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## **TIR GOFAL FARM VISIT REPORT**

This report is intended to provide a statement on the condition and recommended management of all known archaeological and historical sites and features on this farm at the time it was visited by Cambria Archaeology. This information will be used to inform the Tir Gofal Management Agreement for the farm.

The report structure is as follows:

- explanation of archaeological site status and management categories used in the gazetteer.
- a brief statement on the historical background to the farm which enables the reader to put the specific sites into context.
- the main body of the report is a gazetteer of sites previously known or identified during the visit. The gazetteer identifies sites by their Primary Record Number (PRN) which is the reference number used in the Sites and Monuments Record (SMR). It also locates them by National Grid Reference (NGR).
- list of sources consulted during the research for this project.
- explanation of colour coding used on the map.
- site location maps identifying by PRN the location of each site in the gazetteer.
- photographs of specific sites are included where the author considers it useful in order to identify a site or stress a particular management issue.

## **ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE STATUS**

### **SAM.**

Scheduled Ancient Monument. SAMs are notified under section 1 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990. The register of SAMs is maintained and administered by Cadw.

### **LB1, LB2\* & LB2.**

Listed Building categories. Listed buildings are notified under section 1 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990. The list is maintained and administered by Cadw.

### **HL - Landscapes of Exceptional and Great Historic Interest.**

Defined by the Register of Landscapes, Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest in Wales: Part 2.1 Landscapes of Exceptional and Great Historic Interest. The register is advisory only and has no statutory powers. The register is being compiled by Cadw in partnership with the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) and is concerned with historic elements of the landscape.

### **HGP - Register of Historic Gardens & Parks.**

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## **TIR GOFAL SITE MANAGEMENT CATEGORY**

Category A - Sites and Monuments of National Importance

Category B - Sites and Monuments of Regional Importance

Category C - Sites/Features of Local Importance

Category D - Sites/Features needing further investigation (including damaged sites or sites with no defined physical presence).

### **Description of Trefayog Farm, PRN 41952**

Trefayog Farm lies about 1.5km to the north of St Nicholas on gentle west facing slopes that rise from the Pembrokeshire coastline at Pwllcochran. The holding covers about 142.5 hectares of land and includes two farmsteads; one at Trefayog, the other at Llandruidion. The entire holding is now pastureland.

The farm lies in an area of considerable prehistoric activity, although none of this was evident on the holding itself. According to fourteenth century references, the sites of both of the current farmsteads (PRN 12316, 12318) were a focus for settlement during the Dark Age period. The farm name 'Llandruidion' probably relates to the site of a former church and an adjacent cemetery of stone lined graves was recorded in antiquarian records. Inscribed stones associated with this cemetery (PRN 2513) are now set beside the altar in the church in St Nicholas (PRN 9641, 9642). The names of fields around Trefayog Farm also suggest that a small hamlet (and possibly a church) once stood there. The more recent history of the holding is well documented. The farmstead at Trefayog has been occupied since at least the seventeenth century, when the owner, Evan Griffith was mentioned in the 1610 Plea Rolls. By 1670, it had passed to the Mathias family who occupied the farm during most of the eighteenth century when John Mathias of Trefayog was a Grand Juror. The farm passed through the ownership of William David, Evans and James Perkins during the nineteenth century and was owned by a Mr Idris Davies until it was bought by the current owner. The occupation of Llandruidion Farm is less well documented, although it has been established as a farm since at least the eighteenth century.

The earliest map evidence of the farms at Trefayog and Llandruidion is a map of the Pencaer Peninsular by Thos Probert in 1798 on which both farms were marked as substantial properties. By the time of the tithe survey in 1839 the basic pattern of the current fields on the holding was already established. These generally consist of stone and earth banks with fine stone facing in places (Plate 1). Both sets of farm buildings had been extended by the time of the 1st edition OS map in 1891 but otherwise few major alterations have since taken place. More recently, a large area at the centre of the farm was quarried for gravel, drastically altering the nature of the land here and removing a large section of the trackway (PRN 41879) which connected the two farms. The land has also been subject to fairly intensive ploughing over the course of the twentieth century.

### **Management Recommendations**

The archaeology on the farm is distinguished by the rare survival of evidence of its Dark Age occupation. This deserves further investigation and protection from future damage. The current owner has no major plans for the archeological features but is interested in and sympathetic to their preservation.

<b>PRN</b> 2513	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION	<b>NGR</b> SM908382
<b>Site type</b> CEMETERY	<b>Period</b> Dark Age	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Site of Dark Age cemetery, first recorded during antiquarian excavations. These excavations revealed a long-cist cemetery with stone lined graves which were associated with Early Christian inscribed stones (PRN 9641 and 9642) in the field known as 'weirglodd y fynwent'. No subsequent archaeological excavations have taken place here and the extent of the cemetery is as yet unknown. The inscribed stones have been removed and erected alongside the altar in St Nicholas church. The cemetery site is in a heavily ploughed field and no evidence of it remains on the surface. There was no evidence for any significant stones in the nearby field boundaries.

**Recommendations**

The site of the cemetery has been heavily ploughed and it is likely that any evidence of it has been destroyed. The field boundaries that defined the area of the antiquarian excavations have been removed and completely ploughed out and the extent and exact location of the site remain unclear. The area is now used as a hay field and the owner does not plan to plough it. The site should be left undisturbed and any stones in the area should be left in-situ.

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<b>PRN</b> 7959	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION	<b>NGR</b> SM90903797
<b>Site type</b> PLACE NAME	<b>Period</b> Dark Age	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

The placename 'Llandruidion' is probably derived from the terms 'llan' - indicating an early church site - and 'druidion' - referring to a lost saint's or personal name. The location of a Dark Age cemetery and settlement in the area supports the idea that an early church may have occupied this site before the current farm was built.

**Recommendations**

No specific management recommendations.

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<b>PRN</b> 9641	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM; PAANI STONE	<b>NGR</b> SM908382
<b>Site type</b> INSCRIBED STONE	<b>Period</b> Dark Age	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

A stone inscribed with the personal name 'Paani' and a cross of 7th to 9th century date was discovered during antiquarian excavations and removed from the Dark Age cemetery site at Llandrudion (PRN 2513). It now stands on a pedestal in St Nicholas Church, alongside the altar.

