

Historic Environment Feature Management Report:

Trefayne, Cliff Colliery

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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 7266 Name TREFRANE CLIFF COLLIERY
Period Post-medieval **Site Type** Coal mine
NGR SM85701970

Site Description

An 18th century colliery located on the sea shore overlooking Cardigan Bay. The site includes extensive surface and shaft workings as well as significant remains of ancillary structures including a stone and brick built chimney stack and stone foundations for an engine house operating winding gear. Other stone foundations in the vicinity indicate the position of other buildings. A large spoil heap is present on the seaward side. (KM 1996). The site is currently overgrown which masks the remains making the site both hard to understand and hazardous to the unwary visitor. The Pembrokeshire Coastal Path passes through the site.

Management Issues

The main management issue for this site is the control of vegetation and the management of visitors. The former has the potential to damage both buried archaeological remains and the built structures through the disruptive activity of root development. The surviving stonework appears to be relatively sound although the brick top to the chimney needs attention.. It is, however, partially covered by vegetation, which makes it impossible to view it in its entirety. The exposed spoil heaps have very steep sides and have been eroded where a path has been trodden. Further un-managed visitation can only further erode the site. The site, as it is at the moment, is potentially hazardous to the visitor. There appears to be some deep holes in and surrounding the stonework next to the chimney which are possibly part of the structure. The wheel pit is a large deep narrow hole into which the unwary could easily fall. There are possible shafts hidden in the vegetation, but at the moment they are not easily visible.

Desired Management Outcome

The desired management outcome is to maintain the built structural remains and surrounding mining landscape in a stable and visible condition. In addition the site needs to be made safe for visitors.

Management Actions

The following management actions are required in order to maintain the structures and mining landscape in a safe, stable and visible condition:

- The chimney needs to be consolidated by re-pointing the brick work before any more bricks are lost from the top.
- The site should be cleared of the vegetation which obscures the surviving remains and also hides several potential hazards. This will make the site easier to understand and safer to visit.

- Erect footpath signs to manage visitors through the site. PCNPA can be consulted on appropriate signage.

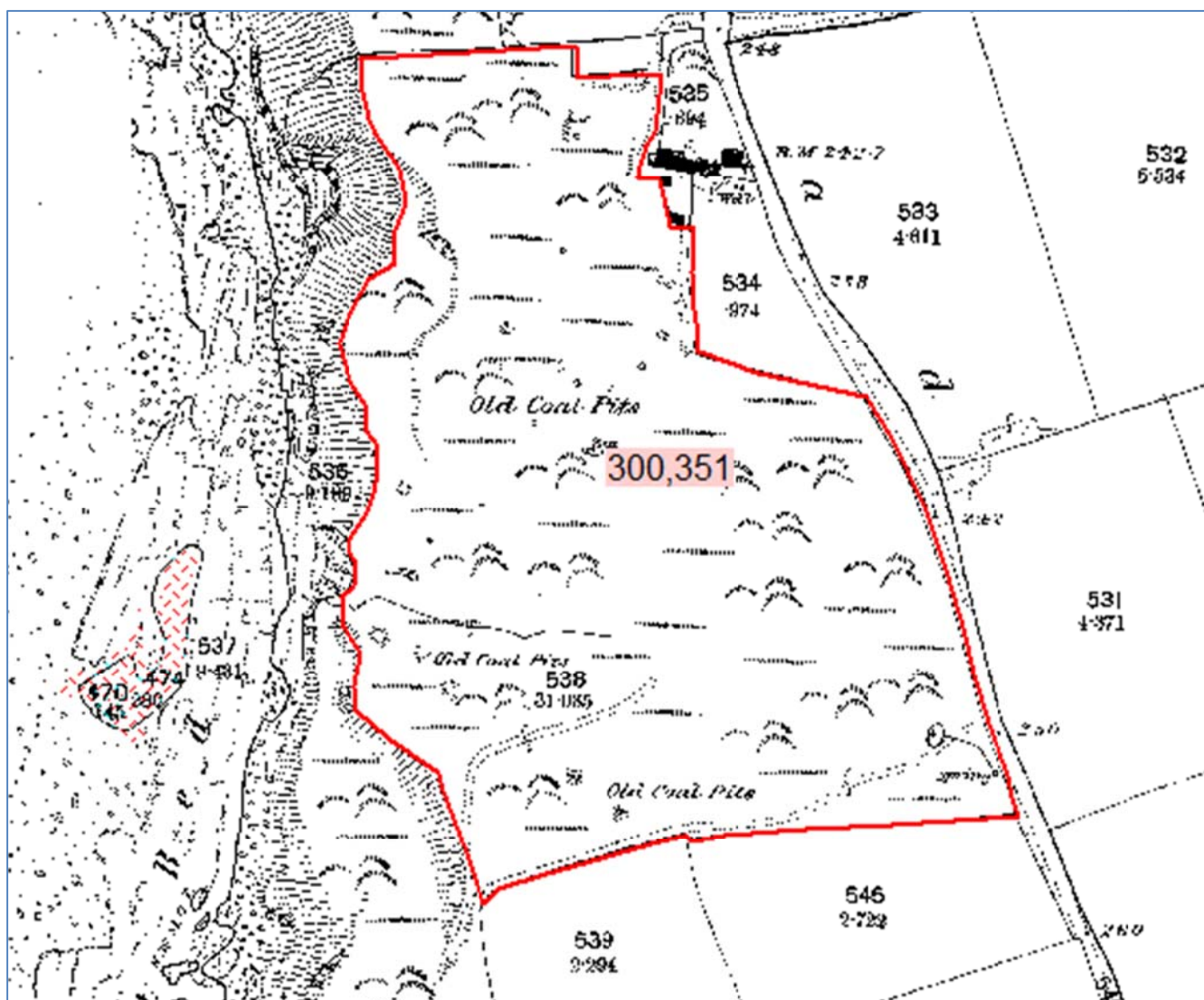
Management Opportunities

The site provides an opportunity for promotion and presentation of the remains through interpretation boards and signage.

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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