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#### SUMMARY

DAT Archaeological Services have undertaken a Quinquennial Inspection of designated historic environment assets on behalf of Landmarc Support Services at Castlemartin, Manorbier and Penally ranges. Condition surveys have been carried out of all of the monuments defined by Landmarc with the addition of three additional sites which are also scheduled ancient monuments (and listed buildings in two cases) lying within the Castlemartin Range area.

These additional monuments inspected were the Linney Tobruk Shelters (PE534); St Govan's Chapel (PE321; LB 17980) and the adjacent St Govan's Well (PE321; LB 17981).

Overall the majority of sites are not being affected by military activities within the three sites, excluding Old Castle Head promontory fort at Manorbier which lies within a firing line for the missile testing range; the cowsheds at Pricaston Farmhouse where mortar shells were noted; and Linney Head Promontory Fort where projectile scrapes and shell fragments were noted.

The main threats to the promontory forts which lie within the ranges come from coastal erosion. This is most evident on the forts on the south coastline of the Castlemartin Range where near vertical cliffs are present. Sink holes are present within two of the forts, Flimston Bay Camp and Buckspool Camp. Areas of slumping on the outer defences of the promontory forts are also very evident at Flimston and Linney Head. It will not be possible to mitigate against coastal erosion.

Livestock grazing occurs across most of the sites inspected which is overall not having a significantly damaging effect on the monuments. Footpath erosion from visitors is however causing problems at Flimston Bay Camp and Linney Head Camp. Some remediation works and footpath diversion is suggested.

The encroachment of scrub vegetation is most evident on Bullibar and Bullibar East Camps, Linney deserted medieval village and Brownslade barrow as well as within all of the three former farmhouses: Pricaston; Flimston and Brownslade. Regimes of vegetation cutting is suggested for a number of these sites and certainly within the three former farmhouses, especially where present on walls.

Wild animal disturbance through burrowing is mostly evident at Penally, but at present this is not at worrying levels, although will need to be monitored in case animal levels need to be checked. An abundance of ant hills was noted at Crocksydam Fort, which could well be causing a negative impact on the archaeology.

All of the information gathered from the inspections will be compiled into an archive and deposited with the Dyfed Archaeological Trust Historic Environment Record. This will include all photographs and indexes, the condition survey forms completed for each site, annotated plans and hand drawn maps created during the surveys.

# 1. INTRODUCTION

### **1.1 Project Proposals and Commission**

- 1.1.1 DAT Archaeological Services were commissioned by Charlie Kuhl of Landmarc Support Services Limited to undertake the Quinquennial Inspections of Scheduled Ancient Monuments (SAM) and Listed Buildings (LB) within the grounds of the three military sites at Castlemartin, Manorbier and Penally.
- 1.1.2 The following tasks / sites were identified as requiring Historic Environment Scheduled Ancient Monument Quinquennial Inspection:

Work Order	Location	Sites for inspection
N554062	Manorbier Royal Artillery Range	None specified – but area includes the SAMs of Great Castle Head and Chain Home Low Radar Station
N554065	Penally Training Camp	None specified – but area includes SAM of the First World War Practice Trenches
N554068	Castlemartin Range – Range West	SAM Linney Head Tumulus
N554071	Castlemartin Range – Range West	SAM Crowback Tumulus
N554074	Castlemartin Range – Range West	SAM Brownslade Round Barrow
N554077	Castlemartin Range – Range West	SAM Linney Head Camp
N554080	Castlemartin Range – Range West	SAM Bulliber Camp (Castlelady Hill Fort)
N554083	Castlemartin Range – Range West	SAM Bulliber East Camp
N554086	Castlemartin Range – Range West	SAM Linney Deserted Medieval Village
N554089	Castlemartin Range – Range West	SAM/LB II Pricaston Farmhouse
N554092	Castlemartin Range – Range West	SAM/LB II Flimston Farmhouse
N554095	Castlemartin Range – Range West	LB Grade II Flimston Chapel
N554098	Castlemartin Range – Range West	LB Grade II Brownslade Farm
N554101	Castlemartin Range – Range West	LB Grade II Frainslake Limekiln
N554104	Castlemartin Range – Range East	SAM Flimston Bay Camp
N554107	Castlemartin Range – Range East	SAM Crockysdam Camp
N554110	Castlemartin Range – Range East	SAM Buckspool Camp

Table 1: Sites identified by Landmarc as requiring inspections

1.1.3 Three additional sites were also inspected at Castlemartin, the Tobruk Shelters and St Govans Chapel and St Govans Well, all of which are scheduled ancient monuments within the boundaries of the range.

# **1.2** Scope of the Project

1.2.1 Based on the information provided by Landmarc, the historic environment review comprised the following:

Undertake Quinquennial inspections of schedule monuments to ensure statutory defined conservation features are being conserved and the condition of the historic environment is not being damaged. Maintenance of the Historic Environment to comply with the IRMP (Integrated Rural Management Plan) or IEMP (Integrated Estate Management Plan) and site specific management plans.

- Inspect all protective measures which prevent activities likely to damage features(s) e.g. Fences, signs, messing and obstructions;
- Inspect for vegetation encroachment, e.g. Scrub, invasive plant species, bracken and rhododendron etc;
- Inspect for damage including mechanical, livestock/agricultural, burrowing animals, natural erosion and Military training; and
- Record and report findings.
- 1.2.2 The works involved site visits to all of the identified sites to determine the present condition of the monuments within the Castlemartin Range, the scheduled First World War Trenches at Penally Range and the scheduled monuments within the Manorbier Range.

#### 1.3 Abbreviations

1.3.1 All sites are identified initially by their Scheduled Ancient Monument (SAM) or Listed Building (LB) number. The regional Historic Environment Record (HER) Primary Record Numbers (PRN) are also used and located by their National Grid Reference (NGR). Sites recorded on the National Monument Record (NMR) held by the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales (RCAHMW) are identified by their National Primary Record Number (NPRN). Altitude is expressed to Ordnance Datum (OD).

#### **1.4** Illustrations and References

1.4.1 Printed map extracts are not necessarily reproduced to their original scale. References to cartographic and documentary evidence and published sources will be given in brackets throughout the text, with full details listed in the sources section at the rear of the report.

# 1.5 Timeline

1.5.1 The following timeline (Table 1) is used within this report to give date ranges for the various archaeological periods that may be mentioned within the text.

Period	Approximate date	
Palaeolithic -	<i>c</i> .450,000 – 10,000 BC	
Mesolithic –	<i>c</i> . 10,000 – 4400 BC	Pre
Neolithic –	<i>c</i> .4400 – 2300 BC	Prehistoric
Bronze Age –	<i>c</i> .2300 – 700 BC	ori
Iron Age –	<i>c</i> .700 BC – AD 43	n
Roman (Romano-British) Period –	AD 43 - <i>c.</i> AD 410	
Post-Roman / Early Medieval Period –	<i>c</i> . AD 410 – AD 1086	_
Medieval Period –	1086 - 1536	Historic
Post-Medieval Period <sup>1</sup> -	1536 - 1750	cori
Industrial Period –	1750 - 1899	n
Modern –	20th century onwards	

Table 2: Archaeological and Historical Timeline for Wales

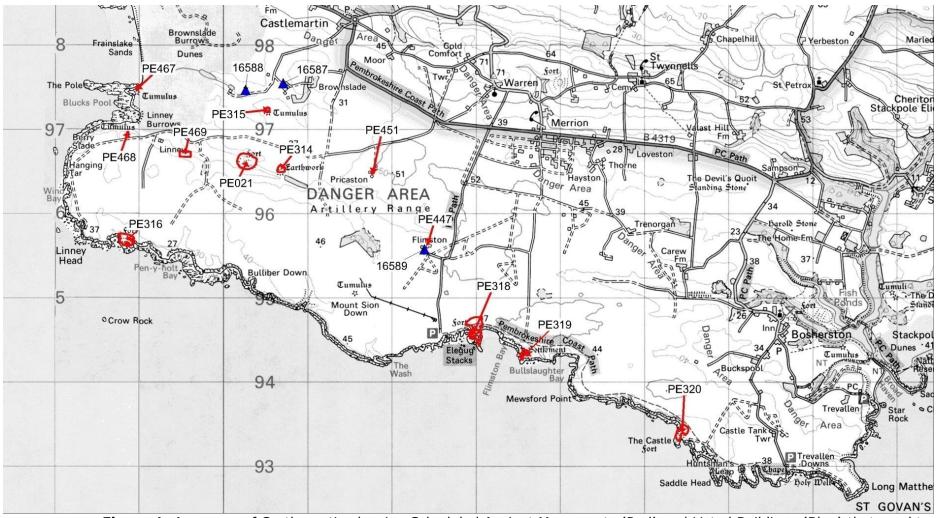
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The post-medieval and Industrial periods are combined as the post-medieval period on the Regional Historic Environment Record as held by Dyfed Archaeological Trust

## 2. METHODOLOGY

- 2.1 The condition assessment of each monument required a site visit to determine its current condition, Table 3 lists all of the sites inspected and maps showing the location of these sites can be found in Figures 1, 2 and 3.
- 2.2 The condition of each monument was documented using a photographic record accompanied and hand written notes. Pro forma record sheets were used for each to record details of the monument; land use/military use; damage (where present); in-situ protective measures; vulnerability; and management recommendations. The form used is based on previously ones used by Wessex Archaeology and Dyfed Archaeological Trust (a copy is included in Appendix 1).
- 2.3 Existing plans of the sites held by the Dyfed Archaeological Trust were used to annotate with information obtained during the inspections.
- 2.4 A handheld GPS device was used to record the location of specific elements of the sites so that they can be located on OS maps. The use of a Leica Disto (laster measure) was used to collect dimensions of standing structures.
- 2.5 The information recorded is presented within this stand-alone report detailing the findings of the inspection, including photographs where applicable, and suggestions for remediation or future management plans for the monuments/buildings. It is understood that the information will be used within the forthcoming IRMP or IEMP (or similar) for the range.
- 2.6 The report discusses each of the inspected sites individually in the order they were inspected (Manorbier 11/08/15, Castlemartin 18, 19, 20 & 21/08/15 and Penally 28/08/15). Summaries of the condition forms are included at the start of each inspection description.
- 2.7 The completed condition forms, copies of notes, annotated plans and photographs will be stored in an archive. The information will be added to the Dyfed Archaeological Trust HER.
- 2.8 The report complies to the relevant Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA) standards and guidance.

	Location	Name	SAM	LB No.	PRN	
Castlemartin	Range West	SAM Linney Head Tumulus	PE468		511	
	Range West	SAM Crowback Tumulus	PE467		536	
	Range West	SAM Brownslade Round Barrow	PE315		542, 543	
	Range West	SAM Linney Head Camp	PE316		539	
	Range West	SAM Bulliber Camp (Castlelady Hill Fort)	PE021		549	
	Range West	SAM Bulliber East Camp	PE314		561	
	Range West	SAM Linney Deserted Medieval Village	PE469		14632	
	Range West	SAM/LB II Pricaston Farmhouse	PE451	16604	6976, 59434	
	Range West	SAM/LB Flimston Farmhouse	PE447	16590	6452, 27078	
	Range West	LB II Flimston Chapel		16589		
	Range West	LB II Brownslade Farm		16587	26461	
	Range West	LB Frainslake Limekiln		16588	8791	
	Range East	SAM Flimston Bay Camp	PE318		602	
	Range East	SAM Crockysdam Camp	PE319		603	
	Range East	SAM Buckspool Camp	PE320		609	
(additional)	Range East	Linney Tobruk Shelters	PE534		28784	
(additional)	Range West	St Govans Chapel	PE321	17980	630, 46770, 59491	
(additional)	Range West	St Govans Holy Well	PE321	17981	1268	
Penally	Penally Training area	Penally World WWI practice trenches	PE483		33458	
Manorbier	Manorbier Range	Old Castle Head Promontory F ort	PE405		4223	
	Manorbier Range	Radar Station, Old Castle Head	PE493		33456	

Table 3: List of sites inspected.



**Figure 1:** Area map of Castlemartin showing Scheduled Ancient Monuments (Red) and Listed Buildings (Blue) that need to be visited for condition inspection.

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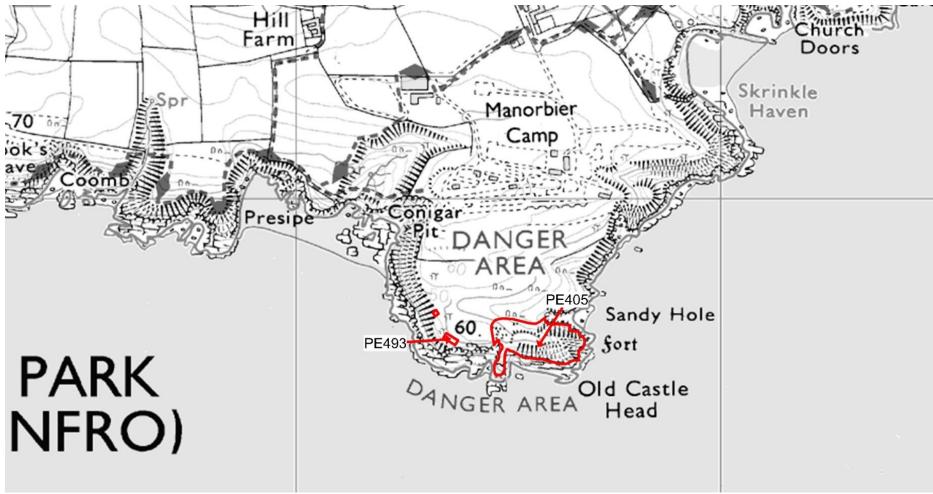
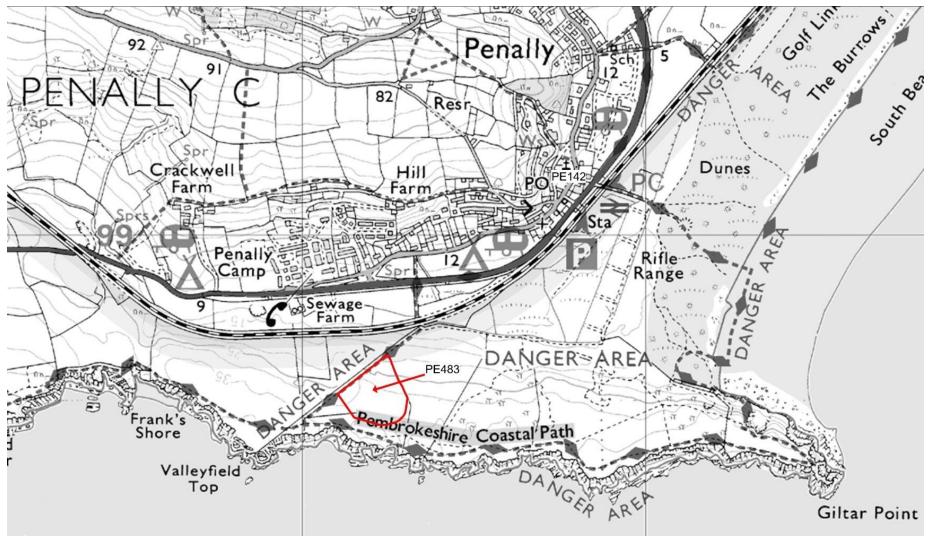
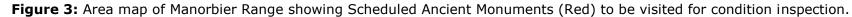


Figure 2: Area map of Manorbier Range showing Scheduled Ancient Monuments (Red) to be visited for condition inspection.

