# AFON ERWENT, TRAWSCOED UPLAND SURVEY 1993-1994 REPORT AND GAZETTEER



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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Survey work on the Afon Erwent area has been undertaken as part of the Uplands Initiative funded by The Royal Commission on Ancient and Historical Monuments in Wales. It was known that there were several unrecorded sites of archaeological significance in the area, primarily through the offices of Mr David Graham, an independent archaeologist and the owner of Trawscoed. It was anticipated that the project would reveal new sites as well as examining the handful already known.

The gazetteer includes 284 records, some of which contain multiple entries, giving a total of around 350 sites. The majority of sites were small enclosures or building foundations, including round huts, long huts, sheepfolds and shooting butts. There were few field boundaries or cairns outside the modern enclosed zone. Two areas with unusual concentrations of differing site type were identified as being of high priority for further work.

#### 2. THE AREA

The area is located within the County of Gwynedd, Meirionnydd District, and covers part of the Community and former Parish of Llanuwchllyn. It also lies within the boundaries of the Snowdonia National Park, and within one of the Tir Cymen pilot areas. During the Medieval period the area lay within the administrative bounds of the Cantref of Penllyn and the Cwmwd of Penllyn-is-Tryweryn, and it encompasses the Medieval Township of Pennant-Lliw.

## Geology and Soils

The geology of the area is dominated by rock of the Ordovician Aran volcanic group - acid ash flow tuff and Allt Lloyd formation - with igneous intrusions of dolerite and associated intrusion breccias, and quartzite-latite occurring with volcanic sandstone and basic lava tuff in the northern half of the survey area. Much of the area is covered with deposits of peat (between 40 cm and 60 cm in depth). Boulder clays predominate in the upland valley bottoms, such as around the stream system on Ffridd Trawscoed and the lower slopes around Buarthmeini. A pocket of alluvium is located in the valley bottom of the Afon Lliw below Pont Buarthmeini, and one other much smaller one on the same river below Llechwedd Trwsgl. The only recorded extraction of a mineral ore from the immediate area comes from Castell Carndochan (SH84703065), just south-east of the survey area, where gold-bearing black shale (Nant Hir mudstone) was mined during the later part of the nineteenth century.

## **Topography**

The area is approximately five square kilometres, with a high ridge rising to c. 680 m at its northern extremity, a zone of moderately sloping ground with small knolls in the centre and a broad flat-bottomed river valley to the south. The survey area is delineated to the north by the watershed of the Afonydd Erwent, Ceunant Coch, and Dolydd Bychain, to the east by the watershed of the Afon Dylo, the south-western slope of Foel Boeth, and down to and including Bryn Barcut. The southern boundary of the area lies in part along the northern bank of the Afon Lliw and the lower slopes of Craig Dolfudr as far as Craig Boeth to the west, then regains the northern bank of the Afon Lliw as it turns north. Here its western edge is defined by the area of heavy drainage just east of Blaenlliw Isaf and Hendre-blaen Lliw and by a minor stream crossing Cors y Foel at the South East foot of Moel Llyfnant. The area is crossed by two connecting water courses - the Afon Lliw, and one of its major tributaries, the Afon Erwent.

#### Vegetation

The ground in the central and northern zones is largely open peat bog with a covering of mat grass, rushes, and heather, with a component of bog-cotton grass and sphagnum moss in the very poorly-drained areas. There are many streams and also artificial drains cut through the

peat, predominantly in the central and southern areas. It appears that some of the drains are spring fed, while others are probably best interpreted as storm run-off drains. In the southern zone, in particular to the east and around the lower reaches of the Afon Lliw, the land is lower than elsewhere. The vegetation here varies from well-grazed grassland to areas with a dense covering of bracken, scrub woodland and deciduous forest. An area of recently planted commercial softwood forest occupies the slopes of Bryn Barcut. The deep ploughing and subsequent tall growth of ungrazed grass has rendered this area impractical if not impossible to survey.

#### 3. ARCHIVE SEARCH

#### Sources

Information about known sites in the area was obtained from the Gwynedd SMR and Royal Commission records. 1:10,000 maps were also obtained from the SMR, as were recent 1:25000 maps.

A visit to the Dolgellau Archives proved largely fruitless. The Tithe Maps of 1842 were blank for the area, the Tithes for the area all being in the ownership of one estate - that of Sir Watkin Williams Wynn, Glanllyn. Individual details of farms within the area were presumably once contained in the relevant estate records, kept elsewhere. The Archivist mentioned the possibility of relevant material in the Wynnstay Collection held at Ruthin.

The Wynnstay material at the Clwyd County Archives, Ruthin, included a document recording the merger of Tithes in the parish of Llanuwchllyn by Sir Watkin Williams Wynn Baronet in 1847 (Article i), and an OS map at 1:10,560 dating from 1880, with the positions of shooting butts/huts as they existed in 1901 (the revision date) marked on it (map 15).

Nothing of immediate relevance was found at UCNW Archives, apart from an early OS 1 inch to the mile map of 1838. The Archivist, Mr Tomos Roberts, kindly pointed out further avenues of enquiry, including a Catalogue of the Wynnstay material held at the National Library, Aberystwyth. Unfortunately, on enquiry nothing of immediate relevance was located at Aberystwyth.

The Science Library, UCNW, furnished a Geological - Soil map at 1:50,000, and a series of very useful aerial photographs at 1:10,000 were obtained from CCW.

Historical notes, the placenames and their meanings and a list of maps consulted and held on archive is given in the appendices.

#### Sites on the SMR up to 1991

Until 1991 there were only four sites recorded on the SMR within the area, as follows;

PRN	NGR	Description
1661	SH83593229	Stone-built hafod, possibly Medieval
4975	SH83143220	Remains of drystone bridge abutment
4987	SH83403275	Rectangular structure excavated into hillside (no longer visible)
3848	SH81003440 -SH83303312	Roman road between Tomen-y-Mur and Caer Gai

In 1991 the presence of a further seventeen sites was notified to the Trust by David Graham, including clearance cairns, enclosures, sheepfolds, round huts, long huts, burial cairns, and a possible burnt mound.

#### 4. FIELD SURVEY

The field survey was carried out by teams of two systematically walking between 20m and 50m apart. Initially an area between 0.5km square and 1km square was defined and walked, with sites marked on a 1:10000 map extract and on the ground with numbered canes. The intention was to cover the ground rapidly and then return to record the sites as each area was finished. This method had the advantage that sites were visited twice and could be recorded in the context of the other sites in the area, and work was not slowed down when complex features were encountered. However it was found that in areas of open moorland sites tended to be isolated and often poorly defined, and better recorded as they were found; sheep knocked over some canes and occasionally a site could not be relocated on the second run.

Sites were plotted directly onto maps at a scale of 1:5000 within the enclosed zone or where their location could be accurately gauged. In the areas of open moorland the sites were plotted using a total station making reference to field boundaries and fencelines. A single point was taken at the centre of each site. The majority of sites were sketch planned with measurements added.

Sites were recorded onto existing GAT field survey forms, which proved to be largely successful although there was the inherent problem in field archaeology of distinguishing between the *form* and the *function* of a site, and the certainty of the field worker as to the validity of the terms employed. The problem becomes particularly acute in the uplands where there are few diagnostic site types and many variations in between. This leads directly to the problem of dating, which can only be attempted using over simplified and largely unproven typologies. The classic case is of the term *hafodty*, which could be equally applied to long huts, long houses, platform houses, house platforms, rectangular foundations, rectangular structures or possible settlement areas. This problem has now been addressed by including separate fields for levels of certainty and also by making a clear distinction between the physical characteristics of a site and its interpretative type. Rules of entry are being devised to ensure standardisation and to allow cross-referencing and hierarchical searches within the data base. The problem of carrying around the necessary paperwork has been solved by the use of a field computer with a customised database for particular site types and a full glossary of hierarchical descriptive and functional terms.

#### 5. RECOMMENDATIONS

The survey identified a number of sites warranting further work, mainly photographing and planning. Two areas in particular are in need of further survey work, both containing large numbers of different types of site in close proximity. The two areas are centred on SH81653285 and SH82303395, and cover about 10 and 15 hectares respectively. It is estimated that an outline plan of each site to be plotted at a scale of 1:1000 or 1:2500 could be achieved in 5 days with a team of two.

#### 6. DATABASE STRUCTURE

The survey information has been entered onto a simplified data base compatible with the Gwynedd SMR. The structure of the Database is as follows.

Structure for database : A:\TRAWS1.DBF

Number of data records: 284
Date of last update: 10/04/94
Memo field block size: 64

Field	Field Name	Type W	7idth	Dec	Index
1	PRN	Numeric	5		
2	SURVEYNO	Numeric	5		
3	SITENAME	Character	40		
4	SITETYPE1	Character	30		
5	NGR	Character	11		
6	HEIGHT	Numeric	6		
7	NOTES	Memo	10		
** Total **			108		

# 7. SITE LIST

PRN	SURVEYNO	O SITETYPE1	NGR	HEIGHT
1661	48	RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE/S	SH83592339	342
3848	353	ROMAN ROAD	SH83143337	
4975	49	BRIDGE ABUTMENT	SH83143220	
10307	1	ROUND HUT	SH81633281	
10308	2	ROUND HUT ON PLATFORM	SH81643284	
10309	3	SCOOP	SH81643285	
10310	4	PLATFORM	SH81643286	378
10311	5	WALL	SH81663286	378
10312	6	?ROUND HUT, PART OF	SH81653283	370
10313	7	LONG HUT	SH81733287	376
10314	8	ROUND HUT	SH81733286	375
10315	9	ROUND HUT	SH81733288	378
10316	10	LONG HUT	SH81733290	381
10317	11	SCOOP	SH81723290	384
10318	12	?WALL	SH81763290	382
10319	13	?PLATFORM HOUSE	SH81743284	371
10320	14	BANK	SH81723282	370
10321	15	PEAT CUTTING	SH81763271	371
10322	16	?ROUND HUT	SH81673267	365
10323	17	LONG HUT	SH81683263	361
10324	18	?PLATFORM HOUSE	SH81703257	356
10325	19	?ROUND HUT	SH81593263	357
10326	20	?LONG HUT	SH81683270	369
10327	21	PEAT MOUND	SH81713270	371
10328	22	PEAT CUTTING	SH81803272	371
10329	23	PEAT CUTTING	SH81503272	370
10330	24	WALL	SH81913274	370
10331	25	CAVE	SH81923271	361
10332	26	WALL	SH82063286	359
10333	27	ROUND HUT	SH82133285	356
10334	28	PEAT CUTTING	SH82233278	355
10335	29	PEAT CUTTING	SH82263276	352
10336	30	SCOOP	SH81723283	370
10337	31	PLATFORM HOUSE	SH81753283	370
10338	32	SCOOP	SH81703286	378
10339	33	HUT ANNEXE	SH81683285	375
10340	34	?MILL SITE	SH81673283	372
10341	35	WALL	SH81583283	371
10342	36	WALL	SH81583280	366
10343	37	ROUND HUT	SH81593287	382
10344	38	ROUND HUT	SH81683286	376
10345	39	CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH81703286	374
10346	40	LONG HUT	SH81803288	378
10347	41	?ROUND HUT	SH81803290	379

PRN	SURVEYNO	O SITETYPE1	NGR	HEIGHT
10348	42	CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH81843290	375
10349	43	ENCLOSURE AND ROUND HUT	SH82263256	342
10350	44	LONG HUT	SH82123261	346
10351	45	LONG HUT	SH82133257	343
10352	46	?PLATFORM	SH81773292	388
10353	47	LONG HUT	SH82173272	348
10356	50	STRUCTURE ON PLATFORM	SH83403275	380
10357	51	SHEEPFOLD	SH82733392	460
10358	52	?CAIRN	SH81523358	459
10359	53	?ROUND HUT	SH81383367	467
10360	54	SHEEPFOLD	SH81953366	440
10361	55	WALL	SH81953366	440
10362	101	REVETMENT	SH81823222	355
10363	101	REVETMENT	SH81823222	355
10364	102	SHEEPFOLD	SH81713216	358
10365	103	WALL	SH81703212	360
10366	104	WALL	SH81743219	
10367	105	?ROUND HUT	SH81813211	373
10368	106	ROUND HUT	SH81813212	
10369	107	ENCLOSURE/SHEEPFOLD	SH81713240	
10370	108	?ROUND HUT	SH81933221	
10371	109	?RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE	SH81923222	
10372	110	?LONG HUT	SH81923223	
10373	111	LONG HUT	SH82083220	
10374	112	SHEEPFOLD	SH82053216	
10375	113	POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT AREA	SH81993229	
10376	114	SHEEPFOLD	SH82113231	
10377	115	LONG HUT	SH82073245	
10378	116	?LONG HUT	SH82083243	
10379	117	?ROUND HUT/STRUCTURE	SH82353237	10.26 - 27.2
10380	118	RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE	SH82343236	
10381	119	SCOOP/NATURAL FEATURE?	SH82343227	
10382	120	?ROUND HUT/SHEEP SHELTER	SH82403245	
10383	121	LONG HUT	SH82263221	356
10384	122	WALL	SH82433226	
10385	123	WALL	SH82503230	
10386	126	LINEAR CLEARANCE DUMP	SH82823237	
10387	128	CLEARANCE CAIRNS	SH82833230	
10388	129	WALL	SH82823236	
10389	130	FORD - WALLED TRACKWAY	SH82753242	
10390	131	FARMHOUSE AND OUTBUILDINGS	SH82743235	
10391	132	WALL/?FLOOD DEFENCE	SH82733242	
10392	133	?SHEEP SHELTER/ENCLOSURE	SH82663237	
10393	134	STRUCTURE/?SETTLEMENT AREA	SH82233296	
10394	135	?RECTANGULAR STRUCUTRE	SH82183296	
10395	136	?PLATFORM	SH82133293	
10396	137	?ROUND HUT	SH82163297	
10397	138	SHEEPFOLD	SH82183300	365

