



Permitting Team (Forestry)

1<sup>st</sup> November 2022

Dear Karen,

**FLA 233 22-23 Ty Rhyg & Glynaron**

Thank you for your consultation and apologies for the delay. I have reviewed the map boundaries against the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) and other sources and note the following features recorded on the Historic Environment Record (some of the sites have benefitted from a site visit in 2007, and management recommendations made at that time have been included):

**PRN 30267 CWM-SLADE Post Medieval farmstead SN04362989**

Abandoned farmstead in a conifer plantation. The buildings survive in a very ruinous condition, situated on a made up terrace cut into the natural slope. They are now largely obscured by regeneration scrub and it is difficult to ascribe function to either with any confidence. A series of redundant stony banks marking old fields and enclosures are visible in forestry to the south, where dense tree cover has suppressed vegetation growth. The farmstead is depicted in its full extent on the Ordnance Survey 1st edition of 1889.

*The natural regeneration growth at Cwm-slade is potentially damaging to standing and buried archaeological remains whilst also having a detrimental effect on the visibility of the farmstead. Management should consider how best to protect the site in the long term whilst enhancing its visibility.*

**Protecting:**

- **Monitor mature trees growing on or close to the buildings. Consider felling mature trees which are at risk of damaging standing or buried archaeological remains by windthrow.**
- **Cut or spray back young trees on the standing remains leaving the roots in situ. Consider spot treating to prevent re-growth.**

**Enhancing visibility:**

- **The long term aim should be to establish a continuous broadleaved canopy over the farmstead site in order to shade out the forest floor and suppress natural regeneration. Tree planting should not take place within 5m of any archaeological remains (ie. buildings, boundary banks).**

**PRN 62614 Post Medieval quarry SN04442993**

A long sub-circular quarry scoop is recorded on the Ordnance Survey 1st edition map (1889) to the north-east of Cwm-slade farmstead. The feature is apparent on the ground as several small quarry scoops cut into the steep hillslope representing quarry working on a small scale. It lies within a conifer plantation.

**PRN 62634 Post Medieval enclosure SN04062953**

A sub-rectangular earthwork enclosure, narrowing towards its northern end shows up on aerial photographs taken prior to afforestation (Meridian APs 1955 200/220, 27448). The estimated diameter is approximately 40m. The site occupies a moderate south facing slope in relatively mature forestry. It has been substantially destroyed by the creation of a forestry loading area and rides, and deep forest ploughing. A short 25m section, of the enclosure bank survives on the north-west side, where it has been fenced out from forestry operations within a 40m square fenced enclosure (possibly for pheasant rearing). The earthwork bank measures

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approximately 2.5m wide by 0.6m high with a 2m wide by 0.3m ditch on the exterior. Insufficient evidence survives to accurately interpret function. Possible interpretations could include a prehistoric defended enclosure or a hafod enclosure.

***The site should continue to be excluded from forestry operations. No new planting should be undertaken within the area of the square fenced enclosure (identified by concrete posts).***

**PRN 62635 Post Medieval peat cutting SN04082953**

The approximate extent of a possible peat cutting area showing up on aerial photographs taken prior to afforestation (Meridian APs 1955 200/220, 25909). Apparent as a series of straight or curved lines of shadow representing excavations picked up in low light conditions. The present condition of this feature is unknown. This area lies within an area of second rotation harvesting and has been destroyed by forestry ground preparation works. No traces of the peat cutting survive.

**PRN 62637 Post Medieval long hut SN10192980**

A long hut, consisting of two cells, showing up on aerial photographs taken prior to afforestation (Meridian Aps 1955 210/220, 27449). The site lies within a conifer plantation. Deep forest ploughing has completely destroyed all traces of this feature.

**PRN 62638 Post Medieval ridge and furrow SN10222985**

The approximate extent of an area of ridge and furrow to the north and east of long hut (PRN 62637) identified on aerial photographs taken prior to afforestation. Present condition unknown. Deep forest ploughing has destroyed all traces of this feature.

**PRN 103881 Bronze Age Standing Stone / Post Medieval Rubbing Stone SN05192928**

Stone recorded on the historic Ordnance Survey maps but not shown on mastermap.

**PRN 127637 Post Medieval Earthwork SN04402982**

An earthwork is shown around a farm boundary around Cwm-slade farm, on the 1st edition Ordnance Survey map.