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#### **3** CASTLEMARTIN RANGE

#### 3.1 Linney Head Tumulus

Form of monument:       Earthwork       Land use:       Coastal edge / Scrub         MoD facilities on site:       None       Military Activity:       Track surface         Summary of monument:       Track surface       Summary of monument:       Track surface         The barrow is about 7.5m in diameter and 0.9m in height and lies on a limestone plateau on the southern edge of Frainslake Bay. Traces of what may be a limestone kerb exists, and the barrow has a c. 3m flat interior. Information from HER.         Damage to site:       Ongoing scrub encroachment on monument. Recent signs of digging / ground disturbance directly the on northern side of monument (scoop – possibly result of firing). The scoop is not very recent, being covered with vegetation. Evidence of burrowing animals (rabbits/badgers) within 10m of monument.         Inspection date: 18.08.15       Stable         Overall monument condition:       Good       Monument Stability:       Stable         In situ protective measures:       A single `no digging' star present on its southeastern side.       Vulnerability:       N/A         Management Recommendations:       V/A       From what?       N/A	PRN Number:			NGR:	SR 88	3866 96932			
MoD facilities on site:       None       Military Activity:       Track surface         Summary of monument:       Track surface       Summary of monument:         The barrow is about 7.5m in diameter and 0.9m in height and lies on a limestone plateau on the southern edge of Frainslake Bay. Traces of what may be a limestone kerb exists, and the barrow has a c. 3m flat interior. Information from HER.         Damage to site:       Image to site:       Image to site:         Ongoing scrub encroachment on monument. Recent signs of digging / ground disturbance directly the on northern side of monument (scoop – possibly result of firing). The scoop is not very recent, being covered with vegetation. Evidence of burrowing animals (rabbits/badgers) within 10m of monument.         Inspection date: 18.08.15       Image for a limestone measures:       A single 'no digging' star present on its southeastern side.         Vulnerability:       N/A       From what?       N/A	SAM / Listed Building Number: PE468					Period:	riod: Bronze Age		
Summary of monument:         The barrow is about 7.5m in diameter and 0.9m in height and lies on a limestone plateau on the southern edge of Frainslake Bay. Traces of what may be a limestone kerb exists, and the barrow has a c. 3m flat interior. Information from HER.         Damage to site:         Ongoing scrub encroachment on monument. Recent signs of digging / ground disturbance directly the on northern side of monument (scoop – possibly result of firing). The scoop is not very recent, being covered with vegetation. Evidence of burrowing animals (rabbits/badgers) within 10m of monument.         Inspection date: 18.08.15         Overall monument condition:       Good         Monument Stability:       Stable         In situ protective measures:       A single 'no digging' star present on its southeastern side.         Vulnerability:       N/A       From what?         Management Recommendations:       N/A	Form of monum	ent:	Earthwork		Land u	ise:		C	Coastal edge / Scrub
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condition:       In situ protective measures:       A single `no digging' star present on its southeastern side.         Vulnerability:       N/A       From what?         Management Recommendations:       Value	Summary of mo	numen	t:						
northern side of monument (scoop – possibly result of firing). The scoop is not very recent, being covered with vegetation. Evidence of burrowing animals (rabbits/badgers) within 10m of monument.         Inspection date: 18.08.15         Overall monument condition:       Good         Monument Stability:       Stable         In situ protective measures:       A single 'no digging' star present on its southeastern side.         Vulnerability:       N/A       From what?         Management Recommendations:       N/A	Damage to site:								
Overall monument condition:     Good     Monument Stability:     Stable       In situ protective measures:     A single `no digging' star present on its southeastern side.     Stable       Vulnerability:     N/A     From what?     N/A	northern side of m with vegetation. I	nonume Evidence	nt (scoop – e of burrow	possibly	y result	of firing).	The sco	op is	not very recent, being covered
condition:       A single 'no digging' star present on its southeastern side.         In situ protective measures:       A single 'no digging' star present on its southeastern side.         Vulnerability:       N/A       From what?         Management Recommendations:       Value	•								
Vulnerability:     N/A     From what?       Management Recommendations:		ent	Good			Monume	nt Stat	oility:	Stable
Management Recommendations:	In situ protective measures: A single `no o					gging' star present on its southeastern side.			
The 'no digging' star is in relatively good order, but could do with replacing as it has been damaged.	Management Recommendations:								
	The 'no digging' star is in relatively good order, but could do with replacing as it has been damaged.								

#### **Current Assessment**

The tumulus earthwork appears as a low circular mound approximately 7.5m in diameter and 0.9m in height located on the coastal edge. A 'No digging' star is positioned on the monument (Photos 1 & 2) to indicate its significance and prevent damage to it. However, on the north side of the monument signs of recent digging or ground disturbance activity was observed (Photo 3), this appears to be scoop-like and maybe the result of impact from a projectile. Vegetation has grown back across the scoop so this probably occurred at least one year ago

A quarry area lies further to the south of the monument recorded on plans of the site (Photo 4).

Currently the overall condition of the monument is good and appears to be stable.

Scrub encroachment is currently minimal but if left unattended may become a problem so should be monitored. Evidence of burrowing animals was also observed within 10m of the monument but not directly on it. This should also be monitored and preventative measures taken if the burrowing begins to impact directly on the monument.

The 'no digging' star should also be replaced to increase its visibility and usefulness as a deterrent to prevent damage to the monument.



Photo 1: General view north of Linney Head Tumulus showing 'no digging' star.



Photo 2: General view south of Linney Head Tumulus showing 'no digging' star to rear.



Photo 3: Scoop located on the north side of the monument.



**Photo 4:** Viewing north from the quarry site towards the barrow

#### 3.2 Crowback Tumulus

PRN Number:		NGR:	SR88	398097482					
SAM / Listed Building Number: PE467				Period:		Bronze Age			
Form of monum	ent:	Earthwork		Land u	ise:			Coa	astal edge / Pasture
MoD facilities on site:		None			Military	Activity	y:		Manoeuvre are/Tank training/impact area
Summary of mo	nument	::							
	nument		,		,				tury, revealed two inhumations 1.5m in height. Information
Damage to site:									
Ongoing cattle/liv on its southweste					% of the mo	onumer	nt an	d a	wooden peg has been inserted
There is evidence	of the 1	9 <sup>th</sup> century	excavat	ions ato	op of the m	onume	nt.		
Tank/vehicle trac	ks visible	e over 10m	to the s	outh of	the site, b	ut not i	n its	imn	nediate vicinity.
Inspection date: 3	18.08.15								
Overall monume condition:	ent	Good			Monume	nt Stal	bility	y:	Stable
In situ protectiv	e meas	ures:	A single	`no digg	ging' star (p	ooor co	nditi	on)	
Vulnerability:	Vulnerability:         Low         From what?         Cattle grazing								
Management Recommendations:									
Repair the 'no digging' star.									
Bring to attention	Bring to attention of site users during briefings to ensure no accidental vehicle access over the monument								

#### **Current Assessment**

The earthwork stands at approximately 1.5m in height and 11m in diameter covered in short turf and was grazed by cattle at the time of the survey (Photos 5 & 6). Some erosion was observed on the monument and appears to be the result of burrowing animals and cattle. A wooden peg had also been inserted directly into the monument on the southwestern side, although the there was no obvious function for this.

Evidence of the 19<sup>th</sup> century excavations atop of the burial mound is clearly visible as a rectilinear sunken depression (as can be seen in profile in Photos 5 & 6).

Generally the overall condition of the monument is good and currently stable. Damage to the monument from cattle grazing is not extensive, and the grazing ensures that denser vegetation or scrub is kept at bay. Continued monitoring of the monument should ensure that if any greater disturbance is caused that remedial measures can be put in place.

The 'No digging' star is in very poor condition and should be replaced as a matter of urgency. Tank/vehicle tracks were visible a little over 10m from the monument, all persons who may be driving vehicles within the vicinity of the monument should be made aware of its presence – replacing the 'No digging' star with one (or more) that is more visible should ensure this.



**Photo 5:** General view looking west across Crowback Tumulus, with depression from 19<sup>th</sup> century excavations clearly visible on its summit and damaged sign.



**Photo 6:** General view looking east across monument, showing depression from 19<sup>th</sup> century excavations and wooden post on right hand side

## 3.3 Linney Head Camp

		PE316					NGR:         SR 8884 9574								
Form of monument:				Period: Iron A			ge								
	Form of monument: Earthwork					Coastal edge (80%), Bare ground									
						· ·	0%)								
MoD facilities on site:	Track sur	rface		Military Activity:			Manoeuvre area.								
	Red and	yellow block mark	kers				Possible driver training.								
	on site (<1%)					Possible tank training.									
	Earth mo (>10m a	ound & bun way).	ker				Impact area (UXO on site).								
Summary of monument:	Summary of monument:														
	Promontory fort with double rampart and ditch defences. Entrance situated midway within defences. Possible two phases of development. Entrance displays elaborate features which have been suggested as Iron Age B period.														
High survey priority. Serious erosion caused by sea and MOD shell holes noted during visit in 1994. "This fort is undergoing considerable erosion. Much of the soil in what remains of the forts interior is being eroded by sea spray. In addition, the fort lies in an impact area of the military firing range. There are many impact craters in the fort; the ramparts in particular are suffering severely from this form of degradation. Beneath the outer defensive bank on the west side, a clear buried soil can be seen where erosion has cut a good section through the defences."															
The monument has been p other erosion.	The monument has been previously surveyed by RCAHMW, including records of projectile impact craters and														
Inspection date: 18.08.15															
Damage to site:	Damage to site:														
Ongoing evidence of shellir	ng (<1%).														
Ongoing coastal erosion (c	.20%)														
Evidence of current badger	rs and foxe	es burrowir	ng, les	ss than 1%	damage										
Footpath erosion less than	1%.														
Overall monument condition:	Fair			Monume	nt Stabi	lity:	Gradual decline								
In situ protective measu	ures:	4 `no diggii	ng' st	ars.											
		Small conc saying no a			and yello	ow in c	colour within central part of fort								
Vulnerability: Low		rom /hat?	ar	nimal burro	WS										
Medium		nat:	W	eathering /	' slippage	e of ba	nks								
High	High Cliff erosion														
Management Recommendations:															
Make sure the 'no digging' stars are in good order and clearly visible.															
Divert the footpath off of the monument.															
Repair erosion scars.															
Move firing targets to prevent accidental damage to monument.															
Bring to the attention of sit avoid accidental access int							of the monuments presence to								

#### **Current Assessment**

The condition of this monument is primarily under threat from coastal erosion. Extreme erosion has occurred on its southern and southwestern edges where near vertical cliffs are present. A section of obvious cliff collapse is present at the western edge of the bank and ditches of the defences which has exposed a section through the defences

(Photo 7). This clearly shows a rock cut ditch filled with buried soil as well as the makeup material for the bank. The section through this bank and ditch has been noted for a number of years, but it is not known if any detailed records have been made (this might be safely done through reflectorless EDM survey or photogrammetry).



**Photo 7:** Cliff collapse at the western end of the outer bank has exposed a cross section through the defences.

The upper surface of the southern part of the fort is also undergoing constant erosion from sea spray which has resulted in large areas of soil being washed away from the surface exposing the underlying bedrock (Photos 8 & 9).



Photo 8: Topsoil eroded on southwestern coastal edge.



**Photo 9:** Exposed bedrock and ongoing soil slippage on southeastern side of the monument

In places the earth banks of the monument have suffered some slippage and collapse, particularly nearer the coastal edges (Photo 10). Footpath erosion is also visible across the monument which has also caused damage to the defensive banks (Photos 10 & 11).

Shell impact damage was also frequently observed across the surface of the site including the remains of a few shells (and bullets).

There is some evidence of burrowing animals within the banks of the monument.

Comparison with the RCAHMW survey undertaken in August 2008 suggests that much of the damage observed in 2015 was already present at that date. This would indicate that overall the condition of the monument is fair but it is susceptible to gradual decline, particularly from further coastal erosion.

The monument is well marked with four 'No digging' stars which are in good order and clearly visible. These should be checked and maintained regularly.

In order to reduce damage to the monument footpaths should be diverted away from archaeological features and the erosion scars caused should be repaired. If possible firing targets should be positioned so that the monument is no longer under threat from impact damage.



**Photo 10:** Earthwork slumping near cliff edge and footpath erosion on eastern side of defences



Photo 11: Footpath erosion on western end of defensive banks.

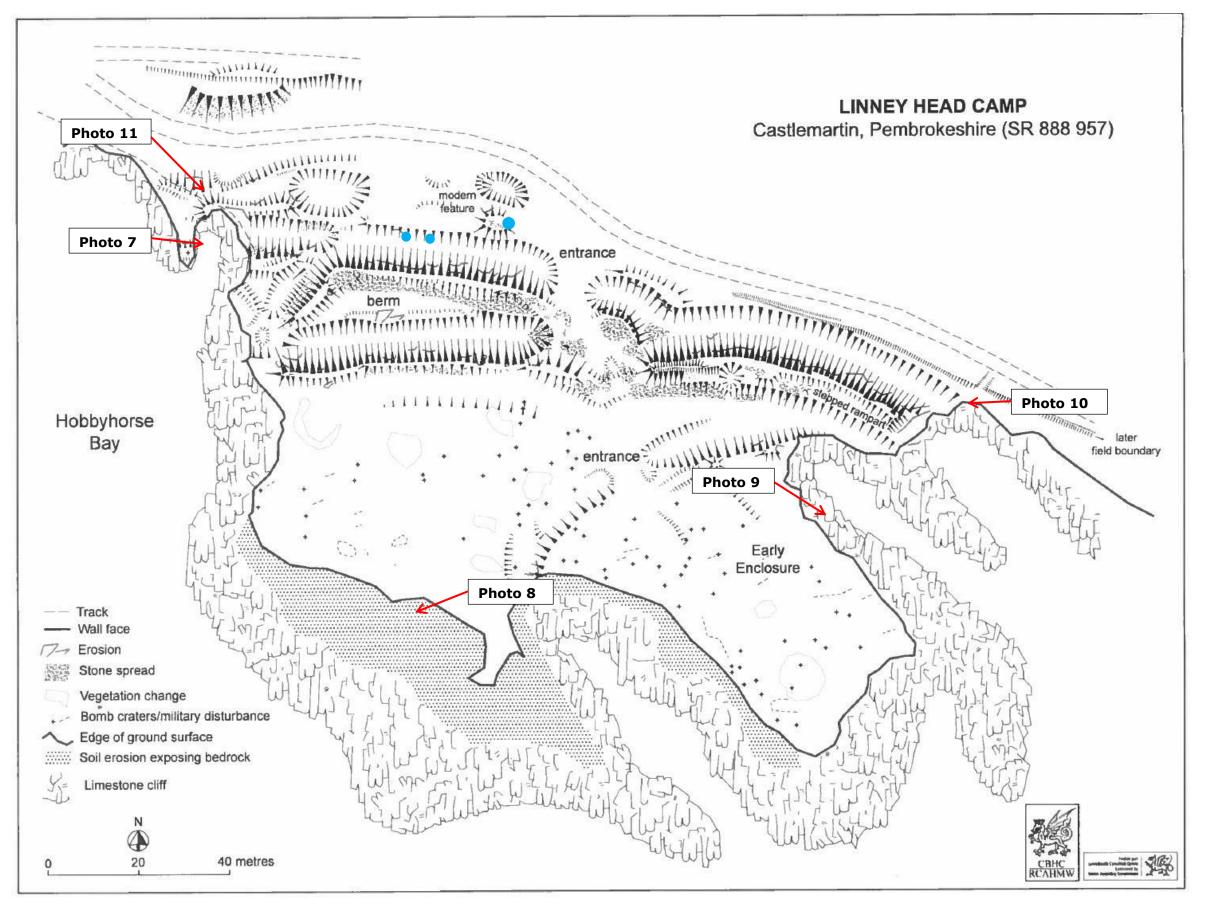


Figure 4: Linney Head Camp – Survey undertaken by RCAHMW in August 2008, with locations of photographs and sites of new animal burrows added (blue circles)

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#### 3.4 Brownslade Barrow

PRN Number:			NGR:	<b>R:</b> SR 905 972						
SAM / Listed Bu	AM / Listed Building Number: PE315				Period:	E	Bronz	ze Age / Early Medieval		
Form of monum	orm of monument: Earthwork Land us				I <b>se:</b> Me			leadow / uncultivated		
MoD facilities or	loD facilities on site: None					Military Activity: Unknown				
Summary of monument:										
A large round barrow or burial mound. Excavation in 1880 revealed a central burial, accompanied by grave goods, in a cist. The burial was suggested to be Romano-British or early medieval. Stone line cists were also noted in the environs of the barrow suggesting an early medieval date for the burials. A cross carved stone was said to have been found during the 1880 excavations, but which has been lost.										
In 2001 it was noted that significant badger disturbance had occurred which led to a series of investigations, prior to, during and after the badger sett within the mound was relocated. Three radiocarbon dates obtained for this bone indicate a date range of between AD 450 and AD 960 which supports the early Medieval date that had previously been suggested for the cemetery. Further excavations revealed at least 32 burials containing 52 individuals.										
Following the mov	ement	of the badg	er sett a	and the e	excavation	s, the are	a wa	as reinstated.		
Damage to site:										
Ongoing scrub end	croachm	nent – curre	ently les	s than 2	%.					
Inspection date: 2	1.08.15	5								
Overall monume condition:	ent	Good			Monume	nt Stabi	lity:	Stable		
In situ protectiv	In situ protective measures: Four 'no digging' stars around the monument.									
Vulnerability:	Low		From Scrub encroachment							
Management Recommendations:										
Monitor vegetation growth and implement a regime of strimming bi-annually.										
Bring to attention of site users during briefings.										

