

28th March 2024

Dear Lynn,

NRW Screening FLA355 23-24 The Pales compartment 7d & 8b

Thank you for your felling licence consultation. I have checked the map boundaries against the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) and other sources and note the following features:

PRN13371 BRONZE AGE CAIRNFIELD SN224158

When visited by DAT in 1988 the site consisted of 7 small cairns clearly visible in a group. Today some heaps of stones are visible, but the area is much disturbed and difficult to assess, and a number of loose stones are literally strewn amongst other piles of small stones. The site is situated in an area of woodland close to a boundary wall and the vegetational obstacles (brambles, tree stumps, fallen leaves) prevented a proper view of the area. However, it is clear that there has been some recent disturbance, and the owner of Great Pale, said that he has used some of the stone last year and that the cairnfield as a whole was the result of clearance. If this were indeed a ritual site, the cairns were situated in a typical location, with good views out over the surrounding landscape. N Bestley PFRS 2001. **The extent of the cairn field is unknown.**

PRN24640 POST MEDIEVAL DEER PARK SN2261015140

A deer park created in 1583 by Sir John Perrot. It is located c.5km SE of Whitland in what was the desmene land of the Lordship of Laugharne. The park was located at Cyffig as it was the closest suitable land to the Castle at Laugharne. The park was short-lived and went into decline following Perrot's death in 1592, when it became the property of the countess of Northumberland who had little interest in lands so distant. A survey of 1595 estimates the park to be 300 acres in extent, with a boundary some 4 and three quarter miles in length. By the mid-18th century the area of the park had been enclosed and subdivided into several tenanted farms, four of which have the word Pale as a component of their name.

In the early 17th century the site still seems to be functioning as a deer park but by the mid-18th century the park had been subdivided into several tenanted farms. The boundary of the deer park on the map has partly been extrapolated from the Tithe Map and partly from field observation. Along part of the line of the pale a ditch and bank earthwork survive. (K. Murphy 1988)

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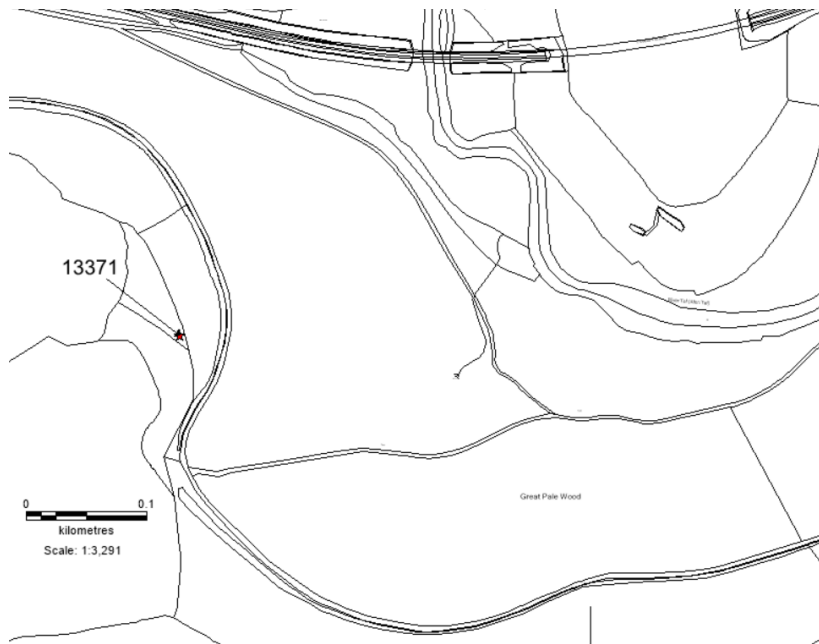
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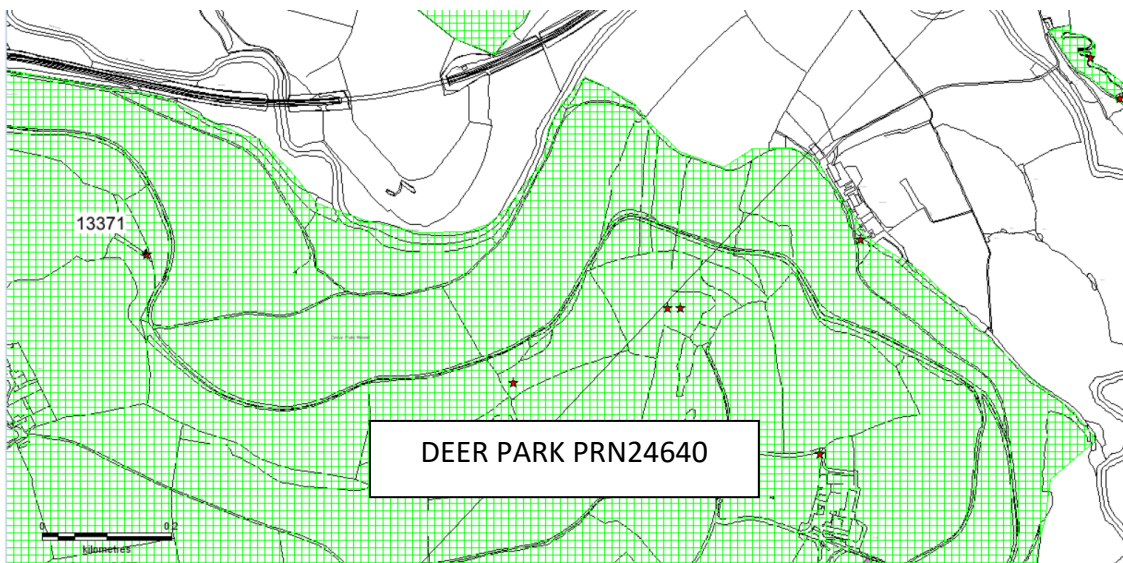
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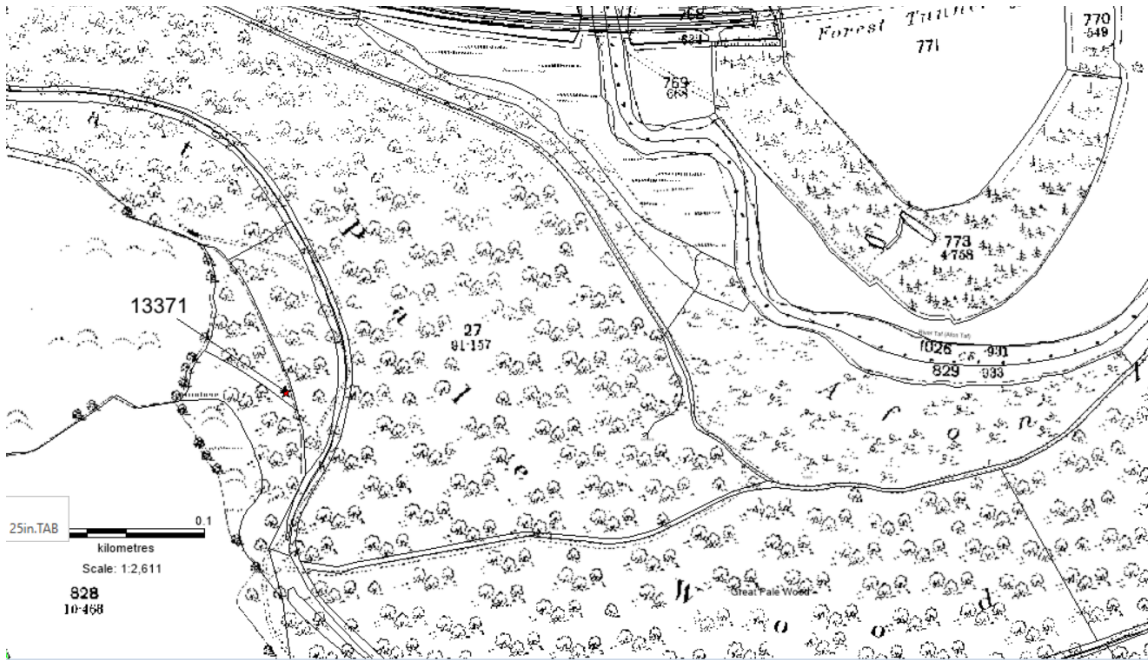


