Historic Environment Feature Management Report:

Doethie Fach, 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 9289 Name DOETHIE FACHPeriod Post-medieval Site Type FarmsteadNGR SN7578753951

Site Description

Stone farmstead and enclosed in-field. Evidently in use in 20th century. Farmhouse consists of two equal sized rooms, overall length 17.7 x 6.3m east-west. Possible footing of earlier building under the western end. Collapsed roof slate. Entrances to the south into each room and through the west wall. NC 2001. To the SW there the mapping shows a rectangular buildings in the corner of an attached enclosure. This is obscured by trees and its current state of survival is unclear. The main cottage is shown on the most recent Ordnance Survey mapping (Mastermap 2011) and recent aerial photographs (Ordnance Survey Next Perspectives 2009) show the walls still survive.

Management Issues

The main management issue for this site is the control of livestock and of vegetation. The former can cause damage through physical pressure on the standing walls particularly sheep climbing onto wall tops and through erosion of buried remains. The latter has the potential to damage both buried archaeological remains and the built structures through the disruptive activity of root development.

Desired Management Outcome

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

Management Actions

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

- Remove any vegetation growing on the wall tops by cutting by hand. Do not pullup 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.
- Establish fencing against one side of the walls high enough to prevent sheep from climbing onto wall tops

Management Opportunities

It may be desirable to carry out a programme of masonry consolidation and re-pointing in order to improve the long term sustainability of the structure

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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