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# **CRYNHODEB ANHECHNEGOL**

Comisiynwyd Heneb Archaeolegol Gwynedd gan Mitie Telecoms i ymgymryd â brîff gwylio archeolegol yn ystod gosod mast telegyfathrebu monopol 15m uchel gydag antenâu cysylltiedig, cyfarpar ar y ddaear a seilwaith ategol ym Maes Parcio Pen y Pass, Nant Gwynant. LL55 4NU. Cynhaliwyd y brîff gwylio ar 14 Hydref a 6 Tachwedd 2024.

Ni nodwyd unrhyw weithgaredd archaeolegol o fewn cyfyngiadau'r ardaloedd a orchuddiwyd.

#### NON-TECHNICAL SUMMARY

Heneb Gwynedd Archaeology was commissioned by Mitie Telecoms to undertake an archaeological watching brief during the installation of a 15m high monopole telecoms mast with associated antennas, ground-based apparatus and ancillary infrastructure at Pen y Pass Car Park, Nant Gwynant. The watching brief was undertaken between the 14th of October and the 6th of November 2024.

No archaeological activity was identified within the confines of the monitored areas.

# **1 INTRODUCTION**

Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology (Archaeological Services) were commissioned by *Mitie Telecoms* to undertake an archaeological watching brief during the installation of a 15m high monopole telecoms mast with associated antennas, ground-based apparatus and ancillary infrastructure at Pen y Pass Car Park, Nant Gwynant LL55 4NU (NGR SH64725562; cf. Figure 01). The site is located southeast of Llanberis, with the Pyg and Miner's Tracks leading up the mountain commencing at the car park edge. The works took under planning reference NP2/11/52L, with the watching brief required under Conditions 7 and 8.

The watching brief was monitored by Heneb Planning Service and in accordance with an approved written scheme of investigation (<u>Appendix I</u>). In line with the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) requirements, the HER was contacted at the onset of the project to ensure that any data arising was formatted in a manner suitable for accession; the HER Event Primary Reference Number for this project is **E46732**.

The archaeological watching brief was undertaken during October and November 2024 and in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Guidance for the Submission of Data to the Welsh Historic Environment Records (HERs) Version 2 (The Welsh Archaeological Trusts, 2022);
- Guidelines for digital archives (Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments of Wales, 2015);
- Management of Archaeological Projects (English Heritage, 1991);
- Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment: The MoRPHE Project Managers' Guide (Historic England, 2015);
- Standard for archaeological monitoring & recording (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2023);
- Standard and guidance for the collection, documentation, conservation and research of archaeological materials (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2020a); and
- Standard and guidance for the creation, compilation, transfer and deposition of archaeological archives (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2020b).
- Universal Guidance for archaeological monitoring & recording (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2023);

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#### 1.1 Aims and Objectives

The key aims and objectives were to:

- establish the date and nature of any archaeological remains identified and assess their implications in conjunction with the known archaeological record for the immediate area;
- to place the results in context (if applicable), with reference made to A Research Framework for the Archaeology of Wales Version 03, Final Refresh Document (March 2017); and
- if no additional archaeological activity is identified, establish why this may be the case.

#### 1.2 Acknowledgements

Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology would like to thank the following for their contribution and support:

- Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology project team: Anne Marie Oattes;
- Client: Mitie Telecoms;
- Contractor: Atina; and
- Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology Planning Archaeologist: Tom Fildes and Jenny Emmett.

# 2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

#### 2.1 Introduction

A brief examination of the Gwynedd Historic Environment Record (HER) identified that there is no archaeology within the route of the mast, cable trench or cabinet area however, there is known activity within proximity of the *Mitie Telecoms* works.

#### 2.2 Historic Background

The site falls within the Registered Historic Landscape of Dinorwig (ref. HLW (Gw) 6) and the Historic Landscape Character area of Unenclosed Mountain (North Carneddau). There are known prehistoric and early medieval archaeological assets in proximity to the site and the regional Historic Environment Record records three Primary Reference Numbers (PRNs) at the location of the existing car park:

- PRN 6118 (NGR SH64765559): Described in the regional HER as the site of a Bronze Age cairn that was partly robbed when the Gorphwysfa Hotel was built. It was marked on the 1st ed. 6-inch map and its position is that now occupied by the Pen-y-pass car park, so must have been flattened. There are no records of any finds from this cairn;
- PRN 6119 (NGR SH64705560): Described in the regional HER as the site of seven or eight early medieval long cist graves that are said to have been destroyed when the road was built below Gorphwysfa on the Llanberis side. The location is a saddle between the rising ground of Snowdon on the southwest and the Glyderau on the north;
- PRN 29606 (NGR SH64755565): Listed in the regional HER as a post-medieval copper trial mine. Destroyed when Gorphwysfa Hotel was built cist in which were found a piece of flint and a probable incense cup. Mentioned by Llwyd as being covered in white quartz;
- PRN20799 (NGR SH64705560): Listed in the regional HER as a post-medieval copper trial mine; and
- PRN 98892 (NGR SH64735563): Listed in the regional HER as the site of wartime roadblock "Pen y Pass", listed in wartime document held at Caernarfon Archives, (ref.: XC12/2/34).

This demonstrated a potential for activity in the area. The A4086 road close to the car park is the postulated route Roman Roads (PRN17811 and PRN17824) leading to Pen-y-Gwryd marching camp (PRN 1479) c.1km to the east, suggesting there was also potential for activity from this period.

