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SUMMARY

Gwynedd Archaeological Trust was been asked by Dobson Owen to undertake an archaeological watching brief during groundworks associated with a residential construction at Pentraeth, Abersoch, Gwynedd. The Watching Brief was required since the construction site is located on a suspected medieval motte, Castell Abersoch.

A programme of ground reduction at the former Pentraeth House was carried out to a depth of up to 1.3m below the current ground surface. There is significant evidence for modern disturbance associated with construction works, probably caused by the early 20th century building that was formerly on the site, which cut into a bright orange silty clay in places. The ground investigation works carried out in June 2015 suggest that make-up deposits exist to a depth of 4.2m. If so, this would indicate that the silty clay forms part of the former mound.

A mixed make-up layer was noted to overlie the silty clay, which is observed at a depth of about 0.9m below the current ground surface, with patches of rubble observed cut into a silty clay deposit. This suggests that the make-up layer relates to modern building works, but must predate the construction of the early 20th century house which was constructed upon it. The archaeological evaluation which had been previously carried out on the site did not observe any natural deposits, and it is considered that the sand layers observed in the evaluation formed part of those identified as the make-up layer during the watching brief.

No pre-modern archaeological deposits were encountered during the watching brief which could relate to the earlier use of the site. Given the level of disturbance and make-up deposits on the site, it is thought unlikely that any deposits survive relating to any medieval activity associated with Castell Abersoch at the depths encountered on the site.

1 INTRODUCTION

Gwynedd Archaeological Trust (GAT) has been asked by Dobson Owen to undertake an archaeological watching brief during groundworks associated with a residential construction at Pentraeth, Abersoch, Gwynedd (centred on NGR SH31352857; Figure 01).

The construction site is located on a suspected medieval motte (PRN 1239; Castell Abersoch Motte) and the construction programme included the demolition of an existing detached property and the construction of a new property on a different and larger footprint, as indicated on *Dobson Owen Penseiri* drawings SB1 01 and B1 01 (cf. Figure 02). The new property will comprise a two storey house with an attached garage (total area: 229m²); access will be via the current driveway.

The construction ground works were carried out by Derwen Llyn Construction Limited. The watching brief was carried out on 23rd and 24th of November 2015 and involved the observation of the groundworks following demolition of the existing property. The groundwork involved substructure excavations in advance of piling on the site.

The watching brief was undertaken in accordance with condition 12 of planning ref. CI5/0217/39/LL. Condition 12 states that: "No development (including any ground works or site clearance) shall take place until a specification programme of archaeological work has been submitted to and agreed in writing by the archaeological advisor to the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out and all archaeological work completed in strict accordance with the approved specification" (CI5/0217/39/LL: 01).

The work was carried out in accordance with a specification agreed by Gwynedd Archaeological Planning Services (GAPS). This is reproduced as Appendix I, and GAPS also monitored the scheme.

The watching brief was undertaken in accordance with the following guidelines:

- English Heritage, 2015, Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment (MoRPHE).
- English Heritage, 1991, Management of Archaeological Projects
- Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments of Wales 2015 Guidelines for digital archives.
- Standard and Guidance for Archaeological Watching Brief (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 1995, rev. 2001, 2008 and 2014).
- Standard and Guidance for the Creation, Compilation, Transfer and Deposition of Archaeological Archives (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2009 and 2014).
- Standard and Guidance for the Collection, Documentation, Conservation and Research of Archaeological Materials (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2008 and 2014).

The watching brief conformed to the guidelines specified in *Standard and Guidance for an archaeological watching brief* (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2014). Gwynedd Archaeological Trust is a Chartered Institute for Archaeologists *Registered Archaeological Organisation*.

2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Castell Abersoch motte (PRN 1239) appears to have largely been destroyed by the A499 road construction to the east, the driveway to the north, and the construction of buildings and landscaping on top of, and to the west of the motte (Evans 1917). Only the scarp slope to the east and west survive to any extent. The top measures 110ft from southwest to northeast, and the ditch was 54ft wide, as measured in the 1960's, but these may not represent its original size (Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments, 1964). Several stone hammers are said to have been found during the construction of the nearby turnpike in the 19th century (Owen, 1903; Dutton & Gwyn, 1995).

A description, written shortly after the construction of the bungalow called Pentraeth on the site, includes a drawing of the site (Evans 1917, 304). It suggests that the rounded knoll on which the motte was situated was more dramatic and less landscaped prior this time, whose 'top [had been] levelled and the fosse behind filled in' (*ibid.*, 304), as a result of the construction of Pentraeth. The author had seen it in its former state, with the promontory itself cut off 'first by a short deep fosse, and then by a double fosse, which led down to the green path' (*ibid.*, 304, 306). The green path described follows more or less the same route as the current driveway to the site. He suggested that elaborate archaeological remains survived on the site prior to its development, which from their description may represent late prehistoric as well as medieval activity. Prehistoric activity on the site is also suggested by Owen in 1903 (Owen 1903, 252-253).

Gwynedd Archaeological Trust completed an archaeological trial trenching at the location of the proposed build in 2014 as part of the planning application (McNicol, D. 2014. GAT Report 1199). One trial trench, measuring 5m by 1.5m, was excavated to the north of the existing garage. The natural geology was not encountered within the trench. A number of successive layers of compact sand, sloping gradually down from the northeast to the southwest, were uncovered, which may represent the main construction material for the medieval motte. No dating evidence was recovered within any of these layers.

A geotechnical ground investigation programme was completed by *Datrys* (*Report Ref:* 15110/E/01; reproduced as Appendix II). The initial fieldwork of dynamic probing was carried out on the 8th of June 2015 and consisted of 7 No Dynamic probes to 5m depth below existing ground surface level. Further investigations were completed on the 20th of July 2015 using 2 No Cable percussion boreholes to 12.5m below existing ground surface

level. The report concluded that a competent bearing stratum could not be found between 0 and 5m below ground level, with extremely poor ground down around 2.5m and again at 4m possibly indicating the depth of made ground. The borehole investigation revealed that the site is underlain by a mixture of gravelly sand and sandy clay to a depth of 12.65m. The report also stated that the motte was constructed from local drift deposits and "made ground" and this was reflected in the stratum encountered between the ground surface and 5m below ground level.

3 METHODOLOGY

3.1 Introduction

The definition of an archaeological watching brief is "a formal programme of observation and investigation conducted during any operation carried out for non-archaeological reasons. This will be within a specified area or site on land, inter-tidal zone or underwater, where there is a possibility that archaeological deposits may be disturbed or destroyed. The programme will result in the preparation of a report and ordered archive" (*Standard and Guidance for an archaeological watching brief* (ClfA, 2014, p1)).

The purpose of the watching brief is:

- to allow, within the resources available, the preservation by record of archaeological deposits, the presence and nature of which could not be established (or established with sufficient accuracy) in advance of development or other potentially disruptive works
- to provide an opportunity, if needed, for the watching archaeologist to signal to all
 interested parties, before the destruction of the material in question, that an
 archaeological find has been made for which the resources allocated to the
 watching brief itself are not sufficient to support treatment to a satisfactory and
 proper standard.

This definition and Standard do not cover chance observations, which should lead to an appropriate archaeological project being designed and implemented, nor do they apply to monitoring for preservation of remains in situ.

An archaeological watching brief is divided in to four categories according the Institute for Archaeologists Standard and Guidance for an archaeological watching brief:

- comprehensive (present during all ground disturbance)
- intensive (present during sensitive ground disturbance)
- intermittent (viewing the trenches after machining)

partial (as and when seems appropriate).

A **partial** watching brief was recommended by GAT for this scheme, to be completed during substructure excavations, which were carried out between 23rd and 24th November 2015. The groundworks were completed by *Derwen Llyn Construction Limited*, and the Watching Brief was carried out initially by Stuart Reilly and subsequently by Robert Evans of GAT. As a result of an assessment of the ground conditions, the excavation of trench foundations was abandoned in favour of ground reduction over the entire house plot and garage area, which was agreed with GAPS.

The watching brief consisted of the following:

- Observation of non-archaeological substructure excavations.
- A written and photographic record of the substructure excavations.
- Preparation of full archive and report.

3.2 Watching Brief

- Photographic images were taken using a digital SLR camera set to RAW format and were converted to TIFF and JPEG format for archiving. Images were taken prior to the ground reduction, although after the house demolition and shots were also taken during the reduction works.
- A complete table of metadata with details of each photographic image taken, including descriptions and directions of shot, was produced using Microsoft Access (archive images G2386_Pentraeth, Abersoch_001 to G2440_Pentraeth, Abersoch_039; see Appendix II for a reproduction of the metadata).
- A day record sheet and photographic record sheet was completed using GAT proformas;
- Any archaeological features/deposits were to be manually cleaned and examined to determine extent, function, date and relationship to adjacent features. No features requiring this treatment were identified during the watching brief.

4 RESULTS OF THE WATCHING BRIEF

For the purposes of this section, context numbers within square brackets, e.g. [005], represent cut features, such as pits, ditches etc., and context numbers within round brackets, e.g. (001), represent deposits and fills.

As a result of an assessment of the ground conditions, the excavation of trench foundations was abandoned in favour of ground reduction over the entire house plot and garage area (Figures 02, 03), which resulted in a 229m² area being reduced. The reduction was carried out to a depth of up to 1.3m below the current ground surface (Plates 01-04, 12-15). A proposal to remove the gate pier in order to widen access up the driveway to the site was subsequently abandoned (Plate 10).

Along the northern and western side of the site, below modern make up deposits up to 0.3m thick (100), predominantly orange sand was noted, with a northwest-southeast band of gravel mixed with moderate and large sized rounded boulders (101). This appeared to be a lens of gravel beach like character within (101), and was up to 0.6m deep (Plate 02, 04, 06, 08, 12). The deposit appeared also to be a make-up layer. This in turn overlay a coarse mid brown clayey silt and sand (102), which was observed up to a depth of 0.2m (Plates 05, 08-09). Occasional fragments of animal bone were noted at the interface between these two layers, which were probably within deposit (101). Some large boulders (up to 0.45m by 0.4m) were noted within deposit (102). Modern disturbance, in the form of patches of building rubble (104) were noted in the western area of the reduced ground area, including a patch 8m by 3m, which cut into 102 from the make-up layer 101 above (Plate 11). It contained stone brick and cement rubble along with rounded and subangular stones. To other backfill patches (103) and (105) were noted, which were up to 3m by 2m in size, contained rounded and subangular stones within a dark greyish brown clay silt matrix. These patches can be associated with backfill associated with groundworks at the time of the construction of the former house on the site, and their extent is not known because the extent of the ground reduction was reached at a site depth of between 1.1m and 1.3m.

In the northern garage extension area, below a tarmacadam layer 0.05m thick, a mid orangey brown sandy silt former garden soil (106), 0.35m thick, was observed, overlying the orange silty sand layer (101). This suggests that the area to the north, previously

under tarmacadam, had formerly been part of the garden of the recently demolished house (Plate 08). The make-up layer (101) is much more mixed in this part of the site, is a darker orange with much more silt in the matrix and is about 0.45m thick, and has much more organic root disturbance (Plates 08-09). The mid orangey brown silty clay and sand (102) which it overlies is a fairly consistent deposit over the entire site.

In the north-western corner of the reduced area a large tree stump was present, which meant that there was a heavy disturbance of the deposits over an area of about 4m² (Plate 07).

5 CONCLUSION

The groundworks at Pentraeth were completed over an area 229m² to a maximum depth of 1.3m below the current ground surface. This covered the footprint of the new property to be built on the site. The stratigraphy in the work area comprised up to 0.3m of modern surfacing and sub surface make-up layers (100), above about 0.6m of a mixed make-up deposit (101). This overlay a mid orangey brown silty clay (102), whose extent was not observed as the required depth of the ground reduction was reached at 1.3m.The ground conditions were noted to be very soft, with both the make-up layer (101) being very loose and the silty clay (102) being somewhat waterlogged deposits in the prevailing weather conditions. A number of patches of disturbed ground (103-105) were noted cut into layer (102).

The patches of disturbance (103-105) are likely to be associated with the works associated with the house construction and service installation, particularly drainage works, and were created during latter part of the sequence of building activity on the site. The relatively level and consistent nature of the silty clay (102), sealed by (101), suggests that it may have been somewhat truncated. This is probably associated with construction works at the site. It is suggested that this is the truncation described by Evans in his 1917 description of the site in its earlier form, prior to the construction of Pentraeth, where he describes the site being levelled and reduced (Evans 1917, 303-305).

In conclusion, it appears that the make-up layer, which seals the silty clay, relates to modern building works, but must predate the construction of the early 20^{th} century house which was constructed upon it. It has not been possible to identify the nature of the the silty clay deposit, as it was only seen to a limited extent during the watching brief. However the ground investigation works carried out in June 2015 suggest that make-up deposits exist to a depth of 4.2m, indicating that this may be a man-made layer (*Datrys* 2015, 7).

The archaeological evaluation that has previously been carried out on the site did not observe any natural deposits, and it is considered that the sand layers observed formed part of those identified as the make-up layer during the watching brief (McNicol 2014). No pre-modern archaeological deposits were encountered during the watching brief which could relate to the earlier use of the site. Given the level of disturbance and make-up

deposits on the site, it is thought unlikely that evidence of any medieval activity associated with Castell Abersoch survives, to the depths reached during the ground reduction.