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10398	139	PLATFORM	SH82183301	367
10399	141	?PLATFORM/HUT	SH82203304	371
10400	142	TRACKWAY/DRAINAGE?	SH82153305	381
10401	143	?ROUND HUT	SH82173298	365
10402	144	UPRIGHT STONE	SH82163312	384
10403	145	?LONG HUT ON PLATFORM	SH82173336	402
10404	146	POSSIBLE OCCUPATION SITE	SH82083329	404
10405	148	RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE	SH81783326	425
10406	149	?LONG HUT	SH81773328	424
10407	150	ROUND HUT	SH81753336	432
10408	151	?PLATFORM	SH81733344	450
10409	152	PLATFORM/?SETTLEMENT AREA	SH81893336	419
10410	153	POSSIBLE OCCUPATION SITE	SH82003340	418
10411	154	QUARRY/TRENCH MINE AND TIPS	SH81303340	453
10412	155	POSSIBLE STRUCTURE	SH81313342	452
10413	156	POSSIBLE STRUCTURE	SH81223343	442
10414	157	?QUARRY OR STONE DUMP	SH81163347	435
10415	158	?PLATFORM/NATURAL FEATURE	SH81193346	440
10416	159	?DEPRESSION/NATURAL FEATURE	SH81213347	442
10417	160	STONE HEAP	SH81263350	446
10418	161	TRACKWAY CUTTING	SH81523346	455
10419	162	TRACKWAY CUTTING	SH81553346	455
10420	163	STONE SPREAD	SH82473383	431
10421	164	?ROUND HUT	SH82523380	428
10422	165	STRUCTURE/?SHOOTING BUTT	SH82593386	
10423	166	?RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE	SH82653384	450
10424	167	SHEEPFOLD	SH82743389	457
10425	201	TRACKWAY	SH81653301	
10426	202	LONG HUT	SH81623326	
10427	203	?ENCLOSURE/NATURAL FEATURE	SH81603332	
10428	204	?ENCLOSURE	SH81603338	
10429	205	BANK/?NATURAL FEATURE	SH81593325	
10430	206	?PLATFORM HOUSE	SH81433323	
10431	207	?PLATFORM HOUSE	SH81743261	
10432	208	?PLATFORM	SH81733256	
10433	209	STONE SPREAD	SH81493465	
10434	210	SHEEPFOLD	SH81776345	
10435	211	HUT/SHOOTING BUTT	SH81353441	
10436	212	SHEEP SHELTER/SHOOTING BUTT	SH81353444	
10437	213	ROUND HUT	SH81383434	
10438	214	CAIRN	SH81613395	
10439	215	QUARRY	SH81193375	
10440	217	?QUARRY SCOOPS	SH81903357	
10441	218	SHEEPFOLD	SH82273370	
10442	219	ROUND HUT	SH82433384	
10443	220	CAIRN ?WITH STONE RING	SH82423388	
10444	221	?ROUND HUT	SH82433392	
10445	222	ROUND HUT	SH82413394	448

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10446	223	BANK		SH82223377	405
10447	224	CAIRN		SH82183382	408
10448	225	<b>ROUND HUT</b>		SH82153381	413
10449	226	?SHOOTING BU	JTT	SH82133380	417
10450	227	<b>ROUND HUT</b>		SH82373396	444
10451	228	<b>ROUND HUT</b>		SH82333398	441
10452	229	SHEEPFOLD		SH82343401	448
10453	230	<b>ROUND HUT</b>		SH82303400	444
10454	231	?ROUND HUT		SH82303395	436
10455	232	SHEEPFOLD		SH82273392	426
10456	233	BANK/REVETM	MENT	SH82263393	426
10457	234	SHEEPFOLD		SH82263391	425
10458	235	SHEEPFOLD		SH82223400	440
10459	236	OVAL ENCLOS	SURE	SH82243400	437
10460	237	<b>ROUND HUT</b>		SH82333390	431
10461	238	ROUND HUT		SH82393392	440
10462	239	?CAIRN		SH82533388	
10463	240	CAIRN		SH82533389	
10464	241	<b>ENCLOSURE</b>		SH82503386	
10465	242	CAIRN		SH82653390	
10466	243	SHEEPFOLD		SH82763401	
10467	244	?LONG HUT		SH82703399	
10468	246	CAIRN		SH82553391	
10469	247	ENCLOSURE		SH82553393	
10470	248	PLATFORM		SH82553395	
10471	300	TWO SCOOPS/	?HUTS	SH81173314	*
10472	301	LONG HUT		SH81383320	
10473	302	PEAT CUTTING	3	SH81323315	
10474	~ 303	?LONG HUT		SH81263316	
10475	304	PEAT CUTTING	3	SH81273311	407
10476	305	CAIRN		SH81283312	
10477	306	PLATFORM/?H	The second second	SH81543300	- X
10478	307	?PLATFORM H		SH81523299	
10479	308		ATURAL FEATURE	SH81393300	
10480	309	HUT PLATFOR		SH81323300	
10481	310		SSIBLE STRUCTURE	SH81323296	
10482	311	?LONG HUT		SH81343289	
10483	312	CAIRN		SH81483280	
10484	313	?ROUND HUT		SH81603279	
10485	314	PLATFORM HO		SH81613287	
10486	315		R FOUNDATIONS	SH81673285	
10487	316	WALL/RIVER I	DEFENCE	SH81673288	
10487	317	ENCLOSURE		SH81653288	
10488	318	PLATFORM/SC	OOP	SH81563286	
10489	319	WALL	C	SH81563286	
10490	320	THREE SCOOP		SH82313295	
10491	321	SCOOP/NATUR		SH82353289	
10492	322	TWO SCOOPS/	NATURAL FEATURES	SH82373289	362

PRN	SURVEYNO	O SITETYPE1	NGR	HEIGHT
10493	323	ELONGATE PLATFORM	SH82343294	368
10494	324	ROUND HUT ON PLATFORM	SH82603284	
10495	325	PLATFORM HOUSE COMPLEX	SH82573278	
10496	329	?ROUND HUT	SH81423297	408
10497	330	OVAL HUT	SH82583285	372
10498	331	WALL	SH82873288	380
10499	332	CAVE/SHELTER	SH82953283	370
10500	333	?STRUCTURE	SH83003286	367
10501	334	?STRUCTURE/LINEAR FEATURE	SH83033285	365
10502	335	CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH82853286	371
10503	336	CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH82853284	367
10504	337	THREE CLEARANCE CAIRNS	SH82813281	361
10505	338	CAIRN/?STRUCTURE	SH82813279	359
10506	339	PLATFORM HOUSE COMPLEX	SH82763276	351
10507	340	SCOOP/NATURAL FEATURE	SH82753280	362
10508	341	CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH82763262	310
10509	342	CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH82763263	313
10510	343	BANK/?RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE	SH82773262	310
10511	345	FIELD SYSTEM AND ENCLOSURE	SH82893211	395
10512	245	ROUND HUT	SH82533393	449
10513	346	LONG HUT	SH82903308	392
10514	347	PLATFORM HOUSE	SH82903305	388
10515	348	CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH82983302	382
10516	349	ENCLOSURE WITH WALLING	SH83013317	
10517	350	SUB-CIRCULAR ENCLOSURE	SH83003321	398
10518	351	SHEEPFOLD	SH83073334	
10519	352	SHELTER/?SHOOTING BUTT	SH83023338	410
10521	354	QUARRY SCOOPS	SH83173336	407
10522	355	ELONGATE MOUND/STRUCTURE	SH83223326	389
10523	356	CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH83233328	396
10524	357	PLATFORM/QUARRY	SH83233329	
10525	358	SCOOP/QUARRY	SH83263324	
10526	359	SCOOP/?HUT	SH83283323	
10527	360	?SCOOP	SH83273322	
10528	361	?CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH83303321	
10529	364	SUB-RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE	SH83373315	
10530	365	?SCOOP	SH83323317	
10531	366	QUARRY SCOOP	SH83323318	
10532	367	SCOOP/?NATURAL FEATURE	SH83313319	
10533	368	SCOOP/?NATURAL FEATURE	SH83333316	
10534	369	QUARRY SCOOPS	SH83273328	
10535	370	?ROUND HUT/NATURAL FEATURE	SH83423321	
10536	371	?ROUND HUT	SH83393324	
10537	372	TWO QUARRY SCOOPS/?HUTS	SH83293328	
10538	373	BANK AND DITCH	SH83493321	
10539	400	WALL	SH82393266	
10540	401	WALL	SH82473263	
10541	402	WALL	SH82443250	306

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10542	403	?SHEEPDIP/?MILL REMAINS	SH82453249	305
10543	404	WALL/FLOOD DEFENCE	SH82583444	295
10544	405	BRIDGE ABUTMENT	SH82653245	294
10545	406	MOUND/?BURNT MOUND	SH82673249	295
10546	407	?BANK	SH82713248	295
10547	408	DRYSTONE STRUCTURE	SH82733248	295
10548	409	WEIR/?FORD	SH82713254	298
10549	410	?ROUND HUT	SH82723254	298
10550	411	BANK	SH82713253	298
10551	412	?CAIRN	SH82833248	296
10552		WALL	SH82883235	
10553	414	BANK/FLOOD DEFENCE	SH82873232	
10554	415	BANK	SH82943225	0.000
10555	416	?WEIR	SH82953224	
10556	417	?SCOOP/QUARRY	SH83373208	
10557	418	RECTANGULAR SUNKEN ENCLOSURE		
10558	419	?CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH83233230	
10559	420	FOUR CLEARANCE CAIRNS	SH83103235	
10560	421	WALL	SH83043241	301
10561	422	CLEARANCE CAIRN/PLATFORM	SH83043240	
10562	423	?CLEARANCE CAIRN/PLATFORM	SH82993244	
10563	424	CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH82993242	
10564	425	?CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH82983242	
10565	426	RECT. STRUCTURE/ENCLOSURE	SH82953241	294
10566	427	ENCLOSURE	SH83313239	
10567	428	CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH83243237	
10568	429	CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH83173240	320
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10570	431	CLEARANCE CAIRN	SH82153352	340
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10582	444	FIVE CLEARANCE CAIRNS	SH82893262	
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10585	446	TWO CLEARANCE CAIRNS	SH82613295	
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10587	448	PLATFORM/NATURAL FEATURE	SH82793272	
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#### 8. GAZETTEER

DESCRIPTION

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1661 RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE/S: A group of rectangular structures 15m by 5m surrounded by a drystone wall 0.5m high with other possible enclosures linked to it. ROMAN ROAD: A Roman roads runs E - W bisecting the survey area 3848 between SH 81103350 and SH 83653341. The NGR refers to a profile recorded on field record form 353. See appendices for general background information. The road loses definition for about 100m. centred on NGR SH 82453350, where it crosses a low-lying boggy area. There are a number of quarry scoops recorded adjacent to the road and two cuttings (161 and 162). In places a modern trackway wanders over both the ditch and surface of the Roman Road. Description of N - S profile sketch; overall width of the road 16.2m. The ditch on the N side of the road is more clearly defined than the S, being 3.4m wide and 0.85m deep. The S ditch is 2m wide and 0.5m deep. The recent trackway has eroded part of the S ditch and is 3.3m wide and 1.5m below the level of the road surface. Metalling has been exposed on the road surface, which is 3m wide. Condition fair in places and heavily eroded in others. BRIDGE ABUTMENT: The foundations of a bridge over the Afon Lliw. 4975 ROUND HUT: A well-defined low sub-circular stony bank, double 10307 wall facings visible in places, ditched on the N side. Possible entrance on E side. External length 9m E - W, width 7.8m N - S, Average internal diameter 5.15m. Walls 1m - 1.3m wide, 0.6m high on N side. Situated on a terrace edge about 20m W of stream in major valley floor. Slight erosion from sheep track. Clearly visible. ROUND HUT ON PLATFORM: A sub-circular stony bank set on a slight 10308 platform. Possible entrance on SE side. Well drained site. External diameter 9.7m, internal diameter 5.2m. Situated on a ledge above a stream terrace on a valleyside. Latent threat from sheep erosion. 10309 SCOOP: A shallow circular scoop or negative platform with some stone visible on the upper scarp, possibly forming a bank or rear wall. External diameter 6.1m, internal diameter 5.2m. Bank on upper scarp 2.4m long, 0.6m wide. Situated on a slight slope adjacent to a stream. Poorly defined and badly eroded.

#### DESCRIPTION

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PLATFORM: A level platform area with a low scoop or upper scarp and a very slight lower scarp, both with occasional stones visible. 9.2m by 6.1m overall. The platform is situated on the well drained lower slopes of a S facing valley above a stream terrace. Poorly defined.

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WALL: A short length of collapsed walling adjacent and parallel to a stream. Length 9m. (other end/same as 316). Streamside location. Condition poor.

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?ROUND HUT, PART OF: A semi-circular stony bank possibly forming one side of a round hut. Projected internal diameter 4.3m, walls 1.3m wide. Situated about 20m E of stream terrace, lying against the foot of a second terrace and possibly scarped into it.

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LONG HUT: A drystone long hut orientated N - S with a central partition wall, originally rectangular but partially rebuilt with rounded corners in the S half to provide a sheep shelter. There is a possible entrance on the W side, and a less well-defined one on the NE side. The long hut is 9m long and 4.3m wide externally, and the walls are 0.9m wide and 1.1m-0.6m high. The compartment to the S is slightly larger. The long hut is situated on a slight bench on the lower valley side and is clearly visible.

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ROUND HUT: A sub-circular enclosure defined by a low stony bank, with a possible entrance on the W side, although this may have been enhanced or even caused by the vehicle track running over the hut. The hut is 5.1m internally and 7.6m externally, and the walls survive to a height of 0.3m. The hut is situated on a bench above the stream on a lower valley side.

10315

ROUND HUT: A sub-circular enclosure defined by a low stony bank, slightly cut into the slope behind but no obvious lower scarp. There is a large stone on the N side and one on the S, and a possible annexe to the S. The hut measures 6m externally and 4m internally and the walls survive to a height of 0.3m. There are no clear entrances but they may have been one on the SSW or SSE side. The hut is situated on a stream terrace on the lower valley side. The hut is quite difficult to see and has a vehicle track running through it, though this does not look regularly used at present.

#### DESCRIPTION

10316

LONG HUT: A drystone long hut partially robbed and rebuilt as a sheep shelter. The hut is partly revetted into the slope behind, is aligned along the contour and has three compartments, at least one of which belongs to the sheep shelter phase. From E to W the compartments measure 3.2m by 2m, 1.5m by 1.3m, 2.1m by 2.1m internally. The entrance appears to be on the E end of the S wall. There is a lintelled entrance 0.8m high and 0.35m wide between the E compartment and the central one, which has a flag floor. There are two stub walls projecting S from the hut which may have formed an enclosure, measuring 4.5m and 6.3m. The hut is orientated E - W, has a S aspect and is situated on flat ground on the N side of the major river valley. The hut is clearly visible.

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SCOOP: A slight negative sub-circular platform or scoop cut into the hillside at the rear but with little trace of a lower scarp. The platform has an overall diameter of 5.5m and the upper scarp is 1m deep. There is a very slight poorly-defined edge or perimeter, and the entrance may have been on the S or N sides. The platform is situated on gently sloping ground towards the base of the slope on the north side of the river valley. The platform is not very well defined.

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?WALL: A linear feature of single boulders, possibly representing the remains of a robbed-out enclosure boundary. The feature is roughly 'L' shaped, extending to 11.5m on an E - W orientation and at its W most point turning S for 11.15m. The site lies on moderately sloping ground of the lower valley slope and is fairly sheltered.

