

30th November 2022

Dear Karen,

NRW Screening Request FLA273 22-23 Allt y Capel

Thank you for your consultation. I have checked the map boundaries against the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) and other sources and note that although there are no features recorded within the consultation area, there is reputedly a medieval chapel PRN 4758 located in this area associated with the nearby Holy Well PRN 102418 (NGR SN58752170), however the whereabouts of the chapel is unknown. If any masonry remains should be noticed during forestry operations, please contact DAT-HM for further advice.

PRN4758 MEDIEVAL CHAPEL Capel Pen Arw SN587217

Site of medieval chapelry to Llangathen parish, the vestigial remains of which were visible in 1833, associated with a curative well (Lewis 1833). It had gone by the early 20th century, but the well (and well-head) was still traceable (RCAHM 1917, 159 no.461). Its precise location is unknown but the field-names `Cae Capel', `Dol-y-capel', `Ffynnon-y-capel' and `Allt-y-capel' indicate the general location. It is not marked on William Rees' 1932 map. It was associated with a `Cilsant' place-name (which can translate either as `saint's cell' or `saint's nook'), but there is no current evidence for an early medieval date. NDL 2003.

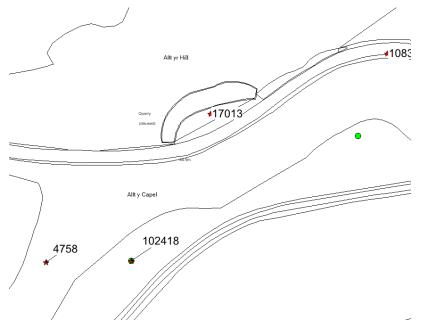
PRN102418

HOLY WELL

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Ffynnon y Capel SN58752170

Well associated with medieval chapel site (PRN 4758), of which no above ground traces remain. The well is now dry, with the spring breaking out a little distance below. The well was once reputed to be curative, particuarly for rheumatic and eye complaints, and has a tradition of pilgrimage. A record from 1913 says that a fragment of masonry can be traced round the well (M.Ings, from various sources, 2011).



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The current condition of these features is unknown; however they may survive as ruins, earthworks or below ground archaeology. Felling operations should avoid causing damage in these areas.

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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