**Recommendations**

The stone is in an excellent condition and is protected as an important remnant of the history of the local community by its situation in St Nicholas Church. No specific management recommendations.

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<b>PRN</b> 9642	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM; MELI STONE	<b>NGR</b> SM908382
<b>Site type</b> INSCRIBED STONE	<b>Period</b> Dark Age	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

A stone inscribed with the personal name 'Meli' was discovered during antiquarian excavations and removed from the Dark Age cemetery site at Llandrudion (PRN 2513). It now stands on a pedestal in St Nicholas Church, alongside the altar.

**Recommendations**

The stone is in an excellent condition and is protected as an important remnant of the history of the local community by its situation in St Nicholas Church. No specific management recommendations.

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<b>PRN</b> 12316	<b>Site name</b> TREFMAYOG	<b>NGR</b> SM904371
<b>Site type</b> SETTLEMENT	<b>Period</b> Mediaeval	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

A fourteenth century reference to Trefmayog suggests that the current farmstead at Trefayog may once have been part of a small medieval hamlet. The exact location of this settlement is not yet known and the owner did not know of any unusual earthworks in the area immediately around the farm.

**Recommendations**

The fields immediately adjacent to the farm at Trefayog should not be ploughed to avoid damaging any subsurface remains of the former hamlet. More thorough documentary research may help to reveal the location, nature and extent of this settlement.

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<b>PRN</b> 12318	<b>Site name</b> LLANDEDREON	<b>NGR</b> SM907379
<b>Site type</b> SETTLEMENT	<b>Period</b> Mediaeval	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

A fourteenth century reference to Llandedreion suggests that the current farmstead at of Llandrudion may lie on or near to the site of a small medieval hamlet. The exact location and extent of this settlement is as yet unknown although a Dark Age cemetery has been excavated in the field to the north west of the current farmstead (PRN 2513).

A small enclosure to the west of the farm, bounded by low c.0.5m high stone faced banks, includes several unusual earthworks on two terraced platforms which could relate to this former settlement (plate 2). However, the ground within this area has obviously been disturbed more recently and it is likely that many of the earthworks in this area relate to this more recent activity. Within the enclosure, the lower platform to the east is marked as marshland on the 1st edition OS map of 1891 and at that time contained a small pond. It is now bisected by a substantial drain. The higher platform at the western end of the enclosure contains several recent piles of stones and is overgrown. The field to the southwest of this enclosure also includes a substantial linear scarp (PRN 41895), which does not appear as a field boundary on any recent or historical maps. These earthworks do not provide unequivocal evidence for the medieval settlement of Llandedreion however, the entire area to the north and west of Llandrudion farm, including the site of the Dark Age cemetery (PRN 2513) should be treated as archaeologically sensitive.

**Recommendations**

The area to the north and west of Llandrudion farm should not be ploughed to prevent the destruction of any subsurface remains of the Dark Age settlement. The owner would like to remove the piles of stones from the upper terraced area to the west of the enclosure and to use them to create a more gradual bank between this area and the lower, marshy area to the east. This work should be carried out under archaeological supervision. If possible, the site should be left undisturbed until the nature of the earthworks has been more thoroughly investigated. Further survey and documentary investigation would be useful to determine the nature, extent and preservation of the settlement, the survival of which would be extremely unusual.

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<b>PRN</b> 12535	<b>Site name</b> TREFMAYOG	<b>NGR</b> SM905370
<b>Site type</b> CHURCH?	<b>Period</b> Mediaeval	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

The site of a medieval church to the south west of the farm at Trefayog was recorded on a map by William Rees. The original documentary source is unknown, as is the exact location of the site of the church. A field some 500m to the west of the farm is known by the name of 'Park Llan' or 'church field' and may mark the site of the former church. However, the owner did not know of any unusual earthworks in this area and the field has been heavily ploughed. As a result, the field was not visited.

**Recommendations**

If possible this field should not be ploughed to protect any potential subsurface remains of the church.

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<b>PRN</b> 21745	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90843796
<b>Site type</b> FARMSTEAD	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

The farmstead at Llandruidion is of at least 18th century origin and is first recorded on a 1798 map of the Pencaer Peninsula by Thos Probert, at the time of the French Invasion of Fishguard. At this time, it was depicted as a substantial farmstead. It consists of a large quadrangle of farm buildings, including three cartsheds (PRN 41881, 41884, 41885), a cow house (PRN 41882), stables (PRN 41880), an animal shed (PRN 41883) and an engine house/barn (PRN 42112) which appear to have been built in several stages (plate 3). The farmhouse is now under separate ownership. See farm description at front of report for more details.

**Recommendations**

The owner would like to restore and convert the farmyard buildings for non-agricultural purposes. Any alterations and repairs should be carried out using materials and designs that are sympathetic to the character of the original structures. Where possible, the original openings and features should be retained.

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<b>PRN</b> 41878	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90923739
<b>Site type</b> TRACKWAY	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Trackway c.3m wide, leading northeastwards from Trefayog Farm. It was first recorded on the 1st edition OS map of 1891. The section immediately to the north east of Trefayog farm has been destroyed by twentieth century quarrying. A further section is completely overgrown and the banks that define it have been enlarged by stones from later field clearance. The remaining section is defined to either side by substantial stone and earth banks (c.1m high) with stone facing.

**Recommendations**

The overgrown section of the trackway has been fenced off and the owner has no plans to disturb it. This should be retained and left undisturbed. The remaining section is still used for access and is in a good condition. It should be maintained in its current state.

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<b>PRN</b> 41879	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90643752
<b>Site type</b> TRACKWAY	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

A substantial trackway, defined by stone and earth banks (c.1m high) survives beneath an area of dense shrub cover to the north of Trefayog farmstead. This represents the last surviving section of the former trackway which ran from Trefayog Farm northwards to Llandruidion, the rest of which was removed during twentieth century quarrying over a wide area to the north of Trefayog farm. The trackway was first recorded on the tithe survey of St Nicholas Parish in 1839. However, it may follow the route of an earlier trackway between the medieval settlements of Trefmayog and Llandedreion. The surviving section of the trackway is completely inaccessible for most of its length but according to map evidence varies considerably in width. A pair of substantial gateposts mark its northern end where it enters a field just to the south of Llandruidion Farm.

