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Nick Fackrell Senior Officer, Felling Permitting Natural Resources Wales



Dear Nick,

FLA 283 19-20 Lletty Twppa near Lampeter

Thank you for your consultation. I have checked the map boundaries against the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) and other sources and note one Historic Environment Asset recorded:

PRN: 8922 TYPE: TREE RING NGR: SN584485

DESCRIPTION

A ring of trees planted on a hilltop above Lampeter. Some authorities have suggested it is the site of a hillfort, but there is no evidence to support this.

There are no indications of an earthwork enclosure upon the hill (see Williams 2001 (AW 41, 10-20), 12; contra Davies & Hogg 1994 (in Cardigan County Hist. I), 252); the various scarps & terraces on the flanks of the hill appear to be natural features.

OS County Series (1889) shows the wood planted with deciduous & coniferous trees (Cardiganshire XXXIV.13) & the linear feature, similar to earlier 19th century pillow mounds in southern Wales, may predate this landuse, although, there being no indications of this feature on the ground, it may have represented a temporary feature, possibly relating to tree-felling.

JS based on RCAHMW, J. Wiles 2003



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Lampeter Pont Stephen Tithe Map 1843 https://places.library.wales accessed 04/03/2020

Given the nature of this feature which is recorded on the Lampeter Tithe Map of 1843, the tree ring is a significant historic landscape feature in its own right. Therefore management operations should endeavour to maintain its integrity and visual amenity as much as possible.

There is always the possibility for previously unknown remains to survive within this area of which we have no knowledge. Should further archaeological features or finds be identified it is important that Dyfed Archaeological Trust Heritage Management is informed and further information and advice can then be provided as required.

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