6 SOURCES CONSULTED

Chartered Institute for Archaeologists 2014 Standards and Guidance for an archaeological watching brief

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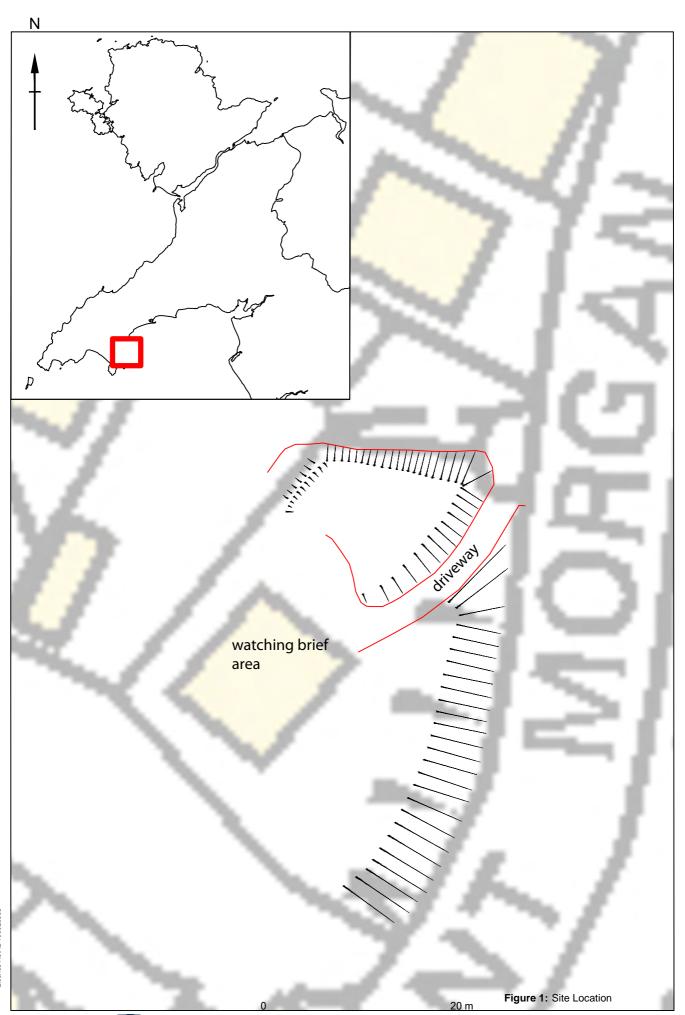
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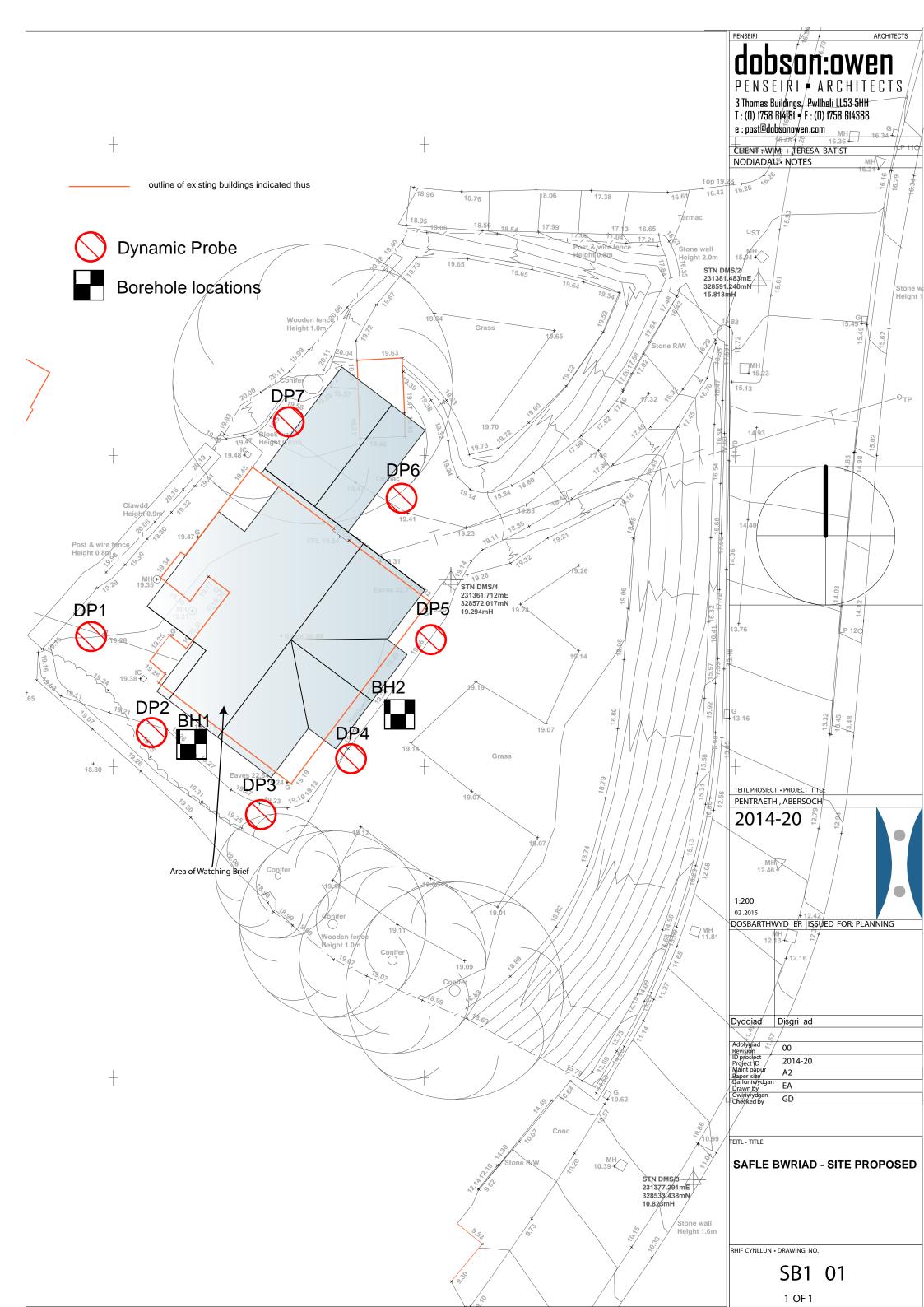




Plate 01: Photograph of site looking North after site demolition and prior to ground reduction. 1x1m Scale.



Plate 02: South facing section, edge at rear of house. 1x1m Scale.



Plate 03: Pre-ex shot of site. Note outline of new property footprint. 1x1m Scale.



Plate 04: South facing section of foundation excavation. 1x1m Scale.



Plate 05: General view of building footprint on reduction of levels. View from Northeast. 1x1m Scale.



Plate 06: View of South facing section in reduced area (temporary section). 1x1m Scale.



Plate 07: Photograph of disturbance caused by tree bole at North end of site. 1x1m Scale.



Plate 08: West facing section of garage extension during excavation. 1x1m Scale.



Plate 09: General shot of garage extension area. View from North.



Plate 10: View from South of access driveway and roadside gate pier (possibly to be removed). 1x1m Scale.



Plate 11: General shot from the North, after ground reduction.



Plate 12: Oblique view of Eastern portion of ground reduction, showing South facing section. 1x1m Scale.



Plate 13: General view of Eastern portion of site, after ground reduction.



Plate 14: General view from Northeast of site, after ground reduction.



Plate 15: General view of site from East, on completion of site ground works

APPENDIX I

Reproduction of Project Design

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PROJECT SPECIFICATION FOR AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL WATCHING BRIEF (T0349)

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1 INTRODUCTION

Gwynedd Archaeological Trust (GAT) has been asked by Dobson Owen to provide a project design for undertaking an archaeological watching brief during groundworks associated with a residential construction at, Pentraeth, Abersoch, Gwynedd (centred on NGR SH31352857; Figure 1).

The construction site is located on a suspected medieval motte (PRN 1239; Castell Abersoch Motte) and the construction programme will include the demolition of an existing detached property and the construction of a new property on a different and larger footprint, as indicated on *Dobson Owen Penseiri* drawings SB1 01 and B1 01 (reproduced as Figures 2 and 3 respectively). The new property will comprise a two storey house with an attached garage (total area: 229m²); access will be via the current driveway.

The construction works will be completed by Derwen LLyn Construction Limited. The works programme is from 09/11/15 to 07/10/16 and will begin with the demolition of the existing property. The groundwork will include substructure excavations and piling.

The watching brief is being undertaken in accordance with condition 12 of planning ref. CI5/0217/39/LL. Condition 12 states that: "No development (including any ground works or site clearance) shall take place until a specification programme of archaeological work has been submitted to and agreed in writing by the archaeological advisor to the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out and all archaeological work completed in strict accordance with the approved specification" (CI5/0217/39/LL: 01).

The watching brief will be limited to monitoring the substructure excavations, which are scheduled from w/c 16/11/15, with an expected duration of 5 days.

A brief has not been prepared for this work by Gwynedd Archaeological Planning Services (GAPS), but the scheme will be monitored by GAPS and a copy of this specificaiton must be approved by GAPS prior to the start of the watching brief.

The watching brief will conform to the guidelines specified in *Standard and Guidance for an archaeological watching brief* (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2014). Gwynedd Archaeological Trust is a Chartered Institute for Archaeologists *Registered Archaeological Organisation*. The format of this design corresponds to the requirements of section 2.3 of

MoRPHE (English Heritage 2015) and to MAP2 (English Heritage, 1991, *Management of Archaeological Projects*).

2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL BACKGROUND

Castell Abersoch motte has largely been destroyed by the road construction to the east, the driveway to the north, and the construction of buildings and landscaping on top of, and to the west of the motte. Only the scarp slope to the east and west survive to any extent.

Gwynedd Archaeological Trust completed an archaeological trial trenching at the location of the proposed build in 2014 as part of the planning application (McNicol, D. 2014. GAT Report 1199; reproduced as Appendix I). One trial trench, measuring 5m by 1.5m, was excavated to the north of the existing garage. The natural geology was not encountered within the trench. A number of successive layers of compact sand, sloping gradually down from the northeast to the southwest, were uncovered, which may represent the main construction material for the medieval motte. No dating evidence was recovered within any of these layers.

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A **partial** watching brief recommended by GAT for this scheme, to be completed during substructure excavations, which are scheduled from w/c 16/11/15, with an expected duration of 5 days. The groundworks will be completed by *Derwen LLyn Construction Limited*.

It is a requirement of the watching brief that no toothed buckets are used by operating plant .

The watching brief will consist of the following:

- Observation of non-archaeological substructure excavations.
- A written and photographic record of the substructure excavations.
- Preparation of full archive and report.

3.2 Watching Brief

- Photographic images will be taken using a digital SLR camera set to RAW format
 and will be converted to TIFF and JPEG format for archiving. Images will be taken
 of the embankment prior to breaching and record shots will be taken during the
 breaching works. Images will also be taken of the breached embankment
 profile/sections;
- A complete table of metadata with details of each photographic image taken, including descriptions and directions of shot, will be produced using Microsoft Access.
- A day record sheet and photographic record sheet will be completed using GAT pro-formas;
- If required, any identified features will be recorded using GAT pro-formas;
- If required, any drawn sections/plans will be completed at either 1:10 or 1:20 scale.
- If encountered, archaeological features/deposits will be manually cleaned and examined to determine extent, function, date and relationship to adjacent features. Limited excavation will be undertaken to characterise the features/ deposits: this strategy will be based on feature type and may include an initial 50% sample of sub-circular features and 10% sample of linear features. Any subsequent excavation required will be detailed in an appropriate Further Archaeological Works Design.
- Should dateable artefacts and ecofacts be recovered, an interim report will be submitted summarising the results, along with an assessment of potential for analysis specification (in line with the MAP2 process).

3.3 Environmental Samples

Any deposits deemed suitable for dating will be taken from sealed contexts, with bulk samples from ditches and pit fills proposed as not less than 10 litres from each context. The sampling strategy will be undertaken in accordance with the principles set out in Environmental Archaeology: a guide to the theory and practice of methods, from sampling and recovery to post-excavation (English Heritage, 2011). Recourse will be made to relevant specialists for palaeoenvironmental analysis and dating. Any required specialists will be nominated in a post-excavation project design.

3.4 Human Remains

Any finds of human remains will be left *in-situ*, covered and protected, and both the coroner and the GAPS Archaeologist informed. If removal is necessary it will take place under appropriate regulations and with due regard for health and safety issues. In order to excavate human remains, a Ministry of Justice licence is required under Section 25 of the Burials Act 1857 for the removal of any body or remains of any body from any place of burial. This will be applied for should human remains need to be investigated or moved.

3.5 Small Finds

The vast majority of finds recovered from archaeological excavations comprise pottery fragments, bone, environmental and charcoal samples, and non-valuable metal items such as nails. Often many of these finds become unstable (i.e. they begin to disintegrate) when removed from the ground. All finds are the property of the landowner; however, it is Trust policy to recommend that all finds are donated to an appropriate museum where they can receive specialist treatment and study. Access to finds must be granted to the Trust for a reasonable period to allow for analysis and for study and publication as necessary. All finds would be treated according to advice provided within *First Aid for Finds* (Rescue 1999). Trust staff will undertake initial identification, but any additional advice would be sought from a wide range of consultants used by the Trust, including National Museums and Galleries of Wales at Cardiff and ARCUS at Sheffield.

Unexpected Discoveries: Treasure Trove

Treasure Trove law has been amended by the Treasure Act 1996. The following are Treasure under the Act:

- Objects other than coins any object other than a coin provided that it contains at least 10% gold or silver and is at least 300 years old when found.
- Coins all coins from the same find provided they are at least 300 years old when found (if the coins contain less than 10% gold or silver there must be at least 10. Any object or coin is part of the same find as another object or coin, if it is found in the same place as, or had previously been left together with, the other object. Finds may have become scattered since they were originally deposited in the ground. Single coin finds of gold or silver are not classed as treasure under the 1996 Treasure Act.
- Associated objects any object whatever it is made of, that is found in the same place as, or that had previously been together with, another object that is treasure.
- Objects that would have been treasure trove any object that would previously have been treasure trove, but does not fall within the specific categories given above.
 These objects have to be made substantially of gold or silver, they have to be buried with the intention of recovery and their owner or his heirs cannot be traced.

The following types of finds are not treasure:

- Objects whose owners can be traced.
- Unworked natural objects, including human and animal remains, even if they are found in association with treasure.
- Objects from the foreshore which are not wreck.

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3.6 Further Archaeological Works

The identification of significant archaeological features during the archaeological excavation may necessitate the production of a new project design and the submission of new cost estimates to the contractor.

The application of a further archaeological works design (FAWD) will be dependent on the initial identification, interpretation and examination of an archaeological feature and the identification of activity that cannot be addressed within the provisions of the current design, e.g., burials, structures. The requirement for an FAWD will be determined in conjunction with GAPS through established communication lines and the monitoring process.

The FAWD will be instigated through a GAT produced document that will include:

- · feature specific methodologies;
- artefact and ecofact specialist requirements, with detail of appropriate sampling strategies and specialist analysis
- timings, staffing and resourcing.
- Additional costs

The FAWD document will need to be approved by the GAPS Archaeologist.