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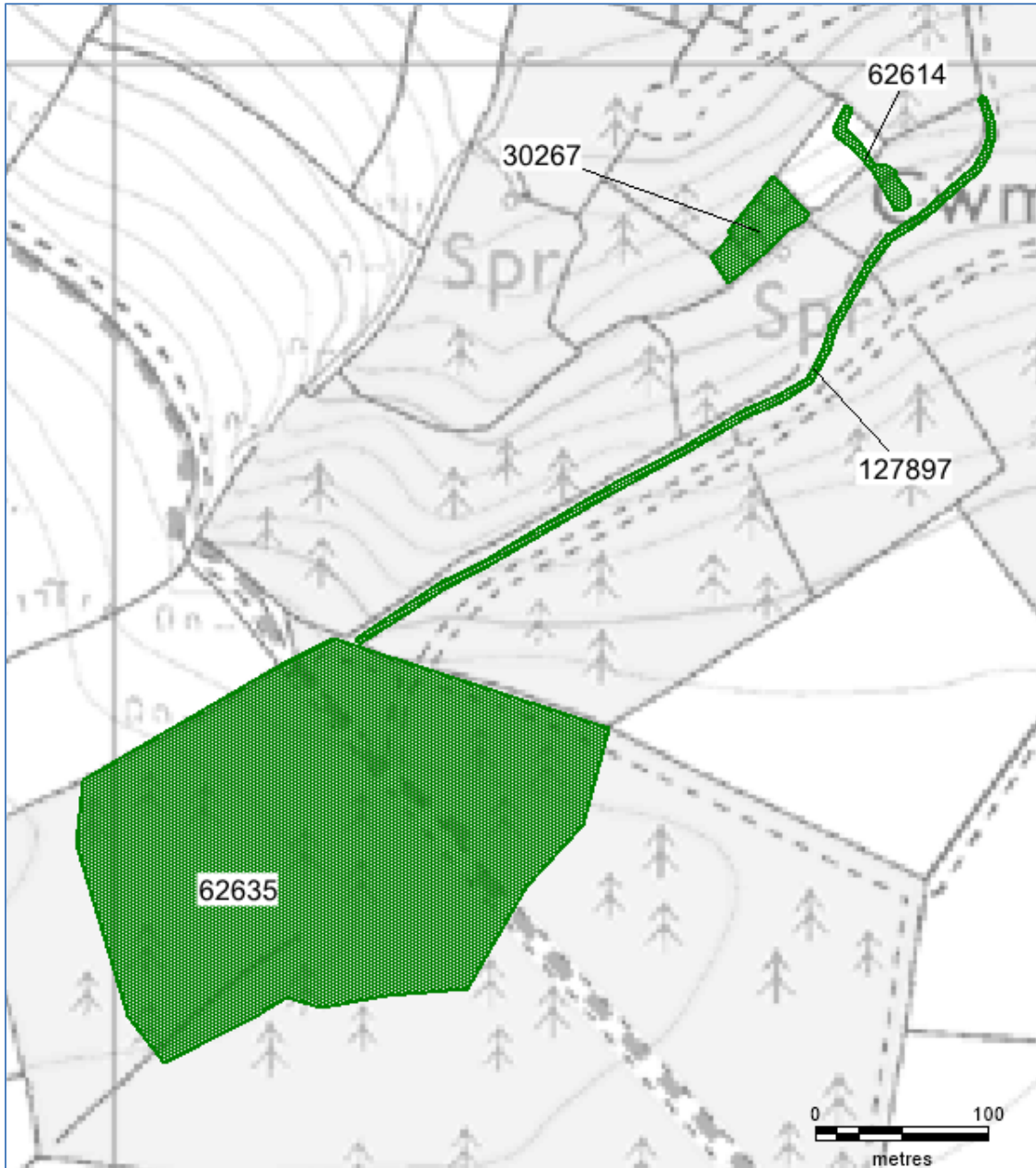