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?PLATFORM HOUSE: Possible remains of a long hut on a platform, 15.5m by 5.5m to 7.5m overall, on a platform scarped at the rear to a depth of 1m. Situated on a very slight slope, in a fairly sheltered secondary valley floor. Very good visibility.

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BANK: A low curvilinear feature of stone and earth with occasional boulders. Length about 14.7m, width 1m, height 0.2m. Situated on flat boggy area on footslope, valleyside. Poorly visible, may be natural feature.

10321

PEAT CUTTING: A sub-rectangular peat cutting with an elongate mound (site no. 021) slightly off-centre. Straight sided with axis along the slope. Dimensions: 50-60m by 23m, depth 0.5m. Feature grassed over with coarse boggy grass. Situated on footslope, lower valley on moderate W facing slope of a slight rise. Condition and visibility good.

#### DESCRIPTION

10322

?ROUND HUT: A possible round hut in ruinous condition with associated stony spread (5m by 10-20m) of large (1.5m by 1m) stones and small (0.2m by 0.2m) stones, with possible perimeters within, though none obviously structural. Situated on the S side of Banciau Duon ridge (W end) in a small sheltered valley, running SE - NW with a stream to the S.

10323

LONG HUT: A rectangular drystone structure with three or four compartments, and associated walling. The internal compartments are from 0.2m - 0.6m in width. The walls of the main structure are between 0.7m and 1m wide. A small 'D' shaped and less substantial enclosure lies immediately to the S. This may be earlier than the main structure. Three definite areas of boulder walling radiate from the cliff face just to the W of the rectangular structure. The northernmost being 2.8m long and 0.8m high. However, the most extensive lies to the South. The structure is ruinous. Situated on the W side of a sheltered valley running N - S down to stream, and lying on a small plateau at the base of a low outcrop 3m high.

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?PLATFORM HOUSE: A possible platform house or long hut on an artificial platform defined by a spread of medium and large stones. The upper end is scarped into the hillside and measures 3m long by 5m wide. The lower end utilises what is probably a natural bench. The hut measures 12m N - S by 8m E - W. There is a hint of a cross-passage, but the site is generally uncertain due to ruinous condition and abundant collapsed stone covering the area. The S and lower end of the feature broadens to a subcircular stony spread with no easily defined features. The site is located towards the foot of an E - W ridge in the valley floor, just above the stream terrace. Condition ruinous.

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?ROUND HUT: A possible round hut consisting of a small subrectangular / sub-circular platform three quarters of the way down a scree slope, with a possible stone kerb defining a circle. Located on S side of Banciau Duon ridge (W end) at the foot of a moderate slope, just above stream terrace. Situated in coarse grassland.

10326

?LONG HUT: A low kerb with natural outcropping on E side, forming a rectangular enclosure. Possible shelter? Aspect of the site is to the W looking upstream. Site surrounded by partially grass covered scree. Location of site is at the W end of the Banciau Duon ridge, 30 - 40m E of the stream, on a slight terrace at the foot of a moderate slope. Stream terrace/footslope. Vegetation - reeds, moss and grass. Site ruinous.

#### DESCRIPTION

10327

PEAT MOUND: A low narrow sub-rectangular mound, grassed over. The feature lies slightly off-centre in peat cutting 015. Peat stack? Situated on a moderate W facing slope on natural ridge W of Banciau Duon. See site no. 015 for further details.

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PEAT CUTTING: A rectangular, straight sided depression formed by peat extraction (12m x 9m and 0.5m in depth) with its long axis N - S. Located at W end of Banciau Duon on N facing moderate slope. Situated on a valleyside footslope. Vegetation is rough grass and moss.

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PEAT CUTTING: A rectilinear 'U' shaped peat cutting comprising of two parts - (A) a rectangular depression, with straight sides(0.5m deep) and its S end slightly pointed. (B) A subrectangular cutting, less well defined than above, 0.3m in depth and joining (A) at its S end. Located at the W end of the Banciau Duon ridge on the gentle to moderate N facing slope. Vegetation is grass and moss.

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WALL: A low drystone wall, with an earth bank on E side, ruunning in a fairly straight line and utilising large natural boulders. The wall is 45m long, 0.8m wide and 0.5m high, the bank 4.5m wide. The wall descends N from near the top of Banciau Duon and is located on a gentle to moderate slope on the lower valleyside. Condition ruinous.

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CAVE: A shelter formed by a large flat stone (1.3m by 1.2m by 0.43m), acting as a capstone on natural outcrop, covering a gap between outcroppping rock. Smaller stones have fallen, or have been placed at the rear to block a gap, and two stones are to be found between the capstone and the W support. There are also small stones (0.2m by 0.2m) to the front of the cave. Loose stones cover the floor. The 'cave' is 1.1m deep by 1.1m high inside, while the entrance is 1.0m by 0.6m. In front of the entrance there is a ledge 0.8m wide, then a short drop of about 2.5m. The site is located on the N facing slope of Banciau Duon near the summit of the ridge. Interpretation open could be a primitive shelter, burial chamber, or simply a natural feature?

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WALL: A stone and earth bank with a possible ditch on the N side. S side more sloping. Running in an E - W direction and turning to NE after reaching the metalled road. The bank is 50m long, 1.4m wide and between 0.5m and 0.7m in height (see map for extent of boundary). This feature is a continuation of site no. 024, junction at W end of 026. The wall runs along the lower valleyside, along gently sloping ground.

#### DESCRIPTION

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ROUND HUT: A well-defined round hut with solidly constructed walls, possible entrance to NE. The stones vary in size from 0.5m x 0.5m to 0.7m x 0.7m. There is a bank to the W which may be part of 026, being cut by a later drainage channel. The hut has an internal diameter of 1.6m, external diameter of 2.6m and the walls stand to a height of between 0.3m and 0.5m. Immediately E of the round hut lies a curvilinear dry stone enclosure wall (5m by 1.7m and between 0.5m and 0.6m high. The site is located directly S of the modern road in a slight depression, lower to mid slope valleyside. Visibility poor due to vegetation. Condition good.

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PEAT CUTTING: A small sub-rectangular depression with vertical sides 9m by 6m. Not clear where its W and N limits are. Situated at a base of a slight rise in wet, tussocky grass, just S of the metalled road.

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PEAT CUTTING: A long narrow depression 16m by 1m, with vertical sides. This area, with 028 has a number of separate cuttings. Its long axis runs N - S. The site is very narrow therefore possibility of it being a drain? Location to the S of metalled road on a gentle to moderate slope, among tussocky grass.

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SCOOP: A roughly sub-circular shallow scoop with a large amount of collapse in interior. Internal diameter 3.7m, external diameter 6.2m, height 0.4m. Situated on lower slope, valley side, the site is sheltered and well drained. Poorly visible.

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PLATFORM HOUSE: A platform slightly scarped into slope with the remains of rectangular structure of two compartments with crosspassage. Part of a larger farm complex - two other earth-works are discernible immediately to the W on the same alignment, the nearest being another platform with associated rectangular structure of two to three compartments and possible crosspassage, the furthest being a simple scoop/platform with no structural remains. Remains of robbed-out field boundaries nearby. Dimensions of the first long hut: Length overall 12.8m, width 3.5 to 5.3m (structure), width 9.5m (external). Compartments: upper 5m by 5.3m; lower 3m by 3.5m. Situated on a S facing slight slope, lower valley side (in a secondary valley).

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SCOOP: A shallow sub-circular scoop facing SE. External diameter 7.3m internal diameter 4.2m. Situated on secondary stream terrace valley side on a very slight slope. Condition poor.

# DESCRIPTION PRN HUT ANNEXE: A curvilinear/sub-rectangular stone and earth bank 10339 forming an annexe on the E side of round hut 038. Internal length 5.5m, external length 6.2m, internal width 3.8m, external width 4.7m. Condition fair. Site situated on stream terrace on a slightly sloping valleyside. ?MILL SITE: A roughly rectangular structure with a stone 10340 revetment wall diverting the course of a small fast flowing stream around its SE angle. Length 6.8m, width 6.2m. Condition fair but in danger of erosion from animals, vehicles and water. Modern track crosses stream at this point. Stream terrace, valleyside. WALL: A short length of ruinous drystone walling, consisting of a 10341 single course of boulders aligned E - W along the contour. Dimensions: length 10.2m, width 3.8m, height under 0.5m. Sited within slight depression on footslope/lower slope within scree. Condition poor. 10342 WALL: Two parallel lengths of fragmentary boulder walling. One course in height lying on an E - W orientation, running across the slope, on the downslope extent of natural scree. (Length 4.2m) Situated on upper edge of stream terrace in scree filled gulley. ROUND HUT: A sub-circular stone and earth bank enclosure and 10343 platform with entrance on E side. Dimensions: 8m to 8.1m external diameter, 2.8m to 2.9m internal diameter. Situated on a ledge mid-slope, valleyside. Looking S over main valley of Afon Lliw. Highly visible. Very good example. ROUND HUT: A circular scoop/platform of earth and stone 10344

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construction. Interior obscured by vegetation. Internal diameter

CLEARANCE CAIRN: A pile of stones (less than 0.6m by 0.4m)

5.4m, external diameter 9.7m, depth 0.5m. Poorly visible. Situated on a slight slope on stream terrace, lower valleyside.

sitting within the bounds of a stone kerb, utilising a large natural boulder. Partially grassed over. Overall dimension of site 3.2m by 2.1m. Situated at foot of rocky crag, on gentle

slope, sloping W - E. Lower slope valleyside.

#### DESCRIPTION

10346

LONG HUT: A rectangular drystone structure, walls surviving to a height of 0.6m, divided internally into two compartments, opposed entrances in downslope compartment, access to upper through dividing wall. Field boundary (2.8 by 0.7m) running downslope parallel to the long hut. Overall length 8m, overall width 4m, length of lower compartment 1.8m, length of upper compartment 6m. The lower compartment looks less massively built than the upper, Two phases of building? The site is located on a S facing gentle to moderate sloping hillside. Lower/mid-slope, valleyside.

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?ROUND HUT: A possible stone kerb of seven to eight stones forming a sub-circular enclosure with a diameter of 2m. Located on what is probably a natural platform. Condition ruinous. Sited near the base of a steep to moderate slope on a slight ledge.

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CLEARANCE CAIRN: A pile of stones placed on top of a large boulder. Around the base of the large boulder is a stone kerb formed from at least seven stones. Some of the stones are not covered in lichens perhaps indicating a recent date for the cairn? Diameter 1.7m, height under 1m. Most likely to be either a clearance or marker cairn. Situated mid way down steep to moderate slope, next to trackway (as it rises out of a boggy depression). Mid slope, valleyside.

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ENCLOSURE AND ROUND HUT: A sub-rectangular banked and ditched enclosure (9m by 6m) with a round hut (internal diameter 2.1m) within the angle of its NE corner on a slight platform. Round hut joined onto main enclosure bank. A ditch and bank form the upper and side perimeters only. Interior obscured by collapse, no internal structures evident. Sunken way or leat entering enclosure ditch at NW corner. Situated on a moderately steep S facing slope. Stream terrace valleyside.

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LONG HUT: A small rectangular drystone structure, with no internal divisions, but possible small annexe on NE side. Dimensions of basic structure: internal 4.0m by 2.7m, external 7.1 by 2.5m, height of walls 0.4m to 0.6m. Situated on W side of valley in valley bottom on natural spur, gentle slope. Condition ruinous.

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LONG HUT: The remains of a sub-rectangular two compartment drystone structure with a ?later internal division and a SSW facing entrance. There is also a possible entrance in the opposite wall. External dimensions 8m by 5.6m, internal 5.2m by 1.7m, wall height 0.4m to 0.7m. On level spur above valley bottom overlooking stream.

# PRN DESCRIPTION 10352 ?PLATFORM: A slight platform scarped into slope of hill, forming a roughly semi-circular level area with an external diameter of 4m. Possible robbed-out field boundary immediately to W. Situated on a steep to moderate slope, mid-slope, valleyside. Condition very ruinous. 10353 LONG HUT: A sub-rectangular enclosure, with rounded corners and low walls (0.3m high and 0.5m to 0.8m wide). Some of the walling seems to have internal and external facing with rubble infilling. possible entrance is to be found in the N wall. No apparent internal divisions. However the N wall appears to be slightly out of line either side of the entrance perhaps indicating a rebuild or two phase construction. Axis of enclosure runs downslope in an E - W direction. The site lies on a moderate slope on slight spur valley bottom. 10356 STRUCTURE ON PLATFORM: A rectangular structure, the W (rear) end of which is markedly scarped in the natural slope. 10357 SHEEPFOLD: The well-preserved remains of a Nineteenth century sheepfold with walls standing to a height of 1.5m. There are several pop-holes in the walls and stone shearing benches along the outside of the N wall. ?CAIRN: Partially grassed-over sub-oval cairn of loose stones 10358 varying in size but some large. One of three similar mounds in the area, the other two appearing to be natural outcrops. Length 13m, width 7 to 10m, height 2m. Hilltop location. ?ROUND HUT: Dubious round hut defined by a low sub-oval stony 10359 bank with stones protruding in places. External diameter 6.75m, internal diameter 5.25m. Within an area of scattered surface stone possibly indicating further sites. Located on a higher valley floor. 10360 SHEEPFOLD: Symmetric polygonal drystone sheepfold with a short spur wall running E from the entrance on the NE side. The enclosure measures 6.8m by 7.2m overall and the walls are 0.6m wide and stand to 1.4m. The entrance is 0.6m wide. Located on the higher valley floor. Condition good. 10361 WALL: Length of drystone wall near sheepfold no. 241. Length 5.25m, width 0.7m, height 0.7m. Located at the base of a ridge on the higher valley floor. Condition poor. 10362 REVETMENT: Irregular drystone revetment possibly associated with river crossing of nearby trackway. Overall dimensions 10m long

and 1m high. Streamside location.