#### **Current Condition**

Brownslade barrow is situated in area of currently unmaintained heath or meadowland (Photo 12). The area does not appear to be grazed and was around knee high in vegetation when the site visit was undertaken. The vegetation included grasses, tall weeds and meadow flowers. There were a few more dense patches of vegetation and brambles in the area as well. The earthworks for the barrow were discernible, but the depth of vegetation was such that it was not possible to determine if any surface disturbance was visible. There was no sign of animal activity, such as the badger sett returning.

The condition of the monument currently appears to be good and stable and clearly marked with four 'No digging' stars around the monument.

The only real threat to the monument appears to be from scrub encroachment and this should be monitored and preventative steps taken if it begins to pose a problem. Ideally the area should be strimmed a couple of times a year to prevent the more damaging species (brambles and brackens) taking hold.

As well as the barrow itself there may be other areas of interest within the immediate vicinity including a small standing stone that was observed(Photo 13), the stone stands at approximately 0.70m tall with a tapered top. Other stones may be buried within the vegetation.



**Photo 12:** View looking south across monument with 'no digging' star in the foreground.



Photo 13: View looking west at standing stone.

#### 3.5 Bulliber Camp

PRN Number:		NGR:	SR 90	28 9	9662	2				
SAM / Listed Building Number: PE021					Period:		Iron Age (?)			
Form of monum	erm of monument: Earthwork Land u				ise:			Grassland / scrub		
MoD facilities or	MoD facilities on site: None				Military Activity:				None	
Summary of mo	Summary of monument:									
otherwise fairly level landscape. The site is overlooked from the north, but to the south land falls away by 10m or so into a small valley. The defences consist of a series of banks and ditches. An inner bank and ditch encloses an egg-shaped area c.68m E-W and 62m N-S. There is an entrance to on the north side. To the west are two further banks and ditches, with an entrance gap through them. Two slighter banks and ditches lie on the east side of the enclosure. The interior of the fort is under grass and the mainly blackthorn scrub on the banks has been largely cleared.										
Damage to site:										
Current burrowing by badgers affecting <1% of site and ongoing scrub encroachment presently affecting 20% of site.										
Inspection date: 1	18.08.15									
Overall monume condition:	Overall monument         Good         Monument Stability:         Stable								Stable	
In situ protectiv	In situ protective measures: Two `no digging' stars were visible on the western edge of monument.									
Vulnerability:	Problity:         Medium         From what?         Scrub encroachment									
Management Recommendations:										
Mark clearly with more 'no digging' stars and clear encroaching scrub as a matter of urgency.										

#### **Current Condition**

The entrances to the fort were completely overgrown at the time of the survey and it was not possible to access the fort through them (Photo 14). The interior of the fort was also very overgrown with long rough grass, bracken, brambles and some stands of blackthorn (Photo 15) with the ditches in a very similar state (Photo 16).

Scrub encroachment appears to be the greatest threat to the site and at the time of visit restricted visibility greatly making it difficult to observe any other damage.

A programme of vegetation clearance should be implemented to remove the dense vegetation and inhibit the growth of the more destruction species (bracken, brambles and blackthorn). Vegetation clearance has been undertaken on the monument previously (Cadw description from 2002). The internal part of the monument could be mowed, assuming safe access could be made with a tractor. Blackthorn stands should definitely be cut back.

The monument may also benefit from having more 'no digging' stars erected as these were only observed on its western edge near to an access track.



Photo 14: View east from the existing track way towards Bullibar camp on the hilltop, with 'no digging' star visible



**Photo 15:** Viewing west across interior of fort demonstrating height of vegetation.



**Photo 16:** Viewing west across ditches showing height of vegetation.

## 3.6 Bullibar East Camp

PRN Number:	561			NGR:	SR 906	8 965	5		
SAM / Listed Building Number:		Number:	PE314		Period:		Iron Age		
Form of monument: Ear		Earthwork	vork Land u		use:		Grasslands (dense) – 75% across interior.		
							sc	scrub – 25% on Eastern edge.	
MoD facilities on site: Non		None			Military Activity:			no evidence	
Summary of mo	numen	t:							
a low bank on the west and north sides and by scarped slope on the valley edge to the south. There is no trace of a defence on the east side. There is evidence of old quarrying on the east side of the site. The site was under bracken and low scrub (October 2006).									
Damage to site:									
Ongoing scrub en	croachn	nent affecti	ng 25%	of site.					
The site area was site recently at th				hough th	nere were v	very few	signs	that any cattle had accessed the	
Inspection date: 3	18.08.15	5							
Overall monument Good condition:					Monume	nt Stabi	lity:	Stable	
In situ protectiv	In situ protective measures: A single `no digging' star was noted on its northeastern edge.								
Vulnerability:	ulnerability:         Medium         From what?         Scrub encroachment – interior most vulnerable.								
Management Recommendations:									
Remove encroaching scrub in the interior of the monument and from the earthwork defences.									
Possibly add more `no digging' stars to the site.									

# **Current Condition**

As with the adjacent Bullibar camp (PE021), the monument was covered in rough long grass, scrub and blackthorn at the time of the survey (Photos 17 & 18) making it difficult to discern any specific damage to the monument.

It has been noted in the past that the monument has been affected by shell damage but it was not possible to identify any further signs of this during this inspection.

The condition of the monument appears to be generally fair and stable but would benefit from removal of scrub encroachment, particularly in its interior.



Photo 17: Interior of Bullibar East Camp, viewing southeast.



Photo 18: Viewing north along western ditches of Bullibar East Camp.

# 3.7 Linney Deserted Medieval Village

PRN Number:	14632				NGR:	SR 895	967		
SAM / Listed Building Number: PE469		)	Period:		Medieval Village				
Form of monument: Earthwork				Land use:			Scrub (covering 100% of site).		
MoD facilities on site: Tracks & stoned are with targets (over 1 from site).				Military Activity:			Manoeuvre area Impact area (old and new craters within the monument.		
Summary of mo	numen	t:							
of rectangular buildings. Also associated is a field system, which clearly predates the field boundaries shown on 1787 estate maps and the Castlemartin Tithe Maps. The earthworks consist of a series of terraces circs 15- 20 or hollows cut into the gentle N facing slope and earth thrown down the slope to form a platform. Each one seems to be a house site and measures on average 10m by 7m some with surviving foundations visible. Earliest historical records date back to the 13th and 14th century.									
Damage to site:									
Current shelling affecting less than 1% of site. Scrub encroachment covering site, with some of it very dense.									
Inspection date:					ery dense.				
Overall monum condition:	ent	Fair			Monume	nt Stabi	lity:	Gradual decline	
In situ protectiv	ve meas	ures:	None	•					
Vulnerability:	From         shelling from firing site just to south of monument and           further scrub encroachment.         further scrub encroachment.								
Management Recommendations:									
Clearly mark monument with 'no digging' stars .									
Divert vehicles and footpaths away from the area and mark with no vehicle signs.									
Move firing targets away from the site and bring to the attention of site users during briefings so all are aware of the monuments presence.									

# **Current Condition**

The deserted medieval village of Linney was virtually indiscernible at the time of the survey due to long rough grass and dense encroaching scrub (Photo 19). The general terraces were visible during the survey, but no individual building platforms or other remains could be discerned.

There are no 'No digging' stars marking the limits of the monument.

The level of vegetation made it difficult to fully assess the site for damage but old and recent impact craters were observed within the area (a main firing site lies just to the south of the monument).

A graveled road way was also noted at the site (Photo 20) that may well encroach into the area of the Scheduled Ancient Monument.

The site is susceptible to gradual decline of the scrub encroachment is not dealt with urgently. 'No digging' stars need to be erected around the monument to demarcate it and vehicle tracks should be diverted of the Scheduled Ancient Monument if they are encroaching onto it.

If possible the firing targets should be moved so that the monument is no longer at threat from impact damage from shells.



Photo 19: Viewing east showing scrub encroachment towards site.



Photo 20: Trackway encroaching into site.

## **3.8 Brownslade Farm** (Figure 5)

PRN Number:	PRN Number: 26461							/548		
SAM / Listed Bu	Number:	LB 16	587	Period:		Post-medieval				
Form of monum	ent:	Upstandin structure , building		Land u	ıse:		u	nmaintained grassland		
MoD facilities of	Roadway of the si		10m	Military	Activity	<b>/:</b>	Possibly within the general manoeuvre area/driver training/tank training			
Summary of monument:										
	A range of stone built farm buildings, detached from the main Brownslade mansion (built towards the end of the 18th century for John Mirehouse PRN 6447). The buildings represent the remains of a late 18th century model farm.									
use as part of the the site of Browns leads into a large and outbuildings were cart sheds of (after 1838) conv The cottages have North and south of buttresses to its s a central doorway	Brownslade farm was the home farm of the Mirehouse tenancy on the Campbell (Cawdor) estate (John Mirehouse was an agricultural improver). It has been unoccupied since at least 1938, apart from temporary use as part of the Army Range HQ. The ruins of the original group of c.1800 farm buildings lie to the west of the site of Brownslade House. There is a symmetrical plain west front with axial approach road. The entrance leads into a large square yard surrounded by the original buildings of the farm. [Later buildings of the farm and outbuildings of the house survive to the east]. On the entrance side is the original cobbled gateway. There were cart sheds on either side, the blocked openings of which are visible, with lintels. These sheds were later (after 1838) converted to a pair of two-storey cottages with a taller granary and a pigeon loft over the gates. The cottages have central doorways between windows. Their upper floors may have been part of the granary. North and south of these are byres or cattle sheds. On the north side of the yard is a barn with large buttresses to its south wall. Three doorways facing south have flat voussoir heads. The upper storey also has a central doorway, and was perhaps a granary. This may be the earliest building of the group. On the south side are cowsheds and byres, with what was probably a granary above. On the east side is a three-bay									
Damage to site:										
Collapse / failure	of struct	tural featur	es (<1%	%).]. So	me lintels a	above d	oors ai	nd window openings are failing.		
is at least 80%.			he build	lings, wh	iich is quite	dense a	and wi	ll get worse scrub encroachment		
Inspection date: 2		5								
Overall monume condition:	ent	Fair			Monume	nt Stab	oility:	Gradual decline		
In situ protectiv	/e meas	sures:	Area en	closed b	y fencing a	nd away	y from	the majority of military activity.		
Vulnerability:	Low	From Scrub encroachment.								
Medium Structural failure (specifically lintels)							Ily lintels)			
Management Recommendations:										
Remove all veget lintels.	Remove all vegetation from structural features as a matter of urgency and make safe structural features i.e. lintels.									
	building	js to be do	ne by th					, which would also allow a basic rts of the structure fail or are		

# **Current Condition**

The majority of the external walls and frontage to Brownslade farm are vegetation free and the surrounding grass is low (Photo 21). However, internally the buildings and courtyard are very overgrown with invasive vegetation (Photo 22, 24 to 28). The vegetation within the buildings has been previously managed as noted during a site visit in 2010 (Photo 23)

The roof has entirely collapsed long ago. The remaining structures appear to be structurally sound but invasive vegetation is growing into the walls, damaging plaster work and potentially causing structural damage (Photos 25 to 28).

If the invasive vegetation growth is left unmaintained then the site will be susceptible to more rapid decline.

Where possible invasive plants should be carefully removed from the walls of the building and wooden lintels should be inspected and replaced where necessary. A regime of regular cutting of vegetation within the courtyard should also be carried out. The grounds staff could also undertake basic monitoring of the structures at the same time, noting any collapsed lintels or note where structures may be about to fail in order that remediation works may be carried out.



Photo 21: Main entrance to Brownslade Farm, viewing southeast.



**Photo 22:** View from inside courtyard towards entrance range August 2015, showing height of vegetation (photo taken in poor weather)



Photo 23: View from inside courtyard towards entrance range February 2010



Photo 24: View South across interior of courtyard showing extent of vegetation growth.



Photo 25: View northeast within building to southwest of main entrance, towards dovecote over archway



**Photo 26:** East facing wall of northeastern range, showing damage to internal wall by vegetation.



Photo 27: Photo viewing southwest across original façade of southeastern range, showing vegetation and condition of masonry



**Photo 28:** Photo viewing northwest within building on southwestern range, showing vegetation and condition of masonry

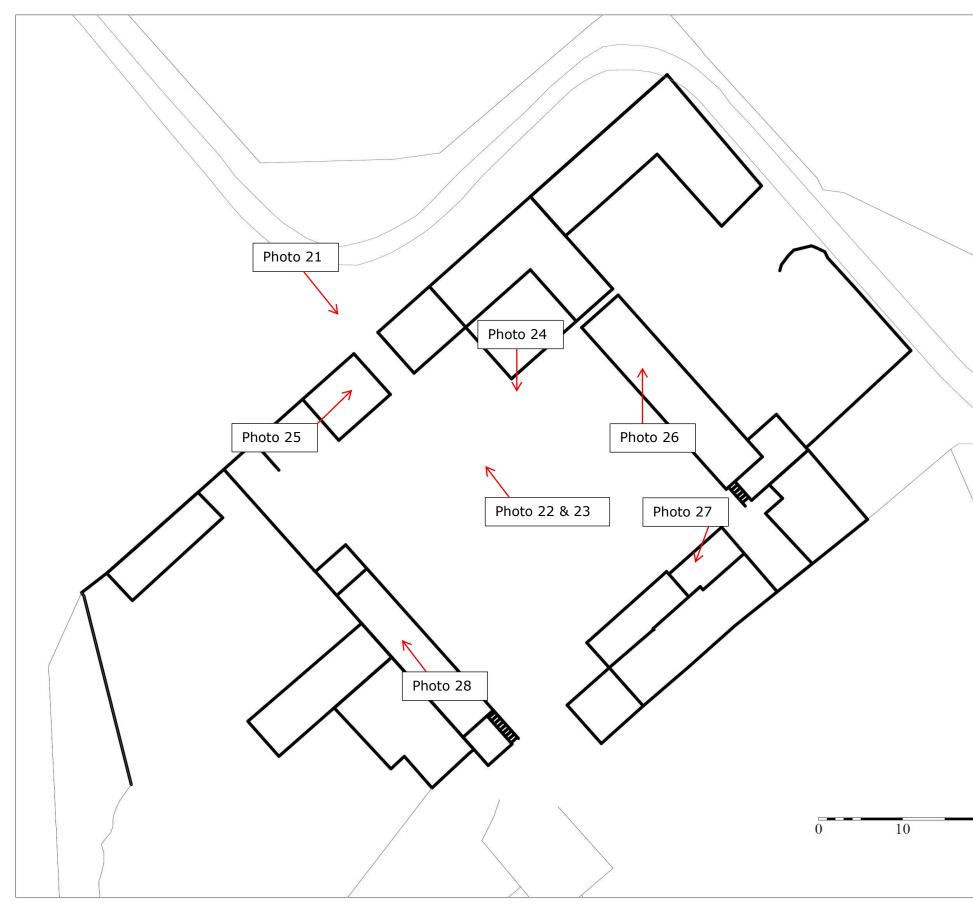


Figure 5: Brownslade farmhouse, representative outline plan showing locations of photographs

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# **3.9 Pricaston Farm** (Figures 6 & 7)

SAM / Listed Building Number:         PE451 LB 16604         Period:         Medieval / Post-medieval           Form of monument:         Upstanding Upstanding         Land use:         meadow / grassland           MoD facilities on site:         Tack surface over 10m to the south of the site.         Military Activity:         Manoeuvre area, Tank training Impact area (High explosive area located to SE).           Summary of monument:         Ruin of a large farmhouse incorporating elements of a mediaeval house. The farmhouse as extensively rebuilt c.1700 faces E. Vacated by 1938 when the Army Range was established and now subject to very restricted access. The house, its farm buildings and outbouses are now in ruins.           Mediaval elements: At ground storey level: a valued through-passage 1.25 m wide with three plain pointed- arch doorways in the S wall and one similar doorway at its W end, all formed in thim masonry (about 0.2 m thick) of limestone ashar, built into a structure of rubble masonry. The three arches to the S are just over 1 m. To the south are two service rooms with ver Jow segmental vaults, one now partly collapsed, entered by the first and second arches. The third arch now leads via a corner to the rear kitchen wing and probably originally led to a service rooms are also of ordinary rubble masonry about 0.4 to 0.6 m thick and are part of the original construction. The hall of the mediaeval house must have been to the N of this passage, tough whether at ground or first floor level is unknown.           Tergements of a starcase leading to this solar survive, avkwardly incorporated into the side of the C18 house. It included a lateral chinney, corbelied on the outside.         Stastarcase.Scheably of the house. A tarke sences was instech whode	PRN Number:	59464			-	NGR: SR 91774 96841						
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# **Current Condition**

Pricaston Farm is quite ruinous (Photo 29); the roof has long since collapsed and the mortar bonding is obviously deteriorating resulting in damage to stone work (Photos 29 to 36). The walls are largely free of ivy but vegetation is encroaching into sheltered areas and alcoves and into some of the outlying buildings.

