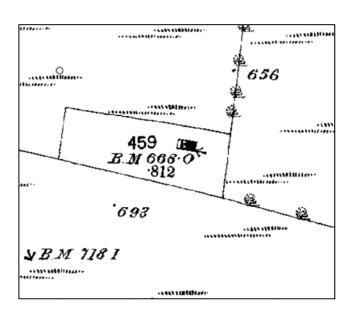
Historic Environment Feature Management Report:

Llech Cynon, Ruined Field Barn

Customer Reference Number: A0028402

UID: 310,018



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PRN 9489 Name LLECH-CYNON Period Post-medieval Site Type Barn NGR SN6259948166

Site Description

A late 19th century ruined field barn. It is shown on the 1st edition Ordnance Survey map of 1891 as a simple two cell structure. It does not appear on the Cellan Tithe Map of the 1840s when the area was all unenclosed common, showing that it was built after this date. It appears again on the 1906 mapping but by this time it is abandoned. The surrounding landscape is composed of small regular fields which were part of the enclosure of that part of the common in the late 19th century. Along with other buildings in the vicinity (UID 310,019; 310,020 and PRNs 21813; 21814) the barn was built as an integral part of the enclosure. It is an element of a widespread but short lived expansion of settlement onto the upland margins of open common evidenced by the numerous abandoned farmsteads and cottages indicating the area had a larger population than today. The barn is shown on the most recent Ordnance Survey Mapping (Mastermap,2011). Aerial photographs (Next Perspectives, 2009) show the building survives well with walls and internal division standing to almost full height. It is partly overgrown with vegetation. (H Pritchard, 2013)

Management Issues

The main management issue for this site is the control of vegetation which has the potential to damage buried archaeological remains through the disruptive activity of root development, and built structural remains by the prising apart of masonry bonds. Excessive vegetation cover can provide shelter for livestock and for burrowing animals which can also cause damage. It also leads to archaeological features being obscured from sight.

Desired Management Outcome

The desired outcome is to arrest any further damage to the standing remains and buried deposits and to make the remains more visible in the landscape.

Management Actions

The following management actions are required in order to keep the structures in a stable and visible condition:

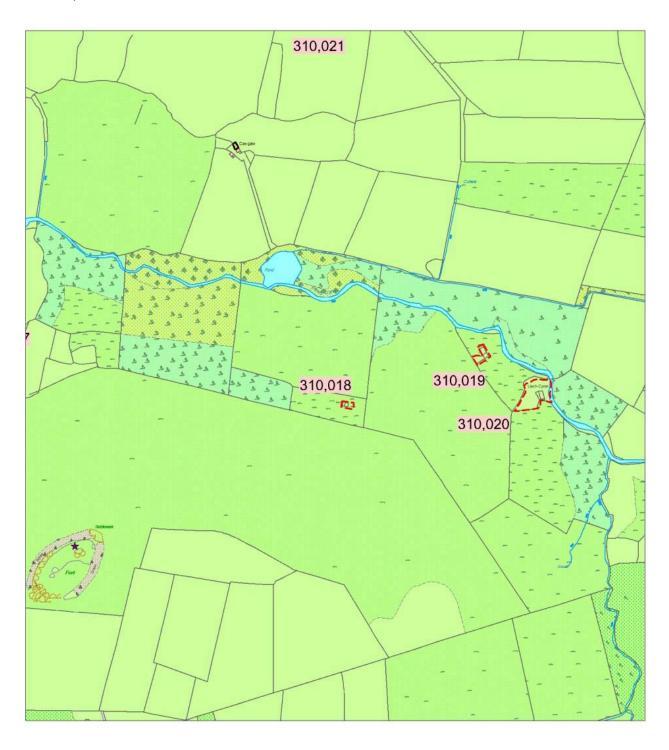
- Cut back vegetation by hand in order to prevent further damage and to enhance the visibility of the structure.
- Do not pull-up by the roots as this is potentially destabilising to masonry bonds.
- Spot treat to prevent re-growth

Glastir Whole Farm Code

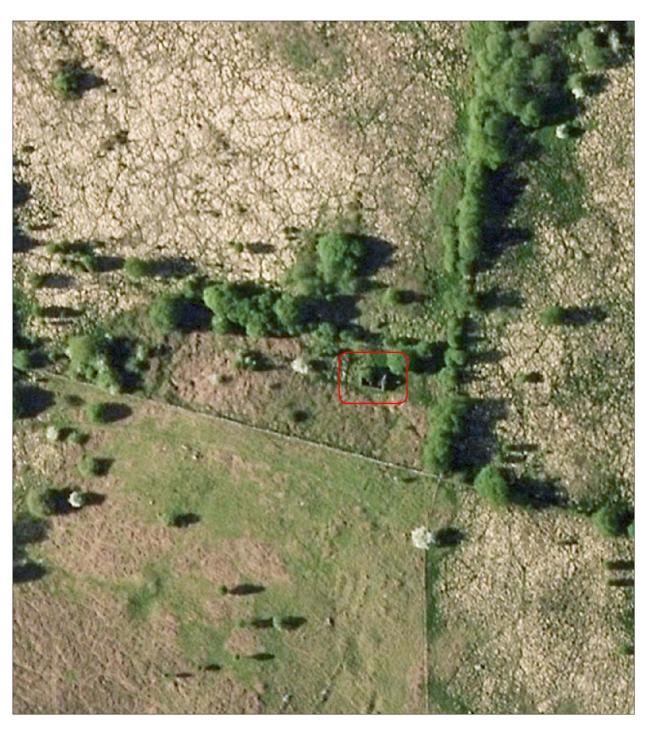
Please also remember that, unless we have indicated otherwise, the Glastir Whole Farm Code should be observed for all historic features on your farm. The Whole Farm Code states that you must not damage any historic feature identified on your agreement map. Definitions of damage to a historic feature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