PRN DESCRIPTION REVETMENT: A system of revetment walls possibly associated with 10363 river crossing of nearby stream. Situated on stream terrace valley bottom. 10364 SHEEPFOLD: A drystone enclosure with two short spur walls. The enclosure contains a partition on the NE side forming a narrow oval sub-enclosure 4m long and 2m wide. There are two entrances, one on the S side (blocked) and one on the W side (partially blocked) The enclosure measures 9.6m by 8.4m overall and the walls survive to a height of 1.4m. 10365 WALL: Very much collapsed, leading from Survey No. 102, to a point just below a large and overhanging crag. Irregular route up hillside includes large boulders and outcrops within the construction. About 1m across. Situated on mid-slope valleyside. WALL: Spur off enclosure 102. Short straight length of wall 10366 visible from edge of enclosure, predating the enclosure. Almost totally grassed over. Length 8m, height 0.5m. ?ROUND HUT: A dubious round hut sited within 10m of a more 10367 obvious example, survey no. 106. Poorly preserved stonework is suggestive of circular shape. Location on bench with good view, therefore a potential occupation site. No evidence of an entrance. A stream can be heard running through the site area. External diameter 5.5m, internal diameter 2.9m, height 0.3m. Situated on valleyside. Possible threat from livestock and vegetation. 10368 ROUND HUT: Well-defined round hut occupying a bench location. Close to site 105. Although much collapse and very little remains of the wall itself, an entrance is defined within the ircle by some large stones. Moderate grassing over of the site. External diameter 4.8m, internal diameter 3.1m, height 0.4m. Situated on valleyside bench. Possible threat from livestock and vegetation. ENCLOSURE/SHEEPFOLD: Open-ended, facing N. Possibly previous 10369 closing wall evident below turf where river has eroded edge. External length 8.8m, width 9.8m open end, wall height 1.4m. Adjacent to river.

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?ROUND HUT: Possible round hut. Identified by position of

circular grouping of stones just showing though thick grass cover. One third, or 4m of the circumference is visible. Other

remains of straight walls? nearby.

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# PRN DESCRIPTION 10371 ?RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE: The end of a possible rectangular structure is just visible. Orientation N - S. External length 1.5m visible, external width 2.8m, height 0.2m. Situated on a large flat area on the valleyside. Heavy vegetation cover. 10372 ?LONG HUT: Dubious stone-built structure. Presence of visible stones appear to form a small rectangular structure. Visibility very poor because of thick grass and heather cover. Estimated length 2.8m, estimated width 2m. Situated on same level area of valleyside as 105 and 109. LONG HUT: Well-preserved long hut with possible opposed entrances 10373 on lateral walls. External length 10m, width 5.2m, W end survives to a height of 0.65m, E end 0.25m in height. Situated in a natural hollow on the valleyside. 10374 SHEEPFOLD: Possible hut, rebuilt as a sheepfold. Dividing wall NE third of structure. One possible entrance, facing NE on NE side. Within this large flat area are a lot of scattered stones. Nothing definite seen in it, but the area seems to be one of potential for a settlement, with many possible hut sites. Constructed on a natural bench on the valleyside. Orientation NW - SE External POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT AREA: A platform above the river with some 10375 stone on site. No definite features visible. 10376 SHEEPFOLD: Rectangular, with narrow spur wall on the NW side. Structure well-preserved to full height in places, i.e. coping stones remain in place. Use of outcrop on NW side. Possible evidence of rebuilding original structure; demolished walls are traceable slightly outside the limits of the standing structure. 10377 LONG HUT: Remains of rectangular structure situated on a small level promontory near a river. Much collapsed stone, no visible entrance. Orientation NE - SW. External length 8.2m, external width 6m, height 0.4m. Highly visible. ?LONG HUT: Vague impression of a rectangular structure. Some 10378 large upright stones (on edge) form the NE side of the feature. Immediately to the SW of the N corner a spread of stones appears to be the collapsed masonry of a NW facing wall. Possibly much stone has been robbed.

# DESCRIPTION PRN 10379 ?ROUND HUT/STRUCTURE: A small hut or cairn. Interpretation difficult due to grassing over. A ring of stone-work can be picked out on the moderately steep NE facing slope above the river. No definite identification but some sort of structure is represented. Possibly associated with rectangular wall remains 15m E. No visible entrance. Diameter 3.3m, walls about 0.75m wide. 10380 RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE: A once substantial rectangular structure can be traced in an area heavily overgrown with tall rushes. Much stone appears robbed out. Two portions of the construction remain with one or two courses visible, representing about one fifth of the total. Other areas identified by tumble and one or two stones in place. Orientation E - W. External length 7.5m, external width c.4m, height 0.3m, width of walls 1m. SCOOP/NATURAL FEATURE?: A well-defined scoop, forming a level 10381 area on a SE facing slope. About 10m across. Possible site but no evidence for occupation or use was identified. ?ROUND HUT/SHEEP SHELTER: An oval ring of stones 4.6m by 3m can 10382 be traced in thick grass, 4.6m by 3m. One course only is visible for three-quarters of the walled circumference. Most likely to be a sheep shelter but possibly a round hut. Entrance 1.2m wide, E facing. 10383 LONG HUT: Well-preserved rectangular building, standing on a well-defined bench in N facing hillside. Entrance E side, about 1m wide. Orientation E - W. External length 7m, external width 5.3m, height 1.8m. WALL: Winding up steep slope. Boundary wall making much use of 10384 outcrop and large boulders. WALL: Approximately 1m long at right angles to a boundary wall 10385 are the possible remains of square structure marked on O.S. External length 1m, width 0.8m, height 0.3m. 10386 LINEAR CLEARANCE DUMP: Clearance has been added to a linear wall structure with facings visible at base. Use or function unknown. Orientation N - S. External length 10m, external width 2.3m, height 0.5m. 10387 FIVE CLEARANCE CAIRNS: Five clearance cairns lying close together. About 2 to 5m in diameter. Utilising outcrops and large boulders. WALL: Drystone field boundary not shown on O.S. One to two 10388

courses remain. About 1m wide.

# DESCRIPTION PRN FORD - WALLED TRACKWAY: Site of ford. Slight hollow way visible 10389 on S side. On the N side the trackway is bounded by a wall on either side. The S side (route to farmstead) follows the W side of one boundary wall. Overgrown on the S side by fairly mature trees. FARMHOUSE AND OUTBUILDINGS: Late 18th century/19th century 10390 farmhouse and associated buildings overgrown with mature trees. To be recorded more fully. WALL/?FLOOD DEFENCE: A single line of boulders on a stream 10391 terrace continuing for approximately 6m from W side of track. ?Possible livestock funnel. Located near ford. ?SHEEP SHELTER/ENCLOSURE: Short length of wall remaining on a 10392 small bench on N facing slope, half covered in turf. Orientation N - S. Rectangular with two sides remining. External length 5.1m, width 2m. STRUCTURE/?SETTLEMENT AREA: A stream terrace at the base of a W 10393 facing slope with numerous stones strewn over the area. It is not possible to identify any structures with certainty. A small rectangular building/structure may be represented at the N end of the terrace; also a rather dubious hut circle towards the S end of the terrace. Area very much grassed over but stones are visible. Terrace is 80m by 30m at base of steep slope and adjacent to river. ?RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE: Site of rectangular structure identified 10394 by pattern of stones showing through thick grass cover. Rushes appear to show line of walls. W and N walls most obvious. Possible enclosure. Orientation E - W. No entrance visible. c. 10m by 6m. Located above a stream on a bench on a S facing slope. ?PLATFORM: A possible platform site distinguished by a noticable 10395 break of slope and building up at front of area where there is a steep scarp. No remains visible. S facing slope. ?ROUND HUT: A possible round hut almost completely grassed over 10396 with a few stones visible around the circumference. Ground contours suggest a raised circular bank dipping in the middle.

External diameter 6m. Located on S facing slope.

#### DESCRIPTION

10397

SHEEPFOLD: Rectangular in shape with three distinct units, one being an irregularly-shaped squared structure on S facing slope. Rear and W walls are revetted into slope. Dumps of small stone to the S of the site. A spur wall c.15m long and slightly curving heads N upslope from NE corner of feature. Some walling remains to c. 1m high. Possible threat from livestock. Nearby are two distinct platforms (139 & 140) possibly robbed during construction of this site.

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PLATFORM: A flattish area scarped into the hillside to a depth of 1m, forming a platform 6m by 4m. Stone is strewn over area. No structure is discernible.

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?PLATFORM/HUT: A row of large boulders appears to be suggestive of a wall. However it is just as likely natural. Located on an E facing slope above the river. Second visit revealed no solid evidence for occupation.

10400

TRACKWAY/DRAINAGE?: The line of an old route was observed cut into the hill-side running NE - SW. A step of 0.3m was visible. Well levelled and 1.5m to 2m wide. The feature fades out at a point which becomes extremely boggy at its NE extent.

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?ROUND HUT: Vague circular impression of hut site. Fully grassed over. Identified by marked dip in centre. Distinctive bank of former wall on E half of circle. Rest of circumference can be made out, but only just. No entrance visible. External diameter 5m, walls 1m wide.

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UPRIGHT STONE: A single upright stone 1.35m high. One flat face. Facing S with slightly pointed top and sharp angular edges. Stands in an area of marshy ground close to a stream running W - E. Possible boundary marker?

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?LONG HUT ON PLATFORM: A possible structure located on a 'natural' platform attached to a small rocky outcrop. Suggestive of collapsed walling are 3 areas of stone, forming a rectangular shape c.15m by 10m. Located within a gently sloping area of very boggy ground.

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POSSIBLE OCCUPATION SITE: A gently sloping area below a low ridge outcrop. The area contains a possible platform and some concentrations of stone, although no definite features. Its location on a sheltered S facing slope indicates likely occupation although grass cover and rushes are obscuring any possible features. Area c.100m by 30m.

DESCRIPTION

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RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE: Possible enclosure. Almost square perimeter walls divided centrally by wall running E - W. Dividing wall has survived up to 0.8m high and appears to be built on earlier foundations. Dimensions 8.5m N - S, 7m E - W, walls 0.4m high, 0.4m wide. Located on an E facing moderately steep slope, midway from large outcrop to foot of slope. Possible damage from livestock.

10406

LONG HUT: Possible long hut. Long rectangular structure set in at foot of slope on level ground. Rear extension appears to have been added. Notable feature is entrance to main part, forming a funnel 3.5m wide. One course of stones survive on either side. Dimensions 9m by 3.5m, wall width 0.8m, height 1m. Located 15m to E of 148. Possible threat from livestock.

10407

ROUND HUT: The well-preserved (in this area) outline of a round hut is clearly visible through a grass covering. Slight hollow in centre. Height of walls 0.25m. Level area continues to N and S. Especially to the S where the ground is boggy and overgrown with rushes. Possibly other huts are disguised in this area. Located at the foot of a ridge on an E facing terrace above a bog. Possible threat from livestock.

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?PLATFORM: The possible remains of a slight platform scarped into the hillside.

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PLATFORM/?SETTLEMENT AREA: Platform, well-defined upper scarp clearly cut into the base of a slight S facing slope. The lower scarp is less well-defined. No features visible on the platform. Dimensions 20m E - W, 15m N - S.

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POSSIBLE OCCUPATION SITE: An area c.60m by 30m, which is potentially an occupation area. Similar to site 146. sheltered position at foot of rocky ridge, S facing. Plenty of building stone, scree etc. Some concentrations of stone on the site. However, no surface features were identified directly. First visit identified a possible rectangular structure although this was later abandoned as a definite site.

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QUARRY/TRENCH MINES AND TIPS: A series of small scale open cast mine workings. Two elongated pits or stopes and two smaller circular pits aligned SW - NE. The largest pits are 2m - 2.5m deep. Tips on W side of workings consist of broken local stone. Fairly well crushed. (c.25mm). Whole area covered in numerous scoops and tips. Resource uncertain. Located on a ridge crest.

#### DESCRIPTION

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POSSIBLE STRUCTURE: An area c.30m x 12m is gently sloping and characterised by numerous stones. Possible collapse of stone structure(s), although no definite forms can be seen. Area grassed over with very short grass, longer grass surrounding, suggesting stone lying below turf. Located just below the crest of the ridge of top of N facing slope.

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POSSIBLE STRUCTURE: Possible foundations defined by a line of stones protuding through the turf on the S and W sides, 5m by 3m. Very little evidence and almost totally grassed over. Located on a moderately steep SSW facing slope.

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?QUARRY OR STONE DUMP: Wall remains up to two rough courses are visible running E - W at the foot of N facing slope. c.6m by 4m.

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?PLATFORM/NATURAL FEATURE: Possible platform sited near the top of SW facing slope with no upstanding remains. Most likely a natural depression. Located c.30m S of track.

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OVAL DEPRESSION: A shallow oval depression. 3m to the NE is another similar depression. No remains visible. Possible ground disturbance but most likely natural. Close to quarry activity to SE of here. Located on a very gentle N facing slope.

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STONE HEAP: An area 6m by 6m has a large concentration of loose stone, the centre of which is raised into an untidy pile of irregular shape. Towards the edge of the area the stones are less frequent. The site is roughly circular and may represent the remains of a round hut or cairn. Nearby and partially grassed over is a rectangular depression in the turf suggestive of a peat cutting. Located on a level area, sheltered by a small rise in the ridge to the N.

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TRACKWAY CUTTING: A substantial cutting 3m deep and 2m wide has been made through an outcrop along the line of the Roman Road (survey no. 353). The stone has been piled up on either side entrances to the cutting, forming banks. A previous cut may exist to the N appearing to leave and join the route of the existing track at a similar distance to the bend in the way at this point. Much effort has been expended on this fine example of civil engineering.

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TRACKWAY CUTTING: A cutting between outcropping rock, with upcast stone on either side supported by a crude revetment. Length 15m, width between 1.5m and 2.0m. Located at the S end of Bryn Cau E of survey no. 161. Condition good.

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STONE SPREAD: A stone concentation within a rock strewn area. Located on a moderately steep south facing slope. Condition poor.

#### DESCRIPTION

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?ROUND HUT: A poorly-defined discontinuous circular stony bank which may be the site of a hut. External diameter 5m. Located on a large oval bench mid-way down a S facing slope.

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RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE: A small rectangular drystone structure with a possible entrance on the E end of the S wall. The walls survive to a height of 1m in places and are 0.8m wide. The structure measures 4.4m by 1.8m externally and is orientated E - W. Most likely interpretation is a sheep shelter or lambing pen. Located on valley side. Condition poor.

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?RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE: Possible remains of a sheep shelter. Concentration of collapsed stonework in sub-rectangular shape sited on a small platform measuring 3.5m by 3m. Oriented E - W on S-facing slope. Condition poor.

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SHEEPFOLD: Small enclosure of irregular shape with two compartments and an entrance in the SW corner, orientated SW - NE. Walls remaining to original height, some coping stones still in place. Two collapsed spur walls run off the enclosure, one on the N side linking the enclosure with an outcrop. The level within the enclosure is noticably lower than that outside. The enclosure is located on a mid-slope SW facing bench. Condition: good.

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TRACKWAY: Trackway, rutted and very wet on the W side, between 1.5m and 2m wide and slightly hollow in places. The E end of the track appears to turn sharply S then run steeply downslope. The track skirts N of a low ridge, and follows the contour above the modern road.