This design does not include a methodology or cost for examination of, conservation of, or archiving of finds discovered during the archaeological excavation, nor of any radiocarbon dates required, nor of examination of palaeoenvironmental samples. The need for these will be identified in the post-fieldwork programme (if required), and a new design will be issued for approval by the GAPS Archaeologist.

3.7 Monitoring Arrangements

The GAPS Archaeologist will need to be informed of the project start date and of the subsequent progress and findings. This will allow the GAPS Archaeologist time to arrange monitoring visits and attend site meetings (if required) and enable discussion about the need or otherwise for FAWDs (if required) as features of potential archaeological significance are encountered.

3.8 Data processing and report compilation

Following completion of the stages outlined above, a report will be produced incorporating the following:

- Non-technical summary
- Introduction
- Aims and purpose
- Specification
- Methods and techniques, including details and location of project archive
- Watching Brief Results
- Summary and conclusions
- List of sources consulted.

Illustrations will include plans of the location of the study area and archaeological sites. Historical maps, when appropriate and if copyright permissions allow, will be included. Photographs of relevant sites and of the study area where appropriate will be included. A draft copy of the report will be sent to the regional curatorial archaeologist (GAPS) and to the client prior to production of the final report.

4 DISSEMINATION AND ARCHIVING

A full archive including plans, photographs, written material and any other material resulting from the project will be prepared. All plans, photographs and descriptions will be labelled and cross-referenced, and lodged in an appropriate place (to be decided in consultation with the regional Historic Environment Record) within an agreed submission period.

- A digital report will be provided to GAPS;
- Two copies of the paper report plus a digital report and archive on optical disc will be provided to Historic Environment Record, Gwynedd Archaeological Trust; this will be submitted within six months of report completion
- A digital report and archive (including photographic and drawn) data will be provided to Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments, Wales.
- A paper report(s) plus digital report(s) will be provided to the client.

4.1 Historic Environment Record

In line with the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) requirements, the HER must be contacted at the onset of the project to ensure that any data arising is formatted in a manner suitable for accession to the HER. At the onset, the HER Enquiry Form provided by the HER, will be completed and submitted.

5 PERSONNEL

The project will be managed by John Roberts, Principal Archaeologist GAT Contracts Section and atteneded by a Project Archaeologist. The project archaeologist will be responsible for field management duties, including liaison with GAPS and client. The project archaeologist will be responsible for completing day record sheets as well as all other on site pro-formas and will also archive all written, drawn and digital data. The project archaeologist will also be responsible for submitting a draft final report for project manager review and approval. The report will then be submitted as per the arrangements defined in para. 5.

6 HEALTH AND SAFETY

The GAT Project Archaeologist will be CSCS certified. Copies of the site specific risk assessment will be supplied to the client and site contractor prior to the start of fieldwork. Any risks and hazards will be indicated prior to the start of work via a submitted risk assessment. All staff will be issued with required personal safety equipment, including high visibility jacket, steel toe-capped boots and hard hat.

7 INSURANCE

Public Liability

Limit of Indemnity- £5,000,000 any one event in respect of Public Liability

INSURER Aviva Insurance Limited

POLICY TYPE Public Liability

POLICY NUMBER 24765101CHC/000405

EXPIRY DATE 22/06/2016

Employers Liability

Limit of Indemnity- £10,000,000 any one occurrence.

The cover has been issued on the insurers standard policy form and is subject to their usual terms and conditions. A copy of the policy wording is available on request.

INSURER Aviva Insurance Limited

POLICY TYPE Employers Liability

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Professional Indemnity

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INSURER Hiscox Insurance Company Limited

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McNicol, D. 2014. Pentraeth, Abersoch Archaeological Trial Trenching Report. GAT Report 1199

Planning reference: CI5/0217/39/LL

Regional Historic Environment Record (Gwynedd Archaeological Trust, Craig Beuno, Garth Road, Bangor LL57 2RT)

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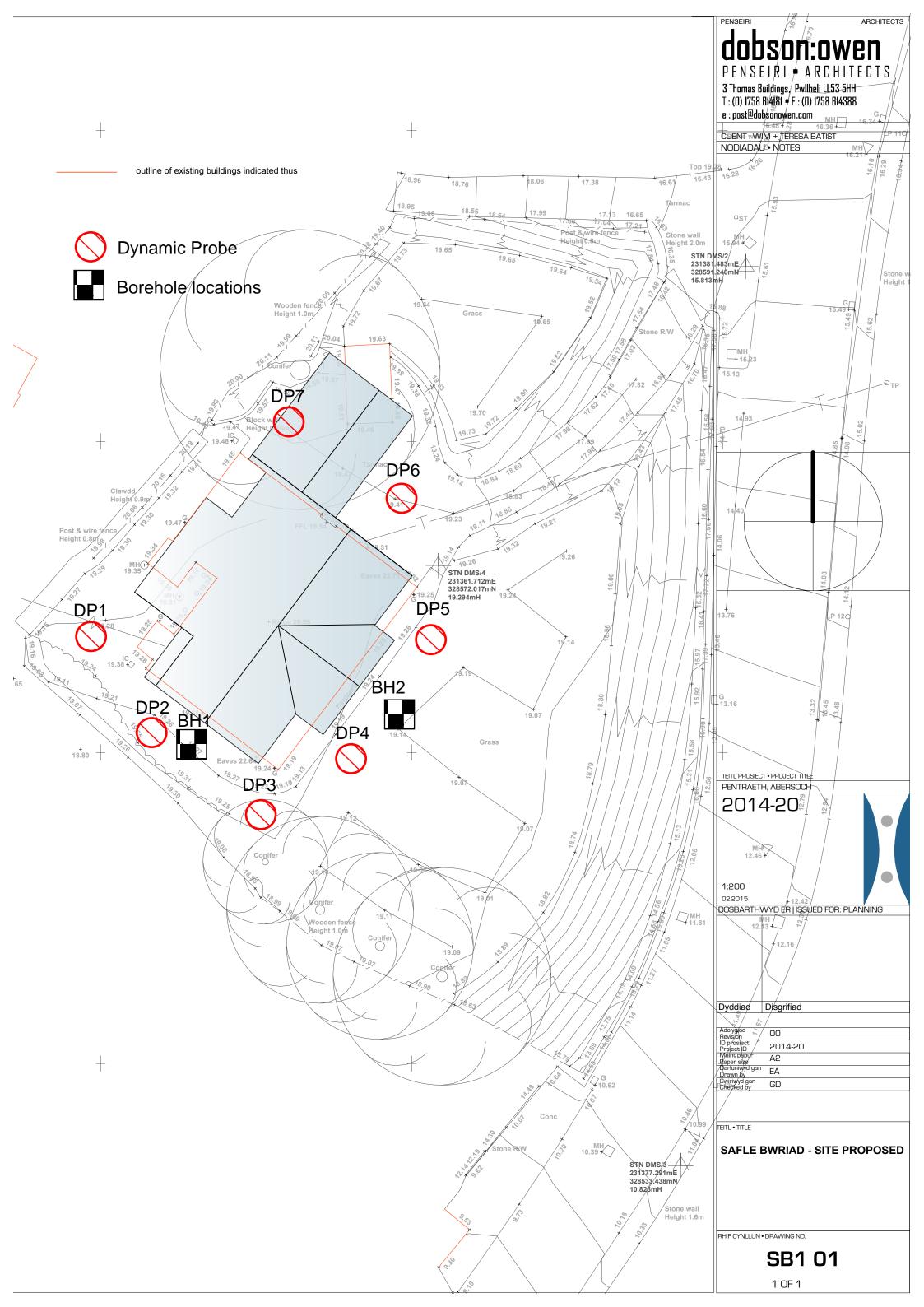
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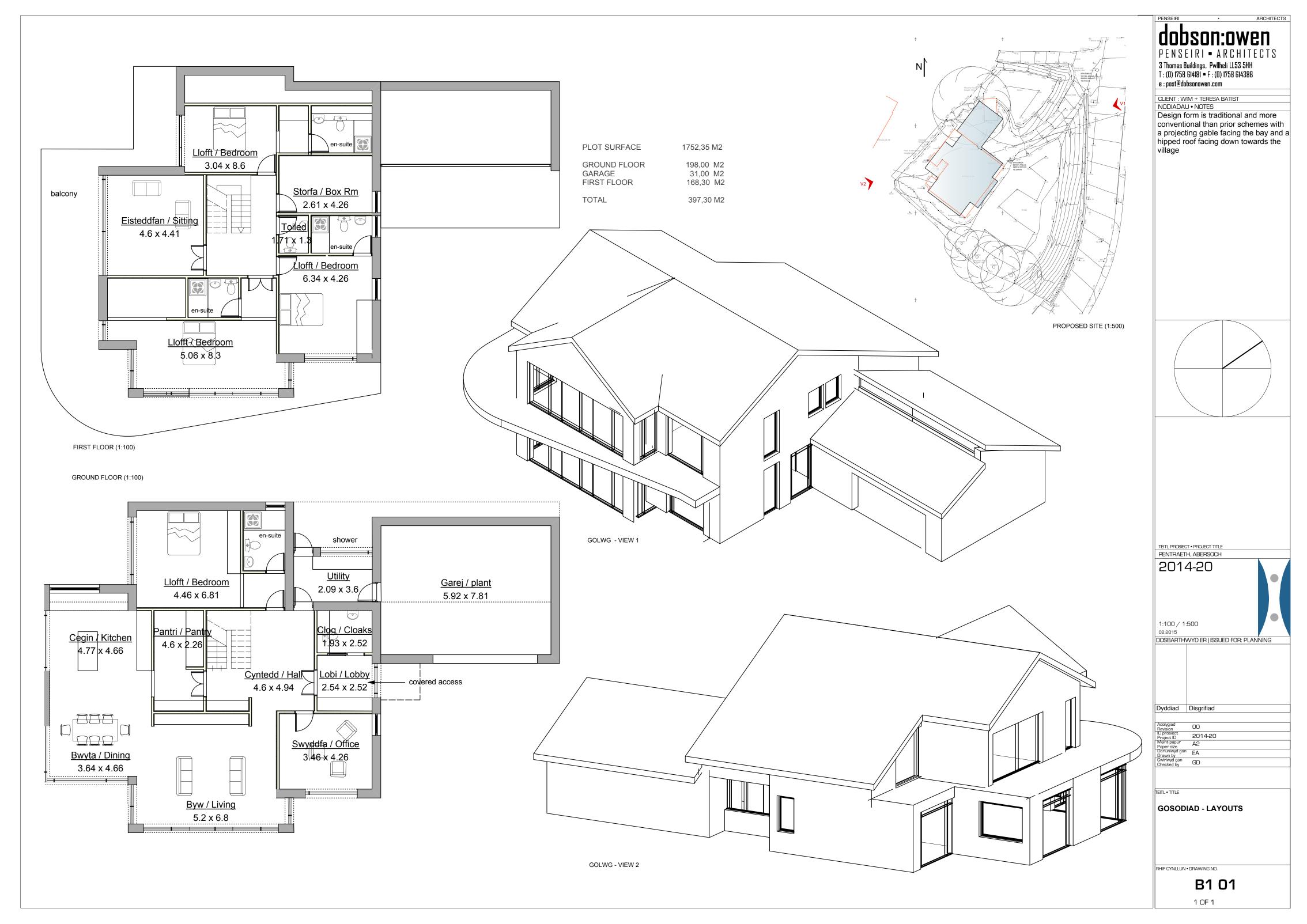
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Archaeological Trial Trenching Report



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SUMMARY

This report sets out the results of a programme of archaeological trial trenching undertaken by Gwynedd Archaeological Trust (GAT) to establish the sites significance prior to any planning decisions being made regarding development of the site. The site is located on a suspected medieval motte (PRN 1239; Castell Abersoch Motte) at Pentraeth, Abersoch (centred on SH 3135 2857). The work was carried out on behalf of Teresa Batist in July 2014.

One trial trench, measuring 5m by 1.5m, was excavated to the north of the existing garage. The natural geology was not encountered within the trench. A number of successive layers of compact sand, sloping gradually down from the northeast to the southwest, were uncovered, which may represent the main construction material for the medieval motte. No dating evidence was recovered within any of these layers.

1 Introduction

This report was commissioned by *Teresa Batist* and forms the report for the archaeological trial trenching carried out as part of the planning process of a proposed extension to a house currently situated on top of a suspected medieval motte (PRN 1239; Castell Abersoch Motte), at Pentraeth, Abersoch (centred on SH 3135 2857) (Figure 1).

A Project Design was prepared (Appendix I) which sets out the legislation framework and planning background in detail. This report has been prepared in accordance with the *Standards and guidance for the collection, documentation, conservation, and research of archaeological materials* specified by the Institute of Field Archaeologists (IFA 2001), as well as the *standard and guidance for Archaeological Field Evaluation* specified by the Institute for Archaeologists (IfA 2008).

2 SITE LOCATION

The site is located within a 0.15ha trapezoidal shaped plot located to the west of Lon Pont Morgan (SH 3135 2857). The residence comprises an L-shaped, two storey property and is located on the site of a suspected medieval motte (PRN 1239; Castell Abersoch Motte).

3 Archaeological Background

Castell Abersoch motte has largely been destroyed by the road construction to the east, the driveway to the north, and the construction of buildings and landscaping on top of, and to the west of the motte. Only the scarp slope to the east and west

survive to any extent. The top measures 110ft from southwest to northeast, and the ditch was 54ft wide, as measured in the 1960's, but these may not represent its original size (Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments, 1964).

Several stone hammers are said to have been found during the construction of the nearby turnpike in the 19th century (Dutton & Gwyn, 1995).

4 AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

As specified in the Project Design (Appendix I) the objective of the archaeological evaluation was to:

- establish the extent to which archaeological remains survive at the site;
- establish the date and nature of archaeological remains at the site and assess their implications for understanding the historical development of the area;
- establish the depth of archaeological remains and the quality, value, and level of preservation of any deposits;
- assess the level of risk any surviving remains may pose to development

5 METHODOLOGY

All works were carried out in accordance with the Project Design for the works (Appendix I) and the GAT standard operating procedures as set out in the GAT fieldwork Manual (*in prep*)).