Internal areas of buildings are overgrown with invasive vegetation and encroaching onto specific features such as the bread oven (Photo 30) and the fireplaces in the dining room (Photo 31) and kitchen (Photo 32). The buildings were surveyed by DAT in 2009 when there was far less vegetation visible.

The cross passage appears (Photo 33) appears to be relatively free of invasive vegetation and in a stable condition. The area of the stairwell in the southwest corner of the hall (Photo 34) are in a poor state and the remaining six steps leading to the solar (Photo 35) are overgrown and rapidly deteriorating. There is also long rough grass and other scrub vegetation growing on the first floor of the solar.

Trees have become well established in the interior of the buildings, particularly in the stables (Photo 36). Some of these are quite substantial and may be causing damage to the structure of the building.

Pricaston Farm is fenced off with restricted access but does lie adjacent to a "High explosive area". A number of mortar shells were observed around the monument, specifically in the area of the cowsheds, but as yet do not appear to have directly impacted upon the main farmhouse building itself.

Where possible, invasive vegetation should be removed from the walls of the building and its interior and this should be continuously monitored.

If necessary firing targets should be relocated so that Pricaston Farm is no longer at threat from impact from shells.



Photo 29: General view of southeastern main façade of Pricaston Farmhouse



Photo 30: View of bread oven and showing extent of vegetation growth.



Photo 31: Northwest wall of dining room.



**Photo 32:** Northwest wall of kitchen showing fireplace and chimney and height of vegetation within interior of building.



**Photo 33:** Cross passage from east.



Photo 34: Stair well in southwest of hall.

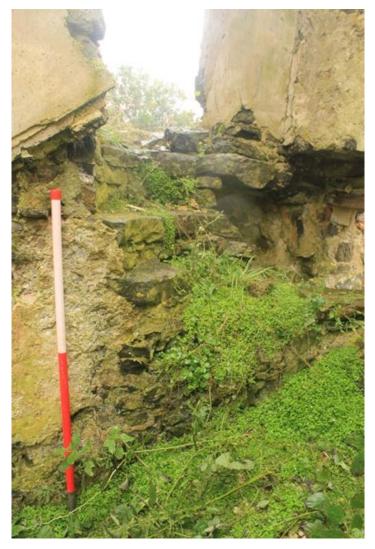


Photo 35: stone steps in southwest of hall.



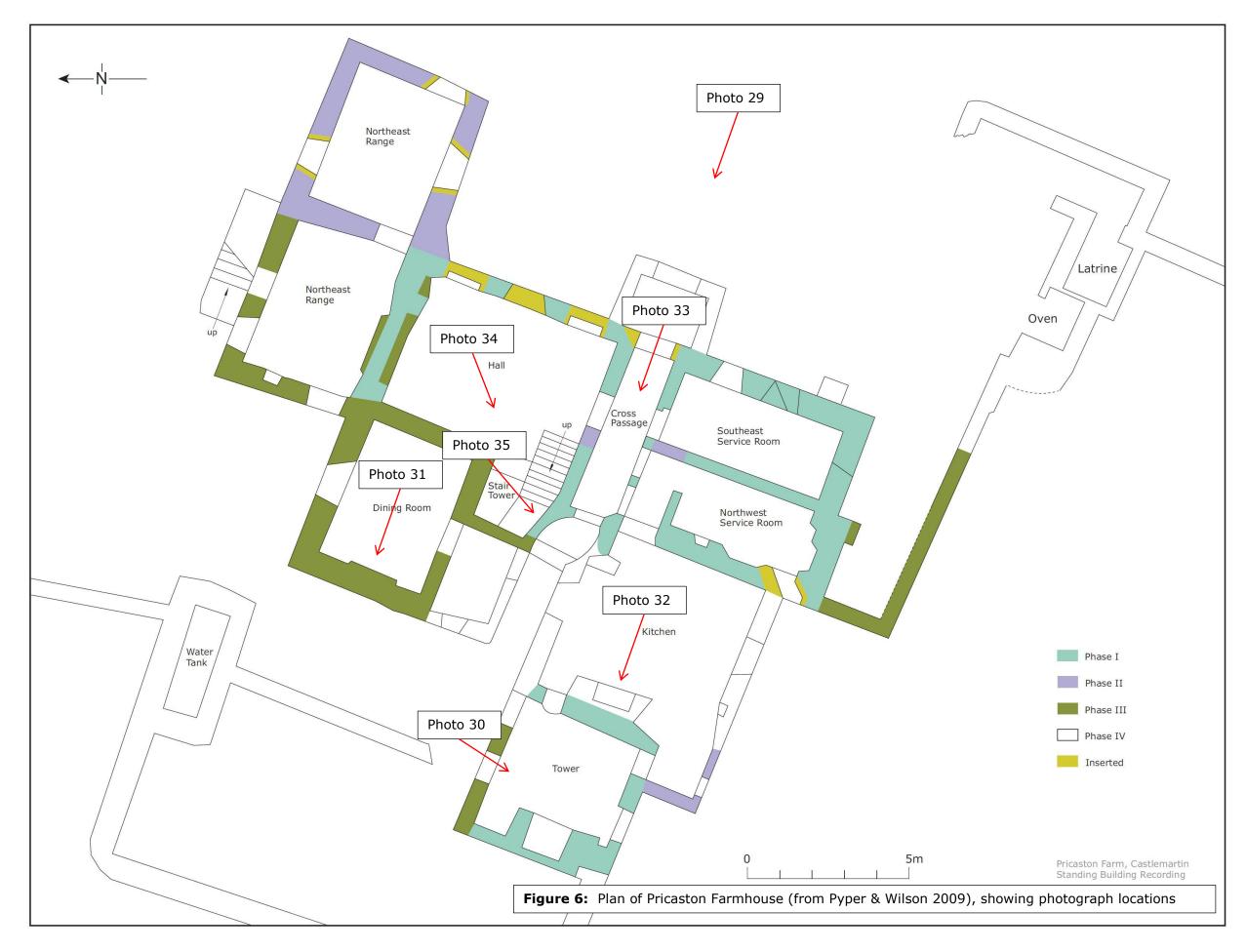
Photo 36: Viewing east, Stable (B1).



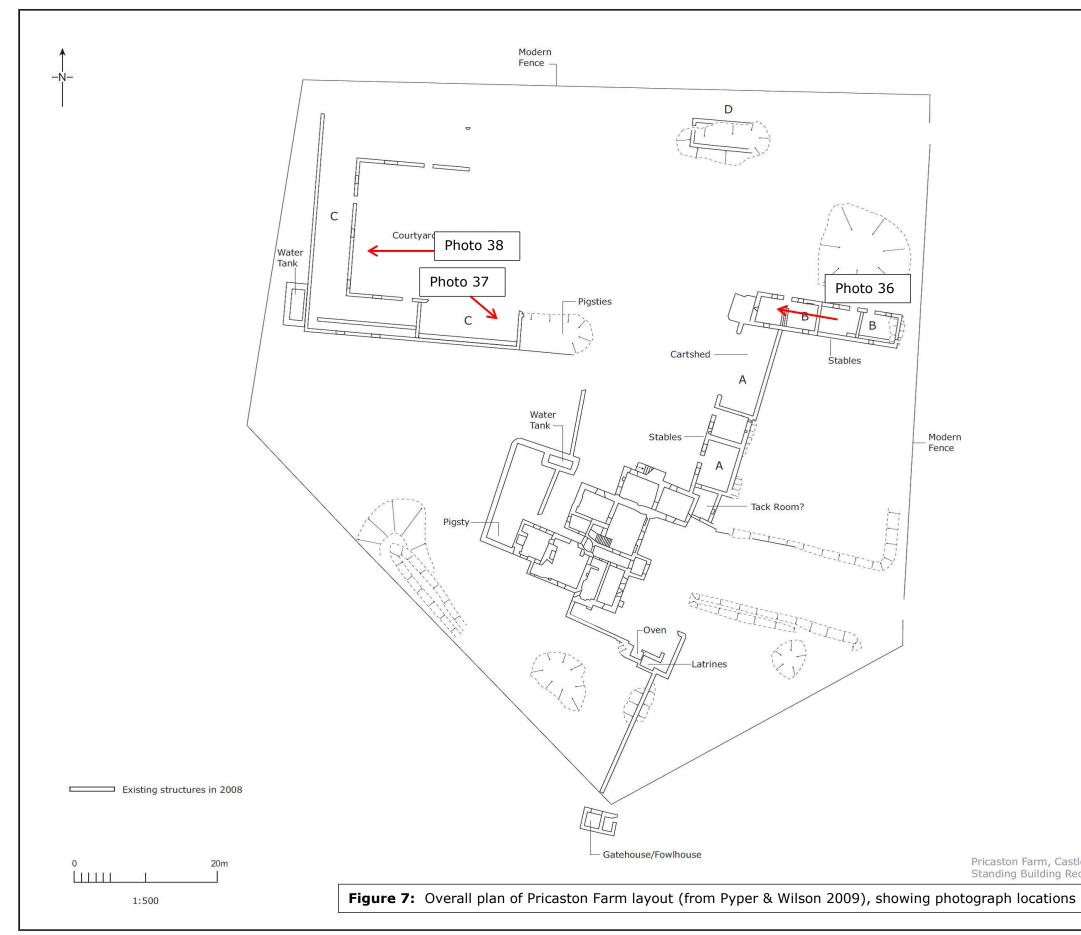
**Photo 37:** View southeast across area of cowsheds towards Pricaston farmhouse to right and stable block to left



Photo 38: View east of window opening in cowshed showing mortar shell within window opening



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Pricaston Farm, Castlemartin Standing Building Recording

# 3.10 Flimston Farmhouse (Figures 8 & 9)

PRN Number:			NGR: SR 9242 995646							
SAM / Listed Bu	uilding	Number:	PE447 LB 16		Period:		Post-n	nedieval		
Form of monum	ent:	Upstanding structure / building		Land u	ise:			sture 90% ; Scrub 10%, aciduous trees starting to grow		
MoD facilities o	n site:	Access re chapel a south of	pprox.3		Military /	Activity	y:	None		
Summary of monument:										
Ruins of a large medieval farmhouse with substantial surviving remains. Flimston Farmhouse is situated just west of a minor road running from the B4319 to Stack Rocks, on the Royal Armoured Corps Castlemartin Range. It consists of a small medieval first-floor hall-house radically extended around 1600 into a three-unit farmhouse, and further altered in the 18th and 19th centuries. The house has been disused at least since the establishment of the Army Range in 1938. It is now a roofless ruin.										
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cross wing. Also t corbels internally unrelated to the o quarter-round co	Traces of earlier construction indicate that the house was originally a hall-house, with a solar in the north cross wing. Also there is a solar hearth and circular chimney at the north side of the cross-wing, supported on corbels internally and externally, the hearth being at a low level implying a previously lower solar floor unrelated to the chamber floor level of the centre of the house. Its bressummer is chamfered and carried on quarter-round corbels. In the gable wall of the south room is the arch of a large hearth, now blocked, with a large oven at one side and a small oven on the other, and a large square chimney.									
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Damage to site:	:									
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Overall monum condition:	ent	Fair			Monume	nt Stal	oility:	Stable		
In situ protective measures: Fence and gate enclosing the area.								I		
Vulnerability:	rom /hat?	Tı	ree growth, ivy growth and gradual scrub encroachment.							
Management Recommendations:										
Clear scrub and trees from within the monument and remove vegetation of structural features. Bring to attention of site users during briefings.										

# **Current Condition**

Flimston Farmhouse is a ruinous medieval building with significant later alterations (Photo 39, 40 & 41). The roof has long since collapsed but the external walls and many of the interior walls still survive to full height and structurally these appear to be sound. A series of remedial works were carried out within the building some years ago, including the insertion of a number of concrete lintels over window and door openings (Photo 42) and also brick supports in other areas.

Recent falls of plasterwork are visible on some walls, but the plasterwork has been in a poor state for some time (Photo 43).

Invasive vegetation is growing in alcoves and sheltered areas, but the walls are largely free of vegetation although it is beginning to take hold in some places (Photo 44). Long rough grass is growing within the interior of the building and yards as well as brambles and nettles (Photo 43).

The current condition of Flimston Farmhouse is fair and most probably stable, although it would be beneficial to monitor vegetation growth which may adversely affect the infrastructure of the building.

The area is fenced off restricting access and does not seem to have been impacted upon by military operations, although it should be noted that the height of the vegetation at the time of the survey may have masked any such disturbance.



Photo 39: External view of Flimston Farmhouse, viewing northeast.



**Photo 40:** View northwest across Flimston farmhouse and adjacent stable block



Photo 41: View south of Flimston farmhouse showing chimney at north end of building



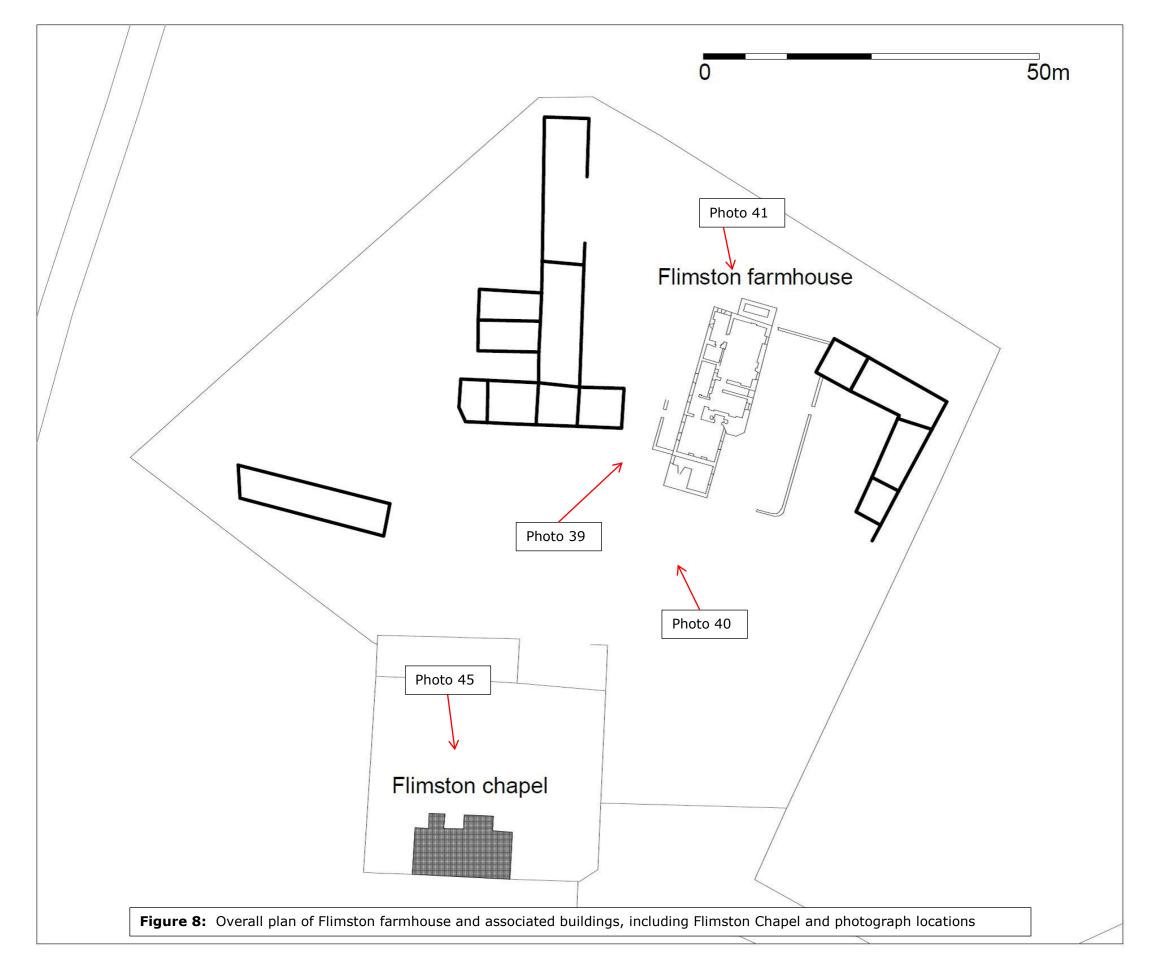
**Photo 42:** View northeast within northern room of Flimston farmhouse, showing concrete lintel repairs within building



Photo 43: Internal wall showing some plaster damage.