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LONG HUT: Small rectangular hut with low foundation walls, most clearly defined at the upper end, which has double facing stones. The hut measures 4m by 3m overall, the walls are 0.9m wide and stand to a height of 0.3m. The lower end is built up over the slope to form a lower scarp with a height of 0.8m to 1m. The interior is stony and may represent collapse from the original structure or a later re-build which partially robbed the lower half of the structure. The position of the entrance is uncertain but may be on the SE side of the structure. The area behind the hut is wholly stone-free and appears to have been deliberately cleared. Located on a footslope position at the base of a N - S ridge. There is a second more dubious structure 15m downslope defined by some medium-sized stones set into the ground in a rectangular shape.

#### DESCRIPTION

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?ENCLOSURE/NATURAL FEATURE. A spread of large stones forming what may be an enclosure measuring 5m by 5m, although there is no clear outline. The feature is discontinuous and has several large stones within the interior, which is more level than the surrounding area. The feature may be crude animal enclosure or former hut platform into which scree has subsequently fallen, although interpretation is tenuous. Located on the lower midslope of a ridgeside. Condition poor.

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?ENCLOSURE: A possible enclosure 3m by 2m backing onto a low utcrop N. There is a ?wall on the W side two to three courses high, and a traces of a possible wall on the E side. The entrance is on the S side. The enclosure is located on the NW side of Bryn Cau on the lower crest slope. Condition ruinous.

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BANK/?NATURAL FEATURE: A low stony bank 20m long running NNE-SSW with a sheep track or shallow drain on the uphill side. More pronounced at N end, which is bggy and rush-covered. Width 1m, height 0.3m. The feature may be a turfed over line of scree. Located on the SW side of a N - S ridge. Condition poor.

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?PLATFORM HOUSE: A slight platform upon which are the possible remains of a rectangular structure measuring 5.5m by 3m. Located on a S facing moderate slope. Condition poor.

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?PLATFORM HOUSE: A circular platform with a diameter of 10m, possibly natural, upon which are the dubious remains of a rectangular structure, 7m by 5m, defined by occasional large stones set low in the ground and a slight elongate depression. Located directly below the crest of an E - W ridge. Condition ruinous.

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?PLATFORM: A dubious hut platform with a diameter of 6m, scarped into the foot of and E - W ridge on the rear and W sides. The front of the platform is defined by large boulder. There are some large stones in the interior and there are possible low walls in evidence. Located at the base of a low E - W ridge, slightly onto stream terrace.

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STONE SPREAD: A jumbled pile of stones forming an approximate rectangle measuring 9m by 7m. The origin of the feature is ambiguous; there are too many gaps in the spread for it to be interpreted as a cairn and no identifiable structural form. Located on a hillside. Condition poor.

PRN	DESCRIPTION
10434	SHEEPFOLD: A substantial sheepfold with three compartments and a large open-ended enclosure attached. The compartments measure 5.4m by 5m, 5m by 4m and 5m by 3.6m. The walls are 0.7m wide and 1.7m high. A wall 40m long is attached to the sheepfold, forming an open-ended enclosure with another wall 13m long, acting as a funnel.
10435	HUT/SHOOTING BUTT. A small 'U'-shaped enclosure open to the E and measuring 2.2m N - S by 1.5m internally. The walls are four courses (0.6m) high and 0.5m wide. The feature is set into the side of a ridge. Condition poor.
10436	SHEEP SHELTER/?SHOOTING BUTT: The remains of a roughly semi- circular sheep shelter or shooting butt with an internal diameter of 1.3m. The wall is 0.6m wide and 0.6m high. Located on a hilltop next to a rock outcrop. Condition poor. Associated with survey no. 211.
10437	ROUND HUT: Slightly ovoid hut with lower foundation course surviving and possible entrance on the SE side. External diameter 4.9m, Internal diameter 3.4m. Wall height 2.5m. hilltop location. Condition fair.
10438	CAIRN: Low sub-circular cairn with slight depression towards the centre. Diameter 5.85m. Located at the base of a hill. Condition poor.
10439	QUARRY: Rock outcrop area about 30m across which appears to have been quarried. There is also a small scoop 2m across and 1m deep. Located on ridge flank.
10440	?QUARRY SCOOPS: Three rush-filled circular scoops (A, B and C), cutting into the ridge side. Diameter of A 4m, B 4.6m, C 5.7m. Located within lower valley upland.
10441	SHEEPFOLD: A square drystone sheepfold measuring 8.2m by 6.7m internally. Wall thickness 0.7m, height 1.35m. Entrance 2m wide on the N side. Streamside location. Condition good.
10442	ROUND HUT: Circular grouping of stones slightly protruding. External diameter 4.6m, internal diameter 3.6m. Hillside location. Condition poor.
10443	CAIRN ?WITH STONE RING: Low sub-circular cairn with a diameter of 3.8m. Outlying it are two concentric rings of low, equidistant stones, the inner one being 7m from the centre of the cairn and the outer 20m from the centre. Hillside location. Condition poor.

# PRN DESCRIPTION 10444 ?ROUND HUT: A substantial stone-walled circular hut, although with no obvious entrance, therefore possibly a ring cairn. External diameter 9.2m, Internal diameter 5.1m. Wall width 2.1m, height 0.45m. Located on a bench on the hillside. Condition fair 10445 ROUND HUT: A substantial stone-walled hut, similar in appearance to survey no. 221 although less complete. External diameter 9.6m, Internal diameter 5.6m. The walls are 2m wide and are at ground level. Hillside location. BANK: Linear stone bank 29m long and 3.3m wide. Located next to 10446 a stream on upland valley floor. 10447 CAIRN: Elongate streamside cairn or flood defence 8.2m long, 3.1m wide and 0.3m high. 10448 ROUND HUT: Round hut defined by a circular stony bank with some stones up to 0.75m in length. External diameter 6m, internal 2.4m. Wall width 1.8m, height 0.5m. Streamside location. ?SHOOTING BUTT: Small collapsed stone structure, square in plan. 10449 External length 3.3m, width 2.9m. Wall width 0.45m, height 0.5m. Streamside location. ROUND HUT: Round hut defined by a low circular stony bank with 10450 some stones protruding. External diameter 7.9m, internal diameter 4.7m. Wall width 1.5m, height 0.55m. Situated on a flat site overlooking upper valley to S. Condition poor. 10451 ROUND HUT: Round hut defined by a circular stony bank with some stones protruding. External diameter 7.75m, internal diameter 3.2m. Wall width 2.1m, height 0.35m. Situated on flat area overlooking upper valley to South. Condition poor. 10452 SHEEPFOLD: Large drystone sheepfold with two smaller pens attached. The large fold is curved and 51.6m long. The larger of the two pens is 7.3m across internally and the smaller about 2.5m across Hillside location. Condition fair ROUND HUT: Large round hut defined by a low stony bank with a 10453 possible entrance on the S side. External diameter 14m, internal diameter 8.8m, height 0.45m. Situated on low earthen bank overlooking upper valley to S. Condition poor. 10454 ?ROUND HUT: Poorly-defined circular hut, consisting of occasional protruding stones set into a slightly raised earthen bank. External diamater 8.5m, internal diameter 5.2, height 0.3m. Hillside location. Condition poor.

PRN	DESCRIPTION
10455	SHEEPFOLD: Large rectangular drystone structure built of large, rough stone blocks. A drystone spur wall runs off the SE corner of the structure for a distance of 7m. The enclosure is sited in a hollow dug out of the hillside and measures 8.2m by 4.9m externally. Hillside location.
10456	BANK/REVETMENT: Low stony bank adjacent to stream, possibly a revetment or river defence. Length 5m. Hillside location. Condition poor.
10457	SHEEPFOLD: Square, drystone sheepfold, 9m by 7.5m externally. Maximum height of walls 1.4m, width 0.9m. Hillside location. Condition good.
10458	SHEEPFOLD: Circular drystone enclosure/sheepfold built of rubble stone. External diameter 5.0m, Internal diameter 3.5m, wall height 1.2m. Possible re-use of earlier circular structure. Hillside location. Condition: fair.
10459	OVAL ENCLOSURE: Small oval drystone enclosure, external length 4.6m, width 3.3m, internal length 1.7m, width 1.2m. Height of walls 1.2m. Arguably too small for a sheep fold, but perhaps a lambing pen. Hillside location. Condition poor.
10460	ROUND HUT: Round hut defined by a low circular stony bank with some stones protruding, enclosing a levelled area. Diameter 11.3m. Hillside location overlooking the upper valley to S. Condition poor.
10461	ROUND HUT: Round hut defined by a discontinuous circular arrangement of stones set into the ground and enclosing a levelled area. Diameter 8.2m. Hillside location. Condition poor.
10462	?CAIRN: A small grassed-over stony mound.
10463	CAIRN: A small oval cairn 2m by 1m with an open centre in an area of about 0.5 ha clear of field stone.
10464	ENCLOSURE: A sub-circular to oval enclosure with low degraded stone and earth banks, absent on the SE side.
10465	CAIRN: A small grass-covered mound 2m in diameter with some stones protruding.
10466	SHEEPFOLD: A double enclosure and walling.
10467	?LONG HUT: A rectangular drystone structure 15m by 5m. The structure is divided into three compartments of approximately equal size, the NW of which may have been an unroofed annexe.

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10468	CAIRN: A low sub-circular stony mound 3m in diameter and 0.4m high.
10469	ENCLOSURE: The remains of a square enclosure 15m by 15m defined by low stony banks. The S and N walls are in good condition whilst the E wall is almost gone.
10470	PLATFORM: A stony platform, about half of which is grassed over.
10471	SCOOPS/?HUT SITES: A pair of adjacent scoops (A&B), which may represent former hut sites. A: Internal diameter 5.7m, B: internal diameter 3.8m. located at the base of ridge above a boggy area. Condition poor.
10472	LONG HUT: Long hut defined by a single well-laid course of stone, with an entrance on E side, indicating possible windproofing. External length 11.7m. External width 3.9m. Internal length 10.9m, internal width 3.0m. Located on a level ridge top adjacent to a dry stream bed. Condition fair.
10473	PEAT CUTTING:
10474	LONG HUT: Very low and poorly-defined long hut, possibly divided into two compartments. External length 10.7m, external width 3.4m. Internal length 10.4m, internal width 2.8m. Exposed ridge top location. Condition poor.
10475	PEAT CUTTING:
10476	CAIRN: Isolated sub-circular flat-topped pile of stones, diameter 6m. Possibly represents eroded outcrop. Hillside location. Condition poor.
10477	PLATFORM/?HUT SCOOP: Shallow oval scoop or platform cut into hillside and aligned downslope, 5.7m by 5.1m. Located on the SE upper slope of ridge. Condition poor.
10478	?PLATFORM HOUSE: A rectangular platform partially cut from, and set into, the hillside. The long axis of the platform lies along the contour and faces E. There are low banks situated at both N and S ends. Located on the upper slopes just below the brow of a ridge. Condition stable.
10479	PLATFORM/?NATURAL FEATURE: Sub-rectangular platform running obliquely downslope, with the level area measuring 10m by 5m. Located on a moderate S-facing slope.

#### DESCRIPTION

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HUT PLATFORM. A large sub-circular hut platform with a diamter of 15m. Revetted on S (downslope) side. Level area of interior obscured by rushes. Location on a SSW facing slope. Condition good.

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WALL AND POSSIBLE STRUCTURE: A single course wall on a N - S alignment and 14.5m in length. The wall forks into two at the S end where it loses definition. At the N end of the wall is a level area of dense cotton grass which may be artificial. Located half way down a SW facing slope. Condition stable.

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?LONG HUT: Possible long hut with three compartments on different levels and and an entrance on the SE side. The central part of the structure is drystone walled. Located on a S facing lower valleyside. Condition poor.

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CAIRN: Cairn/conical stone pile made of waterworn boulders. Possibly marking the line of a trackway immediately S. Length 1.5m, width 1m, height 1.3m. Located on a slight ledge of a lower valleyside.

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?ROUND HUT: A shallow circular depression with a low stone circle around the circumference. External diameter 5.3m, internal diameter 4m.

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PLATFORM HOUSE: A levelled platform across the contour lying within a slight depression. There is the suggestion of an internal division forming two compartments, the upper being 4m long and the lower 1m long. The platform is built up slightly at the lower end and measures 13.5m by 8m overall. Situated on a mid-slope position on a S facing valleyside.

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RECTANGULAR FOUNDATIONS: A rectangular raised platform or building foundation revetted with drystone. The platform measures 11.3m by 3.7m overall. The platform is situated adjacent and parallel to a tributary stream. Condition fair but threats from river erosion and cattle.

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WALL/RIVER DEFENCE: A length of drystone and earth walling one course high and 9m long. The walling is adjacent and parallel to a tributary stream. The walling is probably to retain the stream bank but may possibly be associated with site no. 34 as the remains of a ?mill race. Condition poor.

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ENCLOSURE: A small 'D'-shaped enclosure of roughly coursed boulder drystone walling, partially recessed into the hillside. The enclosure measures 7m by 5.9m. Situated on a mid-slope above a small stream terrace at the junction of two valleys. Condition fair.

DESCRIPTION PRN PLATFORM/SCOOP: A slight scoop with a low platform on the 10488 downhill side. The feature is roughly oval in plan, is running across the contour and measures 8.3m by 5.2m. Situated on a midslope on a S facing valleyside. Condition fair. WALL: A short length of drystone walling, 3.8m long, 0.6m wide 10489 and 0.9m high. The wall is situated on a ledge on a valley side. Condition good. THREE SCOOPS: A series of three very shallow and barely 10490 discernible scoops which may be of natural origin. The scoops are grassed over and appear as slightly levelled circular areas about 3m across and 0.3m deep. Immediately N of the features is a roughly levelled area 10m by 4m which is partially overlain by a modern field boundary. Condition ruinous. SCOOP/?NATURAL FEATURE: A very shallow and slight scoop in the 10491 hillside about 5m across. Very dubious as manmade. TWO SCOOPS/NATURAL FEATURES: Two small and shallow scoops which 10492 may be natural features or the result of animal erosion. The scoops are roughly oval, 3.3m by 2.5m and orientated across the contour. The scoops are about 10m apart. ELONGATE PLATFORM: A sub-rectangular long and narrow platform of 10493 earth and stone with a drystone field boundary wall forming the N side. Arranged along the contour with the remains of possible boulder revetment at the E and W extremities. Cut into a spur at the E end and raised on the S side. The feature measures 20m E -W and 2.5m N - S. Condition poor.

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#### DESCRIPTION

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PLATFORM HOUSE COMPLEX: A group of three platform houses lying contiguously along the contour (survey nos. 325, 326, 328), with an enclosure to the N (survey no. 327). The platforms are rectangular in plan and are defined by banks on the uphill side which are partially cut into the slope, and a raised and levelled platform on the downhill side. From W - E, the platforms measure 17m by 8m (325), 13.5m by 8m (326) and 7.7m by 5.7m (328) overall. The enclosure is rectangular in plan and is defined by low earth and stone banks 0.3m high with some blackthorn trees growing on them. The interior of the enclosure is divided by three slightly raised strips of land which may represent lazy beds. The enclosure measures 10m by 8m. The complex is situated on a moderately sloping S facing valleyside. A good example in fair condition and in need of a detailed plan.