- The trench measured approximately 5m by 1.5m and was located to the north of the existing garage, within the proposed footprint of the development.
- The trench was excavated by a 1.5 tonne tracked excavator fitted with a toothless ditching bucket, and under the direct supervision of an archaeologist.
- The topsoil and subsoils were kept separate so that they could be re-instated at the end.
- The trench was cleaned by hand, and a written record of the excavations was completed via GAT pro-formas.
- The trench location and levels were surveyed in with the use of a Trimble TSC2 controlled GPS receiver (Trimble R6 Unit) with the results tied into the National Grid.

 A running photographic record was maintained, using a digital SLR camera set to FINE resolution in JPEG format.

6 ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESULTS

6.1 TRENCH 1

Trench 1 was located towards the northern edge of the property, directly to the north of the existing garage (Figure 1). It measured approximately 5m in length by 1.5m wide, and was aligned northeast by southwest (Plate 1). A 0.15m thick layer of topsoil, comprising of a dark greyish brown silty sand (100), was visible sealing a layer of light greyish brown soft sand (101), between 0.4m and 0.6m thick and located at approximately 18.97 AOD. A dog burial was located at the southeastern end of the trench within this layer, which relates to the previous owners occupation (pers. comm. Teresa Batist 30/07/14). This sealed an on average 0.2m thick layer of compact sand and gravel (102) at on average 18.81m AOD, which in turn sealed a light brownish grey soft sand layer (103) at 18.58m AOD. A number of small sea shells were visible within this layer. The northwestern end of the trench was excavated deeper, and a layer of compact greyish brown sand (104) was located underneath layer (103) at 18.48m AOD. Further excavation within this trench was stopped due to the depth and possibility of collapse of sections.

7 Discussion

The results of the trial trenching revealed a number of successive sand deposits sloping down gradually from the southwest to the northeast (Plate 2). The upper compact sand and gravel layer (102) may represent a levelling/ foundation layer that was placed on top of the lower sand deposits prior to the construction of the current property located on the site. Post-medieval white ware pottery was uncovered (not retained) from above the layer above (101), along with the remains a dog which had been buried by the previous owners. The lower sand deposits may represent the main construction material of the medieval motte, however no dating evidence was uncovered from these layers.

8 Conclusions and Recommendations

The successive sand layers uncovered within the evaluation trench may represent the main construction material of the medieval motte. Although mottes are usually construction from earth, the location of this motte close to the shore would mean an abundance of sand for its construction. No evidence for any structures on top of the motte were uncovered during the excavation, although it is possible that remains survive outwith the trenched area. However, the presence of the probable levelling/foundation layer (102) may have removed any evidence of any such structures. The presence of the levelling/ foundation layer, along with the deep layers of sand (>1.2m) and the relatively shallow foundation depths proposed (0.6m) it is unlikely that any possible archaeological remains will be disturbed by the proposed development.

The final decision as to the requirement for further work on the site rests with the Gwynedd Archaeological Planning Service.

9 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The author would like to thank Teresa Batist for commissioning the work and for her help on site. The work on site was carried out by Dave McNicol.

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APPENDIX I: PROJECT DESIGN

PENTRAETH, ABERSOCH

PROJECT DESIGN FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL EVALUATION:

Trial Trenching (G2386)

Prepared for

Teresa Batist

July 2014

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PENTRAETH, ABERSOCH

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1.0 SUMMARY & INTRODUCTION

Gwynedd Archaeological Trust (GAT) has been asked by Teresa Batist to provide a project design for completing an archaeological evaluation within the footprint of a proposed residential extension, located in Abersoch, Gwynedd.

The residential site is located within a 0.15ha trapezoidal shaped plot located to the west of the Lon Pont Morgan (**NGR SH31352857**; Figure 01). The residence comprises an L-shaped two storey property; the proposed extension works include a rear extension that will "square off" the L-shape and a detached double garage extension (replacing the existing single garage).

The property is located on the site of a suspected Medieval motte (Primary Reference Number (PRN): 1239; Castell Abersoch Motte). The motte has been truncated by modern development, with only the scarp slope on the east and south remaining. The residence is positioned on the on the top of the motte.

Due to the presence of the suspected motte, Gwynedd Archaeological Planning Services (GAPS) has requested that an archaeological evaluation is undertaken to establish the site's significance prior to any planning decisions are made regarding development (GAPS email correspondence to Teresa Batist, 08/5/14). In response to this, GAT has proposed opening a 5.0m long and 1.5m wide trench at the location of the garage extension footprint; GAT has agreed with GAPS that an evaluation trench is not practical at this time within the rear extension zone due to presence of domestic services (*pers. comm.* Jenny Emmett 11/07/14). The proposed methodology is included in para. 3.0.

This design has been produced in accordance with the guidelines specified in the Institute for Archaeologists Standard and Guidance for Archaeological Evaluation (1994, rev. 2001 & 2008). GAPS will need to approve the content of this design prior to undertaking any site work, in accordance with these guidelines.

2.0 METHOD STATEMENT

2.1 Introduction

The evaluation trench will aim to address the following:

- Establish the extent to which archaeological remains survive at the site
- Establish the date and nature of archaeological remains at the site and assess their implications for understanding the historical development of the area
- Establish the depth of archaeological remains and the quality, value and level of preservation of any deposits
- Assess the level of risk any surviving remains may pose to development

The evaluation trench will be centred on SH31352858, located to the immediate north of the existing garage, within a lawned area beneath a tree canopy.

The trench will measure 5.0m in length and 1.5m in width. Evaluation depth will be determined by the limit of development depth, the archaeological horizon (if encountered) or the glacial horizon, whichever is encountered first. The trench will be excavated by a tracked 360° excavator (3-tonne), fitted with a toothless bucket.

Before trial trenching commences an agreed programme of surface re-instatement and health and safety protection measures will be agreed with Teresa Batist and GAT.

Please note that the trench will be located beneath a tree canopy; GAT will not seek to disturb substantial tree roots and will advise all parties should the quantity of tree roots affect the scope of works. If roots are encountered, it is proposed that the trench is relocated and/or extended to the east in order to meet the objectives of the evaluation. The extension and/or relocation would measure an additional 5m in length.

If encountered, all identified features/contexts (including deposits and surfaces) will be manually cleaned and examined to determine extent, function, date and relationship to adjacent features/contexts. Limited excavation will be undertaken to characterise any features/contexts: this strategy will be based on feature type and include an initial 50% sample of sub-circular features and 10% sample of linear features, as well as targeted investigation of encountered deposits and surfaces. Any identified archaeological features will be left in situ and covered over and an appropriate further works strategy will be proposed by GAT as a next stage and defined in a project design to be approved by GAPS.

Where appropriate, samples for specialist analyses will be taken.

All attendances and identified features/contexts will be recorded using GAT pro-formas and photographed using a digital SLR camera set to JPEG FINE format. The extent of any

identified archaeological activity including artefacts will be located using survey grade (not handheld) GPS with <10cm accuracy (model: *Trimble GNSS/R6/5800*).

- A photographic record will be maintained throughout, using a digital SLR camera set to maximum resolution in JPEG FINE format.
- Any subsurface remains will be recorded photographically, with detailed notations and a measured survey.
- All sections to be drawn at a minimum 1:10 scale
- All plans to be at a minimum 1:20 scale
- Artefacts recovered to be related to their contexts, by three-dimensional recording when closely dateable/typologically distinct items are found.

2.1.1 Environmental Samples (Ecofacts)

The identification and recovery of environmental samples will be subject to the identification of relevant archaeological deposits, including sealed charcoal-rich deposits and waterlogged deposits. Samples may also be taken for the identification of small animal bones and small artefacts. The recovery of samples will be discussed in advance with GAPS as part of the monitoring process.

2.1.2 Human Remains

Any finds of human remains will be left *in-situ*, covered and protected, and both the coroner and GAPS, the client and landowner informed. If removal is necessary it will take place under appropriate regulations and with due regard for health and safety issues. In order to excavate human remains, a licence is required under Section *25* of the Burials Act 1857 for the removal of any body or remains of any body from any place of burial. This will be applied for should human remains need to be investigated or moved.

2.1.3 Collection and disposal strategy for artefacts

The collection and disposal strategy for all recovered artefacts will be discussed in advance with GAPS as part of the monitoring process. All recovered artefacts are the property of the landowner (Teresa Batist); however, it is GAT policy to recommend that all artefacts are donated to an appropriate museum where they can receive specialist treatment and study. GAT requests that access to recovered artefacts is granted to GAT by the landowner for a reasonable period to allow for analysis and for study and publication as necessary, as part of the post-excavation programme of works. All finds would be treated according to advice

provided within *First Aid for Finds* (Rescue 1999). GAT staff will undertake initial identification on site, but additional advice will be sought from relevant specialists nominated by GAT and approved by GAPS as part of the monitoring process.

According to the *Treasure Act* 1996, the following types of finds are not treasure:

- Objects whose owners can be traced.
- Unworked natural objects, including human and animal remains, even if they are found in association with treasure.
- Objects from the foreshore which are not wreck.

According to the *Treasure Act* 1996, the following are identified as Treasure under the Act:

- Objects other than coins any object other than a coin provided that it contains at least 10% gold or silver and is at least 300 years old when found.
- Coins all coins from the same find provided they are at least 300 years old when found (if the coins contain less than 10% gold or silver there must be at least 10. Any object or coin is part of the same find as another object or coin, if it is found in the same place as, or had previously been left together with, the other object. Finds may have become scattered since they were originally deposited in the ground. Single coin finds of gold or silver are not classed as treasure under the 1996 Treasure Act.
- Associated objects any object whatever it is made of, that is found in the same place as, or that had previously been together with, another object that is treasure.
- Objects that would have been treasure trove any object that would previously have been treasure trove, but does not fall within the specific categories given above.
 These objects have to be made substantially of gold or silver, they have to be buried with the intention of recovery and their owner or his heirs cannot be traced.

All finds of treasure must be reported to the coroner for the district within fourteen days of discovery or identification of the items. Items declared Treasure Trove become the property of the Crown, on whose behalf the National Museums and Galleries of Wales acts as advisor on technical matters, and may be the recipient body for the objects.

The National Museums and Galleries of Wales will decide whether they or any other museum may wish to acquire the object. If no museum wishes to acquire the object, then the Secretary of State will be able to disclaim it. When this happens, the coroner will notify the occupier and landowner that he intends to return the object to the finder after 28 days unless he receives no objection. If the coroner receives an objection, the find will be retained until the dispute has been settled.

2.2 MONITORING ARRANGEMENTS

The GAPS Archaeologist will need to be informed of the start date and of the subsequent progress and findings. This will allow the GAPS Archaeologist time to arrange monitoring visits and attend site meetings (if required) and enable discussion about the need or otherwise for any additional phases of work if features of potential archaeological significance are encountered.

2.3 PROCESSING DATA, ILLUSTRATION, REPORT AND ARCHIVING

Following the completion of the fieldwork, the data will be processed, final illustrations will be compiled and a report will be produced which will detail and synthesise the results. Location drawings and a sample of relevant photographs will be used to illustrate the report.

A full archive including plans, photographs, written material and any other material resulting from the project will be prepared. All plans, photographs and descriptions will be labelled and cross-referenced, and lodged in an appropriate place (to be decided in consultation with the regional Historic Environment Record) within six months of the completion of the fieldwork (which is currently scheduled in July 2014). All digital data will be written to optical media and stored with the paper archive.

- A digital report will be provided to GAPS;
- A digital report and archive on optical disc will be provided to Historic Environment Record, Gwynedd Archaeological Trust; this will be submitted within six months of report completion
- A digital report and archive on optical disc will be provided to Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments, Wales.
- A paper report(s) plus digital report(s) will be provided to the client

The copyright and ownership of the paper and digital archive from archaeological work will rest with the originating body (GAT).

3.0 STAFF & TIMETABLE

3.1 STAFF

The project will be supervised by John Roberts, Principal Archaeologist at GAT (Contracts Section). The work will be carried out by 1No Project Archaeologist.

3.2 TIMETABLE

The current GAT programme is:

• Fieldwork: w/e 18/07/14; duration – 1 site day

4.0 HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Trust subscribes to the SCAUM (Standing Conference of Archaeological Unit Managers) Health and Safety Policy as defined in **Health and Safety in Field Archaeology** (1999).

The GAT Project Archaeologist wills be CSCS certified. Copies of the site specific risk assessment will be supplied to the client and landowner prior to the start of fieldwork.

5.0 BIBLIOGRAPHY

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APPENDIX II: CONTEXT REGISTER

Context No	Area	Туре	Description
100 Trench 1 Topsoil Greyish brown sandy silt, 0.15m thick		Greyish brown sandy silt, 0.15m thick	
101 Trench 1 Layer		Layer	Light sandy grey soft sand, 0.6m thick max.
103 Trench 1 Layer Light sandy gre		Layer	Brownish grey compact sand and gravel, 0.2m thick
		Layer	Light sandy grey soft sand, 0.1m thick
		Layer	Compact greyish brown sand

APPENDIX III: PHOTOGRAPHIC REGISTER

Frame	Description	View from		
1	Trench location – pre-ex	NE		
2	Trench location – pre-ex	E		
3	3 Trench location – pre-ex			
4	4 General view of motte/ drive entrance			
5	5 General view of motte/ drive entrance			
6	6 Trench 01 post-ex			
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Figure 1: Site and Trench Location



Plate 01: Trench 1 Post-Excavation. View from the southwest.



Plate 02: South Facing Section of Trench 1.





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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Client

Datrys were instructed by Mrs T Batist to carry out a Ground Investigation in connection with the proposed development of a new dwelling at Pentraeth, Abersoch; National Grid Reference SH 31352 28570 (Figure 1).



Figure 1. Location of Pentraeth (red box) in Abersoch relative to local towns and villages (OS map)

This report is produced in response to that instruction and is based on results from ground investigation carried out by Strata Renewables and Celtest.

The objective of the investigation was to obtain information on the ground conditions and soil properties for use in the design of new foundations at the site.

The ground investigation was carried out in accordance with the relevant standards below for ground investigations.