Photo 44: Vegetation encroachment onto walls and upper floor of Flimston farmhouse



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**Figure 9:** Building plan of Flimston farmhouse base on PCNPA plans of 1993, showing photograph locations

# 3.11 Flimston Chapel (Figure 8)

PRN Number:	None	given			NGR: SR 92390 95587				
SAM / Listed Bu	iilding	Number:	16589	)	Period:		Post-r	nedieval	
Form of monument: Upsta struct buildi				Land u	use:		В	uilding – Civilian chapel	
MoD facilities of	n site:	Area of to the s	hardstan outh.	iding	Military	Activit	y:	None on site.	
		A tracke car parl	ed drive a <.	and					
Summary of mo	nume	nt:							
The chapel is perhaps associated with Monkton Priory. There is a mediaeval nave and chancel with a minuscule room at the N. In 1787 the tenant of Flimston farm converted the building into a carpenter's shop, stone shed and granary, forming cart-entrance arches which are still visible in the E wall and inserting internal walls. The little north room was reused as an external staircase. The building was restored to serve as a chapel again in 1901-3 by Col. and Lady Lambton, in memory of their three sons. Although protected by its position on the Army Range since 1938, it fell into disuse after the 1939-45 war. It was restored again in 1963 by the staff of the Royal Armoured Corps. The mediaeval chapel is a large single-cell building with a steeply-pointed vault. Rubble limestone masonry with larger quoins. Tile roof with verge parapets. Blocked S door. Interior: Arches of two cedilla are visible, blocked. The small side room at the N is now a vestry. It has a low door and a restored barred window to the altar. The semicircular bell-rope shaft in the centre of the W wall internally is not original, as it blocks an earlier window, but it predates the farm-use phase. When restored by the Lambtons the building was rededicated to St Martin. An entrance porch added at the N. Small finial crosses at the E end and over the porch. E window of three lancets, following the arch and outline of the original windows. W bell-turret with openings on all four sides. Corbelled cornice. Plain and glazed floor tiles were laid in a pattern in the sanctuary. Movable altar rails. Modern font on a square shaft. Lambton family memorials are mounted on both the N and S walls. Also the Lambton family vault in the churchyard is surrounded by (glacial erratic) boulders on which their initials are displayed on plaques. There is a rough-hewn Celtic cross in the churchyard. Low churchyard wall. Information from Listed Building									
description. Damage to site:									
Collapse / failure greatly serious.	of stru	ctural featu	ires (<1%	%), Som	e damp is e	evident	and pe	eling plaster is apparent but not	
Inspection date: 2	20.08.1	.5							
Overall monume condition:	ent	Good			Monume	nt Stal	bility:	Stable	
In situ protectiv	/e mea				nd in frequ	ently st	ill in us:	e	
Vulnerability:     Low     From what?     damp									
	Management Recommendations:								
As a long term precautionary measure make safe structural features. Currently the structure is in good condition.									

## **Current Condition**

Flimston Chapel is still currently used on an occasional basis which perhaps accounts for its good condition. Structurally the building appears to be sound with no cause for immediate concern (Photo 30).

Inside there is a slight damp problem evident and peeling plaster (Photo 31) but at present this is not greatly serious.

The roof is constructed of stone corbels with tiles laid on top, which is a very sturdy form of roof not as susceptible to rotting or dampness as a timber roof would be.



Photo 45: North facing front of Flimston Chapel

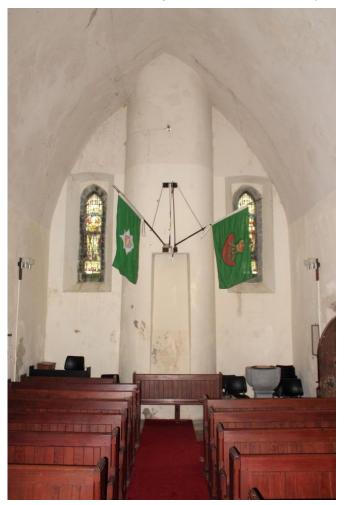


Photo 46: View looking west through interior of chapel.

# 3.12 Frainslake Limekiln

PRN Number:			NGR:	NGR: SR 90712 97548						
SAM / Listed Building Number: LB 16588						Period: Post-r			edieval	
Form of monum		Upstanding Land u structure / building			ıse:			unmaintained scrub		
MoD facilities or	MoD facilities on site: Main track Frainslake			10m.	Military	Activity	<b>/:</b>		None visible	
Summary of mo	Summary of monument:									
This limekiln is a very good example of a late 18th/early 19th century limekiln. It is square in plan, 7m x 7m and about 5m high. There are tap holes on the east and west sides. The pot is about 3m in diameter, with a brick lining that still exists up to the lip of the pot. There is a small quarry, to the east of the kiln. It is built against higher ground. Sides of kiln slightly battered. Listed as a well-preserved specimen and for its group value with Brownslade Farm. Information from listed building description and HER <b>Damage to site:</b>										
Ongoing scrub en	croachm	ent aroun	d the mo	onument	and veget	ation is	begi	nnir	ng to grow on the walls.	
Inspection date: 1	18.08.15									
Overall monume condition:	ent	Good			Monument Stability:			/:	Stable	
In situ protectiv	ve meas	ures:	`no digg	ging' star						
Vulnerability:	Low	-	rom	So	crub encroa	achment				
Moderate         what?         Failure of wooden lintels over tap holes								er tap holes		
Management Recommendations:										
Remove vegetation from the structure before they begin to have an adversely affected.										
The wooden lintel	s are in	need of re	placing.							

## **Current Condition**

The area directly surrounding the limekiln is covered with dense vegetation making access to the kiln difficult (including dense brambles and bracken). As yet though the walls of the structure currently remain mostly free of vegetation, with some invasive growth just beginning on the rear walls (Photos 47 & 48). If this is left unattended then it will get worse so it is important to take action as soon as possible as a preventative measure.

Structurally the kiln is in a good and stable condition, although the lintels are probably in need of replacing (Photos 48 & 49).

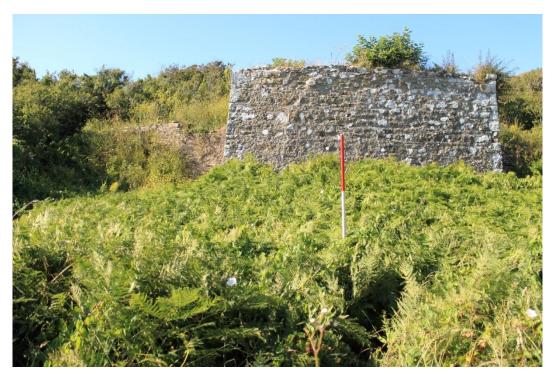


Photo 47: Viewing north at Limekiln showing height of bracken around monument.



Photo 48: Rear wall of Lime kiln on eastern side showing earlier growth of ivy.



Photo 49: West facing wall of limekiln showing very dry lintel in need of replacement.

# 3.13 Flimston Bay Camp

PRN Number:	)									
SAM / Listed Bu		Period:		Iron Age / Post medieval						
Form of monum	ent:	Earthwork		Land ι	ise:			Pas	sture / coastal edge	
MoD facilities or	n site:	Track sur 10m on t		-	Military /	Activity	y:		None visible	
Summary of monument:										
high sea cliffs and on the landward, north, side by a curving bivallate rampart and a third bank and ditch c.20m further out. The sloping interior, c.210m N-S and 60m E-W, has clearly been reduced by erosion, and collapsed sea caves have produced precipitous cliffs within the fort. A track runs through the fort to a landing place on the tip of the promontory. However, at least four platforms within the fort indicate the site of houses. The two inner banks are c. 3m high and each c.12m wide, and run for approximately 140m - cliff edge to cliff edge. A ditch runs outside both banks. A simple gap through the centre of the banks and ditches marks the entrance. A slighter outer bank lies 20m from the main defence. This has severely damaged at its eastern end by small-scale quarrying. This bank effectively defends a small annexe to the main fort. The site is under short										
coastal grass. Damage to site:										
Substantial coastal erosion on all sides of coastal edge, with recent collapses visible on eastern and western sides near the outer defences.										
the defensive ban	ks of th	e fort and a	ilso adja	acent to	the main si	ink hole	e. Or	ne a	edge which is seriously eroding rea of banks in this area has sed but this has now failed.	
Scrub encroachme	ent is be	eginning to	occur or	n the mo	ost northerl	y defer	nces.			
Inspection date: 2	20.08.15	5								
Overall monume condition:	ent	Fair			Monume	nt Stal	bility	y:	Gradual decline	
In situ protectiv	e meas	sures:	None pr	esent						
Vulnerability:         Medium         From what?         Coastal and footpath erosion on banks to west.										
Management Recommendations:										
Place 'no digging' stars around the monument in visible areas near to the access roads on its northern side.										
As a matter of urgency some of the footpaths should be diverted around areas susceptible to damage such as the banks which are being significantly damaged, especially on the western side. Once the footpaths are diverted the erosion scars should be repaired.										

## **Current Condition**

Being a coastal fort Flimston Bay Camp is primarily at threat from coastal erosion, which is currently having an adverse effect on all of its coastal edges. A section of cliff has recently collapsed on the eastern coastal edge (Photo 50).

The post-medieval wall at the quay on the southern end of the fort is largely in a good stable condition but its southern end is showing signs of erosion and damage (presumably from sea spray and weathering) and is susceptible to collapse in the short term and will need stabilizing to avert this.

Footpath erosion appears to be a serious threat on this site particularly along the western edge (Photos 52, 53 & 54) causing damage to the defensive banks (Photos 52 & 53). It was noted that a previous attempt had been made to stabilize the banks on the western edge, but these efforts have now failed (Photo 53), probably as the footpaths have re-established themselves on the cliff edge. In order to minimise these threats the footpaths should be diverted off of the monument and the erosion scars should be repaired. Measures should be put in place to try and prevent the footpaths becoming re-established.

Overall the general condition of the monument is fair although it is continuously declining gradually due to coastal and footpath erosion. A very large sink hole is present on its southwestern side with near vertical cliffs, and there appear to be two further areas of slumping on its northern side which indicate that this thin strip of land is likely to collapse in the longer term (as ongoing and unstoppable coastal erosion). A footpath across this thin strip of land (Photo 54) is hastening surface erosion here.

There were no obvious in situ protective measures in place around the monument and it should be clearly marked with 'No digging' stars on its northern edge. Scrub encroachment is starting from the north as well which should be cut back and managed.





Photo 50: Coastal erosion on eastern edge of Flimston Bay fort.

Photo 51: Damage to wall near the medieval quay.



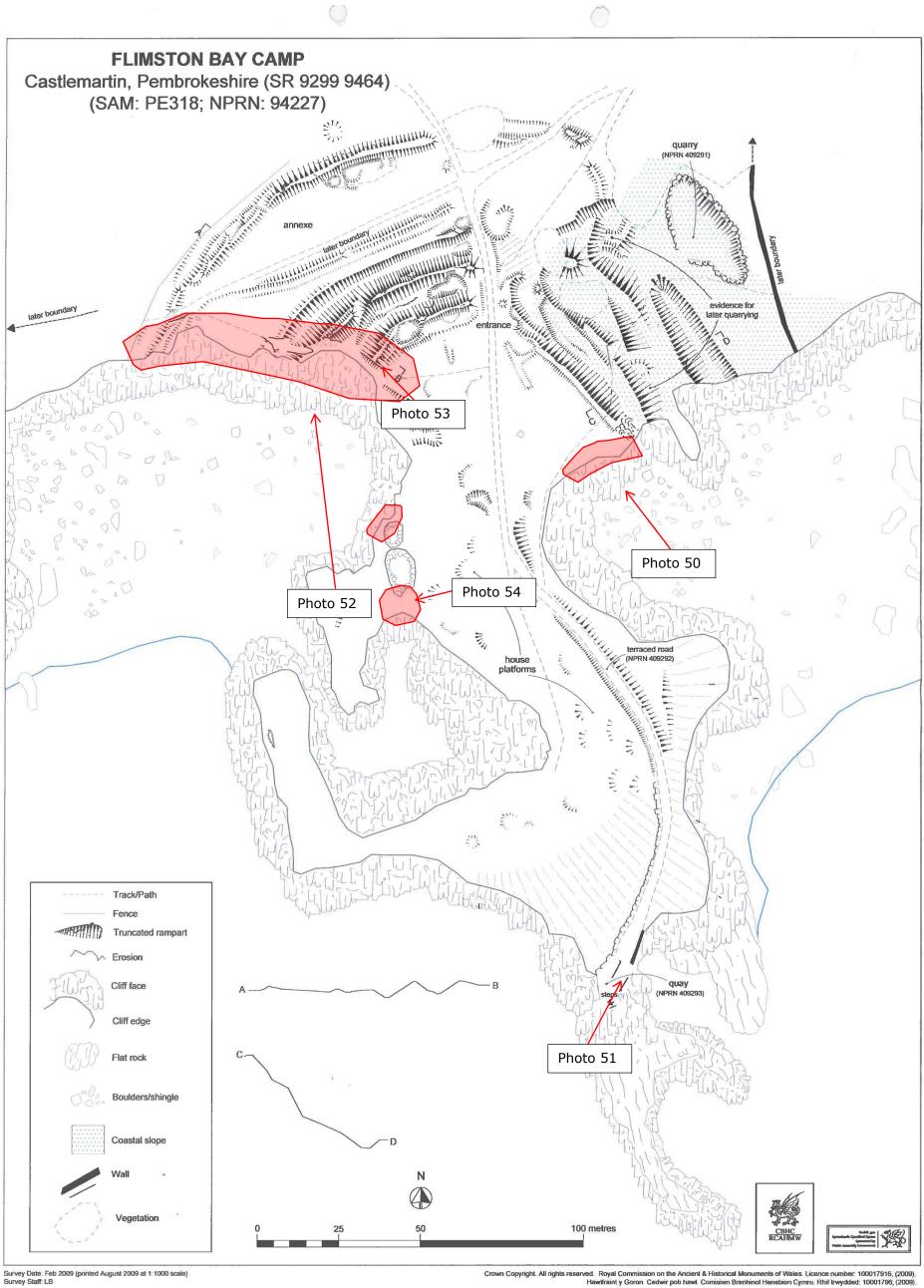
**Photo 52:** Footpath erosion near coastal edge on western edge of fort badly damaging the banks of the fort and erosion on cliff face.



**Photo 53:** Footpath erosion badly affecting the banks. Past remediation efforts have now failed and are exposed in the bank.



Photo 54: Footpath damage within interior of fort.



## Figure 10: Flimston Bay Camp, (RCAHMW 2009), showing photograph locations and highlighting areas of footpath and recent cliff erosion

# 3.14 Crocksydam Camp

PRN Number:	604			NGR:	SR 93596 94326					
SAM / Listed Bu	PE319	)	Period:	Period: Iron Age			je			
Form of monum	ent:	Earthwork		Land ι	use:			Pas sid	sture and bare ground (seaward e).	
MoD facilities or	n site:	None			Military	Activity	/:		Over 50m away are tank tracks.	
Summary of monument:										
described a floor of burnt clay 18 inches thick, strewn with Romano-British pottery of the 3rd and 4th century types, burnt and unburnt bones and other occupation debris". Finds including pottery and other occupation debris from excavations indicate Roman occupation of Crocksydam Camp.										
Damage to site:										
	out only	affecting a							cent activity of burrowing erior and exterior of the	
Two large holes a	re prese	ent within t	he interi	or of the	e monumen	it, whicl	n are	e of	some age.	
Inspection date: 2	20.08.1	5								
Overall monume condition:	ent	Fair			Monume	nt Stal	oility	/:	Gradual decline	
In situ protectiv	/e meas	sures:	None pr	resent						
Vulnerability:	ulnerability:         Low /         From what?         Coastal erosion on southern side, but majority of fort remains relatively stable.									
Management Recommendations:										
Ensure 'no diggin should be made t					e locations a	around	the r	non	ument and long term plans	

# **Current Condition**

Crocksydam Camp is another promontory fort comprising defences across the landward end of the promontory. This camp appears to comprise only a single bank and ditch for its defences (Photo 55).

Coastal erosion is present on all but its northern side, although the majority of this appears relatively stable and the only sign of recent erosion on the cliffs is on the southern part of the monument which projects into the sea (Photo 56) and on part of its western edge (Photo 55).

Two large depressions in the interior of the camp on its eastern side indicate previous episodes of digging, although these are of some age and do not represent modern disturbance (Photo 57). It was noted that much of the ground surface inside and outside of the monument is covered in ant hills (Photo 57 & 58). Although the ground surface has obviously been altered by the ants, the extent of disturbance below ground is uncertain but presumably will be having a negative impact on the archaeology. In terms of the archaeology it would be good if the ant population was controlled, but any such works would need to be discussed with ecological specialists. Potentially the presence of the ants (as well as livestock grazing) is preventing scrub encroachment and retaining the area as coastal grassland.