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?ROUND HUT: A semi-circular line of stones contained in a shallow scoop, external diameter 5.2m. The hut is situated in an exposed position on a level ridge. Condition poor and eroded.

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OVAL HUT: Defined by a prominant arc of drystone walling on the uphill side below which is a level area 7m by 5.3m divided into two or possibly three compartments. There is a slight platform at the lower end. The hut measures 11.8m by 8m and is located on a S facing ledge above a rocky knoll. Condition fair.

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WALL: A robbed out linear field boundary orientated NNE - SSW and running downslope. A few large boulders remain on the boundary, and there is a gap 3.9m across between the lower end of the boulder wall and the corner of the existing field boundary wall, which also has similar large boulders in the lower courses. The wall is 11.7m long, 1.5m wide on average and 1.4m high. Located on a moderate to steep slope on an upper valleyside. Condition poor.

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CAVE/SHELTER: A small cave formed from a recumbant stone slab resting upon another large boulder and the natural rock face. Possible fragmentary walling to either side of the cave entrance, but this may be natural in view of the scree in the area. The cave measures 3.2m by 1.5m. Located on a moderately steep scree slope on the upper valleyside. Condition fair.

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?STRUCTURE: A roughly 'D' shaped possible structure of boulder construction measuring 6.1m by 5.4m. Located in a boggy depression near a stream, just below a spur on the upper valleyside. Dubious as a site. Condition poor.

#### DESCRIPTION

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?STRUCTURE/LINEAR FEATURE: Part of a possible linear feature or enclosure partially exposed by eroding peat, defined by a double line of boulders set into the ground. The boulders run up to a modern drystone field boundary, but the relationship between the two is unclear due to the masking effects of peat and heather. The feature is 6.6m long, 1.7m wide and up to 0.5m high. Located in a boggy depression immediately N of a modern field boundary.

10502

CLEARANCE CAIRN: A roughly linear pile of small to medium sized boulders running E - W along the contour. The cairn is 5m long, 1.8m - 3m wide and 0.9m high. Located on a moderately sloping valleyside.

10503

CLEARANCE CAIRN: A linear pile of small to medium sized boulders running E - W along the contour. The cairn is 4m long and 1.6m wide. Located on a slight ledge on the valley side within the upper part of the modern enclosed zone.

10504

THREE CLEARANCE CAIRNS: Field clearance cairns of varying sizes, named A - C. A is a small sub-circular cairn made of small stones, B is a pile of large boulders arranged down the slope towards survey no. 338, and C is a small cairn containing small stones lying against an outcrop. Located on a slight slope and minor ledge on the valleyside.

10505

CAIRN/?STRUCTURE: A large roughly square pile of stones, having on all four sides possible remnant walling or kerb stones utilising large boulders. The structure measures 8.6m downslope and 11.9m across the slope and is 0.9m high. The function of the structure is unclear; it may have been a small hut or enclosure onto which field clearance has been dumped, or alternatively it may be the remains of a funerary monument of the kerb cairn type. Located on a ledge on the valley side. Condition fair.

## DESCRIPTION

10506

PLATFORM HOUSE COMPLEX: A group of three platform houses lying contiguously along the contour, with a fourth possible house downslope. The platforms are between 9.3m and 12.5m long and 4.5m to 7m wide. Platforms A and B have possible internal features but these are obscured by heather. A bank dividing the two platforms is clearly visible. Platform C contains a building foundation and appears to have two, or possibly three, compartments with a central cross-passage. Platform E is on a very steep slope and appears to be guite uneven internally and has a tree growing in the centre. The purpose of the platform is uncertain. Above the platforms is a level area containing several low mounds, (D) running along the contour and measuring 20m by 10m. The site is bounded on the E side by later field boundaries and there is a path running along the bottom of the site in an E - W direction. The complex is situated on a gently sloping S facing ledge on the upper slopes of the valleyside.

10507

SCOOP: A shallow grass-covered level area about 5m across. The scoop is located on a gently sloping ledge on an otherwise fairly steep slope. The upper part of the scoop is formed of scree, suggesting a natural origin.

10508

CLEARANCE CAIRN: A curvilinear dump of small to medium sized angular to sub-angular stones lying against the base of a curving drystone field boundary. The cairn is 14.4m long and is probably the result of field clearance but the curvilinear shape may suggest the field wall is built upon earlier foundations.

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CLEARANCE CAIRN: A curvilinear dump of small stones with a few larger boulders. The cairn measures 11.3m by 5.2m. Situated on a moderate slope on the lower valleyside.

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BANK/?RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE: A rectangular boulder alignment possibly defining the foundations of a rectangular structure associated with an old field boundary. The possible enclosure measures 5.6m by 3.6m, and the field boundary is about 40m long. Located immediately W of an old field boundary.

10511

FIELD SYSTEM AND ENCLOSURE: Mound (?natural) connected to small rectangular earth and stone-walled enclosure by stone bank extending in an E - W direction. Rectangular enclosure may be a hafod site, with the drystone walling a secondary phase of use. Dimensions - Earth bank c.60m long by 2m wide, height 2m. Rectangular structure, exterior 7.5m by 7.6m, Mound, 12.8m diameter. Located on the SE side of rocky knoll, in an area of heather above boggy upland stream valley. Ridge above lower valley slope.

DESCRIPTION

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ROUND HUT: The remains of a possible round hut defined by a low circular stony bank with an external diameter of 9m and an entrance on the S side.

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LONG HUT: A small rectangular structure, with internal dividing wall. Situated where two field walls meet at right angles. The crudely built N - S field wall butts the well-built (double faced with rubble fill), 1m high E - W field wall. Both field walls overlie the rectangular structure, the robbed remains of the E wall can be seen to the E of the N - S wall, while the N wall can be seen to the N of the E - W wall (this area is flat) as can the N part of the W wall of the structure. The W wall of the structure is well grassed over, but appears to be placed on the interior side, as does the S wall which is also grassed over. The S wall is 0.8m wide and 0.6m high. The W wall is 1.10m wide and 0.5m high (some may be collapse). The possible partition wall survives to a height of 0.1m. The N compartment is 2.8m by 2.9m internally and the S 2.8m by 2m internally. There is an entrance in the W wall (into the N compartment) and possible one in the S wall (SE corner for the S compartment) The downslope has been built up with a drop of 0.5 to 0.7m. Located on a gentle to moderate slope, down to W - E running valley. On S facing slope, Grass, bilberry and rushes.

10514

PLATFORM HOUSE: House platform on which are rectangular stone and earth foundations. The main structure has three compartments arranged downslope and an annexe on the W side against its upper portion. The entrances appear to be in the lowest compartment, and are opposed, suggesting a cross passage. The structure may be two phases, Phase one being the main three compartment building and the annexe being a later addition. The long house is overlain by a rough drystone field boundary on its E side along one of its external walls, built after it was abandoned. Length downslope 16.8m, width 7m. Located on a stream terrace above boggy depression. Threat of erosion from livestock.

10515

CLEARANCE CAIRN: A sub-circular cairn 3m by 2m at the base of a slope about 15m S of a field boundary, with the long axis along the slope. Located in a secondary valley near a boggy depression.

#### DESCRIPTION

10516

ENCLOSURE WITH WALLING: A sub-rectangular enclosure utilising fallen natural boulders. A wall extends E downhill beyond the enclosure. A possible field wall joins at the N from the sheepfolds to the N. The enclosure is 5m by 5.5m (interior), with a probable entrance in the E wall. Large (1m by 1m) boulders have been used for the walling. The walls are very basic, often of single stones. The S wall extends about 11m beyond the entrance, curving slightly S. In front of the enclosure, to the E, within the wall limits there may be a slight platform. Located on terrace of hillock, at the base of an outcrop cliff face, facing SE down the valley to Ffridd Trawsgoed on a gentle to moderate slope.

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SUB-CIRCULAR ENCLOSURE: Possible re-used round hut. A sub-circular drystone structure, with an entrance in the NE. Interior is fairly uneven with a large amount of internal collapse. Overlies a low stone and earth bank possibly representing an earlier phase. Dimensions: Externally 5.7m by 4.8m, Wall width 0.9m. Height 0.8m. Located on the side of a valley, upper slope adjoining ledge. Condition Fair, but overgrown by heather and rushes.

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SHEEPFOLD: A small multi-build drystone sheepfold backing onto an outcrop face, with three or four phases of construction and a blocked entrance on the S side (B). The structure has three compartments (A to C), is sub-rectangular in plan and measures 9m by 4.5m overall. (A) on the W side, is 4.5 m by 2.8m, (B) in the centre is 1.8m by 1.2m internally and (C) is 3.5m by 3.3m internally. Located at the head of a valley. Condition fair.

10519

SHELTER/?SHOOTING BUTT: A small roughly built 'U'-shaped drystone structure measuring 1.3m by 1m and standing to a height of 0.8m. A possible wall runs SE down the valley, but this is as likely a natural feature. Located on a natural platform in a small dry stream valley above the main valley.

10521

QUARRY SCOOPS: Two elongate quarry scoops running downslope on the the N side of the Roman road. (A) measures 6.6m N - S by 4m and (B) measures 8m N - S by 3.8m E - W. Located on a valleyside.

# PRN DESCRIPTION ELONGATE MOUND/STRUCTURE: A narrow sub-rectangular mound aligned 10522 N - S with a structured boulder kerb at both ends, doubled-faced in places, though with no packing stones. The mound measures 11m by 2.2m externally, 9.4m by 2m between the kerbs and is 0.2m to 0.3m high. There is no trace of the kerb in the central part of the feature, perhaps obscured by grass or robbed out. There is a small level platform at the downslope end (S) with a ?peat cutting or natural hollow to the W. Located on a moderate to gentle S-facing mid-slope. Condition fair. Interpretation of the feature is problematic; it may be a platform for a building, a peat stack base, a ?pillow mound or a ?barrow. CLEARANCE CAIRN: A sub-circular cairn, 0.9m by 0.8m, composed of 10523 six partially grassed-over stones. Located on a gentle to moderate slope. PLATFORM/QUARRY: A sub-rectangular level area measuring 8m by 6m 10524 to 7m. Located at the base of a steep slope, 9m of the S of the Roman road. SCOOP/?HUT: A small scoop situated directly below a slight bluff, 10525 elliptical in shape, with a low earth and a stone platform on its S edge and recessed into the slope at N end. The interior is obscured by rushes. The scoop measures 5m by 3.5m and is orientated along the contour. Located on a gentle S facing slope of a valleyside, S of the Roman road. SCOOP/?HUT: A very shallow and indistinct scoop near the brow of 10526 a ridge. 10527 ?SCOOP: Very shallow scoop obscured by rushes in interior. External diameter 3m. ?CLEARANCE CAIRN: Stones (Average 0.5 by 0.3m) stacked to form a 10528 low elongate mound, 2.4m by 0.9m, 0.5m high. Defined on the downslope side by five stones. Located S of Roman Road, on a gentle to moderate slope, mid-slope. Bilberries, grass, rushes and moss. SUB-RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE: External length 15.8m, width 2.4m. 10529 Slightly mounded interior. Located in a side valley at the base of a rocky knoll. No immediate threat, but possible future erosion by cattle/sheep. ?SCOOP: Possible scoop for hut or quarry within a stony area, 10530

depression.

but very likely a natural feature. External length 4.5m, width

1.8m. Located S of Roman Road, on the E side of spur above boggy

PRN	DESCRIPTION
10531	QUARRY SCOOP?: A quarry scoop 3m below the Roman road (survey no. 353), cut into into a moderate slope forming a platform. There are scattered stones within the scoop. The scoop measures 5m by 2.1m. An alternative interpretation is that the feature may represent the site of a hut. Condition poor.
10532	SCOOP/?NATURAL FEATURE: A very slight scoop which may be a quarry or the stance for a hut, but as likely to be natural. Located S of the Roman Road.
10533	SCOOP/?NATURAL FEATURE: A slight scoop which may be a quarry or the stance for a hut, but is as likely to be a natural feature.  Located S of the Roman Road.
10534	QUARRY SCOOPS: A series of about ten large quarry scoops covering an area of at least 55m by 30m. Located immediately N of the Roman Road on a spur on the lower slopes of a valleyside. Condition fair.
10535	?ROUND HUT/NATURAL FEATURE: The very dubious remains of round hut defined by a low ring of stones surrounding a slightly level area, diameter 5m. Located on a hillock on the lower valleyside, just N of the Roman road (survey no. 353). Condition poor.
10536	?ROUND HUT: A slight circular depression ringed by single stones, internal diameter 4m, 0.1m - 0.2m high. A trackway passes 2m to the E. Located on a terrace below a slight rise about 20m N of the Roman Road. Condition poor.
10537	TWO QUARRY SCOOPS/?HUTS: (A) A well-defined platform with a diameter of 3m and an upper scarp 0.9m deep. There are several large stones in the interior which may represent the footings of a hut. Condition stable. (B) situated 10m SE of A is shallow suboval scoop measuring 5m by 4m internally with a stony lower scarp 0.5m high. Condition poor. Located on the lower slopes of a valleyside N of the Roman Road and quarries (survey no. 369).
10538	BANK AND DITCH: A bilberry-covered bank orientated SW - NE with a ditch on the S side. The bank in 29m long and 1.5m wide and the ditch is 1m wide and 0.5m deep. Located on a ledge at the foot of the lower valleyside.
10539	WALL: A sinuous linear alignment of angular boulders, 0.4m to 1.2m in size, generally two courses high. The wall is 15m long, 2m wide and 0.9m high. The lower portion is heavily grassed-over and respects the course of the modern road, although there is a significant deviation at the W end, avoiding a circular bowl-shaped depression 2.5m in diameter and 0.4m deep. Located at the foot of a hill. Condition ruinous.

## DESCRIPTION

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WALL/STRUCTURE: An alignment of large boulders, generally between 0.4m and 1m in size, curving gently to the S to enclose a fairly level area adjacent to the modern road. The wall is 48m long, 1.4m wide and 0.7m high, with two courses surviving. The W end the structure makes use of two large boulders (up to 3m high), is 14m S of the road, and is cut by a field drain. Forms an enclosure with survey no. 400. Hillslope location. Condition ruinous.

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WALL: An alignment of boulders, 0.4m to 0.8m in size, generally one course high and measuring 23m long, 1.2m high and. 1.5m high. The wall appears to run parallel to the existing fenceline which itself overlies a rough drystone wall 1m to 1.5m high. Located adjacent to a stream at the base of a waterfall. Condition ruinous.