**Recommendations**

The trackway is integral to the layout of the nineteenth century landscape around Trefayog Farm and the remaining section of it should be retained and left undisturbed. The surviving gateposts at its northern end should be left in-situ.

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<b>PRN</b> 41880	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90863795
<b>Site type</b> STABLE?	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Two roomed, one and a half storey building of random rubble and mortar construction with dressed stone quoins. Orientation east-west. Forms the northern side of the quadrangle of farm buildings at Llandruidion Farm. Gabled slate roof, repaired in places with asbestos. The openings vary in design. The main entrance to the south has been widened to accommodate modern farm machinery. It has a dressed stone surround to the west but the stones have been replaced with breeze blocks to the east. The small, square windows to either side of the main entrance are headed with brick voussoirs. A doorway and window in the eastern gable wall are headed with stone and slate voussoirs. A further, single-width doorway into the eastern room has been modified with breeze blocks. No internal fittings survive but the internal doorway between the two rooms is square headed with a timber lintel. The original purpose of this building is not clear, but its form and attachment to the cartshed, suggest that it was probably a stable block. It was first recorded on the 1st edition OS map of 1891.

**Recommendations**

The building is in a reasonable condition, although its roof is in need of repair. Any alterations or repairs should be carried out using materials and a design that are sympathetic to the character of the original structure. Where possible, the original openings and features should be retained.

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<b>PRN</b> 41881	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90873794
<b>Site type</b> CART SHED	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

One and a half storey building of random rubble and mortar cart shed with dressed stone quoins. Orientation north-south. It forms an L-shaped arrangement with the stables (PRN 41880) to which it is attached, in the north east corner of the quadrangle of farm buildings at Llandruidion Farm. Gabled asbestos roof. Double-width arched entrance in its western wall with brick voussoirs. Formerly whitewashed interior. First recorded on the 1st edition OS map of 1891.

**Recommendations**

The carthouse is in a reasonable condition and should be maintained in its current state. Any alterations or repairs should be carried out using materials and a design that are sympathetic to the character of the original structure. Where possible, the original openings and features should be retained.

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<b>PRN</b> 41882	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90833794
<b>Site type</b> COW HOUSE	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Two-roomed, one and a half storey random rubble and mortar cow house with a gabled slate roof. Orientation east-west. Now one of a range of buildings that occupy the southern side of the quadrangle of farm buildings at Llandruidion Farm although map evidence shows that it originally stood in isolation. First recorded on the tithe survey of St Nicholas Parish of 1839. The openings vary in style and most have been modified. It is accessed via two double-width doorways in the northern wall. These have square headed timber lintels and dressed stone surrounds (modified with breeze block) and run to eaves height. The remaining openings have been significantly modified and a further entrance to the south is headed with brick voussoirs and has been blocked in with breeze blocks. Formerly whitewashed interior.

**Recommendations**

The cowhouse is in a reasonable condition and should be maintained in its current state. Any alterations or repairs should be carried out using materials and a design that are sympathetic to the character of the original structure. Where possible, the original openings and features should be retained.

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<b>PRN</b> 41883	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90833755
<b>Site type</b> FARM BUILDING	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Small, one and a half storey, random rubble and mortar farm building with a gabled roof. The roof does not survive. Orientation east-west. One of a range of farm buildings that form the southern side of the quadrangle of farm buildings at Llandruidion Farm. First recorded on the 1st edition OS map of 1891. The openings vary and most have been modified. A centrally positioned single width door in the southern wall is headed with stone voussoirs. A double width entrance to the north has been rebuilt with breeze blocks. Formerly whitewashed interior. Its original purpose is uncertain although it appears to be associated with the carhouse that lies immediately to its west.

**Recommendations**

The building is in a reasonable state although it should be reroofed to prevent a rapid deterioration in its condition. Any alterations or repairs should be carried out using materials and a design that are sympathetic to the character of the original structure. Where possible, the original openings and features should be retained.

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<b>PRN</b> 41884	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90833796
<b>Site type</b> CART HOUSE	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

One and a half storey random rubble and slate cart house with dressed stone quoins and a gabled roof (plate 4). No roofing material survives. Orientation north-south. It forms the western side of a quadrangle of farm buildings at Llandruidion Farm. First recorded on the 1st edition OS map of 1891. It is accessed via two, double-width arched entrances in the eastern wall, headed with stone voussoirs. The windows along the western wall are also headed with stone voussoirs. Formerly whitewashed interior. A further entrance in the northern gable wall has been rebuilt with breeze blocks. The interior and northern gable wall have already been partially converted using breeze blocks to provide living accommodation.

**Recommendations**

The building is in a reasonable state although it should be reroofed to prevent a rapid deterioration in its condition. Any alterations or repairs should be carried out using materials and a design that are sympathetic to the character of the original structure. Where possible, the original openings and features should be retained.

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<b>PRN</b> 41885	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90823795
<b>Site type</b> CART SHED	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

One and a half storey random rubble and slate cart shed with dressed stone quoins and a gabled roof. No roofing material survives. It forms the south western corner of a quadrangle of farm buildings at Llandruidion Farm. Accessed via a single, double-width arched entrance in its western wall, headed with stone voussoirs. The internal interconnecting doorways between it and the buildings to the east and north of it appear to have been cut through after its initial construction and it is probably the latest building in the farmyard. First recorded on the 1st edition OS map of 1891.

**Recommendations**

The building is in a reasonable state although it should be reroofed to prevent a rapid deterioration in its condition. Any alterations or repairs should be carried out using materials and a design that are sympathetic to the character of the original structure. Where possible, the original openings and features should be retained.

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<b>PRN</b> 41886	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90683793
<b>Site type</b> WATERWHEEL	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Large, square wheel pit c. 5m by 5m to the east of the engine house (PRN 42112) in Llandruidion farmyard. It would originally have held a massive, sunken waterwheel although this has since been removed. The openings through to the engine and part of a complex system of cogs that drove the engine survive in the eastern wall of the engine house (plate 5). The wheel pit is surrounded by a wall which stands to a height of c.0.4m to the north and east and 1.5m to the south. The pit is now infilled with rubble. The size of the wheel pit and the complex system of cogs that drove the engine is intriguing, as is the lack of evidence in the area for a millpond upslope from the farm.