There were no obvious in situ protective measures in place around the monument and it should be marked with 'No digging' stars on its northern edge. There is no evidence of significant footpath damage nor any signs of scrub encroachment. The area is used for sheep / livestock grazing which is keeping



Photo 55: General view across Crocksydam fort looking southwest



**Photo 56:** Viewing west across southern end of fort showing recent cliff collapse.



**Photo 57:** Viewing south west across edge of fort at pits/holes.



**Photo 58:** Viewing east across site showing significant number of ant hills littered throughout the interior of the monument.

## 3.15 Busckspool Camp

PRN Number:	610				NGR:	SR 95	43 9	340	)	
SAM / Listed Bu	ilding N	Number:	PE320	)	Period:		Iro	n Ag	је	
Form of monum	Form of monument: Earthwork Land u							Pa	sture / coastal edge	
MoD facilities on site: Radar station over 10m away and access track approx. 50m away.				Military /	Activity	/:		Unknown. Within firing range		
Summary of monument:										
inner bank and di levelled. It is c. 30 above the interior from the inner ba end of the bank. annexe as it sprin bank rises c.1m a	tch is th Om long of the f nk, and There ha gs from bove the the prol ss.	e most dist , runs acros ort. The ce stands to 2 as been som the entran e ditch. The	urbed b ss the n ntral ba m high ne rubbl ce throu e interio	by quarry arrow ne ink is the over its le depos ugh the i r slopes	ving, and the peck of the peck of the peck of the peck defining ditch. A sirition in this inner bank slightly. Nu	ne bank promont ed. It c nple ga ditch. and cur umerous	also ory, urve p en The ves s, pe	o see and es fo itrar oute off erha	ear, but seems to be three. The ems to have been partially d the bank stands to c.70m or 104m, between 15m and 20m nee lies c. 30m from the south er bank seems to define an to the north-northwest. The ps as many as 20, terraces cut en found on the site. The fort is	
Coastal erosion is is likely to occur.	particul	arly occurri	ing on t	he weste	ern side wh	ere a la	irge	sinl	c hole is located, further collapse	
			l footpa	th erosic	on damagin	g the b	anks	s of	the monument and there is	
Inspection date: 2	20.08.15	5								
Overall monume condition:	ent	Fair			Monume	nt Stal	bility	/:	Gradual decline	
In situ protectiv	ve meas	sures:	None pr	resent						
Vulnerability:         Medium         From what?         Ongoing coastal erosion.										
Management Recommendations:										
The site should be marked with 'no-digging' stars.										
Rabbit populations should monitored and controlled if damage becomes more extensive.										
Remediation works may be required on some of the banks if erosion worsens and footpath routes should then be diverted.										

Currently Buckspool Camp is in fair condition but likely to gradually decline mostly through coastal erosion. There is a large sink hole on the western side of the interior of the monument, where there is obvious signs that the western edge of it will collapse in the medium term (probably 5 years or more) (Photo 59). There is a natural arch under the small surviving bit of land which forms the western side of the sink hole, and slippage and slumping of material is present (Photo 59). All other seaward edges show some sign of gradual coastal erosion.

The extensive bank and ditch defences on the northeastern side of the monument are mostly in a good state of preservation, but some areas are beginning to erode. This seems to be through a mix of weathering, livestock damage and some footpath erosion (Photos 60 & 61).

There are a number of scraped areas within the interior of the fort which may be as a result of animal activity, but could potentially be caused by projectiles (Photo 62).

The majority of the interior of the fort away from the coastal edges survives in a good condition, with vegetation kept in control by livestock grazing (Photo 63). Possible indications of circular house platforms were also noted.

Overall the condition of the monument is fair but it is susceptible to gradual decline, particularly from further coastal erosion. The monument has no 'no digging' stars, which would be useful along its northern edge. Damage from cattle and footpaths across the banks defences is not extensive at this time, but this should be monitored and repairs and footpath diversions implemented, but this is not seen as an immediate threat at this time.



**Photo 59:** Western side of sink hole showing area likely to collapse in the medium term, which could exacerbate erosion in the area



**Photo 60:** Example of erosion to banks caused by cattle and general members of the public within the northeastern defences, viewing northeast



**Photo 61:** Further examples of erosion on the banks of the northeastern defences, with radar station behind, viewing south



Photo 62: Example of a number of scrapes observed in interior of fort, viewing northeast from southern part of the interior



**Photo 63:** View northeast through main part of the interior of the fort showing its generally good condition, and possible remains of circular house platforms

3.16 Linney	Tobru	uk Shelt	<b>ers</b> (Fi	igure 1	11)				
PRN Number:	1268				NGR:	SR 9359	6 943	326	
SAM / Listed Bu	ilding N	lumber:	PE543		Period:	Μ	loderi	n 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	
Form of monum	form of monument: Above and below ground built structure (near demolished on surface)						Pa	sture / coastal edge.	
MoD facilities or	n site:	track sur	faces ne	arby	Military /	Activity:		Driver training / tank training / impact areas / rifle ranges.	
Summary of mo	nument	:							
British 79 <sup>th</sup> Armou preparation for D- of Castlemartin ra blend in with the included 7 of thes	The monument comprises the remains of substantial mock-German defences built in 1943 especially for the British 79 <sup>th</sup> Armoured Division, Royal Engineers to undertake beach landing and assault technique exercises in preparation for D-Day. The defences are located in the sand dunes and on low sea cliffs art the western end of Castlemartin range. They consist of a variety of gun positions located to maximize their firing effect and to blend in with the surrounding terrain, thus providing realistic training simulation conditions. The defences included 7 of these Tobruk 58c machine gun posts and additional anti-tank gun emplacements.								
The concrete Tobruk shelters built at Castlemartin were of the most common machine gun variety, designated as 58c, but also called a Ringstand). It comprised of a small concrete fortification which lay completely underground with a small neck-like opening flush with the ground making it very difficult to detect from ground level. The underground position consisted of a small foxhole type shelter, together with a magazine, which also served as an underground entrance. Most of the Tobruk shelters at Castlemartin were built to the standard German design and possessed external dimensions of 8' 2" (2.48m) in height, 12' 2" (3.7m) in length and 7' 8" (2.33m) in width. The floor measured 7" (0.18m) in thickness, whilst the walls and ceiling measured 1' 3" (0.38m) in thickness. The entrance was located in a side wall at the opposite end to the open neck and provided access to the magazine. The firing position was accessed via a short flight of step[s. the open neck measured 2' 8" (0.81m) in dimeter. A rail (the Ringstand) supporting the machine-gun mount ran around the inside of the neck, giving the gun a 360 traverse. No rails survive at Castlemartin. The examples at Castlmartin possess the words <i>Connell</i> and <i>Warren</i> inscribed into the concrete, presumably the name and location of the contractor who built them.									
PE543A – Norther	nmost T	obruk sheli	ter – 88ı	m gun p	osition				
PE543B – Dual 55	mm anti	i-tank gun	position						
PE543C – Tobruk	shelter								
PE543D – Tobruk	shelter								
PE543E – Tobruk	shelter								
PE543F – Tobruk	shelter								
PE543G – Tobruk	shelter								
PE543H – Single 5	50mm ar	nti-tank gu	n positio	n					
PE543I – Tobruk s	shelter								
Damage to site:									
Above ground feat structure.	tures of	structures	have be	en remo	oved and w	ater dama	age is	starting to affect the remaining	
Debris is accumul	Debris is accumulating inside the structures below ground.								
Inspection date: 1	Inspection date: 18.08.15								
Overall monume condition:	Overall monument condition:         Poor         Monument Stability:         Gradual decline.								
In situ protectiv	e meas	ures:	None						
Vulnerability:	mediun		rom hat?	St	ructural fai	ilure and s	scrub	encroachment	
Management Re	Management Recommendations:								
Clearly mark each monument with a 'no digging' star and no vehicle signs. Vegetation should be removed from the structural features to prevent further damage structural features should be repaired and made safe.									

## **Current Condition**

The Tobruk shelters comprise surviving ground level and below ground elements. They were not originally included within the scope of the inspection, but as a number of them lay close to Crowback Tumulus and they were scheduled ancient monuments it was decided that these items should be inspected. The elements PE543F, PE543G, PE543H and PE543I were not inspected.

The surviving elements are in a poor condition and likely to continually decline through sea spray / sea salt eroding the concrete and reinforcing bars within (Photos 64 to 68). Nearly all of iron sheeting which would have been present within the shelters has now corroded away. There is slumping at the entrances to the magazines of all of the shelters observed.

Grasses are starting to cover the concrete surface of the structures making it difficult to delineate the edges. Inside the shelters modern debris is accumulating through windblown material, purposeful waste disposal and fragments of military equipment, possibly ordnance (Photo 68). These should be cleared to prevent additional material being purposefully disposed of into them.

Tobruk shelter PE543B was in the worst state of preservation of those that were inspected during the survey



Photo 64: View north across Tobruk shelter PE543C



**Photo 65:** View north across Tobruk shelter PE543B (in a very poor state of preservation)



Photo 66: View south across Tobruk Shelter PE543D



Photo 67: View southwest across Tobruk shelter PE543E



Photo 68: View inside Tobruk shelter PE543C showing collection of debris material.

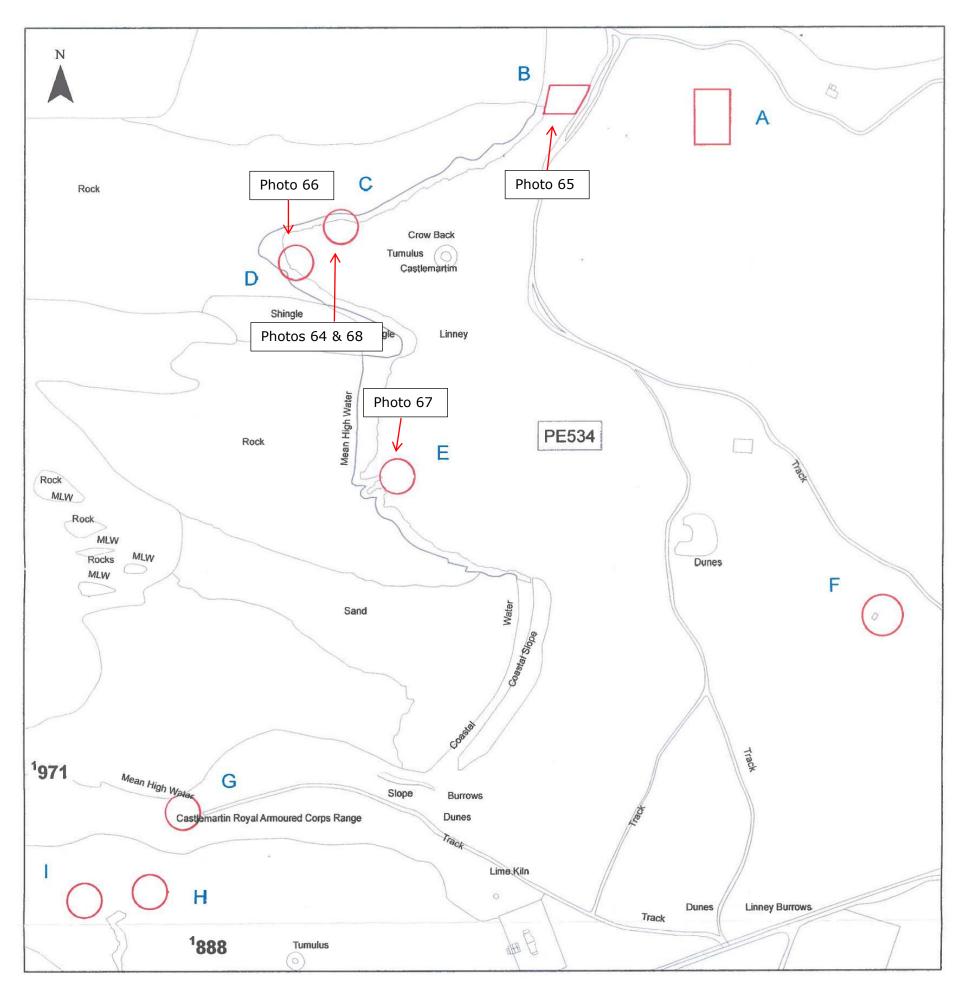


Figure 11: locations of Tobruk shelters (PE534) from Cadw scheduling information, showing locations of photographs (letters refer to the scheduling itemisation of the shelters)

## 3.17 St Govans Chapel

PRN Number:	59491				NGR:	SR 96	705 92	962		
SAM / Listed Bu	ilding N	lumber:	PE321 LB 17		Period:		Medie	val		
Form of monum	ent	Upstanding		Land u	150'			astal edge		
		building	9	Lana	user			coastal euge		
MoD facilities or	n site:	none			Military Activity:			none		
Summary of mo	nument	t:								
Below the sea-clif Access sometimes								across the army RAC Range East.		
Wexford, d.586) well gained a repu	was belie utation f 17. Sing	eved to hav or the mira gle cell with	e hidde culous o	n and be cure of la	een miracul ameness ar	lously s nd eye-	aved fr disease	St Gobhan (Abbot of Dairinis, Co. om pirates. The chapel and its . They were described as and about 5 m high. Aligned		
Exterior: Limestone masonry in large blocks, roughly brought to courses, built directly off the rock. Part of the W wall is formed of the natural rock. S wall slightly battered at base. Modern pointed slate roof between slight verge parapets and with tile ridge. Empty bell-turret at W. The N entrance has an equilateral pointed arch. The entrance in the W wall has a segmentally curved lintel. Early or original small windows near the apex of the W and E gables with possible marks of bars. Another small window just above altar level in the S wall. A later large window has been formed in the S wall (it is already present at the time of Campbell's 1757 engraving). Also informal retaining-walls beside entrances and a long flight of steps down from the clifftop and others down further to the well. A third doorway leading to the rock-cleft is situated at the left of the altar at the top of a flight of six steps. This has its dressed lintel and jambs on the inside face of . e wall, suggesting the rock-cleft area was not regarded as external to the chapel but as a room integral to it and perhaps roofed over. Interior: Plastered walls and vault. Altar of rubble masonry with slightly projecting top formed of several pieces of stone. Although these top stones are very worn, they are perhaps only the masonry beneath a lost altar slab. No marks of consecration visible. Low benches against the N and S sides, the S one returning to abut the side of the altar. Rough stone floor which must be recent, as the floor was described in 1925 as clay.										
beside N entrance Listed Grade I as cures down to the	an impo						tinued	to be frequented for miraculous		
Damage to site:										
The interior is dar	mp as w	ater runs d	own the	e cliff and	d through t	he floor	of the	chapel, but this is managed.		
There is no evider numerous people				vandalis	m or obvio	us graff	iti withi	in or around the chapel from the		
Inspection date: 2	20.08.15	5								
Overall monume condition:	ent	Good			Monume	nt Stal	bility:	Stable		
In situ protectiv	/e meas	ures:	None							
Vulnerability:         Low         From what?         Water damage										
Management Recommendations:										
Monitor water damage.										

## **Current Condition**

Structurally the chapel is in good condition and shows no obvious signs of decay (Photo 69), evidently being maintained and repaired. Internally the walls are suffering from damp which is affecting the remains of the plaster work (Photo 70). The Chapel should continue to be monitored for signs of structural decay and preventative measures taken

when necessary. The chapel was not included in the original specification for the inspection, but was considered worthwhile as a Scheduled Ancient Monument.



Photo 69: Exterior south facing wall of St Govans Chapel.

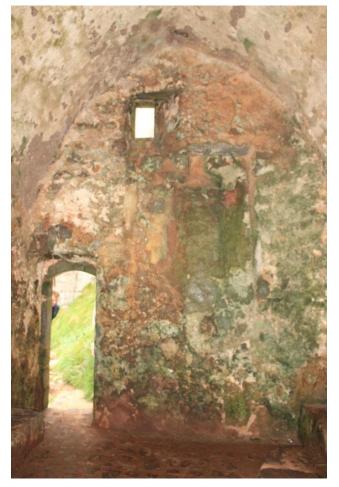


Photo 70: Interior east facing wall of St Govans Chapel.