- British standards Institute (1999) BS 5930:1999, Code of practise for site investigations. Incorporating Amendment No.2:2010 as partially replaced by
- BS EN 1997-2:2007: Eurocode 7. Geotechnical design. Ground investigation and testing



2. SITE DESCRIPTION

2.1 Location

Pentraeth is situated within the seaside town of Abersoch, North Wales. The site is located adjacent to the A499.

2.2 Proposal

The proposal relates to the demolition of the existing dwelling and the construction of a new two storey dwelling in its place.



3. SITE GEOLOGY

- 3.1 The published British Geological Survey (BGS) map shows the site is underlain by:
 - Superficial Geology: blown sands and marine beach deposits.
 - Bedrock Geology: -is the Bach Formation which is a mudstone and sandstone. Sedimentary bedrock formed approximately 467 to 479 million years ago in the Ordovician Period. Local environment previously dominated by shallow seas.



4. FIELDWORK

4.1 The initial fieldwork of dynamic probing was carried out on the 8th of June 2015 and consisted of 7 No Dynamic probes to 5m depth below existing ground surface level (**Appendix A**). Due to the poor ground conditions encountered it was necessary to conduct further investigation in order to determine a suitable bearing stratum. On the 20th of July 2015 Strata Renewables carried out 2 No Cable percussion boreholes to 12.5m below existing ground surface level (**Appendix B**).



5. SUMMARY OF GROUND CONDITIONS

5.1 The cable percussion boreholes revealed the following sequence of strata:

MADE GROUND: - mixture of sandy gravel and gravelly clay to a depth of 4.2m below existing ground level.

SANDY GRAVEL:- Brown fine to coarse sandy gravel, gravel is angular to sub angular.

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BEDROCK: - Angular grey gravel, gravel is mudstone

Groundwater was not encountered in any of the Boreholes.



6. DISCUSSION & RECOMMENDATIONS

The desk study revealed that the site had been utilised as a Motte which is a historical fortification. The site was then utilised for residential purposes in the 1950's and therefore extremely unlikely to have been contaminated. However the Motte fortification was constructed from local drift deposits and contains significant depths of made ground. The existing dwelling to be demolished was observed to have many structural defects due to inadequate foundations and poor ground conditions

The results of the dynamic probe investigation indicated that a competent bearing stratum could not be found between 0-5 m below ground level. The dynamic probe tests indicated extremely poor ground down around 2.5m and again at 4m possibly indicating the depth of made ground. Due to poor ground conditions found by the dynamic probe results it was necessary to obtain further information of the ground conditions at greater depth by way of cable percussion boreholes. The borehole investigation revealed that the site is underlain by a mixture of gravelly sand and sandy clay to a depth of 12.65m . **Appendix C** contains a cross section demonstrating the likely depth of the foundation in relation to the proposed plans.

Based on the findings of the ground investigation. We recommend the following:

- Foundations are to be piled down to the level of weathered bedrock with minimum 1000mm socket.
- Class DC-1 sulphate resistant concrete to be used.
- Ground floor slab to be designed and detailed as suspended construction e.g beam and block



APPENDIX A



Dynamic Probe Test Results

Pentraeth, Abersoch

FACTUAL REPORT

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1.0 Introduction

Following your instructions six (6) dynamic probe tests were carried out using a 90° cone in accordance with BS 1377: Part 9: clause 3.2: 1990 to determine the Dynamic Probe resistance of the underlying material.

The SPT 'N' Values have been calculated using formulas published by Card & Roche.

NOTE: The SPT 'N' values should be used as guidelines only.

Site Address: Pentraeth, Abersoch

Date of Test: 08/06/2015

Weather Conditions: Dry

Tested By: Mr lestyn Pritchard & Mr Gareth Owen

This report was prepared by:

Miss Sianni Morgan

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2.0 Location Plan Not provided

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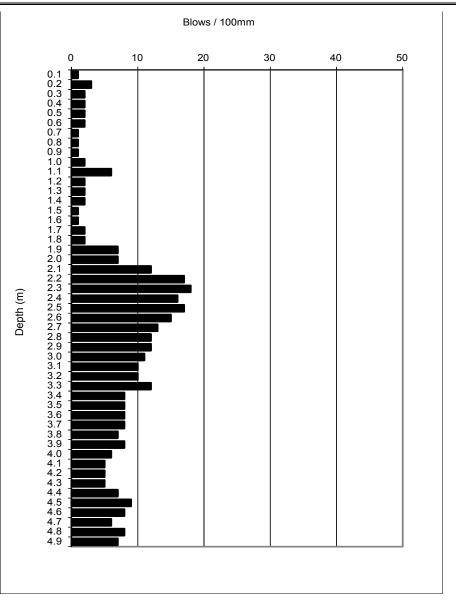
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3.0 Test Results

3.1 - Location 1 - DP1

LOCATION ON SITE : Test 1	
HAMMER TYPE/MASS: Heavy/50Kg	STANDARD DROP: 500mm
CONE TYPE/DIAMETER: 90°/43mm Ø	ROD TYPE/MASS : 6Kg/32mm Ø
DAMPER USED : NO	CONE LEFT BEHIND : NO
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1.6 1.7 1.8	1 2 2	3.3
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2.2 2.3 2.4	17 18 16	34.0
2.5 2.6 2.7	17 15 13	30.0
2.8 2.9 3.0	12 12 12 11	23.3
3.1 3.2 3.3	10 10 10	21.3
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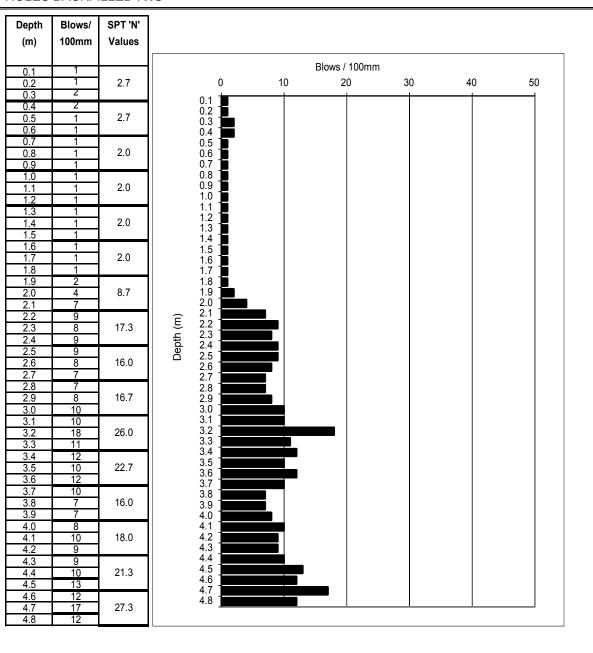




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3.2 - Location 2 - DP2

LOCATION ON SITE : Test 2	
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CONE TYPE/DIAMETER: 90°/43mm Ø	ROD TYPE/MASS : 6Kg/32mm Ø
DAMPER USED : NO	CONE LEFT BEHIND : NO





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3.3 - Location 3 - TP3

LOCATION ON SITE : Test 3	
HAMMER TYPE/MASS: Heavy/50Kg	STANDARD DROP: 500mm
CONE TYPE/DIAMETER: 90°/43mm Ø	ROD TYPE/MASS : 6Kg/32mm Ø
DAMPER USED : NO	CONE LEFT BEHIND : NO

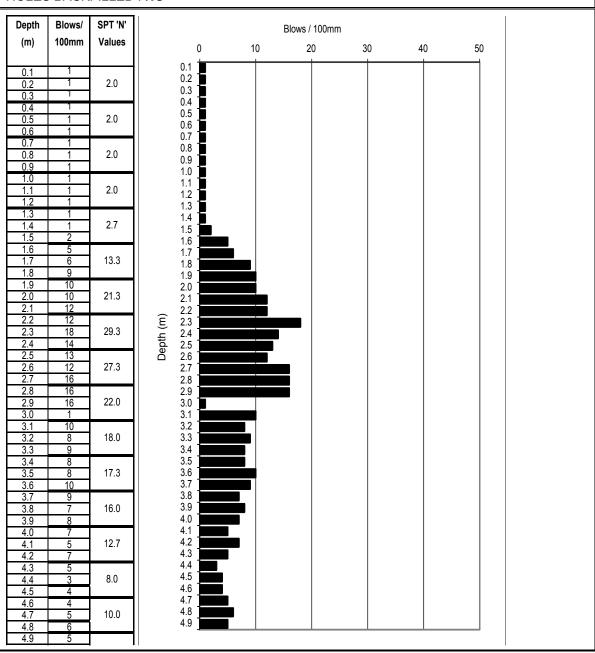
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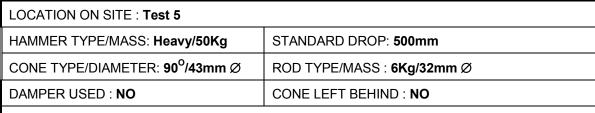
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CONE TYPE/DIAMETER: 90°/43mm Ø	ROD TYPE/MASS : 6Kg/32mm Ø
DAMPER USED : NO	CONE LEFT BEHIND : NO

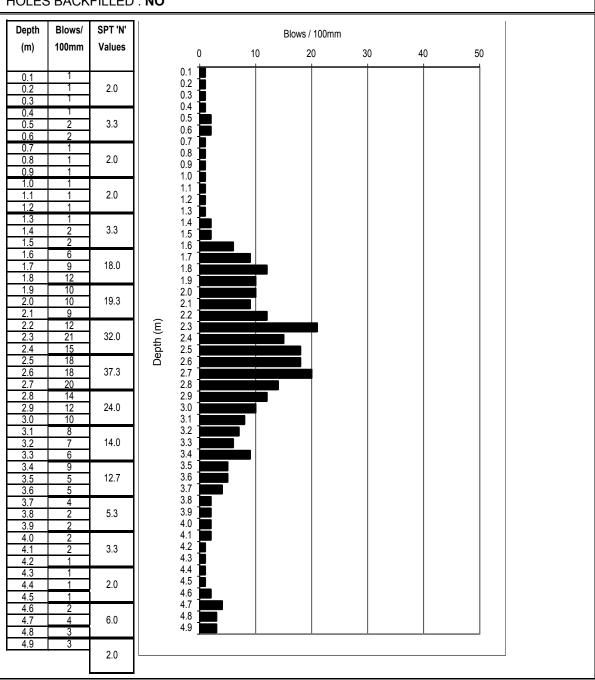




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3.5 - Location 5 - TP5







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3.6 - Location 6 - DP6

LOCATION ON SITE : Test 6	
HAMMER TYPE/MASS: Heavy/50Kg	STANDARD DROP: 500mm
CONE TYPE/DIAMETER: 90°/43mm Ø	ROD TYPE/MASS : 6Kg/32mm Ø
DAMPER USED : NO	CONE LEFT BEHIND : NO

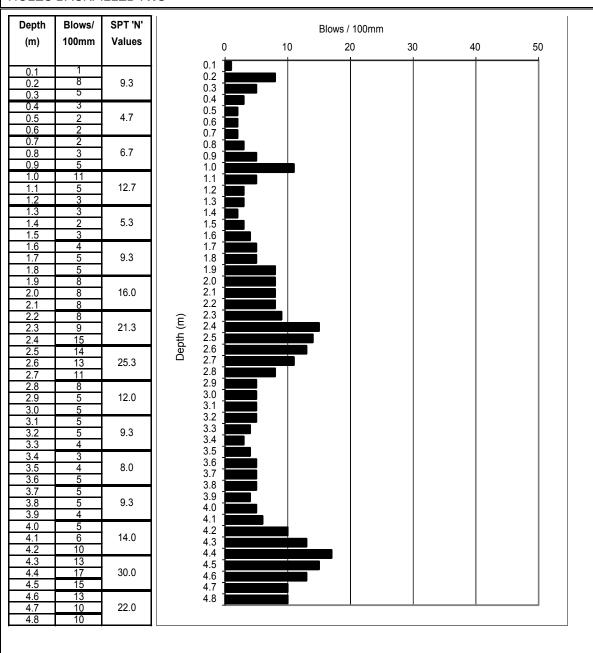
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3.7 - Location 7 - DP7

LOCATION ON SITE : Test 7	
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CONE TYPE/DIAMETER: 90°/43mm Ø	ROD TYPE/MASS : 6Kg/32mm Ø
DAMPER USED : NO	CONE LEFT BEHIND : NO