**Recommendations**

The wheel pit and fittings are in a reasonable condition and should be retained as integral features in the nineteenth century farmyard. Further documentary research may reveal the purpose of the massive wheel and an examination of the fields to the northeast of the farm may reveal the location of the former millpond.

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<b>PRN</b> 41887	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90513715
<b>Site type</b> COW HOUSE	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Random rubble and lime mortar, one and a half storey cow house with dressed stone quoins and a gabled asbestos roof. Orientation east-west. It forms the northern side of a quadrangle of farm buildings at Trefayog Farm. The openings are square headed with timber lintels. Accessed via three equally spaced, single-width doorways along the southern wall. Ventilated by seven, equally spaced loops along the northern wall. Whitewashed interior, concrete floor. No internal fittings survive. Probably the earliest farm building at Trefayog, first recorded on the tithe survey of St Nicholas Parish in 1839. A modern building is attached to the southern wall of the cow house and is now the main working building on the farm.

**Recommendations**

The building is in a good working condition and should be maintained in its current state. Any repairs and alterations should be carried out using materials and designs that are sympathetic to the character of the original building.

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<b>PRN</b> 41888	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90533715
<b>Site type</b> STABLES	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Random rubble and lime mortar, one and a half story stable block with dressed stone quoins and a gabled slate and mortar-washed roof. Orientation east-west. It forms the northeastern side of the quadrangle of farm buildings at Trefayog Farm. The openings vary and most have been modified. A wide, twentieth century at the western end provides the main access to the building. The original double width, arched entrance with brick voussoirs in the southern wall has been blocked in and refitted with a window. The remaining openings have brick voussoired heads and slate sills. Most have been blocked in. Ventilation is provided by five, square, equally spaced cavities along the northern wall. Whitewashed interior, concrete floor, no internal fittings survive.

**Recommendations**

The building is in a good working condition and should be maintained in its current state. Any repairs and alterations should be carried out using materials and designs that are sympathetic to the character of the original building.

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<b>PRN</b> 41889	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90523715
<b>Site type</b> FARM BUILDING	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

L-shaped building, consisting of a cart shed (PRN 42111) and barn (PRN 42287) forming the south eastern corner of the quadrangle of farm buildings at Trefayog Farm. Two storey, random rubble and lime mortar construction with dressed stone quoins and a gabled tin and asbestos roof. The openings vary. (See individual descriptions for more details).

**Recommendations**

The building is in good working condition and should be maintained in its current state. Any repairs and alterations should be carried out using materials and designs that are sympathetic to the character of the original building.

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<b>PRN</b> 41890	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM50523715
<b>Site type</b> PIGSTY	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Single storey, random rubble pigsty, consisting of a row of covered pens to the west with open yards to the east. Orientation north-south. It forms the northern end of the eastern side of the quadrangle of farm buildings at Trefayog Farm. First recorded on the 1st edition OS map of 1891. The yards have now been built up with breeze blocks to the height of the covered pens. All of the original openings have been replaced. The original cobbled surface survives in the passageway between it and the cowhouse to the south.

**Recommendations**

The pigsty has been considerably modified but survives in reasonable working condition and is now used for storage. No specific management recommendations.

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<b>PRN</b> 41891	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90593714
<b>Site type</b> MILL POND	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Fine, large millpond, situated to the north of the farmhouse at Trefayog Farm. Surrounded on its northern and western sides by a substantial stone-faced bank. No evidence remains of the leat system that ran from here to the waterwheel on the southern side of the farmyard.

**Recommendations**

The pond and the wall that surrounds it are in good condition and should be retained as integral features of the farm. The walling should be maintained in its current condition. The owner would like to clear the algae from the pond which would enhance its appearance and condition.

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<b>PRN</b> 41892	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90543712
<b>Site type</b> FARMHOUSE	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Fully rendered and modernised farmhouse to the east of the farmyard at Trefayog Farm. It has been extended on several occasions and its date of construction is hard to determine. Slate and concrete wash roof. Adjoined by a lovely, raised, walled garden with an arched entrance to the north (plate 7).

**Recommendations**

The farmhouse and garden are in an excellent condition. No specific management recommendations.

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<b>PRN</b> 41893	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90493716
<b>Site type</b> FARM BUILDING	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Two storey, random rubble and lime mortar farm building with a gabled asbestos roof. Orientation east-west. It forms the western end of the range of buildings that make up the southern side of the farmyard at Trefayog Farm. The building is almost entirely obscured by a modern farm building that adjoins it to the north. The interior was not inspected. The openings vary but those that were visible were headed with brick voussoirs. The building has been extended with breeze blocks to the north, south and west.

**Recommendations**

The building is in reasonable working condition and should be maintained in its current state. The owner has no plans to develop it. Any repairs and alterations should be carried out using materials and designs that are sympathetic to the character of the original building.

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<b>PRN</b> 41894	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90933690
<b>Site type</b> PLACE NAME	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Field named as kiln field on tithe survey of St Nicholas in 1839. No evidence of a kiln survives.

**Recommendations**

No specific recommendations.

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<b>PRN</b> 41895	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90713795
<b>Site type</b> BOUNDARY FEATURE	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Substantial linear scarp (c.0.8m high) crossing the field to the southwest of Llandruidion Farm from east to west. The boundary is not marked on any historical or recent maps and may relate to the earlier settlement at Llandruidion (PRN 12318).

**Recommendations**

No specific recommendations.

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<b>PRN</b> 41896	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90493721
<b>Site type</b> MILL POND	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Small, square millpond, c.5m by 5m, to the south west of the farmyard at Trefayog Farm for collecting the runoff from the waterwheel that was situated to the south of the farmyard. Defined by a substantial stone surround, c.0.6m high by 0.8m wide.

**Recommendations**

The pond is filled with rubble and is overgrown. It should be cleared of vegetation and otherwise maintained in its current condition.

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<b>PRN</b> 41897	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90803800
<b>Site type</b> CAIRN	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Site of cairn marked on first and second edition OS maps of 1891 and 1906. No evidence remains of the cairn although there is evidence of substantial disturbance and stone clearance in this area.

**Recommendations**

No specific management recommendations.

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<b>PRN</b> 41952	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90543738
<b>Site type</b> FARMSTEAD	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

See farm description at front of report.

**Recommendations**

See individual site recommendations.