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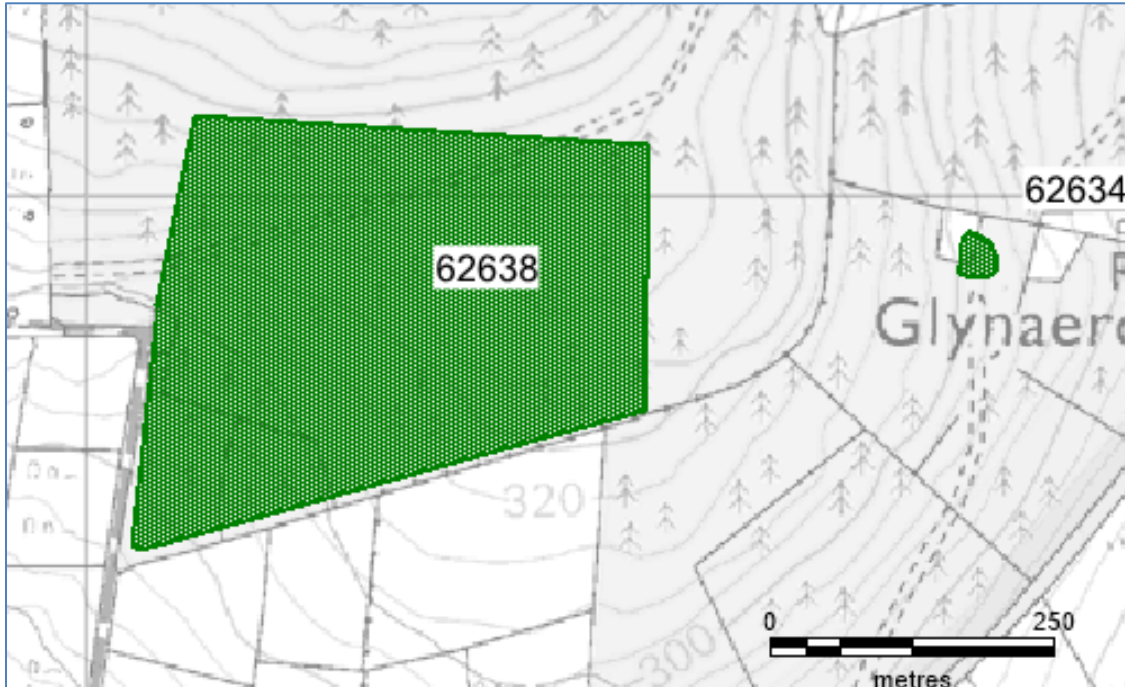
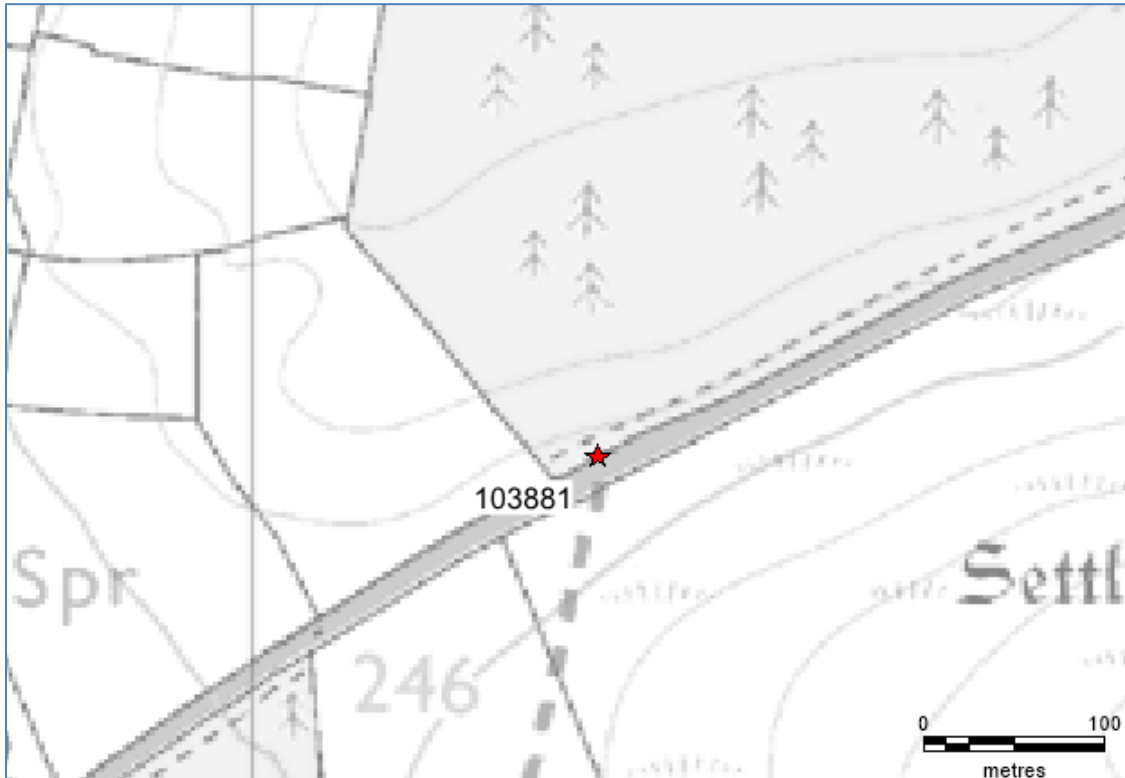
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In order to comply with UKFS Forests and the historic environment guidance, DAT advise that these historic environment features (shown as green polygons or red stars on the attached map) must be protected from damage during felling operations and subsequent restocking, and tracks and loading areas must not cross these areas.

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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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