APPENDIX B

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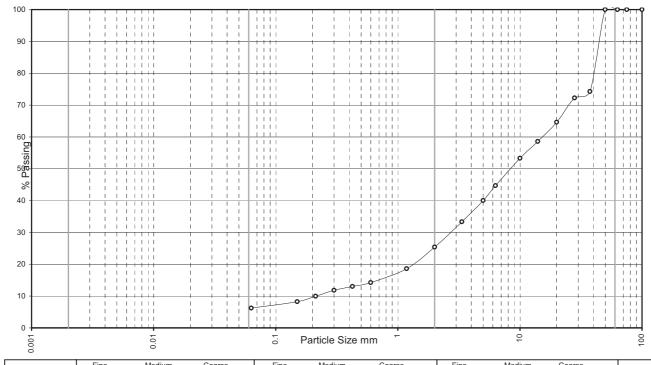
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													Cat Survey YES/NO/BY OTHERS Hours									
		Signed				Drî	Ner			·····	C	lients F	Represe	ntativ	e	Stand	dpipe/Piezometex* YES/NO/BY OTHERS Hours					
SYMBO	ILS : S-SH	ELL A-AU	GER Cb-CE	IISEL CC-C	CUTTER	U-U100 SAM	PLE P-PIS	TON SAME	LE B-E	ULK SAME	LE D	SMAL	L DIS	TURB	ED S	AMPLE	.E W-WATER SAMPLE					
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PROJECT PENTRAETH, ASERSOCH RIGNO 9 BOREHOLE NO:						
	BOREHOLE No: 2					
JOB NO 241 WEATHER FINE DAYAND DATE 21-7-15 SHEET SER	DAY AND DATE 21-7-15 SHEET SERIAL No.					
CLIENT DRILLER BOREHOLE DIA. DEPTH 150 MM	mir	n/metre				
CLIENTS PROJECT No CASING DIA DEPTH U U	mm/metre					
Samples SPT Blows/75mm Description of Strata						
swo be d	Boring by					
Time Depth of Hole (m) Depth of Casing (m) Depth of Water (m) From to Type/No Label No. Sample Type/No Label No. Sample Type/No Label No. Soil Description	Chisel	Tool				
	Hrs/m					
09-15 1-20 1-20 Nic 1-20 1-65 St 17 1 0-20 1 1 2 4 3 3 Q C At Commencement of Work		5				
09301-20 1-20 1. 1-20 1.65 BI 18 Buik CASS OVER TOP SOIL.						
10-50 2-20 1 2-20 2-65 52 19 0-23 18 3 4 6 9 3/2 50 0-10						
1015 200 2-20 11 2-20 2-65 B2 20 Bulk Looke Squart amount.						
14·35 3·20 3·20 " 3·20 3·65 53 21 0·30 6 7 1 6 7 7 31 1·20						
10:50 3:20 3:20 11 3:20 3:65 B3 22 BUIK SAND + CHANEL WITH CLAY.						
11.10 420 420 " 420 465 54 23 019 1 2 4 2 3 2 11						
11-20 4-20 4-20 4-20 4-65 B4 24 Bulk 450						
11-20 4-20 4-20 4 4-20 4-65 B4 24 Bulk 450 11-50 5-20 5-20 11 5-20 5-65 S5 25 0-15 5 6 5 6 6 23 FINE BROWN SAND.						
12.00 5.20 5.20 11 5.20 5.65 BS 26 BUIK (JAMTER ADDED) SM						
12206-206-201 620665 S6 27 02034776626 SAND+GRAVEL.						
12406-20 6-20 11 860 865 B6 28 Bulk 94						
1-20 7-20 7-20 11 14 142 FINE Brown SAND WITH WERY FINE						
1-40 7-20 7-20 " 7-20 7-65 B7 30 Bulk C. MUZ.						
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2.40 8.20 8.20 8.20 8.65 BB 32 Bulk SAND + GrAVEL. 384 9.20 9.20 11 9.20 9.65 S9 33 0.22 1 2 4 3 3 4 14						
320 9-20 9-20 PAMP 9-20 9-65 B9 34 Bulk. 1160						
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4.15 10.20 10.20 11 10.20 10.65 BIO 36 BULK						
4-40 1120 11-20 11 11-20 11-65 511 37 0-18 6 8 8 7 10 16 41						
4-55 11-20 11-20 11 11-20 11-65 BIL 38 BULK						
5-30 12-30 12-30 12-4 12-20 12-65 512 39 0-24 88 9 9 8 9 35						
Quantities D B W U SPT						
Remarks: Standing Time, Dayworks, Breakdowns, Addition of Water, Field Tests, Grouting Backfilling Site Hours From To Total Hours						
Inspection Pit Size. * Complete an appropriate sheet for inspection pit, piezometer, field test. ARRUE ON SITE 07.20 Boring/sampling Depth from To Hours Moving between boreholes Hours	Delays					
DIG PIT 40 HIN. 08:00 BACK DIGS FOR BROOKFAST. Moving between boreholes Hours						
Inspection Pit* YES/NO/BY OTHERS Hours SIZE	-					
Cat Survey YES/NO/BY OTHERS Hours		•				
Signed Clients Representative Standpipe/Piezometer* YES/NO/BY OTHERS Hours						
SYMBOLS: S-SHELL A-AUGER Ch-CHISEL CC-CUTTER U-U100 SAMPLE P-PISTON SAMPLE B-BULK SAMPLE D-SMALL DISTURBED SAMPLE W-WATER SAMPLE	DISTURBED SAMPLE W-WATER SAMPLE					

Borehole No BH01 Sample B 1 Depth: 1.20 m

Particle Size Distribution BS1377 :1990 Part 2
Test 9.2 Wet Sieving, 9.4 Sedimentation - Pipette Method



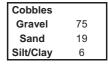
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ı	CLAY		SILT			SAND			GRAVEL		COBBLES	
	<u> </u>	0.002	0.006	0.02	0.06	0.2	0.6	2.0	6.0	20	60	
ı												
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SAMPLE DESCRIPTION

MADEGROUND (light brown fine-coarse sandy fine-coarse angular sub-angular GRAVEL)

Sieve Size	%
mm	Passing
125	100
100	100
75	100
63	100
50	100
38	74
28	72
20	65
14	59
10	53
6.30	45
5	40

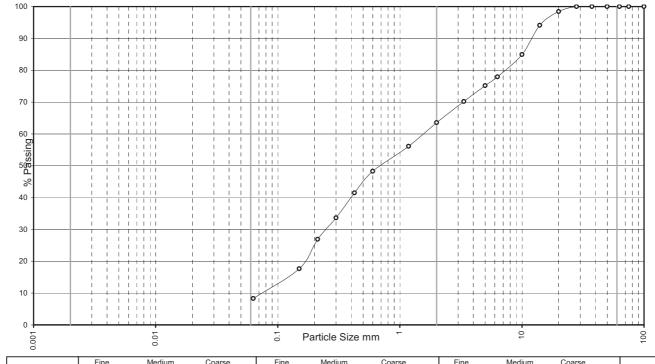
Sieve Size	%
mm	Passing
3.35	33
2	25
1.18	19
0.6	14
0.425	13
0.3	12
0.212	10
0.15	8
0.063	6





Borehole No BH01 Sample B 6 Depth: 6.20 m

Particle Size Distribution BS1377 :1990 Part 2
Test 9.2 Wet Sieving, 9.4 Sedimentation - Pipette Method



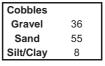
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CLAY		SILT			SAND			GRAVEL		COBBLES
J	0.002	0.006	0.02	0.06	0.2	0.6	2.0	6.0	20	60

SAMPLE DESCRIPTION

Brown fine-coarse SAND and GRAVEL gravel is angular sub-angular

Sieve Size	%
mm	Passing
125	100
100	100
75	100
63	100
50	100
38	100
28	100
20	98
14	94
10	85
6.30	78
5	75

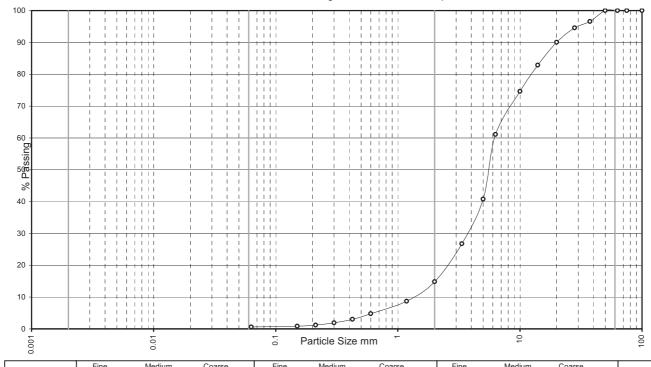
Sieve Size	%
mm	Passing
	_
3.35	70
2	64
1.18	56
0.6	48
0.425	42
0.3	34
0.212	27
0.15	18
0.063	8





BoreholeNo BH01 **Sample** B 11 **Depth**:11.20 m

Particle Size Distribution BS1377 :1990 Part 2
Test 9.2 Wet Sieving, 9.4 Sedimentation - Pipette Method



ı		Fine	Medium	Coarse	Fine	Medium	Coarse	Fine	Medium	Coarse	
CLAY		SILT			SAND			GRAVEL		COBBLES	
ı		0.002	0.006	0.02	0.06	0.2	0.6	2.0	6.0	20	60
ı											

SAMPLE DESCRIPTION

Brown slightly coarse sandy fine-coarse angular sub-angular sub-rounded GRAVEL

Sieve Size	%
mm	Passing
125	100
100	100
75	100
63	100
50	100
38	97
28	95
20	90
14	83
10	75
6.30	61
5	41

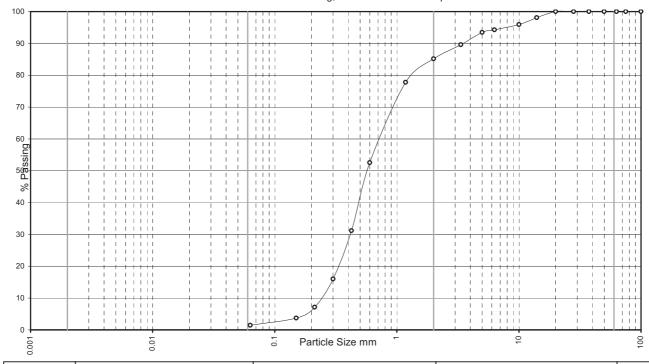
Sieve Size	%
mm	Passing
3.35	27
2	15
1.18	9
0.6	5
0.425	3
0.3	2
0.212	1
0.15	1
0.063	1

Cobbles	
Gravel	85
Sand	14
Silt/Clay	1



BoreholeNo BH01A **Sample** B 12 **Depth**:12.20 m

Particle Size Distribution BS1377 :1990 Part 2
Test 9.2 Wet Sieving, 9.4 Sedimentation - Pipette Method



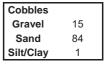
ı		Fine	Medium	Coarse	Fine	Medium	Coarse	Fine	Medium	Coarse	
CLAY		SILT			SAND			GRAVEL		COBBLES	
ı		0.002	0.006	0.02	0.06	0.2	0.6	2.0	6.0	20	60
ı											

SAMPLE DESCRIPTION

Brown slightly fine-coarse gravelly fine-coarse SAND gravel is sub-angular

Sieve Size	%				
mm	Passing				
125	100				
100	100				
75	100				
63	100				
50	100				
38	100				
28	100				
20	100				
14	98				
10	96				
6.30	94				
5	93				

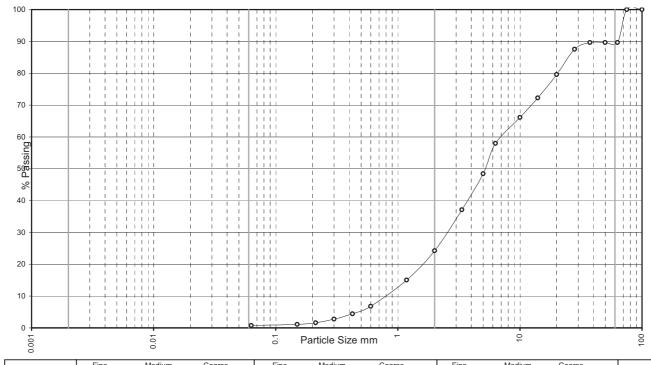
Sieve Size	%
mm	Passing
3.35	90
2	85
1.18	78
0.6	53
0.425	31
0.3	16
0.212	7
0.15	4
0.063	1





Borehole No BH02 Sample B 7 Depth: 7.20 m

Particle Size Distribution BS1377 :1990 Part 2
Test 9.2 Wet Sieving, 9.4 Sedimentation - Pipette Method



ı		Fine	Medium	Coarse	Fine	ivieaium	Coarse	Fine	ivieaium	Coarse		
ı	CLAY		SILT			SAND			GRAVEL		COBBLES	
	<u> </u>	0.002	0.006	0.02	0.06	0.2	0.6	2.0	6.0	20	60	
ı												
		1										

SAMPLE DESCRIPTION

Brown coarse sandy fine-coarse angular sub-angular sub-rounded GRAVEL includes cobbles

Sieve Size	%
mm	Passing
125	100
100	100
75	100
63	90
50	90
38	90
28	88
20	80
14	72
10	66
6.30	58
5	48

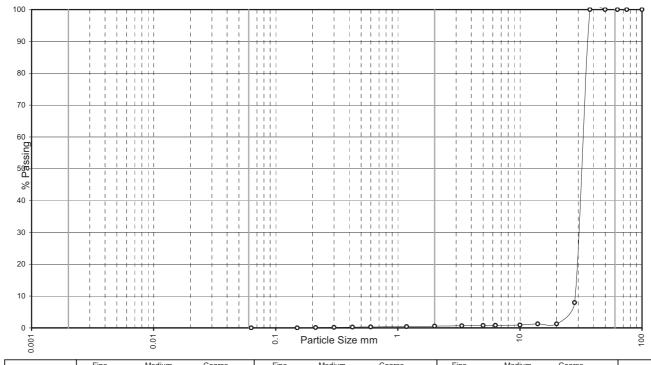
Sieve Size	%
mm	Passing
	_
3.35	37
2	24
1.18	15
0.6	7
0.425	4
0.3	3
0.212	2
0.15	1
0.063	1

Cobbles	10
Gravel	65
Sand	24
Silt/Clay	1



Borehole No BH02 Sample B 12 Depth: 12.20 m

Particle Size Distribution BS1377 :1990 Part 2
Test 9.2 Wet Sieving, 9.4 Sedimentation - Pipette Method



ı		Fine	Medium	Coarse	Fine	Medium	Coarse	Fine	Medium	Coarse	
ı	CLAY		SILT			SAND			GRAVEL		COBBLES
ı		0.002	0.006	0.02	0.06	0.2	0.6	2.0	6.0	20	60
ı											

SAMPLE DESCRIPTION

Grey coarse angular GRAVEL

Sieve Size	%
mm	Passing
125	100
100	100
75	100
63	100
50	100
38	100
28	8
20	1
14	1
10	1
6.30	1
5	1

Sieve Size	%
mm	Passing
3.35	1
2	1
1.18	0
0.6	0
0.425	0
0.3	0
0.212	0
0.15	0
0.063	0