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<b>PRN</b> 42110	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90513713
<b>Site type</b> FARM BUILDING	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Detached one and a half storey, random rubble farm building to the east of the main quadrangle of farm buildings at Trefayog Farm. Gabled tin roof. Orientation east-west. Accessed via a single-width door in the northern wall. A wider entrance in the southern wall has been blocked in. The openings vary and most have been modified. Most are headed with brick voussoirs, although one has a slate lintel. First floor openings run directly beneath the eaves and have slate sills. Its original purpose is unclear.

**Recommendations**

The building is in a reasonable condition and should be maintained in its current state. The owner has no plans to develop it. Any repairs and alterations should be carried out using materials and designs that are sympathetic to the character of the original building.

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<b>PRN</b> 42111	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90513714
<b>Site type</b> CART SHED	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Two storey, random rubble and lime mortar cart shed with dressed stone quoins and a gabled tin roof. It occupies the eastern side of the L-shaped building (PRN 41889) at the south eastern corner of the quadrangle of farm buildings at Trefayog Farm. Accessed at ground floor level via two double-width arched brick vousoired openings in the western wall. Ventilated at ground floor level by three, equally spaced ventilation loops in the eastern wall. Whitewashed interior, concrete floor, no internal fittings survive. Accessed at first floor level via a stone and slate stairway positioned centrally along the eastern wall. The openings at first floor level have slate sills and run directly under the eaves. A roof timber bears an inscription date of 1831, although it was not recorded until the 1st edition OS map of 1891.

**Recommendations**

The building is in good working condition and should be maintained in its current state. Any repairs and alterations should be carried out using materials and designs that are sympathetic to the character of the original building.

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<b>PRN</b> 42112	<b>Site name</b> LLANDRUIDION FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90863793
<b>Site type</b> BARN	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

L-shaped, one and a half storey random rubble and mortar barn with a gabled slate roof and a distinctive rounded corner on its inner side. It forms the southeastern corner of a quadrangle of farm buildings at Llandruidion Farm. The openings vary and most have been modified. The main entrance in the northern gable wall has been rebuilt with breeze block. A single width entrance in the western wall is headed with brick voussoirs. A double-width doorway in the eastern wall and a single width doorway in the southern wall (both of which have been blocked-in), have square heads and timber lintels, as does the internal door into the cowhouse to the west. The ventilation loops in the northern and southern walls have slate lintels. An engine formerly stood against the eastern wall, where it connected through the wall to a massive water-wheel (PRN 41886). The openings and part of the system of cogs that relate to this engine complex survive.

**Recommendations**

The building is in a reasonable condition, although its roof is in need of repair and the walls need repointing. Any alterations or repairs should be carried out using materials and a design that are sympathetic to the character of the original structure. Where possible, the original openings and features should be retained.

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<b>PRN</b> 42287	<b>Site name</b> TREFAYOG FARM	<b>NGR</b> SM90503714
<b>Site type</b> BARN	<b>Period</b> Post Med	<b>Site Status</b>

**Description**

Two storey, random rubble and lime mortar barn with dressed stone quoins and a gabled asbestos roof. It occupies the southern side of an L-shaped building (PRN 41889) at the southeastern corner of the quadrangle of farm buildings at Trefayog Farm. Accessed at ground floor level via two, double-width, arched, brick voussoired openings in the northern wall. The interior is open to roof height and was formerly whitewashed. A blocked in stone voussoired opening in the southern wall probably marks the site of a cavity that connected a waterwheel on the outer wall of the barn to a threshing machine within it. All the other openings have been blocked in. No internal fittings survive.

**Recommendations**

The building is in good working condition and should be maintained in its current state. Any repairs and alterations should be carried out using materials and designs that are sympathetic to the character of the original building.

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**TIR GOFAL SITE MANAGEMENT CATEGORY**

As used in accompanying site gazetteer.

**Category A - Sites and Monuments of National Importance**

**Category B - Sites and Monuments of Regional Importance**

**Category C - Sites/Features of Local Importance**

**Category D - Sites/Features needing further investigation (including damaged sites or sites with no defined physical presence).**

**TIR GOFAL COLOUR CODING**

As used on accompanying holding maps.

<b>Category A -</b>	<b>Blue</b>	<i>Scheduled Ancient Monuments Grade 1 and 2* Listed Building</i>
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<b>Category B -</b>	<b>Amber</b>	<i>Sites and Monuments of Regional Importance Grade 2 Listed and Other Buildings of Regional Importance</i>
<b>Category C -</b>	<b>Green</b>	<i>Sites / Features of Local Importance Buildings of Local Importance</i>
<b>Category D -</b>	<b>Grey</b>	<i>Sites / Features of Unknown Importance</i>

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE STATUS**

Terms used in gazetteer.

