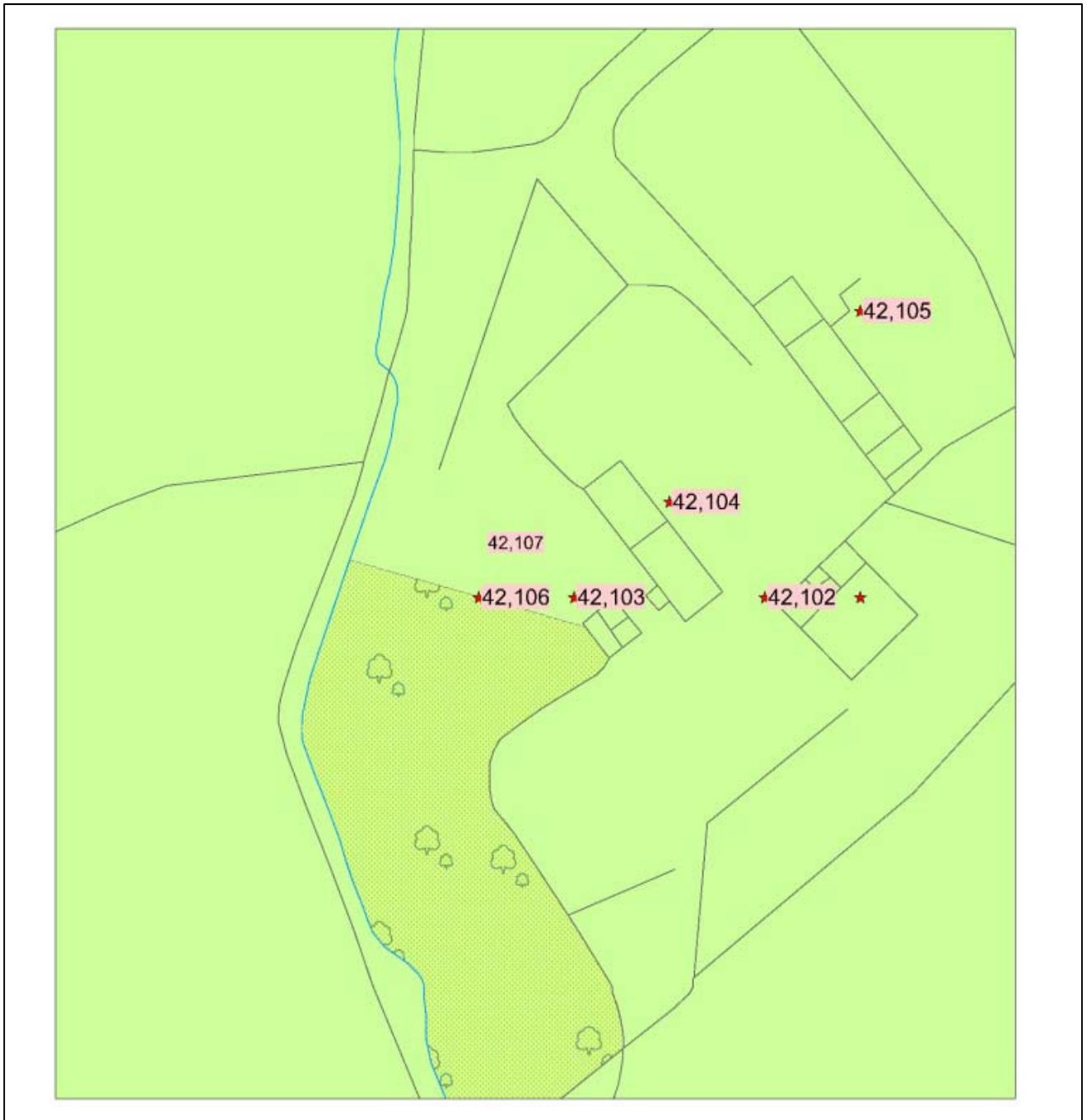
- Ground disturbance or excavation especially extending beneath topsoil.
- Dumping or storage of material, including temporary storage.
- Removal of any material, including stones, soil or subsoil.
- Visible signs of active erosion (loss and disturbance of topsoil) caused by livestock and vehicles or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