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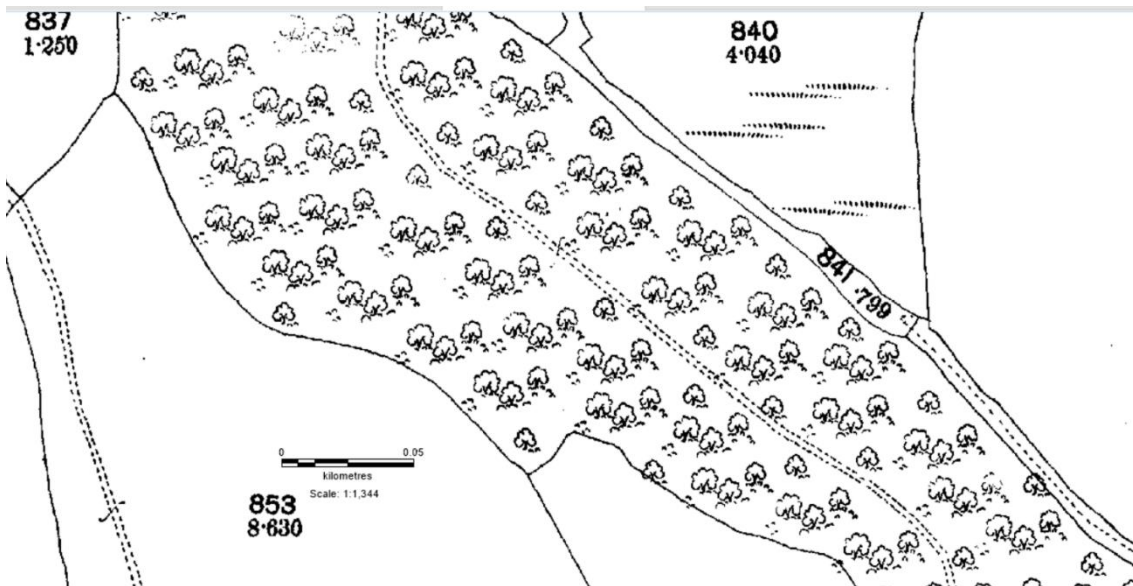
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The historic Ordnance Survey maps record this area as broadleaf woodland. Therefore, we recommend restocking predominantly with native broadleaf to restore the historic character of the deer park.

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

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be identified it is important that Heneb Dyfed Region Heritage Management is informed and further information and advice can then be provided as required.

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