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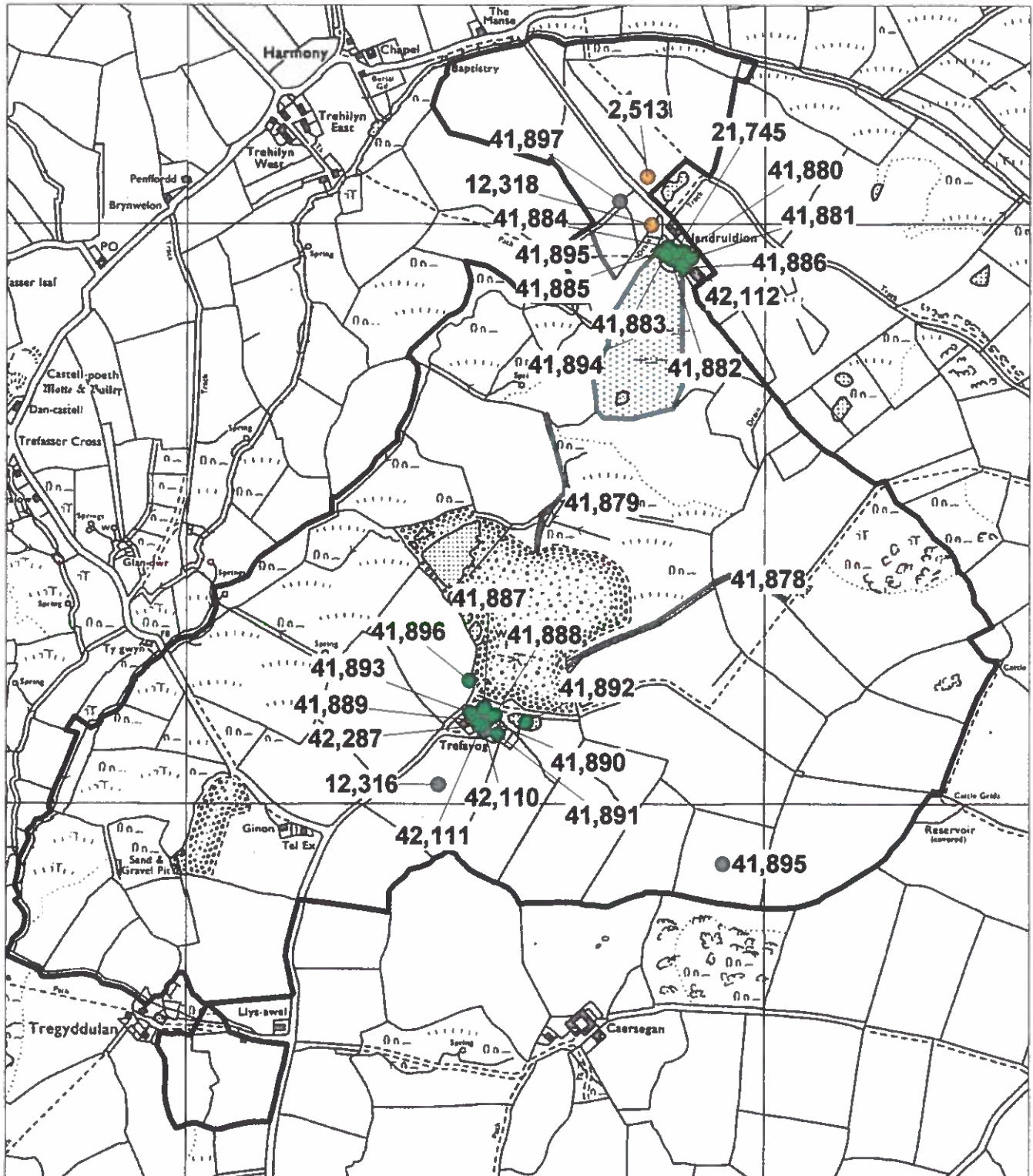
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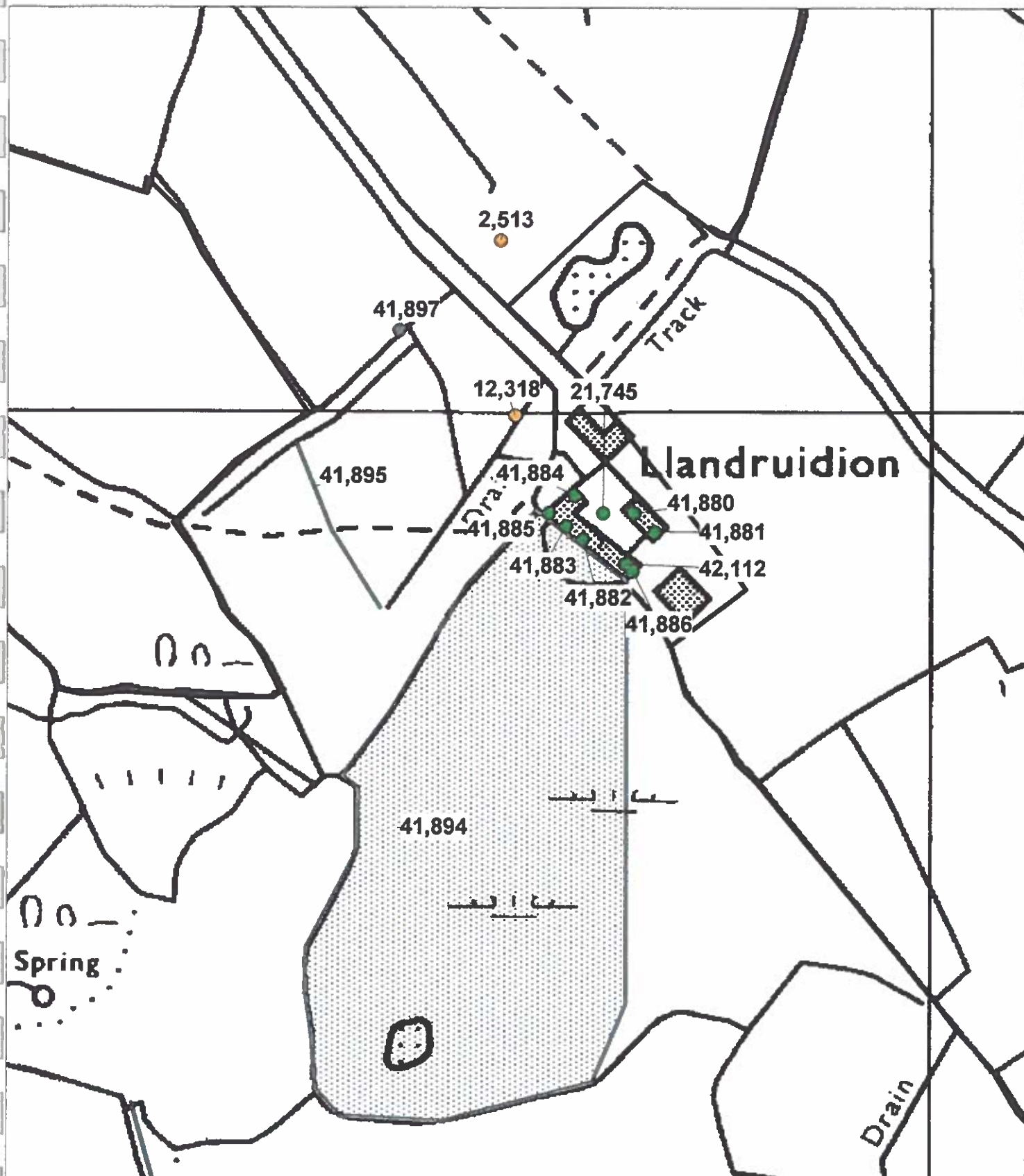