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?SHEEPDIP/?MILL REMAINS: A complex of river terrace structures consisting of channels and structures. (A) a stone-lined rectangular slot enclosed on N, S and W, 6m long, 1m wide and 1.7m deep. Possibly a sheepdip or ?waterwheel pit. To the E is a channel which appears to run under a drystone wall. (B) an "L"-shaped drystone structure 2.8m by 1.9m. (C) a three-sided, square drystone structure formed by individual large boulders. (D) A drystone wall 0.5m wide and 2m high with a channel to the N. Probably a leat to carry water to the ?sheepdip or ?waterwheel pit (A). Located on The N bank of a river to the E of a waterfall. Condition stable.

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WALL/FLOOD DEFENCE: A sinuous alignment of boulders with some infilling of smaller stones runs along the N bank of the Afon Lliw for a distance of 45m. The wall is 1.1m wide and 0.8m high. Condition ruinous.

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BRIDGE ABUTMENT: A boat-shaped mortared stone bridge abutment in centre of the Afon Lliw measuring 4m in length and 2m high. At either end are supports 4m long with rough stone flagged ramps. The span is modern, with iron rails supporting a concrete walkway. Remnant wooden uprights for handrails, now absent. An ancient fieldwall, now reduced to foundations, runs up to the base of the N ramp. There is no evidence of a gateway in the wall, indicating the wall pre-dates the bridge foundations. Located in the Afon Lliw to the E of the waterfalls. Condition stable.

DESCRIPTION

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MOUND/?BURNT MOUND: A flat-topped crescent shaped mound largely turfed over, with well-spaced small angular stones up to 0.15m visible through the turf at W end. At the E end larger stones up to 0.5m are visible with some erosion on SE edge. The mound is 7m long, 5m wide at E end, 4m wide at W end and 0.6m high. Situated on flat valley floor between boulder strewn hillside. Stream to S. Some erosion, basically stable.

10546

LOW LINEAR EARTHWORK/?BANK: Appears as a very low linear bank 10m from footbridge. There is an 8m gap where the bank is unclear, possibly cut by old drainage channel(s). Dimensions 68m long, 3m wide, 0.35m high.

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DRYSTONE STRUCTURE: Alignment of rounded and angular boulders generally 0.3m to 0.5m across, visible occasionally and running roughly parallel to N - S stream. Gap at N end at possible ford of stream. Feature is wide and prominent at N end, upstanding boulders may be later phase as there is an underlying turfed-over stone bank beneath it on the E side. At S end feature becomes mainly boulders with no apparent bank and narrows to a single boulder width (0.4m). Forms a straight line right at stream edge at 408's end; aligned on SE corner of sheep pen at 408's N end. Dimensions 42m long, maximum 1.5m wide (N end), 0.75m high. 2.0m wide including the bank. Located at the W bank of stream that runs under Pont Buarthmeini, to S of ruined building.

10548

WEIR/?FORD: Alignment of large boulders across a stream forming a ledge 0.9m high on downstream side creating an artificial waterfall. Also stub of dry stone wall runs to E wall of sheepfold. Possibly a ford or foot crossing. Dimensions: 5m long, 1.1m wide, 0.9m high. Located 20m S of Pont Buarthmeini on flat valley floor.

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?ROUND HUT: Roughly circular area enclosed on W and E by semicircular drystone walls. W is 6m long, 1.5m wide, 0.5m high and has been obscured by a later drystone wall. E walling is 5m long, 1.5 - 1.7 wide and 0.8m high. Both comprise large angular stone boulders forming inside and outside face with smaller stones infilling there is some later dumping evident on thee E wall. Much of the earlier phases are turfed over. At both ends there are boulders forming low alignments which may be remnants of the missing sides. The E wall looks like a possible round hut. 9m external diameter.

#### DESCRIPTION

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BANK: Linear barrier, N half is stony bank 2.0 - 2.5m wide and 0.5m high cut by gateway for ford opposite SE corner of sheepfold. The N end is very degraded comprising spaced single large boulders. The boulders become prominent on the S half, some appear to be a later phase on top of the bank beneath. Stretches of drystone wall stand to 0.7m. Runs parallel to stream. Located along E side of stream under Pont Buarthmeini. On flat river valley floor.

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?CAIRN: Appears as a stony slope comprising very large angular boulders to 1.5m and embedded turfed boulders, well spaced, 0.25m to 0.5m in size. Two very large boulders at W end one on top of the other. Septic tank cover in situ adjacent to W. Large boulders form short drystone foundation to E of 412. Field clearance? Partially robbed structure? Dimensions: 8m by 2m by 1m high. Located on flat valley floor.

10552

WALL: A low single course wall, 43m long and 1m wide constructed of large boulders up to 0.5m, running NE - SW downslope to the river. Hard to distinguish because of high rushes. Located in a field on N side of Afon Lliw, E of Buarthmeini.

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BANK/FLOOD DEFENCE: A low bank of earth and stone, running along the river edge. In some places has been partially eroded away. Almost completely covered by grass. Located adjacent to river on a flat river plateau. Dimensions 1.4m wide 0.15m high. Possible threat from erosion.

10554

BANK: Located adjacent to Afon Lliw (N side) E of Buarthmeini farm, on flat river terrace. The boundary appears 30m along from 414 (where 414 disappears). Recent erosion along river bank. Dimensions, 25m long and 0.4m wide. Threat from river erosion.

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?WEIR: Located adjacent to Afon Lliw (N side) E of Buarthmeini farm. A bank of river stones running at an angle from near (3m) the river bank to the centre of the river (a large boulder). Forming an area of slow moving water. Length 15m.

10556

?SCOOP/QUARRY: A sub-circular scoop, terraced into the slope. Cut at the SW side by modern track. Steep sided with a level interior. Dimensions, 4m (to track), Height at rear 1.1m. Located just off the track at the E end, near the Afon Lliw, on a steep to moderate slope. Looks across valley. Possibly a quarry for the track/Roman Road.

## DESCRIPTION

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RECTANGULAR SUNKEN ENCLOSURE: A rectangular enclosure dug into the natural slope (2m deep at the back). The walls are constructed of massive (1m by 1m) drystone boulders at the back and slightly smaller (0.7 by 0.7m) stones towards the front. There is a possible entrance at the S end. Located NE from old building N side of Afon Lliw, E of Buarthmeini Farm, on a moderate to steep slope. Dimensions 8m by 3m. Condition good.

10558

?CLEARANCE CAIRN: A gently sloping area with possible revetting on the downslope (W side) forming a platform 6.5m by 5m. Located above 418, S of main road near Bryn Barcut, on a moderate slope.

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FOUR CLEARANCE CAIRNS: A group of four cairns.

A - 0.7m by 1.6m large boulder with smaller stones packed behind (upslope). Partially grassed over.

B - 1.2m by 0.6m large boulder with smaller (0.2 by 0.2m) stones packed behind to SE and below. Partially grassed over.

C - 1.4m by 0.5m large boulder with smaller (0.2 by 0.2m) piled behind (upslope) and on top. Partially grassed over.

D - A group of seven large (over 2m) boulders with smaller stones (0.2m) forming a slight raise upslope and spilling down between them. Located in a field S of road below Bryn Barcut, on a moderate to steep slope. Open pasture field with the occasional tree. Condition good.

10560

WALL: A low single course wall running NE - SW downhill. Utilizing large natural boulders and grassed over in places. Dimensions 9m by 0.9m, height 0.2 - 0.3m. Located in the second field E of Buarthmeini Farm, S and adjacent to the road. On moderate slope down to river terrace. Lightly wooded.

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CLEARANCE CAIRN/PLATFORM: A sub-circular platform, grassed over with three large trees growing on it. On the downslope side small stones have been exposed by tree roots and weathering and are spilling down the slope for 1m. Diameter 2.7m. The site is 2m E from 421 (wall). Located in the second field E of Buarthmeini Farm, adjacent and S of main road. On a moderate slope down to the river terrace.

10562

?CLEARANCE CAIRN/PLATFORM: A gently sloping platform (probably natural) enlarged by the build up of small stones downslope, although there are no signs of any structures. Grassed over. Located in the second field E of Buarthmeini Farm, adjacent to and S of main road, on a moderate slope down to river terrace. Lightly wooded.

#### DESCRIPTION

10563

CLEARANCE CAIRN: A pile of large stones 0.2m to 0.4m filling a gap in outcrop. Looks stacked rather than natural fill. Enlarges natural platform upslope. Partially grassed over. Dimensions 1.5m by 1m, 1m high. Located in the second field E of Buarthmeini Farm, adjacent to and S of the main road. On gentle to moderate slope down to river terrace.

10564

?CLEARANCE CAIRN: Sub-circular pile of stones with a diameter of 2m, stones ranging from 0.1m to 0.3m. Defined on the E side by a large natural boulder or outcrop. Partially grassed over. Located in the second field E of Buarthmeini Farm, adjacent to and S of main road. On a gentle to moderate slope down to river terrace. Lightly wooded.

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RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE AND ENCLOSURE: A sunken rectangular structure with massively built walls within a rectangular enclosure. The walls are of drystone construction and are between 1m and 2m wide. The rear wall is a course higher than the other walls, being 1m to 1.5m high. The two side walls are 1m below natural ground level and are constructed of large (1m) and small boulders. The NW corner utilizes a 2m boulder. The upslope wall is over 1m high. The entrance appears to be in the SW corner. The enclosure follows the natural slope and is 0.8m above the floor of the sunken structure. The rear (upslope) wall utilises the natural outcrop, while downslope, adjacent to the track, large boulders (1m) and some smaller ones have been used for a wall. The NW wall is part of a field boundary which runs up hill to the main road. The entrance appears to be in the S wall with access to the track. The walls are between 1m and 1.5m wide and up to 1.8m high. Dimensions of sunken rectangular structure: 4m by 4.5m, rectangular enclosure 3.70m by 10.5m. Located directly N of track to Buarthmeini Farm, S of main road, on a moderate slope. Lightly wooded.

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ENCLOSURE: A small rectangular enclosure measuring 5m by 2m and 0.5m high is built against a N - S running field wall. The walls are two courses high in places. The interior is built up to form a platform 0.5m high. There is no entrance apparent. Located on a gentle S facing slope 2m S of a ?recent break in the field wall. Condition poor.

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CLEARANCE CAIRN: A natural outcrop which has field stones piled upslope to form a cairn 4m by 2m. Located on a gentle to moderate slope. Condition good.

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CLEARANCE CAIRN: A natural outcrop which has stones placed upslope to make a simple revetment and forms a cairn 5m by 2.3m. Located on a moderate slope. Condition good.

#### DESCRIPTION

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COW HOUSE/BEUDY: A Modern (C19th/20th) cow house of mortared stone construction measuring 7.5m by 6m, with entrances in the E and S walls and two windows in the S wall. There are also two possible entrances with timber lintels, now blocked, opposite one another in E and W walls. The roof is missing but the gable ends are present, although the E gable is partially collapsed. The floor is stone paved with a red-brick floor passage. Adjacent to the W gable end is a rectangular platform 1m to 2m high, revetted by large stones on the S and W sides and measuring 11m by 9m. Located on a gentle to moderate slope at the base of a steep slope. Condition fair.

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CLEARANCE CAIRN: A partially grassed-over pile of stones measuring 2m by 1m. Located on a moderate slope in the top corner of a modern field 3m from the field wall.

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WALL DEMOLITION CAIRN: A pile of stones measuring 6m by 4m next to a recent-looking gap in a drystone field wall, probably created to allow access by tractor. Located on a moderate slope.

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?PLATFORM/HUT: A slight platform with five stones protruding in a slight arc for 2.2m on the uphill side and a fairly level surface. Located on a gentle slope.

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CLEARANCE CAIRN: A partially grassed-over clearance cairn of large boulders between 1m and 2m has been piled upslope of a rocky outcrop running along the contour. There are also a number of smaller stones. The cairn measures 8m by 6m. Located on a moderate slope on the edge of a break of slope against a N - S running drystone field wall.

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CLEARANCE CAIRN: One large stone (1.1m by 0.6m by 1.6m) has been placed on top of another large boulder (2m by 0.6m by 1.4m). Smaller stones have been packed around and between the two, possibly to balance the upper stone. The cairn is 1.6m high. Located on a moderate slope halfway down a modern field. Condition good.

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CLEARANCE CAIRN: Small and large boulders packed upslope behind a large (2m) boulder to create a cairn 5.6m by 5.2m. A tree is growing on the boulder. Located on a moderate slope halfway down a modern field. Condition good.

10576

CLEARANCE CAIRN AND ?BANK: A drystone structure consisting mainly of large boulders, with a low line of stones running along its base and and slightly past it, becoming a grassed-over bank running W and curving slightly uphill. There is no trace of the bank the the E. The feature measures 11.5m by 1.5 m and is 1.6m high. Located on a moderate slope.

PRN	DESCRIPTION
10577	?SCOOP/NATURAL FEATURE: A slight platform measuring 8m by 5m with a raised bank 2m wide and 0.2m high downslope. Located on a moderate slope.
10578	CLEARANCE CAIRN: Medium-sized field stones have been piled upslope from a large boulder to form a cairn 3m by 1.5m. It is partially grassed-over and has a large tree growing on it. Located on a moderate to steep slope. Condition good.
10579	CLEARANCE CAIRN: Medium sized stones have been piled upslope from a large boulder to form a cairn 2m by 2m. Located on a gentle slope.
10580	TRACKWAY: A trackway 1m to 2m wide runs NE - SW along the E side of a stream for 50m. The trackway is revetted in some places on the downslope side. Located on a steep to moderate slope. Some erosion on the S end.
10581	BUILDING (ROOFED): A roofed drystone building adjacent to the modern road, presently used as a shed. From the road it is evident that the building is constructed on a platform 0.5m high. There is a second low platform to the W of the building. Located at the base of a moderate slope.
10582	RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE: A rectangular structure measuring 7m by 3m is defined by an upright stone kerb 0.5m high. The structure has a concrete floor, and there is a concrete platform 5m by 3m downslope, with a step between the two. Located on a moderate slope.
10583	FIVE CLEARANCE CAIRNS: A group of five clearance cairns measuring (A) 2m diameter, 1m high, (B) 3m diameter, 0.9m high, (C) 4.3m diameter, 0.8m high, (D) 8.6m by 1.3m by 0.3m high, (E) 6m diameter, 1m high. Located on a hillside above the lower valley floor within the enclosed zone. Condition good.
10584	SIX CLEARANCE CAIRNS: A group of clearance cairns measuring (A) 2.6m diameter, 0.6m high, (B) 1.6m diameter, 1.6m high, (C) 1.6m diameter, 1.4m high, (D) 3m diameter, 1m high, (E) 1.6m diameter, 1.3m high, (F) 2.6m diameter, 1.6m high. Located on a hillside above the lower valley floor within the enclosed zone. Condition good.
10585	TWO CLEARANCE CAIRNS: Two circular partially grassed-over piles of stones, (A) measuring 5m by 1.5m and 0.5m high, and (B) 2.3m by 2m. A field wall running NE - SW has been built over the cairns. Located on a gentle slope within the enclosed zone. Condition good.

