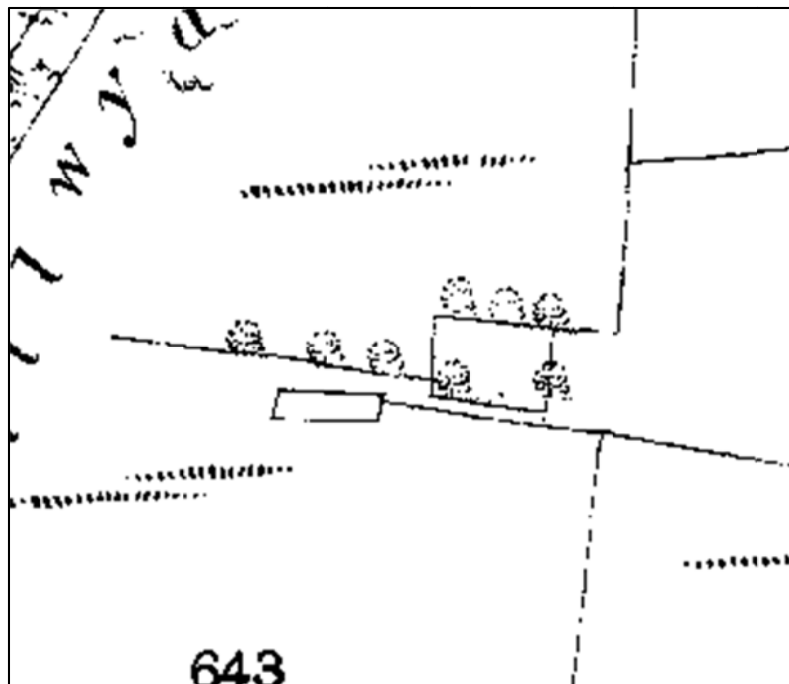


Historic Environment Feature Management Report:

Nant Maenllwyd, Ruined cottage

Customer Reference Number: A0028400

UID: 310,173



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PRN 9227 Name NANT MAENLLWYD
Period Post-medieval **Site Type** Cottage
NGR SN6739654085

Site Description

A post medieval ruined cottage unnamed but marked on the 1st edition Ordnance Survey map of 1891. It is a 2 cell rectangular structure with a long section being the domestic range and a smaller room at one end. There is no evidence of a barn/byre suggesting it was a simple cottage. Given its size and form and location in an isolated upland position it may have origins as a hafod site or shepherds hut for the management of livestock grazing the uplands during the summer months. Such sites were often fully occupied during the 19th century when there was a widespread but short lived expansion of settlement onto the upland margins of open land evidenced by the numerous abandoned farmsteads and cottages indicating the area had a larger population than today. There is an embanked enclosure opposite the cottage which would have served as a garden plot or paddock.

The surviving buildings are depicted on the most recent Ordnance Survey mapping (Mastermap 2011). Recent aerial photographs (Ordnance Survey Next Perspectives 2009) show the area of the cottage surrounded by trees and the enclosure boundaries surviving as grass covered banks.

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 of the building and the enclosure boundaries.

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

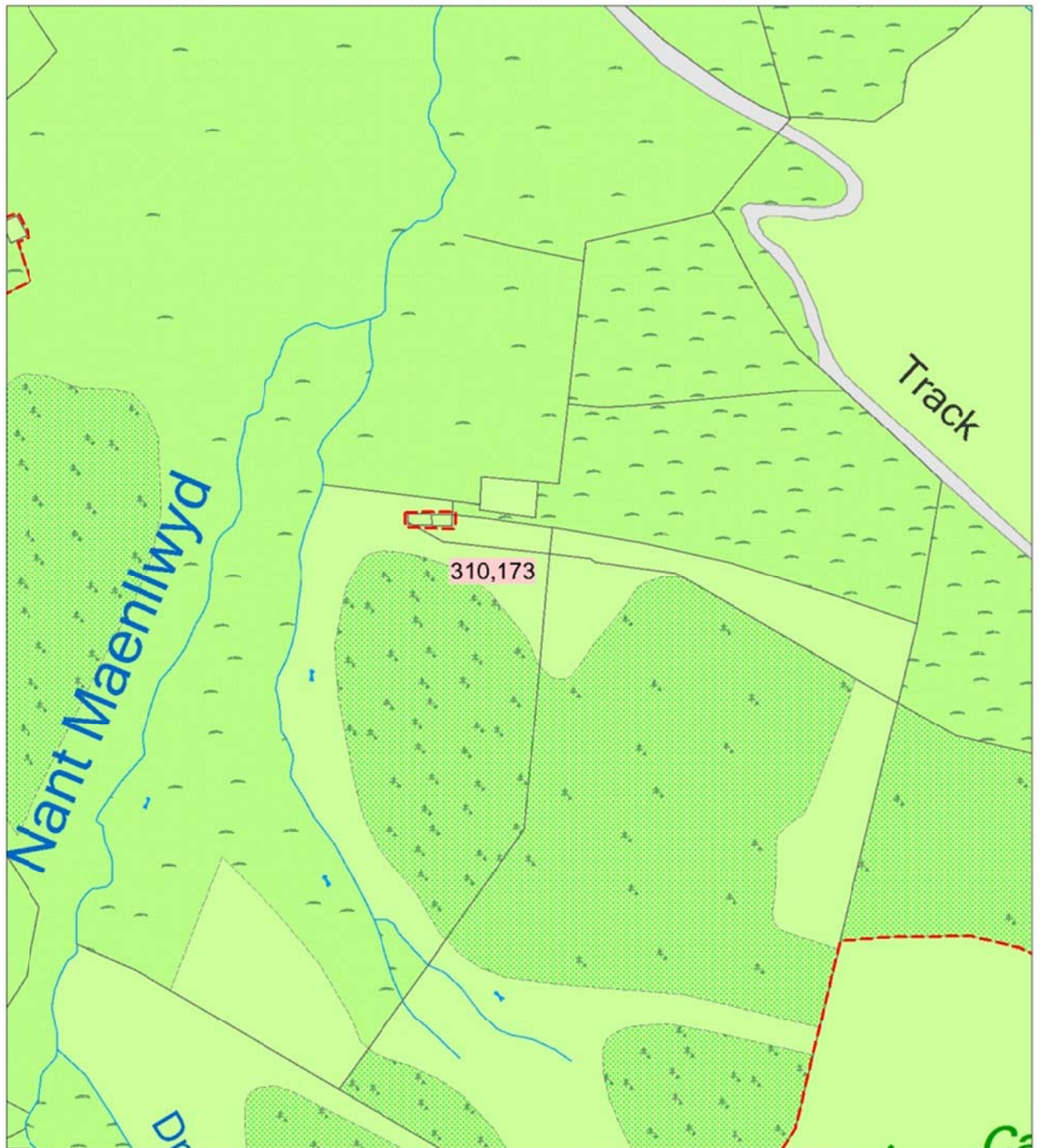
Glastir Whole Farm Code

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 reseeded.
 - Displacing individual stone features.
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Location Map



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Aerial Photograph



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