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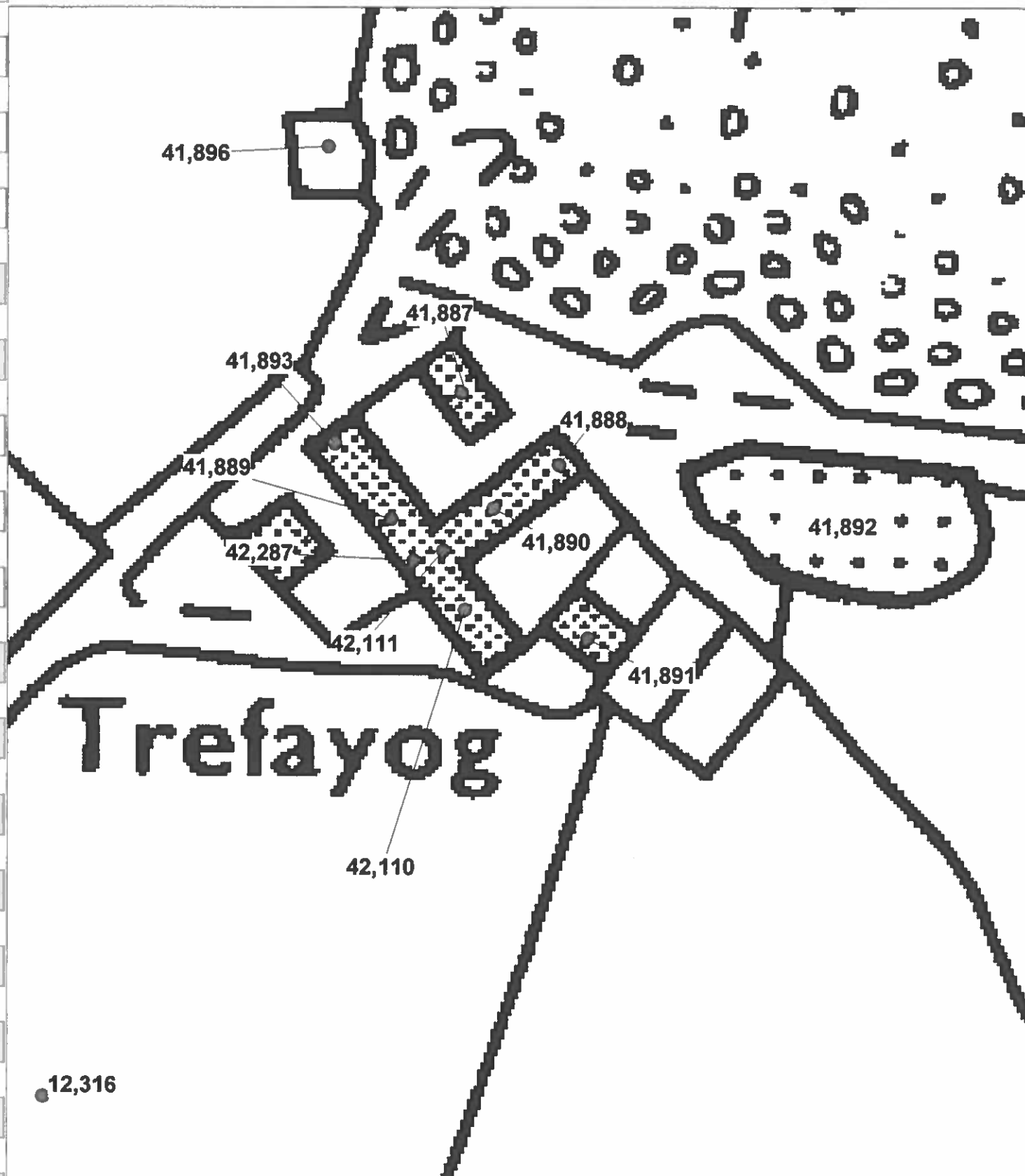
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## Plates



