

Historic Environment Feature Management Report:

Blaen Milwyn, Ruined Farmstead

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PRN 9401 Name BLAEN MILWYN

Period Post-medieval **Site Type** Farmstead

NGR SN7982772596

Site Description

Ruined farmstead known as Blaen Milwyn shown on 1st edition Ordnance Survey map (1888) and abandoned by the early 20th century. The farmstead includes two groups of buildings, one including a rectangular two cell farmhouse and the second a group of small rectangular farm buildings in a walled yard to the SW. The outline of the buildings is shown on the most recent mapping (Mastermap, 2011) and recent aerial photographs (New Perspectives, 2009) show the walls of the farm and outbuildings survive to a reasonable height. The farmstead is one of a number of similar ruined dwellings in the surrounding area which had been leased for agriculture since the 16th century. Some of these were also related to lead mining. By the late 19th century both mining and agriculture were in decline and the settlements were abandoned.

The farmstead lies in an area The surrounding area is under rough grass (H Pritchard,2013).

Management Issues

The main management issue for this site is the control of vegetation and livestock which have the potential to damage buried and standing archaeological remains through the disruptive activity of root development, and the action of animal traffic which can dislodge masonry. built structural remains by the prising apart of masonry bonds. Excessive vegetation can also lead to archaeological features being obscured from sight.

Desired Management Outcome

The desired management outcome is to prevent any further degradation of the buried archaeological remains and to keep them in a visible and stable condition.

Management Actions

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

- Cut back intrusive 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.
- Rebuild any significant areas of collapse using original stone where available.

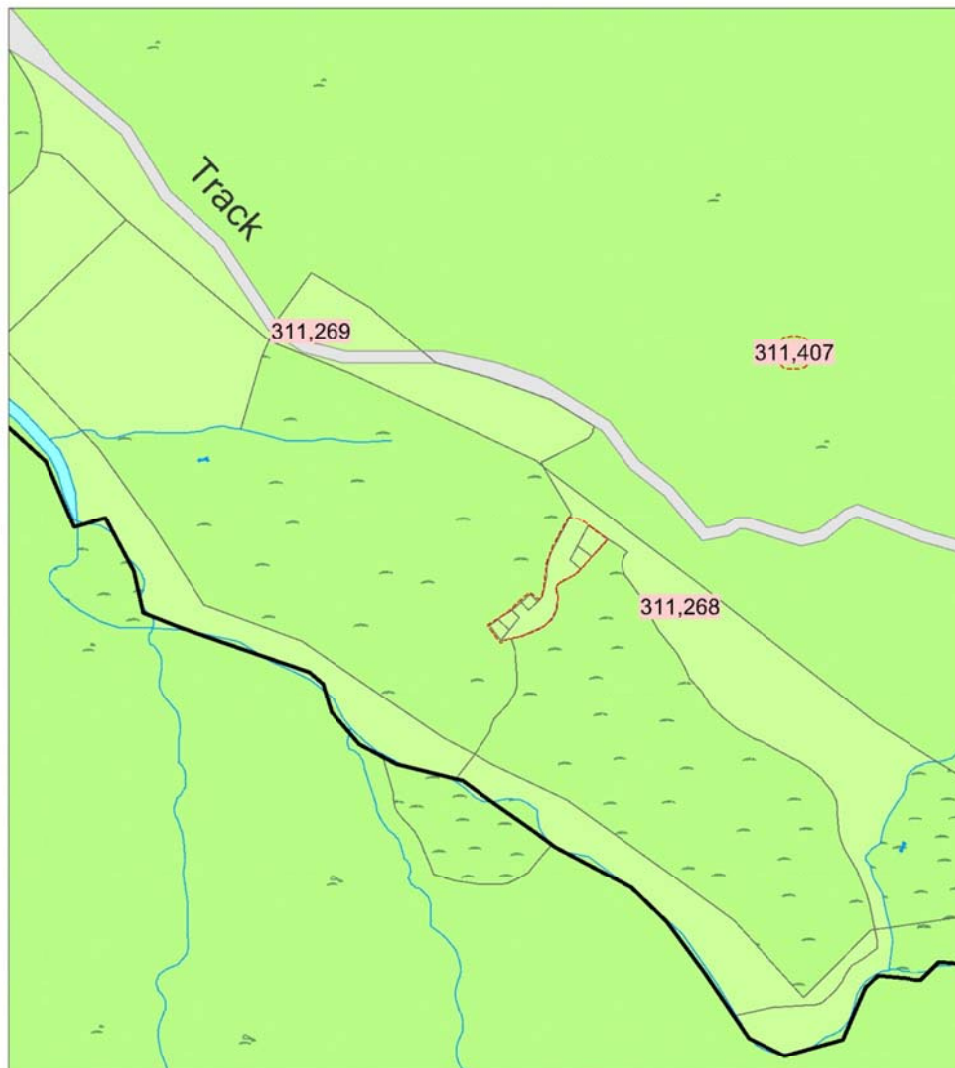
Glastir Whole Farm Code

Note that unless indicated otherwise, the Glastir Whole Farm Code should be observed for all historic features on the farm. The Whole Farm Code states that there must not be any damage to any historic feature identified on the 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.

Site Location



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