

Dear Karen W Bradburn

NRW Screening Request FLA66 24-25 Dolgoch near Newcastle Emlyn, Ceredigion

Thank you for your felling licence consultation regarding Dolgoch near Newcastle Emlyn, Ceredigion. I have reviewed the map boundaries against the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) and other sources and have identified the following Historic Environment Features (HEF) within or near the proposed thinning area:

1. PRN 37858: Cwry-y-gamil, Post-Medieval Cottage

- **Location:** SN31404515
- **Description:** Cwrt Yr Gamil is a ruined cottage shown on the 1st edition OS map within a square enclosure. A 2000 field visit found the roofless cottage well-preserved, with gables and walls still standing. Vegetation and surrounding woodland obscure its full extent. (H. Pritchard, 2014)

2. PRN 122639: Pant-yr-onen, Post-Medieval Farmstead

- **Location:** SN31244928
- **Description:** Farmstead recorded on 2nd edition, 1:2500 Ordnance Survey map.

3. PRN 15975: Quarry, Post-Medieval

- **Location:** SN3136244840
- **Description:** Quarry marked on both 1st and 2nd edition OS historic mapping.

4. PRN 102592: Dolgoch Farm, Post-Medieval Farmstead

- **Location:** SN31734466
- **Description:** Dolgoch Farm, near Brongest in Ceredigion, is a post-medieval farmstead with possible medieval origins.

These PRNs are within the area marked for thinning. Every effort should be made to avoid damage to any historic environment features during the thinning operations. The historic environment features should be protected from damage to comply with UKFS Forests and the historic environment guidance.

Additionally, the following PRNs are outside the works area but are in close proximity and could be affected:

5. PRN 2339: Y Gaer, Iron Age Promontory Fort

- **Location:** SN31654435
- **Description:** Y Gaer is a small promontory fort at 95m above sea level, naturally defended by steep slopes and a bank. It covers a triangular area of 60m by 45m. (K Murphy, 2005)

6. PRN 42849: Dolgoch Farm, Bronze Age Standing Stone

- **Location:** SN31914473
- **Description:** Standing stone in field to the east of Dolgoch farm. The field was reputedly used for one of the earliest Eisteddfods in around 1360 and it is possible that the stone relates to this or to prehistoric activity in the area.

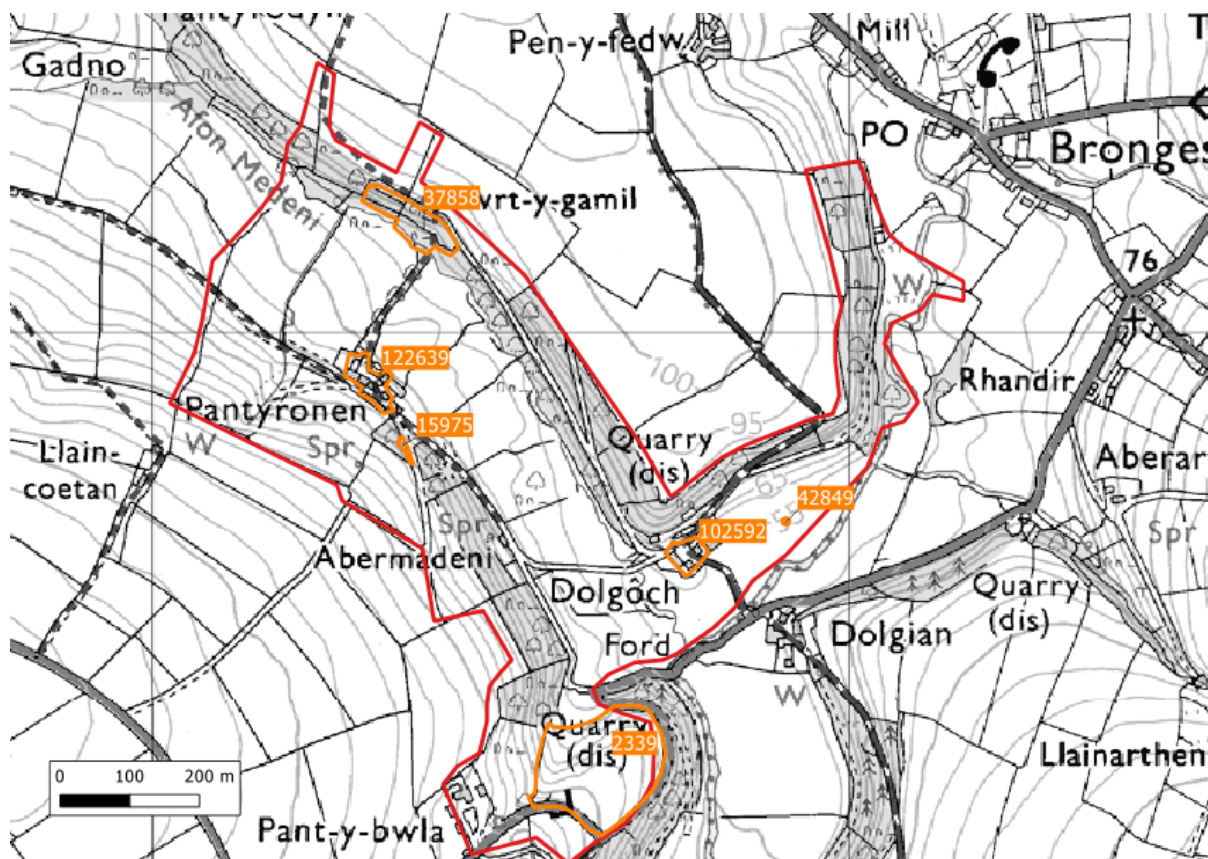
The current condition of these features is unknown; however, they may survive as ruins, earthworks, or below ground archaeology. The consultation map provided did not show access routes. To minimise potential impact, we advise not moving machinery over these areas and to use only existing routes. A map showing all recorded features, with an OS map base, is attached for reference (Historic environment features annotated in orange).

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 Henneb – The Trust for Welsh Archaeology, Heritage Management Dyfed region is informed, so that further information and advice can be provided as required.

Thank you for considering the protection of these valuable historic environment features. Please ensure all forest operations are carried out with due regard to their preservation.

Best regards,

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