Location Map

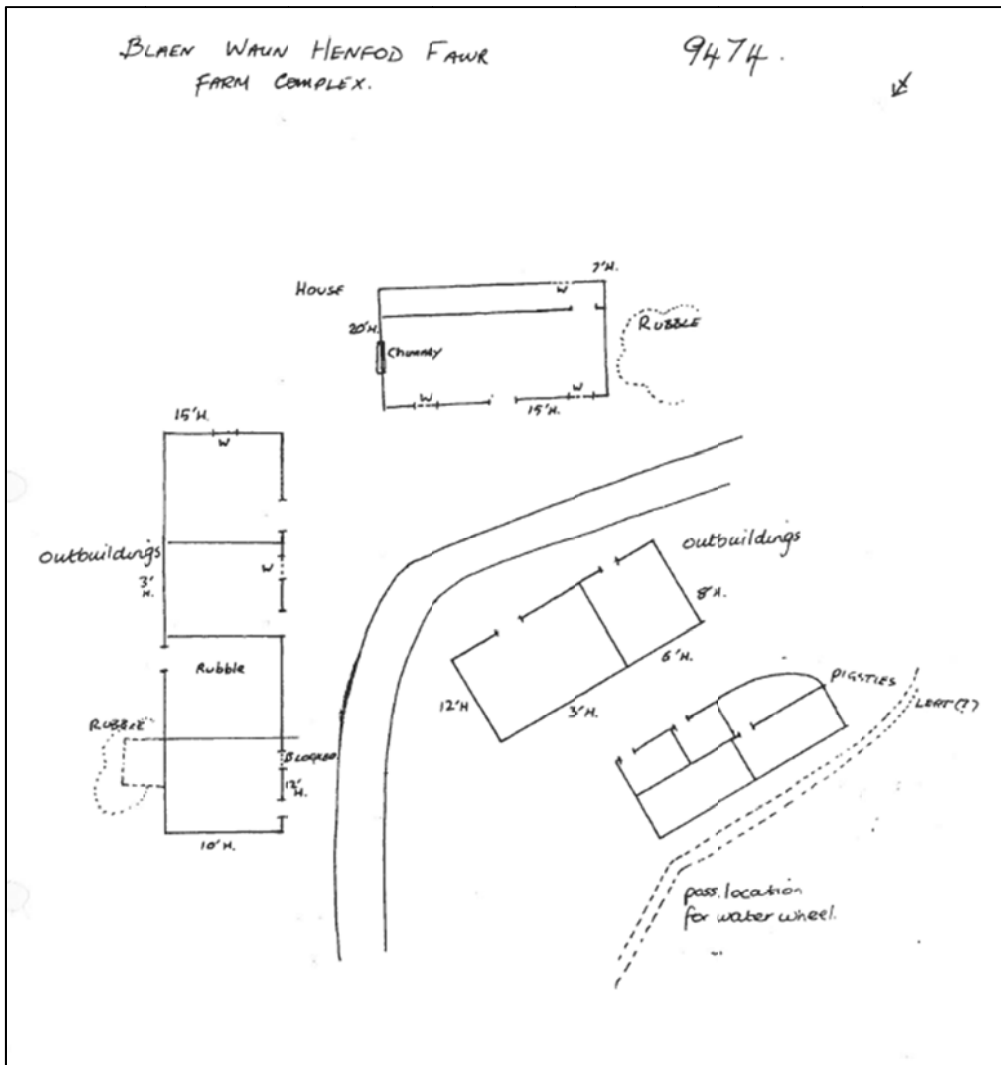


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PRN Location map



UID 309,588 Location of PRNs



Sketch plan of layout of buildings. Note direction of North arrow

Aerial Photograph

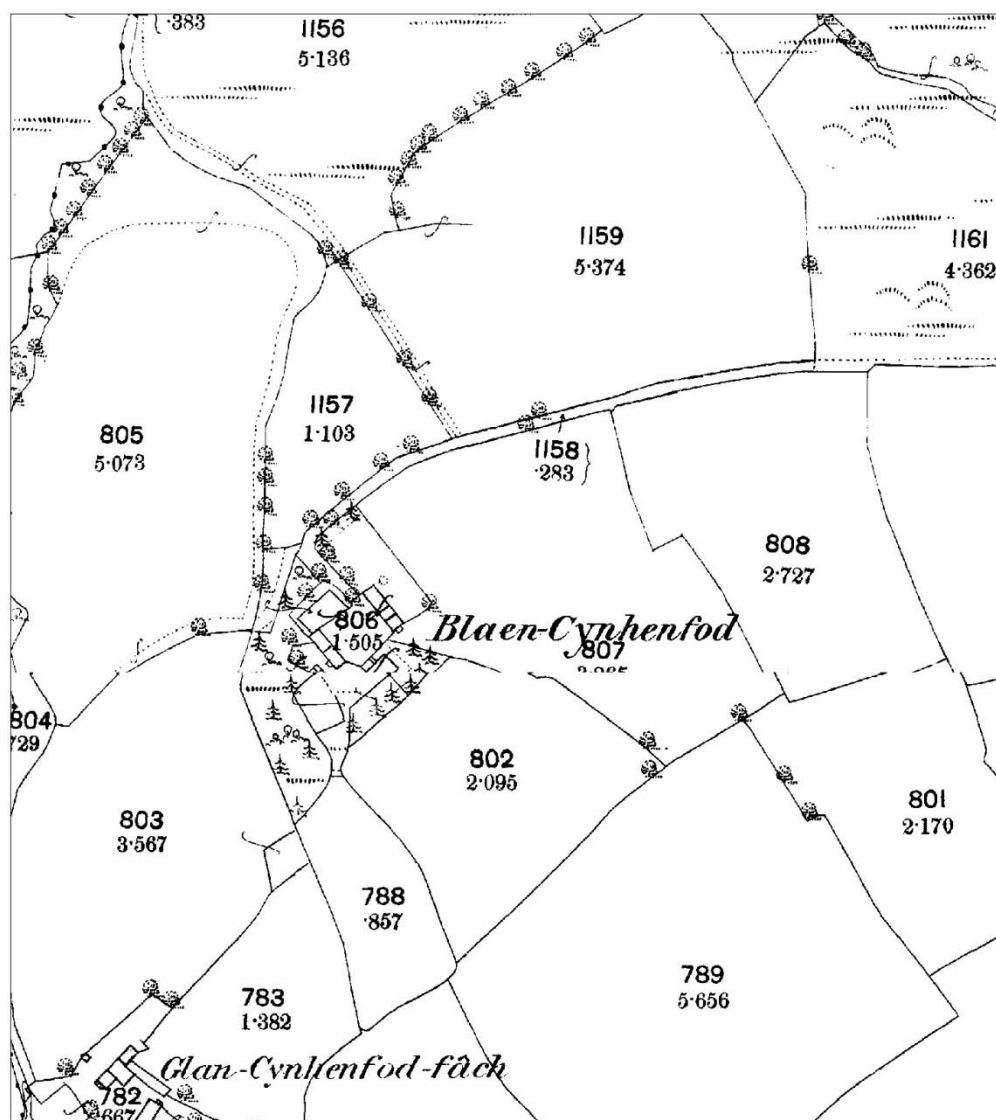


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