Plate 1 - typical field boundary on Trefayog Farm.



Plate 2 - possible site of dark age settlement of Llandedreion (PRN 12318).





Plate 3 - the farmyard at Llandruidion (PRN 21745).

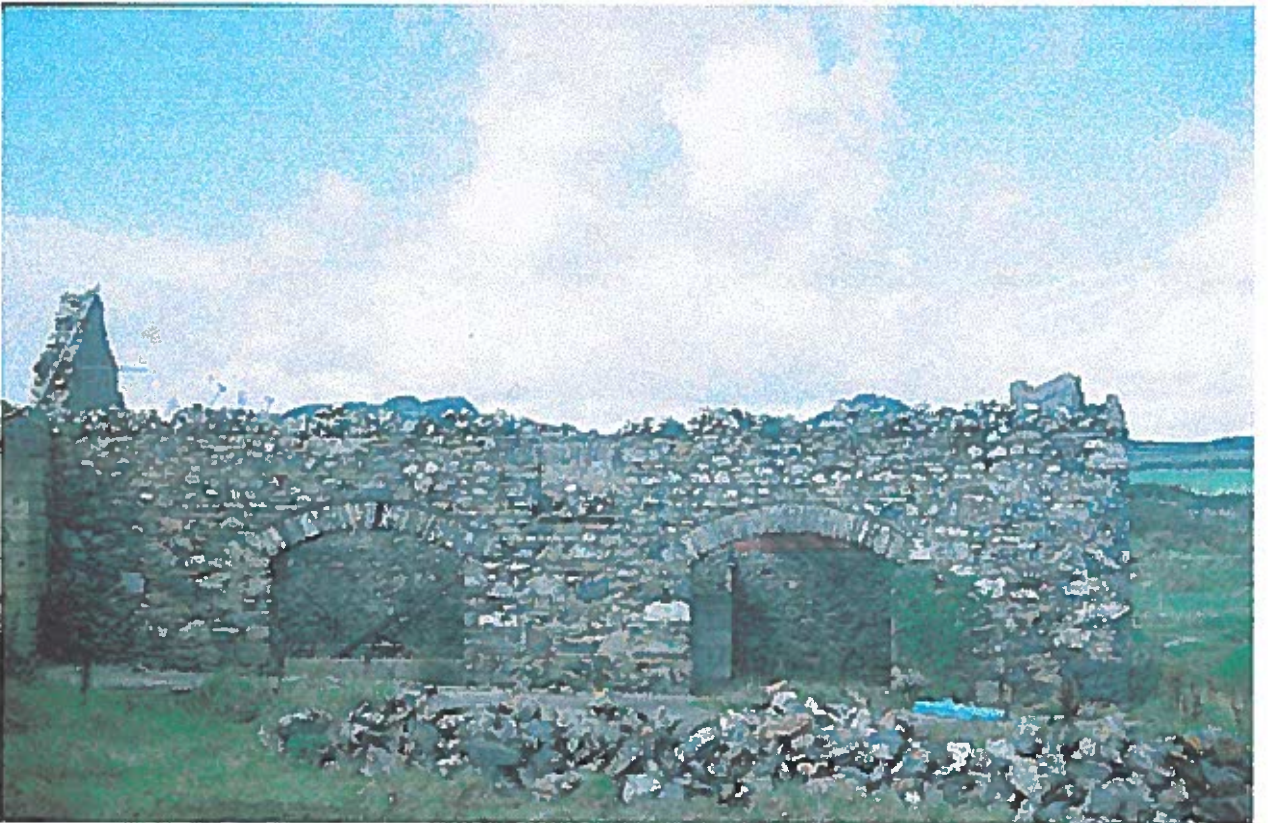


Plate 4 - the cart shed at Llandruidion Farm (PRN 41884).



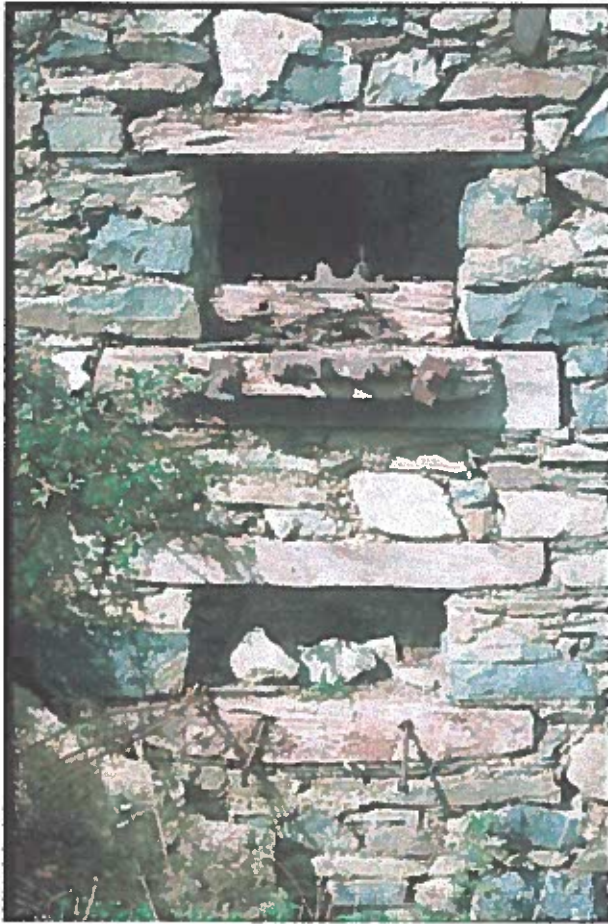


Plate 5 - fittings for the mill wheel at Llandruidion Farm (PRN 41886).



Plate 6 - farm building at Trefayog Farm (PRN 41889).

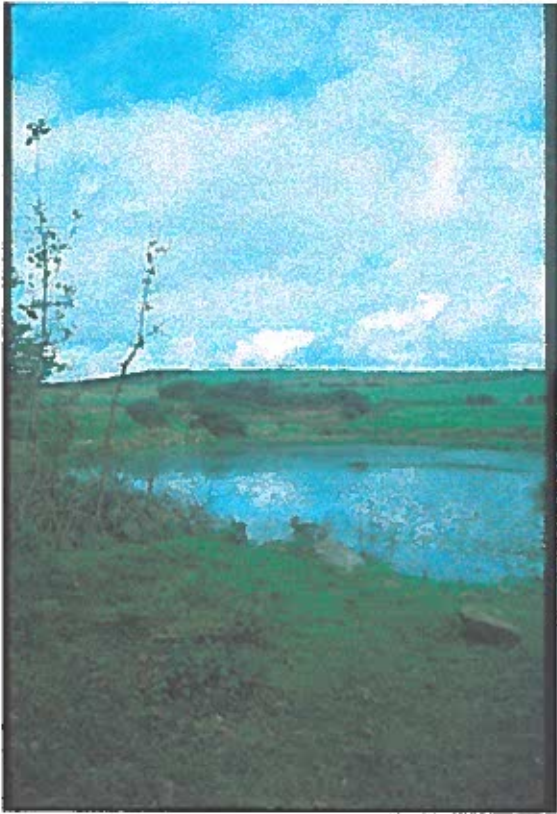


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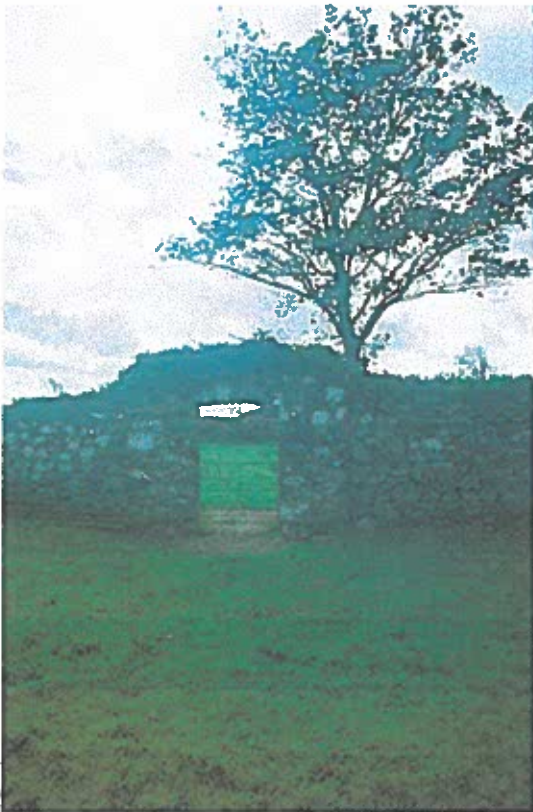


Plate 8 - the garden at Trefayog Farm (PRN 41892).



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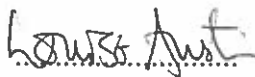
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