## 3.18 St Govans Holy Well

			NGR.	NGR: SR 96713 92946					
·,			Period:		Med	dieval			
Iment: Upstanding Land structure			e:			coastal edge			
D facilities on site: none					/:	none			
Summary of monument:									
A holy well of possibly Early Medieval date associated with St Govans chapel (PRN 630). It is recorded on the 1865 1st edition and 1908 2nd edition Ordnance Survey maps. The well housing measures 1.20 x 1.10 metres and is 1.30 metres high, made of limestone rubble. The well was known for healing in the 18th and 19th centuries (M.Ings, 2011, from various sources).									
About 25 m S of St Govan's chapel, reached by a flight of rough steps. Famous together with St Govan's chapel for cures of lameness and eye disease. It was fed by a spring but had been dry for many years when described in 1925. The well itself is a short shaft about 0.7 by 0.8 m. Wellhead building approximately square with an opening to the N side spanned by a stone lintel. Rough corbelled top sloping to S, E and W but rising to a rounded gable at N, very much restored. Also a boulder retaining-wall at N side of the well.									
t and group	value with S	St Gova	/an's Cha	pel. In	forma	ation from listed building			
ge.									
5									
Good		M	Monume	nt Stat	oility	Stable			
sures:	None								
Vulnerability:         Low         From what?         Water damage									
Management Recommendations:									
Monitor water damage and make repairs as necessary.									
	Upstanding structure none rly Medieva 8 2nd editic made of lim from variou n's chapel, n less and eye ell itself is a side spanne very much t and group ge. 5 Good sures: Fi w endations:	LB 17981 Upstanding structure none It: Irly Medieval date assoc 2nd edition Ordnance made of limestone rubb from various sources). n's chapel, reached by a sess and eye disease. It ell itself is a short shaft side spanned by a ston very much restored. Als t and group value with s ge. 5 Good Good Sures: None From what? endations:	LB 17981 Upstanding structure Land us none Land us rly Medieval date associated 8 2nd edition Ordnance Surve made of limestone rubble. The from various sources). n's chapel, reached by a fligh less and eye disease. It was fell itself is a short shaft abou side spanned by a stone linter very much restored. Also a b t and group value with St Gov ge. 5 Good Interventional store and sures: None From what? Wat endations:	LB 17981         Upstanding structure       Land use:         none       Military /         It:       Military /         rly Medieval date associated with St G 8 2nd edition Ordnance Survey maps. made of limestone rubble. The well wa from various sources).         n's chapel, reached by a flight of roughess and eye disease. It was fed by a s ell itself is a short shaft about 0.7 by C side spanned by a stone lintel. Rough very much restored. Also a boulder refer t and group value with St Govan's Cha         ge.       5         Good       Monumer         sures:       None         From what?       Water damage	LB 17981         Upstanding structure       Land use:         none       Military Activity         It:       It:         rly Medieval date associated with St Govans of 8 2nd edition Ordnance Survey maps. The we made of limestone rubble. The well was know from various sources).         n's chapel, reached by a flight of rough steps. less and eye disease. It was fed by a spring b ell itself is a short shaft about 0.7 by 0.8 m. M side spanned by a stone lintel. Rough corbelle very much restored. Also a boulder retaining- t and group value with St Govan's Chapel. In         ge.       5         Good       Monument State         sures:       None         From what?       Water damage	LB 17981         Upstanding structure       Land use:         none       Military Activity:         It:       It         rly Medieval date associated with St Govans chaps 8 2nd edition Ordnance Survey maps. The well ho made of limestone rubble. The well was known for from various sources).         n's chapel, reached by a flight of rough steps. Failers and eye disease. It was fed by a spring but ha ell itself is a short shaft about 0.7 by 0.8 m. Well's side spanned by a stone lintel. Rough corbelled to very much restored. Also a boulder retaining-wall t and group value with St Govan's Chapel. Inform         ge.       5         Good       Monument Stability         sures:       None         From what?       Water damage			

## **Current Condition**

The holy well appears to be in a good and stable condition at this time with no obvious need for concern, evidently being monitored and maintained (Photo 70). The condition of the well should continue to be monitored and taking remedial works undertaken as necessary.



Photo 70: View south of St Govans Holy Well.

#### 4 MANORBIER RANGE

### 4.1 Old Castle Head Promontory Fort

PRN Number:	4223				NGR:	SS 07	57 96	66		
SAM / Listed Bu	ilding N	lumber:	PE405	5	Period:		Iron	Age		
Form of monum	ent:	earthworks	5	Land ι	ise:		ç	grassland		
MoD facilities or	n site:	Missile te	sting ra	ange	Military /	Activity	<b>/</b> :	Missile firing over the monument		
Summary of mo	Summary of monument:									
Old Castle Camp is coastal promontory fort lying at 50m above sea level. It is naturally well-defended by high sea cliffs to the south and east. Existing descriptions of this site are confusing, but aerial photographs show an L-shaped bank and ditch to the north and west, constructed on a natural slope, defending the landward side of the promontory. The same photographs show what seems to be a second closely spaced bank and ditch on the north side. One the west side this outer defence runs further out defining a possible small annexe. The location of the entrance is unclear. The interior is roughly rectangular in shape, c. 140m E-W and 45m N-S. The Ordnance Survey recorded seven sub-rectangular huts within the interior, but these have not been recorded by later authorities. Aerial photographs (RCAHMW AP92-090-23) show a very clear circular feature towards the northwest corner of the interior - this could be an old military installation. The interior and defences have been impacted on by shells and other artillery, but the scars of these have now healed. The site is owned by the MoD and is now under grass.										
Damage to site:	Damage to site:									
The monument is	mostly i	n a fairly g	ood sta	te of pre	eservation,	covered	l fro t	he majority in dense grasses.		
There are areas o edge to the east.	f more d	ense scrub	vegeta	ition with	nin the mor	nument	and a	also running along its northern		
There are a numb present at the bas							nissile	e shell (practice ordnance) was		
Inspection date: 1	11.08.15									
Overall monume condition:	ent	fair			Monume	nt Stal	oility:	Gradual decline		
In situ protectiv	e meas	ures:	None vi	sible				·		
Vulnerability:	Low/ Modera		rom hat?		ngoing coas npacting int			nd misdirected ordnance nent		
Management Recommendations:										
Erect 'no digging' signs										
Try and ensure that missile testing does not get directed at the monument										

#### **Current Condition**

The promontory fort is in a fair state of preservation, mostly under threat from coastal erosion. The monument does not appear to have any steep cliffs around it where collapses could significant erosion in the medium term, so the erosion is more gradual. It was noted that the coastal edges comprise shelves of exposed bedrock, so presumably sea spray is eroding soils from the edges.

At the time of the survey, the main body of the fort was covered with thick lush grasses (Photo 71), with some smaller patches of scrub encroachment on its southern slopes. The eastern side of the northern defences were covered with denser vegetation and scrub (Photo 72). These were encroaching partially up the steeper bank on the northern side of the monument.

Military activity was however in evidence. At least six impact craters were noted on the western side of the defences of the monument. The craters ranged in size from around 1.5m in diameter to0 3m in diameter. These were mostly grouped in and around grid reference SS 0750 9668 (Photos 73 & 74). Only one of these had exposed soil in the

bottom, all the others had vegetation covering them suggesting they were over 5 years old. The more recent crater was said to have been over a year old. One older crater was visible on the southern slopes of the monument (SS 07576 96665) (Photo 75).

No signs of animal activity were noted, although these could have been hidden by the dense grasses. A stone wall (presumably a former field boundary wall) was becoming exposed on the western side of the monument (Photo 76).



Photo 71: View east along Old Castle Head promontory fort showing main defences



Photo 72: View west along lower parts of northern defences showing dense scrub on lower parts of slope



Photo 73: Recent impact damage caused by live firing across the fort.



Photo 74: Evidence of older impact craters in same group as Photo 73



Photo 75: Evidence of old impact crater on southern slopes of monument



Photo 76: Stone field boundary wall becoming exposed in bank on the eastern side of the monument

## 4.2 Radar Station, Old Castle Head (Figures 12, 13 & 14)

PRN Number:	33456			NGR:	SS 0733	3 9665	5		
SAM / Listed Bu	ilding N	lumber:	PE493	Period:	2	20 <sup>th</sup> Ce	entury		
Form of monum	ent:	earthworks	E Lan	nd use:		gra	assland		
MoD facilities or	n site:			Military	Activity:				
Summary of monument:									
Remains of a World War II radar station of the Coastal Defence system, later Chain Home Low radar network, designed to detect enemy aircraft (particularly low-flying and high-flying aircraft) and to plot shipping in the Bristol Channel, lie on steep southwest-facing slopes overlooking the Bristol Channel. There are three rectangular concrete buildings with flat roofs. The station was probably constructed around 1942 and would have been originally manned by the army prior to the take-over of the system by the Royal Air Force.									
The monument co	mprises	three surv	iving elemen	nts:					
	outer wa						e buildings. It has four as situated on the roof (the		
	ng returr	ning around	the end of				hly T-shaped in plan with the porches. A low concrete		
PE493C - Auxiliar	y Stand-	by Set Hou	use. Almost	identical to PE	493B				
Information from Cadw scheduling description									
Damage to site:									
The buildings are built of brick with concrete roofs and floor slabs. They are in a fair state of preservation, although some patches of concrete were blown on the outer walls of the buildings where internal iron reinforcing mesh had corroded and expanded.									
A possible badger	burrow	was noted	under the so	outheastern co	rner of PE	E493C			
The interior of the (doors, conduits, s						ned a	number of original metal fixture		
Structurally they s	seem qu	ite sound.							
Inspection date: 1	1.08.15								
Overall monume condition:	ent	Fair		Monume	nt Stabil	lity:	Gradual decline		
In situ protective measures: There are no protective measures visible, excluding PE493C which has been boarded shut and has no access signs due to it being a bat habitat. No access signs were found within PE493A, but these were face down in rubbish on the floor.									
Vulnerability:         Low         From what?         Continued weathering and reinforcing bar corrosion/failure due to salt from sea spray. Further corrosion of remaining fixtures within the transmitter/receiver building									
Management Recommendations:									
Continued monitoring of the buildings in order that remediation measures can be implemented before any serious structural damage occurs. Investigation of possible badger burrow under the western building to ensure it does not become larger or a sett form. If no longer used, then the hole should be infilled.									

## **Current Condition**

Three structures of the radar station still survive, with no other elements noted during the site visit (Photos 77, 78 & 79). The structures are relatively sound, being built of brick with reinforced concrete roofs and also floor slabs. Potentially some of the access roads and concrete hard standings still used by the Manorbier range may originate from the radar station.

A large animal burrow was noted under the southeastern corner of the western building (PE493C) (Photo 80).



Photo 77: Transmitter/receiver building PE493A, looking northeast



Photo 78: Stand-By Set House PE493B, viewing northeast



Photo 79: Auxiliary Stand-By Set House, viewing north



Photo 80: Animal burrow under southeastern corner of PE493C

Patches of concrete have blown from the seaward sides of all of the buildings, caused by salt from sea spray penetrating the walls and causing the iron reinforcing bars within the concrete to corrode and expand (Photo 81). Corrosion of other iron fixtures and fittings was noted within the Transmitter / receiver building PE493A, including light switches, conduits and two sets of iron doors (Photos 82 & 83).



**Photo 81:** Area of blown concrete on northwestern wall of PE493C showing exposed reinforcing bars underneath



**Photo 82:** Interior of Transmitter / Receiver Building PE493A, showing badly corroded iron doors on northeastern side



**Photo 83:** Interior of Transmitter / Receiver Building PE493A, showing almost totally corroded iron doors on northwestern end

The roofs of the structures seem to be in a good state of repair and the fixings for the former gantry aerial still survive on the Transmitter / Reciever building (Photo 84).



**Photo 84:** View southwest across the roofs of PE493A and PE493B, with the fittings for the gantry aerial still visible on the roof of the Transmitter / Receiver building

The buildings should continue to be monitored to observe for any structural failure or need for remedial works. The animal burrow, if unoccupied, should be backfilled to stabilize the floor of the building. The no entry signs within the Transmitter / Receiver building should be repaired and reattached to prevent unauthorized access.

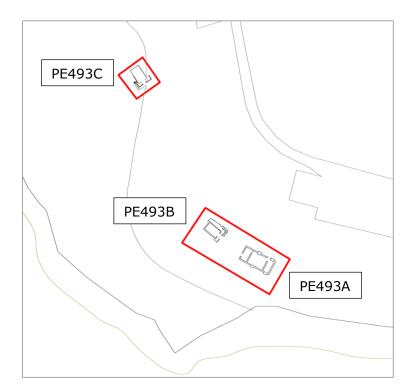
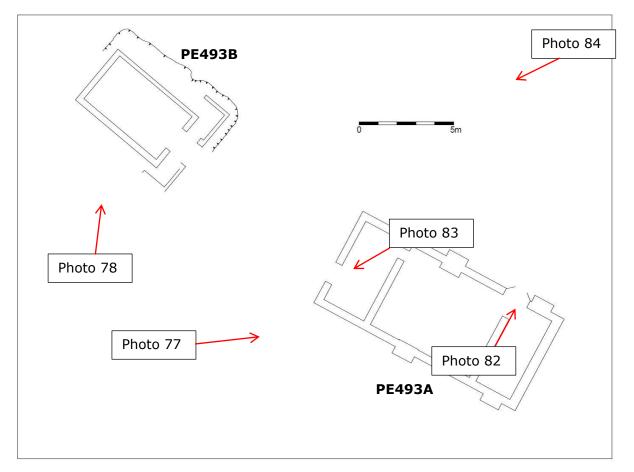
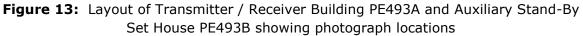


Figure 12: Layout of Manorbier Chain Home Low Radar Station buildings PE493





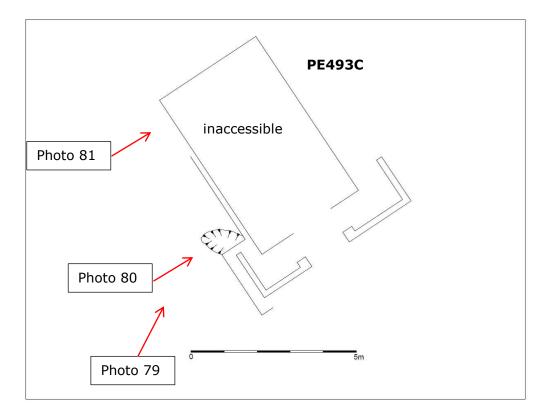


Figure 14: Layout of Auxiliary Stand-By Set House PE493Cs showing photograph locations

### 5 PENALLY TRAINING AREA

JII I Chan	5.1 Penany wohu war i Practice Trenches								
PRN Number:	49608				NGR:	SS 11	20 98	355	
SAM / Listed Bu	ilding N	lumber:	PE483	}	Period:	Period: 20 <sup>th</sup> Century			ntury
Form of monum	ument: earthworks Land				ise:			Pas	ture / coastal edge
MoD facilities or	n site:	None	•		Military /	Activity	/:		Rifle ranges nearby
Summary of mo	nument	::							
War One. Surviving features included two main trenches with many fire bays, parapets, parados and traverses.									
Damage to site:									
and vegetation er Inspection date: 2	ncroachm 28.08.15	nent	ing, ani	imal action	on (includir	ng shee	p trac	:ks,	, hollows and rabbit burrows),
Overall monume condition:	ent	Fair			Monume	nt Stat	oility	:	Slowly degrading
In situ protectiv	e meas	ures:	None						
Vulnerability:         Low         From what?         Livestock damage, vegetation encroachment and rabbi burrows							n encroachment and rabbit		
Management Recommendations:									
Cut back the encroaching vegetation to enable grass to grow through and enable grazing.									
Control rabbit population.									

### 5.1 Penally World War I Practice Trenches

## **Current Condition**

The Penally World War I practice trenches cover a large area. The main body of earthworks are associated with a typical trench warfare layout. This includes front line trenches (crenellated arrangement facing north) (Photo 85); second line trench system (also crenellated lying to the south) (Photo 86); connecting communication trenches between the two; associated island traverses; weapons pits and other associated infrastructure / command areas. Parapets are located on the northern side of the trenches. The earthworks for this area of the trenches survive relatively well except on its eastern side where the earthworks become far less distinct and are also now covered with dense vegetation.

To the south of the main trenches lies a roughly oval arrangement of trenches forming a defended redoubt. This includes an almost complete perimeter trench with connecting trenches and defined areas within. The earthworks for these trenches are far slighter and it is difficult to follow them clearly on the ground, although they show up well from aerial photography.

The trench edges were originally supported with wattle panels and possibly sandbags. These have long since failed and over the last 100 years the trench edges and parapets have slowly denuded, infilling them. The full depth of the trenches is no longer visible. Some weathering erosion is visible in some of the steeper sides of the trenches as would be expected (Photo 87). It is presumed that the differential survival of the trench earthworks is due to underlying geology, possibly with harder bedrock being present where the trenches survive best on the western side of the site.

There is no evidence of military activity taking place on the monument. There are no 'no digging' stars around the monument.