PRN	DESCRIPTION
10586	TWO CLEARANCE CAIRNS: (A) a grassed-over horseshoe shaped mound 7.2m in diameter and 1.2m high. (B) a circular stone pile 1.5m diameter, 1.8m high. Located on a hillside above the lower valley floor.
10587	PLATFORM/?NATURAL FEATURE: A rectangular platform beside a sheepfold, with a ditch separating the two. The platform measures 13m by 8m and is 0.5m to 0.7m high. Located on a moderate slope.
10588	ENCLOSURE/SHEEPFOLD: Boulder rubble wall backing onto outcrop face, forming an elongate enclosure with a steeply sloping interior. Length 12m, width 5.5m, height of walls 1.8m. Located on hillside. Condition fair.
10589	CAIRN/?BURIAL: A sub-circular cairn 4m across and 0.5m high. The cairn appears to have been built around a low boulder outcrop or erratic, and may have been structured but has now largely collapsed. Unlikely to have been the result of field clearance. Located W of a low hillock on flat boggy ground set slightly behind the crest of a S facing slope. Condition fair.

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### 11. APPENDICES

## APPENDIX I - HISTORICAL NOTES

## The Roman Road (PRN 3848)

The route of the Roman road between the forts of Caer Gai and Tomen-y-Mur, although not yet completely established, is known with some certainty to run through the survey area. According to Bowen and Gresham (1969), the first point at which the Roman road is to be located with any certainty (just within the survey area) is at a point just north of Bryn Cau, below Foel Ystrodur Bach (SH81183395), where it merges with the main east-west route of the pre-19th century Bala to Harlech road, which enters the eastern side of the survey area across Ffridd Trawscoed, after running through Bwlch Llwyd. Bowen and Gresham also consider that this route follows the line of a prehistoric trackway. The exact place at which the Roman road leaves the route of the former Bala to Harlech road to continue east to Caer Gai is as yet uncertain; one possibility is that the Roman road followed the Bala to Harlech road over Bwlch Llwyd (SH84703375) to Cwmtylo and from there to Caer Gai (Thomas, 1885). Another suggestion is that the route lay across Y Lordship (Morris), while Archdeacon Thomas also suggested that it might have followed the line of the present metalled road up the valley of the Lliw (maps 4 & 5).

However, it seems more likely that the Roman road turned to the south-east across Ffridd Trawscoed, as is suggested by the many possible quarry pits (see map), and then continued east by way of Trawscoed (Irvine, 1956).

During 1983, an excavation was undertaken just to the west of the survey area at Blaen-Lliw-uchaf (SH79373571) by Gwynedd Archaeological Trust. This confirmed the line of the Roman road, proving the route published by Irvine to be essentially correct, and allowed an investigation of its structure. The road appears to have been of one build, the 'agger' approximately 3 m wide and about 0.3 m in thickness, with ditches to either side. A date of 75-80 AD was postulated, the road being contemporary with the forts it connects. The road probably fell into disrepair about 120-130 AD when the forts were abandoned (Kelly, 1983).

It should be noted, however, that a more southerly line for the road has been suggested leading over Bwlch y Bi, around Moel yr Wden and onto Blaen Lliw (Crew, 1979). Kelly believes this could be a later alternative (1986).

### Ecclesiastical Associations

A somewhat tenuous association may exist with the Cistercian Order as the area borders land holdings known to have been in their ownership from some time in the late thirteenth century until the Dissolution in the 1530s. To the west lay Cwm Cedryn Grange, several isolated holdings (maps 10 & 11) belonging to Cymer Abbey, while immediately to the east lands belonging to the English Cistercian foundation of Basingwerk were to be found in Cwmtylo (SH84903420). The possible existence of structures associated with a monastic grange should be borne in mind.

## Medieval Townships

Welsh Medieval townships could be 'free' or 'bond'; according to Medieval Welsh Law land in free townships was in the hereditary possession of one or more kindred groups (gwelyau). It is generally thought that free townships originated with the dwelling of the original owner, and then expanded with the rise in population and the effects of partible succession (cyfran), to create a dispersed form of settlement around the arable land away from the original hendref.

Under bond tenure the bondsmen enjoyed the use of small arable holdings and grazing rights in

return for labour services and renders and, later, monetary payments. Bond tenure could be of the tir cyfrif or of the tir gwelyog form; the tir cyfrif township had a greater potential for nucleation, while under tir gwelyog tenure, the settlement pattern could be either one of dispersed farmsteads or of nucleated communities. Tir gwelyog tenure was superior in status to tir cyfrif, though the liberty of the tenants, was more restricted than that of their free counterparts.

The possible association of the area with Cistercian land might indicate the presence of a bond township (Pennant-Lliw?). These Cistercian holdings could represent land endowed by the Princes of Gwynedd, the alienation of land belonging to bond townships being their responsibility. The location and study of this township would be of considerable importance for the comparative study of the structural elements of 'free' and 'bond' townships.

Similarly it should be noted that if a bond township were granted to freemen its real nature might be masked (ref. the 1352 Extent) in later documentation. Many bond townships suffered heavily during the period of the Black Death, and as the bond community was collectively responsible for its obligations, the burden fell more heavily on the few remaining, often leading to the abandonment of the township. Such vacant holdings were either forfeited to the crown to be re-sold to freemen with adjacent properties or simply quietly annexed.

## Historic Buildings Near the Area

Buildings of historical/architectural interest nearby are as follows: Blaen-lliw-uchaf (SH79993412), typical of the end chimney and inside cross-passage plan (regional group A); Hendre Blaen-Lliw (SH80453393), an example of the chimney-backing-on-the-entry and outside cross-passage plan (regional house type B); Trawscoed (SH84583262), internal stone chimney and lobby-entry plan (regional house type C & D).

## APPENDIX II - PLACENAMES

Most of the placenames are of a topographical nature, describing the flora, fauna and lie of the land. Bryn Tomos alludes to a personage unknown. Settlement sites are indicated at Buarthmeini, Ty'n y fron, Pennant-Lliw, Dol-fudr and possibly Nant-yr-ael(?), while Bryn Cau might possibly indicate the existence of an enclosure nearby. All the placenames listed below occur on the 1890, 1965, 1978 and 1983 OS maps unless otherwise indicated. Placenames of settlements, or which may indicate settlement sites, are in bold.

Afon Erwent ('Afon yr wynt' on 1838 1" to the mile OS map - River of the wind. 'Erwent' may be a corruption of the obsolete word 'erwyn' (fierce)?, or simply of 'yr wynt'.

Afon Lliw - river Lliw - appearance/colour, but name may derive from Llif - flood or Llifo - to flow.

Banc Du - bank/mound/hillock, Du - black.

Banciau Duon - Plural of above.

Bryn Barcut - hill, Barcut - kite.

Bryn Cau - hill, Cau - hollow/concave/shut/enclosed: could equally indicate an enclosed feature or a natural hollow.

Bryn Du - Black Hill.

Bryn Tomos - Tomos's Hill.

Buarthmeini - Buarth - farmyard/enclosure for cattle, meini - stones.

Coed Dol-fudr - Coed - wood, Dol - meadow, budr - nasty/foul/vile/filthy.

Cors y Gwartheg llwydion - Cors - bog, Gwartheg - cattle, llwyd - grey.

Cors y Foel - Foel - bare or bald hill.

Clogwyn Careg-yr-hollt - Clogwyn - Cliff/crag, Carreg - rock, hollt - split. 'Crag of the split rock'.

Clogwyn yr Eglwys - Eglwys - church 'A rocky eminence..., which derives its name from its fancied resemblance to a church steeple....' (RCAHMW, 1921).

Craig Boeth - Craig - rock, Poeth - warm.

Dol-fudr - Foul meadow.

Dolydd Bychain - Little meadows/dales.

Foel Boeth - warm bare hill.

Foel Ystrodur bach - Ystrodur - saddle, as in ridge, bach - small.

Ffridd Trawscoed - Ffridd - sheepwalk, mountain pasture.

Llechwedd Erwent - Llechwedd - slope.

Llechwedd Trwsgl - Trwsgl - clumsy.

Llyn Crafanc - Llyn - lake, Crafanc - claw/talon.

Nant-yr-ael (on 1838 1" OS map) nant - stream or brook, Ael - brow/aisle.

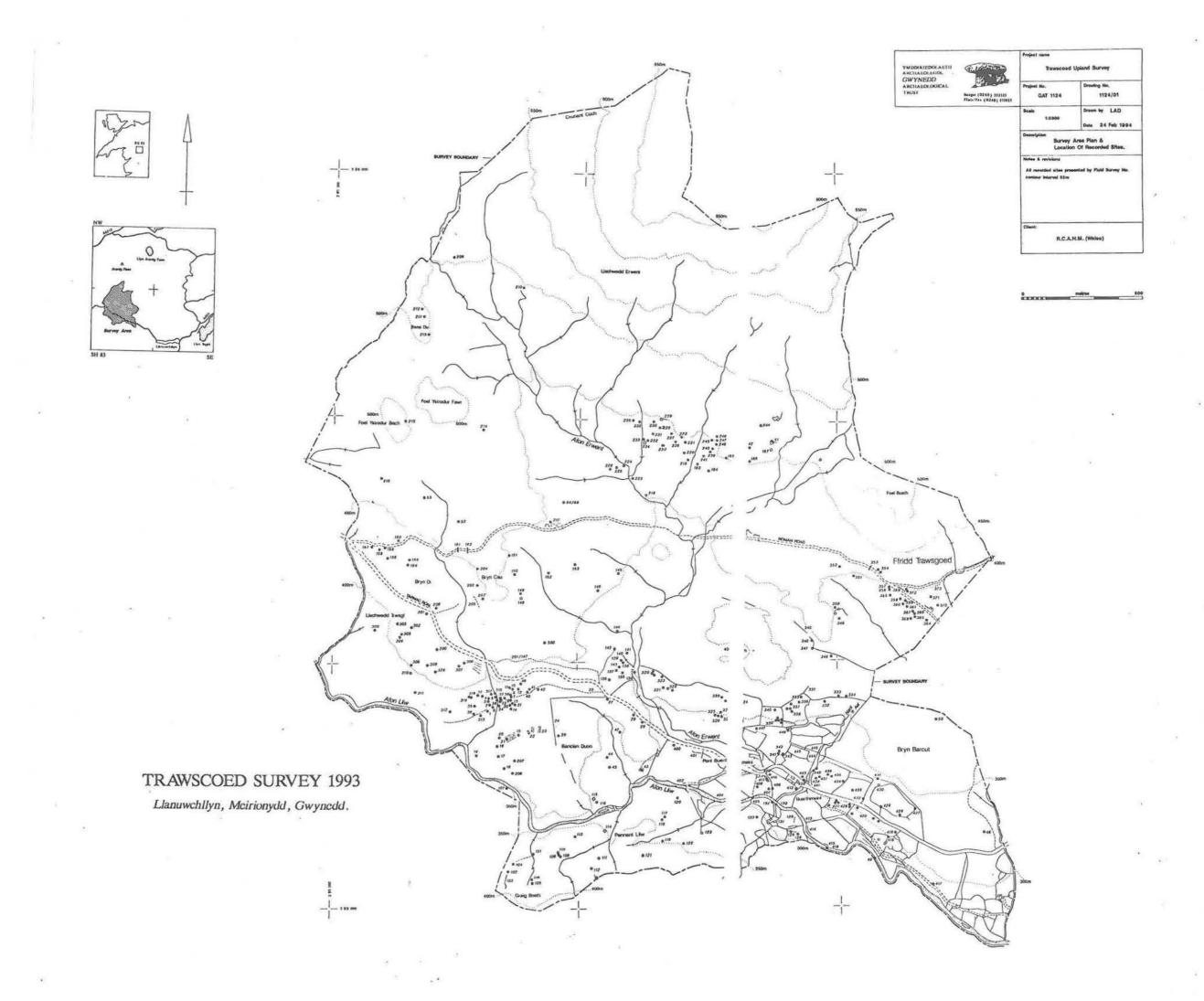
Pennant-Lliw Name of the Medieval township preserved as modern placename on map.

Pont Buarthmeini Pont - bridge; site of an old bridge?

Ty'n-y-fron - House in the breast of the hill.

# APPENDIX III - MAPS CONSULTED AND ON ARCHIVE

Number	Scale	Date	Description				
1	1:25,000	1985	OS map showing Area G1124				
2	1:10,000	1983	Base Map - showing streams, sheepfolds, paths, Roman road, field boundaries, PRNs and aerial photographic information.				
3	1:10,000	1983	Sites in the area on the SMR (PRNs)				
4	1:25,000	1985	Possible line of Roman road (after Irvine, 1956)				
5	1 inch/1 mile (Reduced)	-	The Roman road between Caer Gai and Tomen-y-Mur (Irvine, 1956), on 3 sheets.				
6	1:5,000	1982	Blaen Lliw Roman Road - pre-afforestation survey (A. G., D. G. P. & R. S. K.)				
7	53	1988	Map of Roman Gwynedd (Williams, G.)				
8	=	1976	Commotes of North Wales in 1292-93 (Williams-Jones, K., 1976)				
9	*	1976	Townships of Merioneth c.1300 (Williams-Jones, K., 1976)				
10	1 cm/8 miles	1990	Cistercian lands in Wales (Williams, D. H., 1990)				
11	196	1990	Cistercian lands in North-Central Wales, showing the position of the Grange lands of Cwm Cedryn and Cwmtylo (Williams, D. H., 1990)				
12	1:25,000	1985	OS map showing area G1124				
13	1:25,000	1978	OS map showing area G1124				
14	1:10,560	1965	OS map showing area G1124				
15	1:10,560	1886	OS map (tracing) showing position of shooting huts in the year 1901 (Wynnstay papers, Clwyd Archives, ref: DD/WY/5962)				
16	1:10,560	1886	OS map showing area G1124				
17	1 inch/1 mile	1838	Early OS map showing area G1124 (from UCNW Archives) on 2 sheets				
18	1:25,000	1985	OS map showing area G1124 (spare copy)				
19	1:10,000	1983	OS map showing area G1124 (spare copy)				
20	1:50,000	Modern	OS geological map showing area G1124				
21	1:100,000	1992	Tir Cymen Pilot Scheme, showing position of area G1124				
22	1:30,000	1991	SNP conservation map, showing areas of woodland and moorland				



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