

**From:** Thomas, Roger J C  
**Sent:** 04 December 2020 13:15  
**To:** Jenna Smith  
**Subject:** RE: Mynydd Pembrey

Dear Jenna,

Further to yesterday's e-mail, I haven't as yet found the war diaries for this unit; however 'cluster' searchlight sites i.e. those with three searchlights closely grouped together in a triangle, were first deployed in November 1940, when the number of single searchlight sites were reduced nationally and re-deployed in the new cluster layout aligned with RAF Fighter Command's sector boundaries, hence PY for Pembrey in the site's name. So all I can say for sure is that this cluster site was established post-November 1940. I will also try and find the reference to the document in the Carmarthenshire Records Office for you, as it was in a Home Guard file, nothing to do with anti-aircraft, which would be expected.

Regards,

Roger

**From:** Jenna Smith  
**Sent:** 03 December 2020 10:39  
**To:** Thomas, Roger J C  
**Subject:** RE: Mynydd Pembrey

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Hi Roger,

Jeff Spencer forwarded your email below to see if we wanted to add those images to the HER. I was just wondering if you had an NGR for the site so I can correctly identify it. I assume that we may already have a record for it that Alice may have done, but I would like to check I have the right one.

Many Thanks!

Jenna

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**I am currently working from home Monday-Friday and have access to emails not telephone.  
Ar hyn o bryd rwy'n gweithio gartref o ddydd Llun i ddydd Gwener, a gael at e-bost dim ffon.**

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Dwi'n dysgu Cymraeg! / I'm learning Welsh!

**From:**  
**Sent:** 03 December 2020 10:06  
**To:** Felicity Sage  
**Subject:** FW: Mynydd Pembrey

Hi Flick,  
Roger J C Thomas of HE circulated the attached images relating to a WWII anti-aircraft searchlight site around the membership of the Welsh Conflict Archaeology Advisory Panel yesterday and I wondered whether you'd like them for the HER. Please see further detail in the email below.  
Best wishes,  
Jeff

**From:** Thomas, Roger J C  
**Sent:** 02 December 2020 18:26  
**To:**  
**Subject:** RE: Mynydd Pembrey

Dear One and All,

I have just found another searchlight 'cluster site' in my files that I copied about thirty-five years ago at the Carmarthenshire Records Office. (Have I really been at this lark for that long?). Anyway, please see attached, very little shows on the Google Earth coverage, apart from that taken in 2006, see the detail, where I think that I can see Ragwort growth showing the three emplacements.

Regards,

Roger



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