Cobbles
Gravel 99
Sand 1
Silt/Clay



Client: Datrys

Job No.: SRL241

Site Name: Pentraeth Abersoch



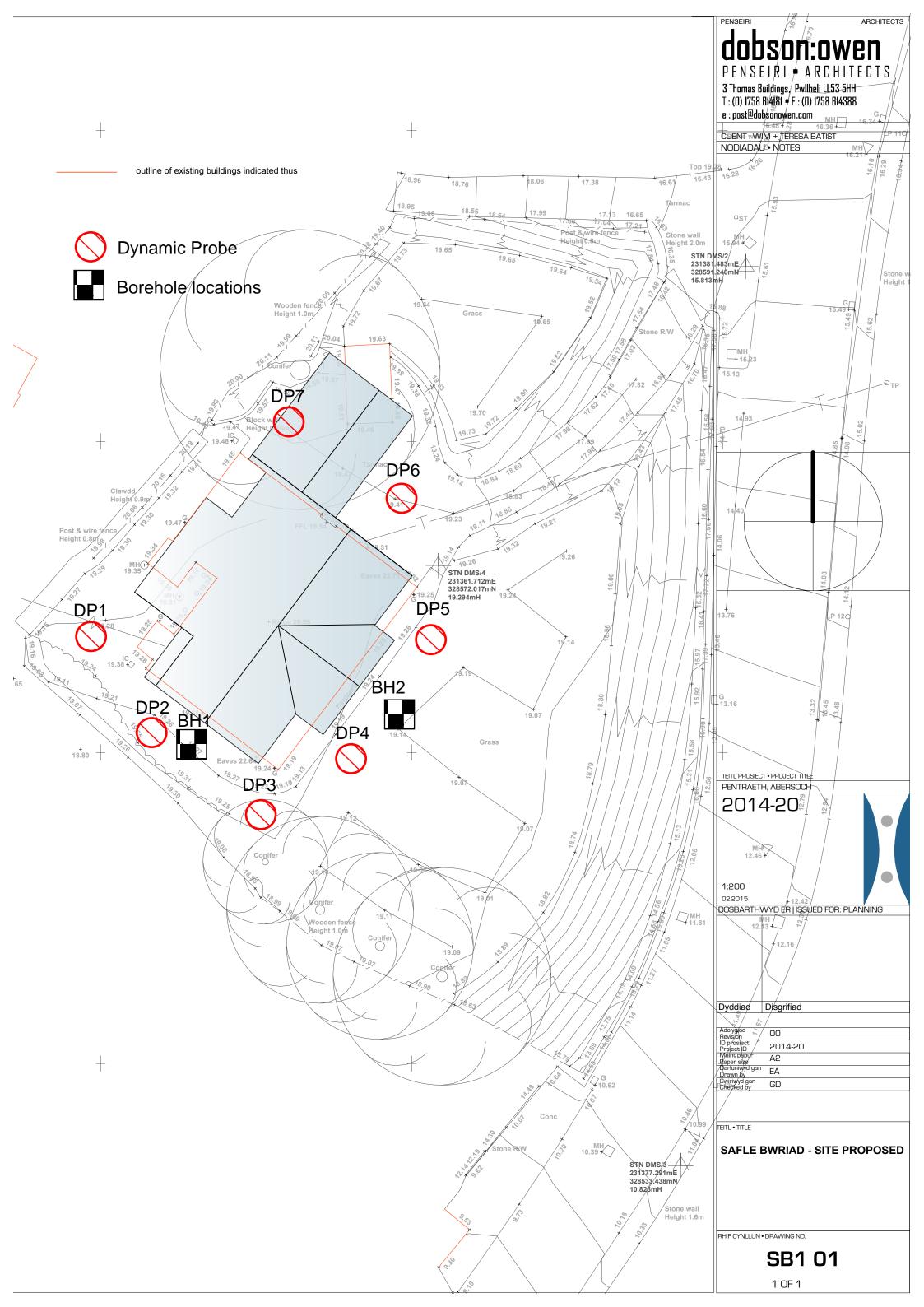
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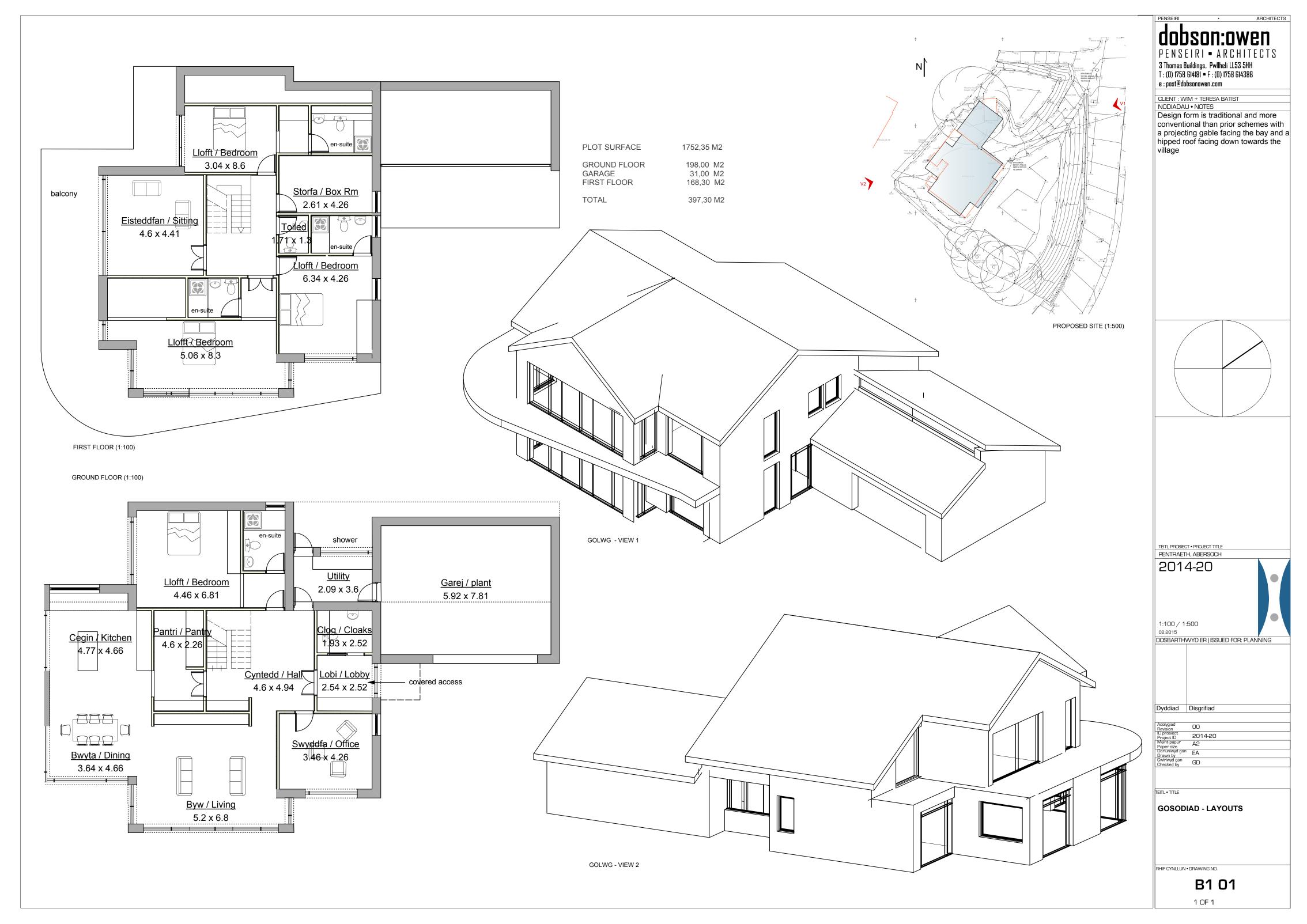
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BH01	B 1	1.20	1.65	MADEGROUND (light brown fine-coarse sandy fine-coarse angular sub-angular GRAVEL)	6.4	0.412	41.15			✓			
BH01	В 6	6.20	6.65	Brown fine-coarse SAND and GRAVEL gravel is angular sub-angular						✓			
BHO1A	B 11	11.20	12.65	Brown slightly coarse sandy fine-coarse angular sub-angular sub-rounded GRAVEL	7.2	0.165	16.46			✓			
BH01A	B 12	12.20	12.65	Brown slightly fine-coarse gravelly fine-coarse SAND gravel is sub-angular						✓			
BH02	B 1	1.20	1.65	MADEGROUND (brown fine-coarse sandy gravelly CLAY gravel is angular sub-angular)	6.7	0.247	24.69						
BH02	B 7	7.20	7.65	Brown coarse sandy fine-coarse angular sub- angular sub-rounded GRAVEL includes cobbles						\			
BH02	B 12	12.20	12.65	Grey coarse angular GRAVEL	6.7	0.329	32.92			✓			