The coastal path runs to the south of the earthworks, with an additional public footpath running along the northeastern side. A recently erected information board is present on the higher ground to the southwest of the trenches providing visitors with quite a good view across the earthworks.

The land is grazed by sheep, which keeps the vegetation down across the majority of the site area, although it has led to some sheep track (Photo 88) and hollow erosion (Photo 89). Overall the damage to the monument from unchecked vegetation would be far worse than the slight damage they are presently causing.

Rabbit burrows were noted through parts of the second line trench system (Photo 90). The damage could become quite extensive if the rabbit population remains unchecked, so some control is recommended.

Dense vegetation and scrub (including bracken, thistles and other scrubland plants) is encroaching onto the monument from the eastern side. This is more extensive than was present during the 2004 survey by Wessex Archaeology and aerial photography by RCAHMW in 2007. The scrub would be best cut to enable the grasses to grow through and livestock to begin grazing the area again. This may need to be repeated every 5 years or so.



**Photo 85:** View east along front line trenches, with parapet visible



Photo 86: View east across second line trench system showing traverses



**Photo 87:** Large area of erosion at southwestern end of main trench system, viewing south



**Photo 88:** View south across junction of communication trenches with sheep tracks and other erosion



Photo 89: Sheep hollow or animal scrape on northern side of second line trenches



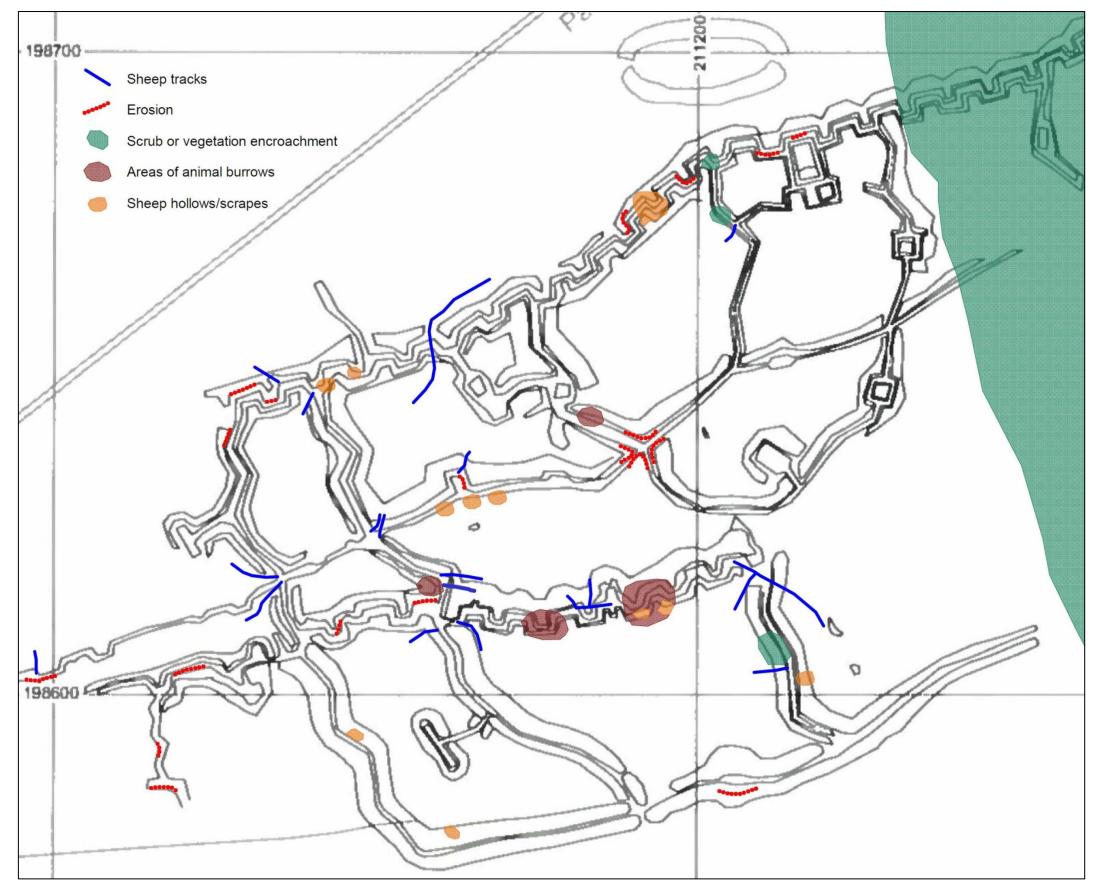
Photo 90: Animal burrow within trench edges



**Photo 91:** Vegetation encroachment on the eastern side of the Penally World War I practice trench system

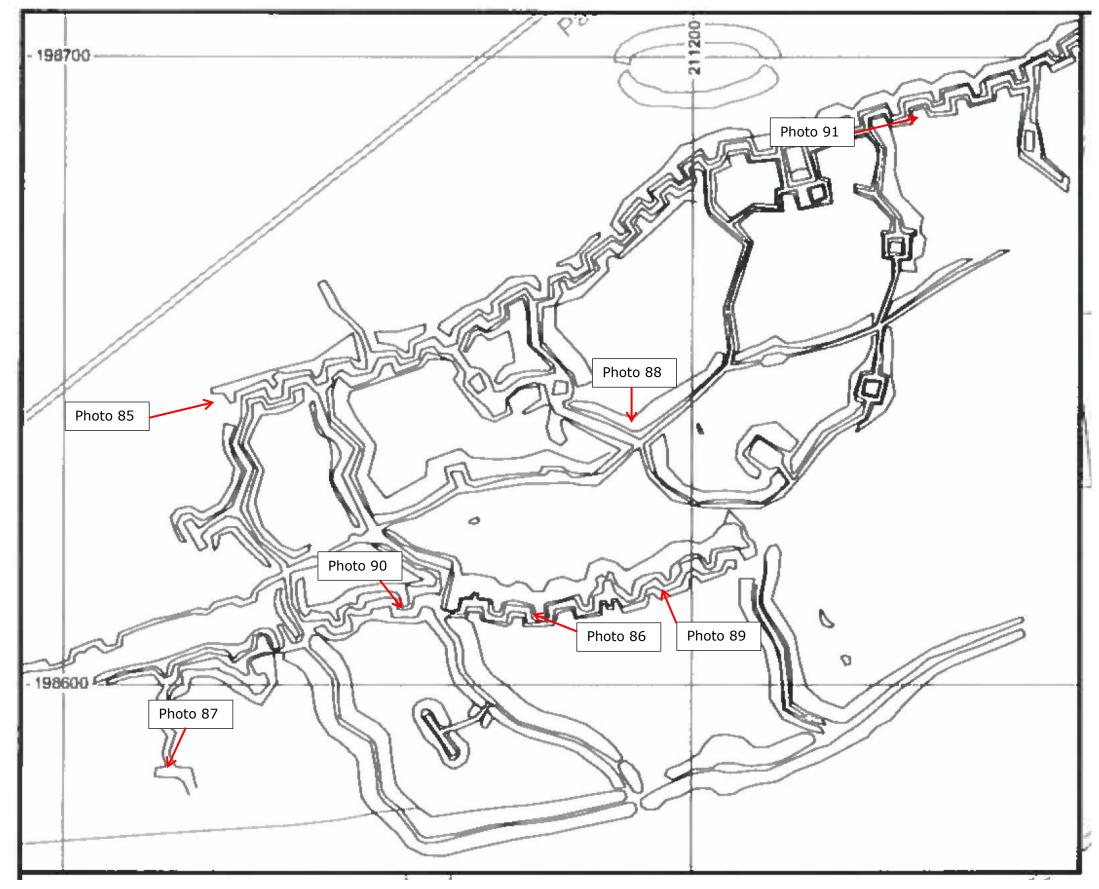


**Photo 92:** View southeast across the trench system, with the new information panel in foreground



**Figure 15:** Areas of erosion and other damage to the Penally World War I practice trenches, PE483 recorded on 28/08/2015 Overlaid on outline plan of the main trench system from Wessex Archaeology 2004

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**Figure 16:** Location of photographs of the Penally World War I practice trenches, PE483 recorded on 28/08/2015 Overlaid on outline plan of the main trench system from Wessex Archaeology 2004

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## 6 CONCLUSIONS

- 6.1 The condition survey has fulfilled the required scope of work as determined by Landmarc Support Services. Condition surveys have been carried out of all of the monuments identified with the addition of three additional sites which are also scheduled ancient monuments (and listed buildings in two cases) lying within the Castlemartin Range area.
- 6.2 These additional monuments inspected were the Linney Tobruk Shelters (PE534); St Govan's Chapel (PE321; LB 17980) and the adjacent St Govan's Well (PE321; LB 17981).
- 6.3 Each of the sites inspected is discussed individually above with accompanying photographs and plans where relevant. An archive of all of the inspection information has been prepared by DAT Archaeological Services which will be stored by the Dyfed Historic Environment Record within information files for the various sites.
- 6.4 The previous Quinquennial inspection information of the sites was not made available prior to the survey, so comparisons were made with previous surveys for which records have been made or a base line of information has been established which can be used to measure against at the next Quinquennial survey (the information will be available through the HER).
- 6.5 Overall the majority of sites are not being affected by military activities within the three sites, excluding Old Castle Head promontory fort at Manorbier which lies within a firing line for the missile testing range; the cowsheds at Pricaston Farmhouse where mortar shells were noted; and Linney Head Promontory Fort where projectile scrapes and shell fragments were noted.
- 6.6 The main threats to the promontory forts which lie within the ranges come from coastal erosion. This is most evident on the forts on the south coastline of the Castlemartin Range where near vertical cliffs are present. Sink holes are present within two of the forts, Flimston Bay Camp and Buckspool Camp. Areas of slumping on the outer defences of the promontory forts are also very evident at Flimston and Linney Head. It will not be possible to mitigate against coastal erosion.
- 6.7 Livestock grazing occurs across most of the sites inspected which is overall not having a significantly damaging effect on the monuments. Footpath erosion from visitors is however causing problems at Flimston Bay Camp and Linney Head Camp. Some remediation works and footpath diversion is suggested.
- 6.8 The encroachment of scrub vegetation is most evident on Bullibar and Bullibar East Camps, Linney deserted medieval village and Brownslade barrow as well as within all of the three former farmhouses: Pricaston; Flimston and Brownslade. Regimes of vegetation cutting is suggested for a number of these sites and certainly within the three former farmhouses, especially where present on walls.
- 6.9 Wild animal disturbance through burrowing is mostly evident at Penally, but at present this is not at worrying levels, although will need to be monitored in case animal levels need to be checked. An abundance of ant hills was noted at Crocksydam Fort, which could well be causing a negative impact on the archaeology.
- 6.10 Prior to the implementation of any suggested mitigation measures, appropriate permissions will be required from Cadw or the local planning authority. For the scheduled monuments, Scheduled Monument Consent may be required prior to undertaking any works or remediation. Listed Building consent may be required for the listed buildings. Consultation may also be needed with Natural Resources Wales to ensure that the works do not impact upon any protected flora or fauna, or ecologically designated sites will also be required.

## SOURCES

### Database

Dyfed Archaeological Trust Historic Environment Record, housed with Dyfed Archaeological Trust in Shire Hall, Llandeilo, Carmarthenshire, SA19 6AF

### Cartographic

Ordnance Survey 2003 1:50 000 Pembrokeshire.

## **APPENDIX 1:**

## CONDITION SURVEY FORM USED FOR THE INSPECTION

DAT ARCHAEOLOGICAL SERVICES CONDITION SURVEY RECORDING SHEET									
MONUMENT NAME:									
SAM / LISTED	BUILDING	Reference Nu	mber:						
<b>PRN Number:</b>		Any other des	signation:						
NGR:			Period:						
County:									
Date of record	1:		Recorde	ed By:					
FORM OF MON	<b>UMENT:</b> Please tick	all boxes which apply	/						
Earthwork			Levelled (ie	e cropmark)					
Upstanding structu	ral features		Upstanding	structure or building					
Findspot			Built over						
FORM OF EA	RTHWORK / STR	UCTURAL FEATU	JRE						
Approximate exten	ts of monument (m):		% of esti	mated original site survivi	ng:				
Maximum vertical I	neight (m):								
<b>LAND USE</b> tick other types of land	o indicate presence of								
Туре	Usage	Further info	<b>√</b>	(A) on-site	(B) Close to site				
	-			% cover / use	within 10m				
Agriculture	Arable								
	Pasture								
Grassland	Mown / garden								
	Coastal edge								
	Bare ground								
Forestry	Coniferous								
	Deciduous								
	Mixed								
	Scrub								
Civilian	Road / track								
	Buildings								
MOD Facilities	s on or close to s	ite							
Туре	Description		✓	(A) on-site % cover / use	(B) Close to site within 10m				
Buildings									
Hard-standings									
Runway									
Track surface									
Security fencing									
Landsaped areas									
Other (specify)									
Naval dock									

# DAT ARCHAEOLOGICAL SERVICES CONDITION SURVEY RECORDING SHEET

Military Activity	(where known)		
Manoeuvre area			
Recreation area			
Engineer training			
Driver training			
Tank training			
Impact area			
Camps			
Drop zone			
Rifle ranges			
Garrison			
FIBUA training			
Airfield			
Other (specify)			

#### DAMAGE TO SITE/STRUCTURE AND IMMEDIATE LOCALITY;

In (A) tick appropriate box to indicate damage on-site and note aproximate percentage of site affected. Note if damage is current within the last year, Recent within last 3 years or old more than 3 years). In (B) simply tick to indicate presence of type of damage within 10metres (35 feet of monument)

damage within 10metres (35 fe	(A)	Directly on mor timate % distu		(B) wit	hin 10m of m (tick if preser		
Damage type	Current	Recent	Old		Current	Recent	Old
Vehicle damage	%	%	,	%			
Shelling	%	%	,	%			
Digging	%	%	,	%			
Collapse / failure of structural features	%	%		%			
Removal of structural material	%	%		%			
Coastal erosion							
Water erosion	%	%	,	%			
Over grazing	%	%	,	%			
Cattle / livestock erosion							
Ploughing	%	%	,	%			
Development encroachment	%	%	,	%			
Burrowing – badger	%	%		%			
Burrowing – rabbits	%	%	,	%			
Burrowing – moles	%	%	,	%			
Footpath erosion	%	%	,	%			
Tipping	%	%	,	%			
Scrub encroachment	%	%	,	%			
Tree damage (wind blown)	%	%		%			
Other (specify)	%	%		%			
	%	%		%			
	%	%		%			
	%	%		%			

DAT ARCHAEOLOGICAL SERVICES CONDITION SURVEY RECORDING SHEET										
MONUMENT	MONUMENT CONDITION (tick appropriate box)									
Not found			Good			Fair		Poor		
MONUMENT	STA	BILITY	(tick a	appropriate box)						
Rapid decline			Grad	ual decline		Stable		Improving		
IN SITU PR	ΟΤΕΟ		1EAS	URES tick where a	approp	riate to indicate presence a	nd con	dition of protective n	neasur	res
If none presen				Good condition				Poor condit		
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No vehicle signs										
Agricultural pen										
Palisaded	ming									
Dragons teeth										
Fenced										
Screen of trees										
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Site drawings										
Survey Inform	ation									
Other (specify										

## DAT ARCHAEOLOGICAL SERVICES **CONDITION SURVEY RECORDING SHEET MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:** tick initial ideas required for management action to be referred on for appraisal and action **Recommended Actions** Required Timescale (urgent, medium, long term) (tick as many as required and define urgency) Prepare Management Plan Mark monument with 'no digging' signs (star signs or equiv) Mark monument with 'no vehicle' signs Repair extant 'no digging' signs (star signs or equiv) Repair extant 'no vehicle' signs Restrict access - enclose within fence Restrict access - enclose within palisade Repair protective fence Repair protective palisade Deflect vehicles off monument - dragon's teeth Divert vehicle track off monument Harden earth tracks over or in vicinity of monument Divert footpath off monument Clear scrub Clear trees Remove vegetation off structural features Make safe structural features Shape plantation to remove risk to monument Control rabbits Control moles Relocate badgers Remove from ploughing Reduce stocking levels Relocate fence/s Relocate trough/s Relocate gate/s Enter into management agreement with tenant farmer Pursue countryside stewardship grant Repair erosion scars Move targets Mark on establishment map Bring to attention of site users during briefings Structural repair required Other (specify) **AUDIT ACTION OF SURVEY INFORMATION** Once the form has been completed and checked a copy should be sent to Landmarc Form checked (name and date) Recommendations / Actions discussed Copy of form sent to Landmarc (name and date)

# ARCHAEOLOGICAL QUINQUENNIAL REVIEW: CASTLEMARTIN RANGE, MANORBIER RANGE AND PENALLY TRAINING AREA

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