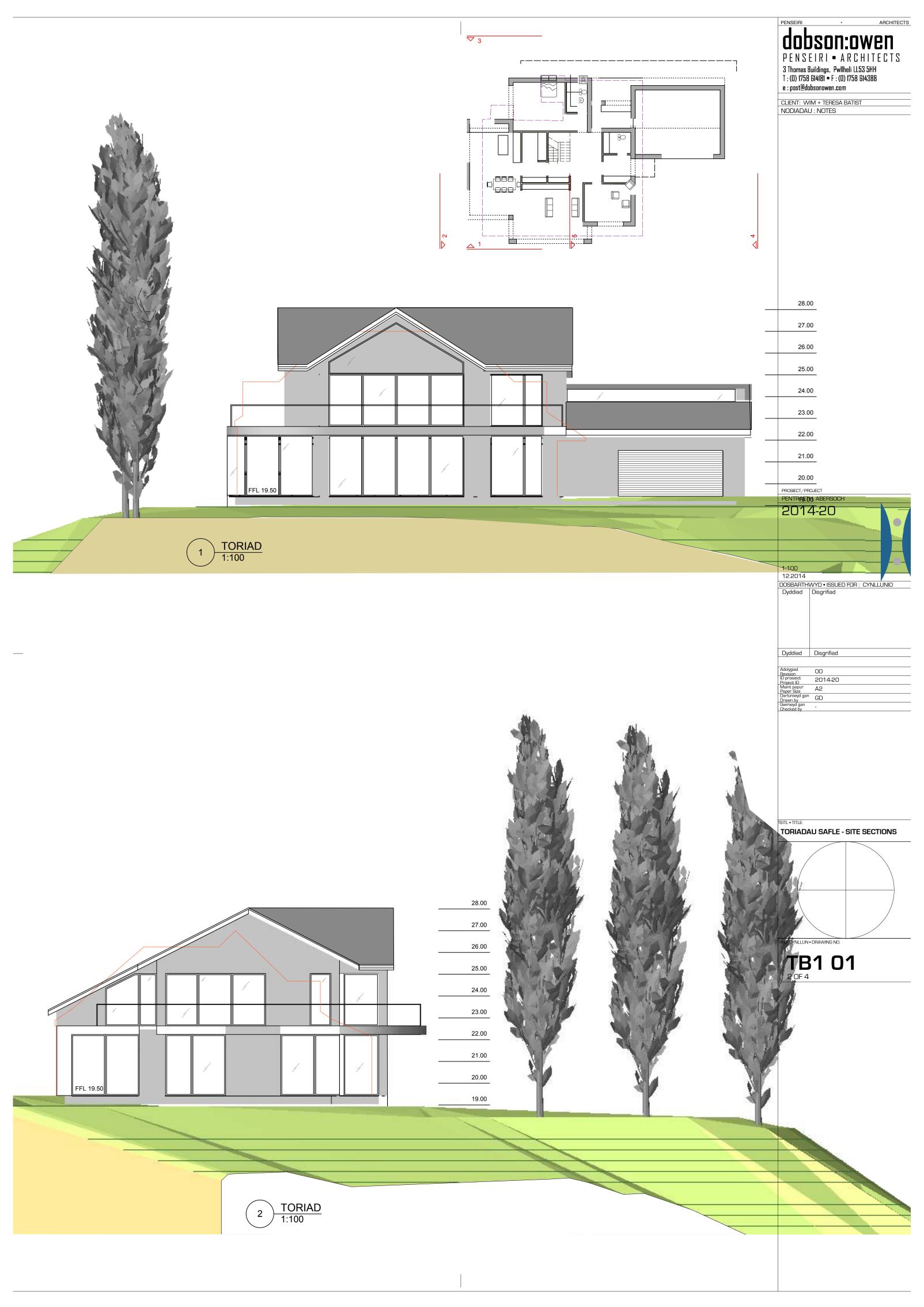


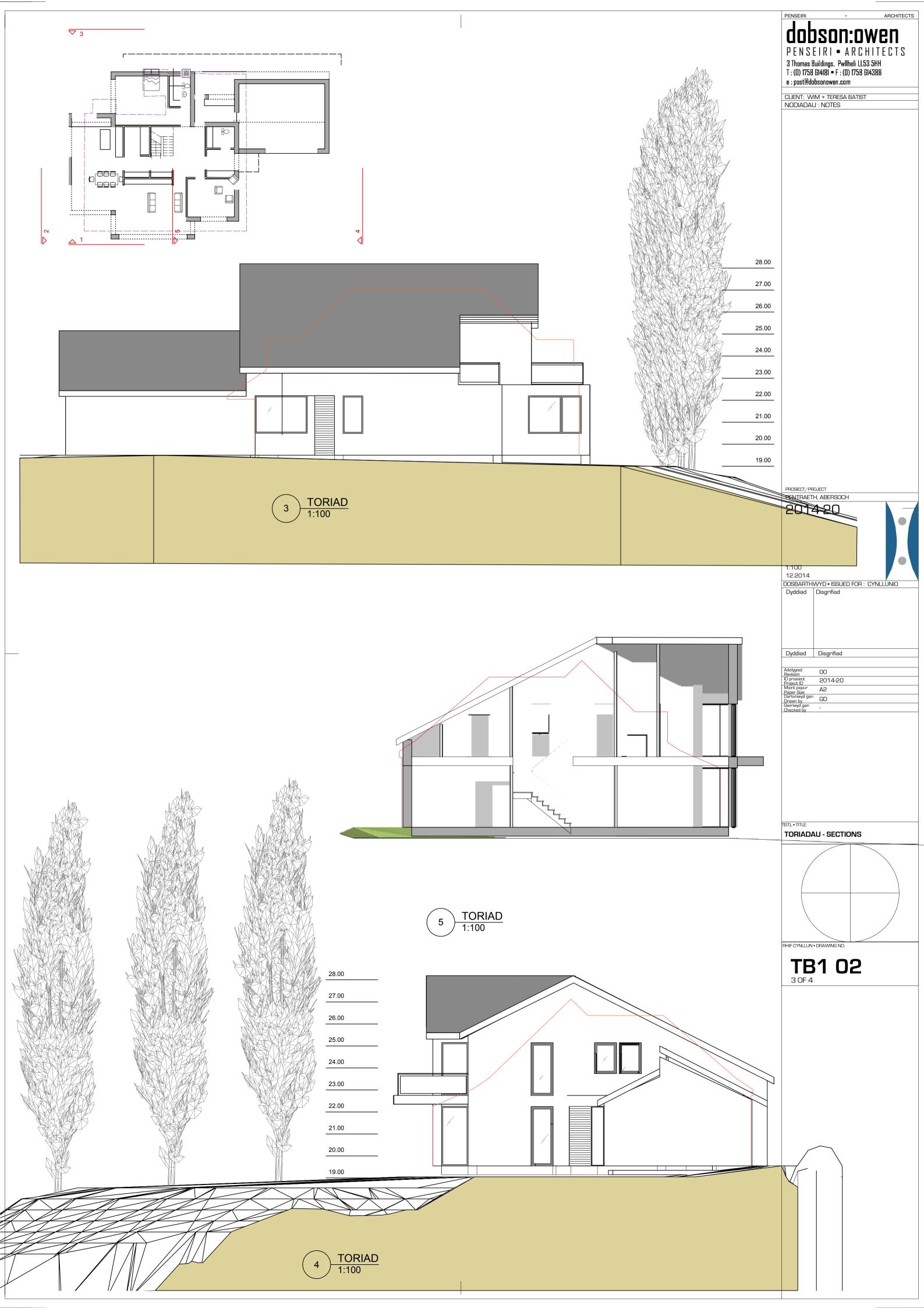


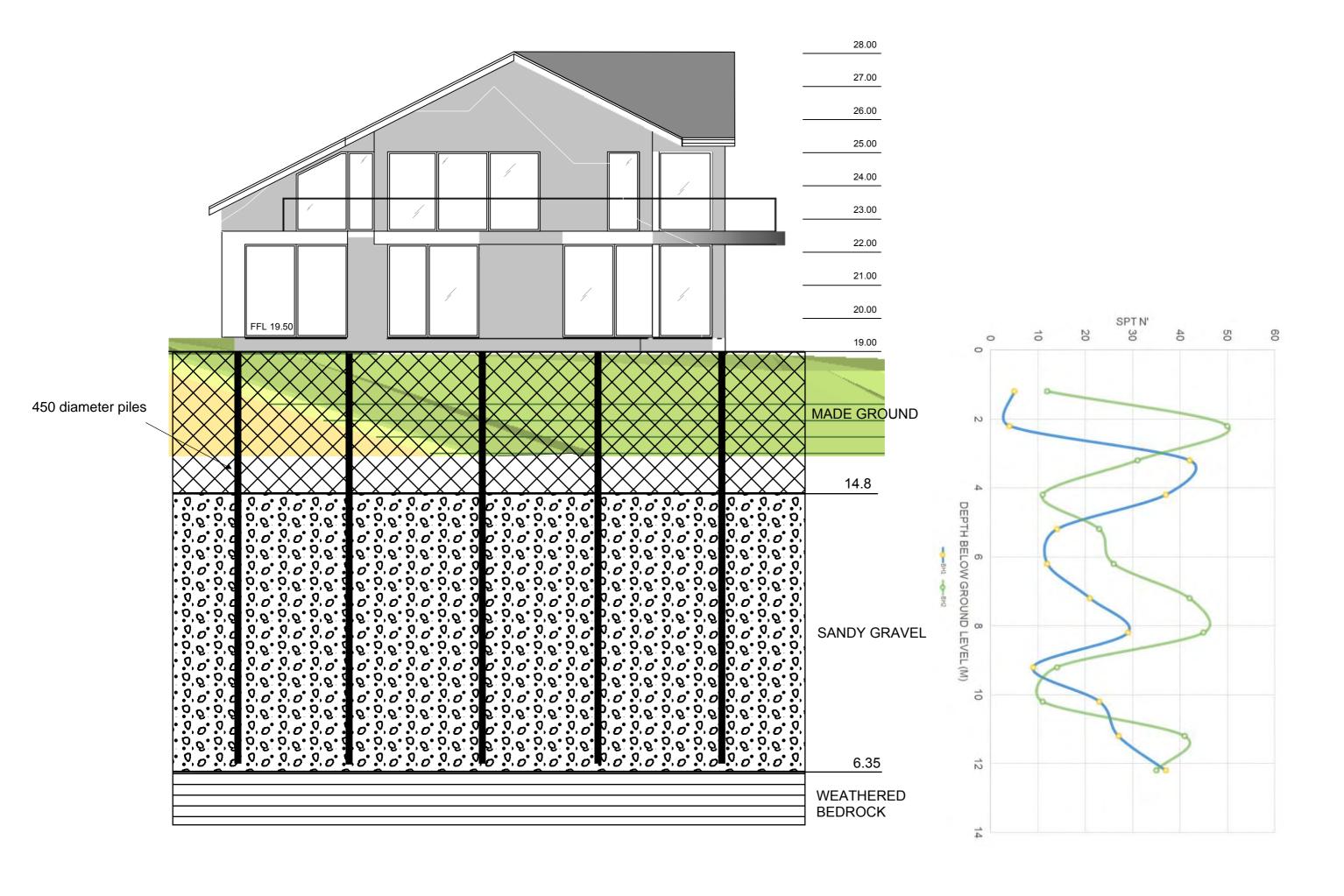
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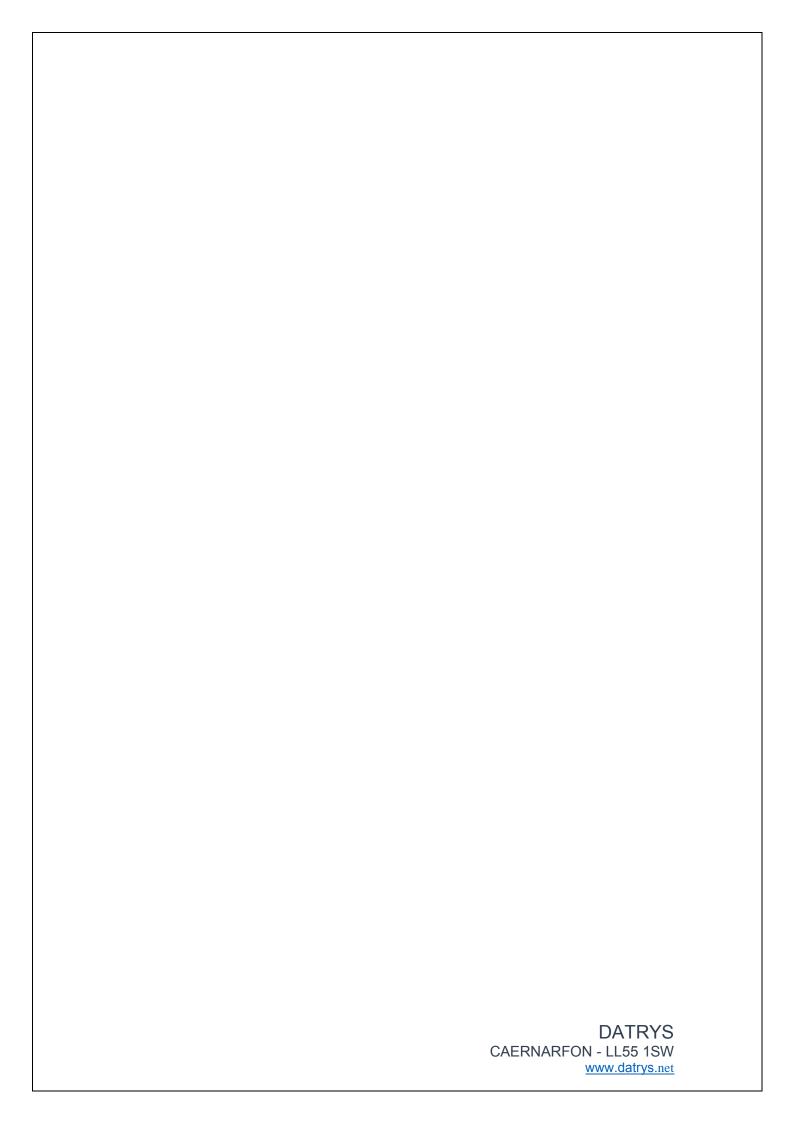












APPENDIX II

Photographic Metadata

		Project			View	Scale			Originating	Originating
File reference	Project name	phase	PRN	Description	from	(s)	Туре	Date	person	organisation
										Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		Pre-ex shot of site				23/11/2015		Archaeological
Abersoch_001	Abersoch	Brief	1239	looking north	S	1 X 1m	Photograph		Stuart Reilly	Trust
				south facing						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		section, edge at				23/11/2015		Archaeological
Abersoch_002	Abersoch	Brief	1239	rear of house	S	1 X 1m	Photograph		Stuart Reilly	Trust
										Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching						23/11/2015		Archaeological
Abersoch_003	Abersoch	Brief	1239	Pre-ex shot of site	E	1 X 1m	Photograph		Stuart Reilly	Trust
										Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching						23/11/2015		Archaeological
Abersoch_004	Abersoch	Brief	1239	Pre-ex shot of site	W	1 X 1m	Photograph		Stuart Reilly	Trust
				Commencement						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		of ground				23/11/2015		Archaeological
Abersoch_005	Abersoch	Brief	1239	reduction	N	-	Photograph		Stuart Reilly	Trust
				Ground reduction						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		with 360 degree				23/11/2015		Archaeological
Abersoch_006	Abersoch	Brief	1239	excavator	NE	-	Photograph		Stuart Reilly	Trust
				South facing						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		section of ground				23/11/2015		Archaeological
Abersoch_007	Abersoch	Brief	1239	reduction	S	1 X 1m	Photograph		Stuart Reilly	Trust
				Gravel						
				concentration at				23/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		eastern end of				23/11/2013		Archaeological
Abersoch_008	Abersoch	Brief	1239	site	NW	1 X 1m	Photograph		Stuart Reilly	Trust
				South facing						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		section of ground				23/11/2015		Archaeological
Abersoch_009	Abersoch	Brief	1239	reduction	S	1 X 1m	Photograph		Stuart Reilly	Trust
				West facing						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		section of ground				23/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_010	Abersoch	Brief	1239	reduction	W	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust

		Project			View	Scale			Originating	Originating
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				General shot of						
				building rubble at						
				a depth of 1.1m,				23/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		and distrubed					Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_011	Abersoch	Brief	1239	patches	W	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
										Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		General view of				23/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_012	Abersoch	Brief	1239	reduced area	NE	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				Working shot						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		showing ground				23/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_013	Abersoch	Brief	1239	reduction	S	-	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				View of south						
				facing section in						
				reduced area				23/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		(temporary					Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_014	Abersoch	Brief	1239	section)	S	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				Removal of tree						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		at NNW corner of				23/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_015	Abersoch	Brief	1239	garage plot area	ENE	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				Removal of tree						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		at NNW corner of				23/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_016	Abersoch	Brief	1239	garage plot area	NE	-	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				Disturbance						
				caused by tree				22/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		bole at north end				23/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_017	Abersoch	Brief	1239	of the site	N	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
										Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		General working				24/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_018	Abersoch	Brief	1239	shot	N	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		West facing				24/11/2015	Robert	Gwynedd
Abersoch_019	Abersoch	Brief	1239	section of garage	W	1 X 1m	Photograph	24/11/2015	Evans	Archaeological

		Project			View	Scale	_		Originating	Originating
File reference	Project name	phase	PRN	Description	from	(s)	Туре	Date	person	organisation
				extension						Trust
				General shot of						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		garage extension				24/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_020	Abersoch	Brief	1239	area	N	-	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				General view of						
				east facing						
				section of garage				24/11/2015		
				area, showing				24/11/2013		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		area where tree					Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_021	Abersoch	Brief	1239	bole removed	E	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				View of south						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		facing area of				24/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_022	Abersoch	Brief	1239	garage extension	S	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				View of access						
				driveway and						
				roadside gate pier				24/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		(possibly to be					Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_023	Abersoch	Brief	1239	removed)	NE	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				General shot						
				from the north						
				post ground				24/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		reduction [gravel					Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_024	Abersoch	Brief	1239	pile in shot]	N	_	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				General shot						
				from the north						
				post ground				24/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		reduction [gravel	WN				Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_025	Abersoch	Brief	1239	pile in shot]	W	_	Photograph		Evans	Trust
-				Detail showing						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		sand make-up				24/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_026	Abersoch	Brief	1239	layer with	SW	_	Photograph		Evans	Trust

		Project			View	Scale			Originating	Originating
File reference	Project name	phase	PRN	Description	from	(s)	Туре	Date	person	organisation
				modern						
				siturbance						
				Detail showing						
				sand make-up						
				layer with				24/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		modern					Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_027	Abersoch	Brief	1239	siturbance	SW	Trowel	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				Oblique shot of						
				east facing edge				24/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		of ground				24/11/2013	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_028	Abersoch	Brief	1239	reduction	NE	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
										Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		General view of				24/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_029	Abersoch	Brief	1239	reduced area	S	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				General view of						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		reduction of				24/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_030	Abersoch	Brief	1239	eastern section	W	-	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				General view of						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		eastern area				24/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_031	Abersoch	Brief	1239	ground reduction	N	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				Oblique view of						
				south facing						
				section of eastern				24/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		portion of ground					Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_032	Abersoch	Brief	1239	strip	SE	1 X 1m	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				General view of						
				reduction works				24/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		showing eastern				2+/11/2013	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_033	Abersoch	Brief	1239	portion	N	-	Photograph		Evans	Trust
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		View from top of				24/11/2015	Robert	Gwynedd
Abersoch_034	Abersoch	Brief	1239	entrance track	SSW	-	Photograph	2-7,11,2013	Evans	Archaeological

		Project			View	Scale			Originating	Originating
File reference	Project name	phase	PRN	Description	from	(s)	Type	Date	person	organisation
				showing erosion						Trust
				of bank by plant						
				General View						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		post site				24/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_035	Abersoch	Brief	1239	reduction	SW	-	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				General View						Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		post site				24/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_036	Abersoch	Brief	1239	reduction	NE	-	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				General view of						
				site on				24/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		completion of site				24/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_037	Abersoch	Brief	1239	ground works	N	-	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				General view of						
				site on				24/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		completion of site				24/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_038	Abersoch	Brief	1239	ground works	S	-	Photograph		Evans	Trust
				General view of						
				site on				24/11/2015		Gwynedd
G2386_Pentraeth,	G2386 Pentraeth,	Watching		completion of site				24/11/2015	Robert	Archaeological
Abersoch_039	Abersoch	Brief	1239	ground works	E		Photograph		Evans	Trust