#### 2.3 Historic Mapping

The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> edition Ordnance Survey 6-inch to 1-mile Caernarvonshire County Series Ordnance Survey maps (Sheet XX.NE, published 1891, 1901, 1920 and 1953 respectively), all show the Gorphwysfa Hotel (now part of the Youth Hostel Association) established alongside the road. On the opposite side of the road is a trapezoidal area with several small outbuildings alongside the road. There are no significant changes between the map editions, with the trapezoidal area subsequently expanded into a larger car park during the twentieth century. On all four editions of the six-inch map the site of the Bronze Age cairn (PRN 6118; NGR SH64765559) is listed as *Carnedd*.

# 3 METHODOLOGY

#### 3.1 Introduction

An archaeological watching brief is defined by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists as a formal programme of observation and investigation conducted during any operation carried out for non-archaeological reasons where there is a possibility that archaeological deposits may be disturbed or destroyed. The programme will result in the preparation of a report and ordered archive (ClfA, 2023).

An archaeological watching brief can be divided into four categories:

- comprehensive (present during all ground disturbance)
- intensive (present during sensitive ground disturbance)
- intermittent (viewing the trenches after machining)
- partial (as and when seems appropriate).

The archaeological watching brief was conducted in the area of the Mitie Telecoms groundworks as depicted on Figures 01 and 02.

#### 3.2 Fieldwork Methodology

The archaeological watching was undertaken on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October and 6<sup>th</sup> of November 2024

- Heneb monitored all intrusive groundworks associated with the cable trench route. The cable trench was opened by a tracked excavator with a toothless bucket. All attendances and photographs were recorded using Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology proformas. The records included topsoil and subsoil depths as well as the composition of the glacial horizon
- Photographic images were taken using a digital SLR camera (Nikon D3100; 4, 608 x 3, 072 resolution (14.2 effective megapixels)) set to maximum resolution in RAW format; a photographic record was maintained on site using Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology pro-formas and digitised in *Microsoft Access* as part of the fieldwork archive and dissemination process. Photographic images have been archived in TIFF format using Adobe Photoshop; a total of forty-one images were taken (refs. G2816\_001 to G2816\_041; cf. <u>Appendix II</u>)

#### 3.3 Data Management Plan

The fieldwork data has been used as the basis for the physical and digital dataset archives and used to compile the project report. The physical archive has been stored in a designated project folder and the location confirmed in the Trust project database; the digital dataset has been stored on a dedicated Trust server, with the location confirmed in the Trust project database via a specific hyperlink. There is no de-selected digital data.

External datasets for the regional HER and RCAHMW are as follows:

- HER: digital report (PDF format) and Event PRN summary (Microsoft Excel format); the report and dataset have been prepared in accordance with the required standards set out in *Guidance for the Submission of Data to the Welsh Historic Environment Records (HERs)* (Version 2); and
- RCAHMW: a digital report (PDF format) and digital archive dataset have been prepared in accordance with the *RCAHMW Guidelines for Digital Archives Version 1*. The dataset includes:
- Photographic metadata (Microsoft Access);
- Photographic archive (TIFF format);
- Project Information form (Microsoft Excel);
- File Information form (Microsoft Excel) Microsoft Word report text final;
- File Information form (Microsoft Excel) Photographic metadata (general);
- File Information form (Microsoft Excel) Adobe PDF report final; and
- File Information form (Microsoft Excel) Photographic metadata (detail).

#### 3.4 Selection Strategy

As defined in Standard and guidance for the creation, compilation, transfer and deposition of archaeological archives (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2020) section 3.3.1, a project specific selection strategy and data management plan should be prepared. In support of this, the Chartered Institute for Archaeologist (CIfA), have stated that it is "widely accepted that not all the records and materials collected or created during the course of an Archaeological Project require preservation in perpetuity. These records and materials constitute the Working Project Archive which will be subject to Selection, in order to establish what will be retained for long-term curation". The aim of selection is to ensure that all the elements retained from the Working Project Archive for inclusion in the Archaeological Archive are appropriate to establish the significance of the project and support "future research, outreach, engagement, display and learning activities". Selection should be "focused on selecting what is to be retained to support these future needs, rather than deciding what can be dispersed" and can be qualified by a selection strategy, which details the project-specific selection process, agreed by all parties (including Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology Planning Service, client and/or landowner), which will be applied to a Working Project Archive prior to its transfer into curatorial care as the Archaeological Archive.

- The aims and objectives of the project.
- The brief and/or Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI)).
- The Collecting Institution's collection policy and/or deposition guidelines.
- Regional & relevant thematic or period specific research frameworks.
- The project's Data Management Plan (DMP).
- Internal recording and reporting policies.
- Material-specific guidance documents.

The final project specific selection strategy is in Appendix III.

# 4 RESULTS

#### 4.1 Introduction

Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology (Archaeological Services) were commissioned by *Mitie Telecoms* to undertake an archaeological watching brief during the installation of a 15m high monopole telecoms mast with associated antennas, ground-based apparatus and ancillary infrastructure at Pen y Pass Car Park, Nant Gwynant LL55 4NU (NGR SH64725562; The site is located southeast of Llanberis (cf. <u>Figure 01</u>), with the Pyg and Miner's Tracks leading up the mountain commencing at the car park edge.

#### 4.2 Mast Area

The mast area is situated Northwest of Pen Y Pass car park (cf. Figure 02).

The pit for the base of the mast was excavated through the topsoil and bedrock (cf. Plates 01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06, 21, 22), the pit measured 2.8m long by 2.8m wide and varied in depth from 1.5m to 0.9m due to being excavated on sloping ground. The topsoil layer was between 0.3m and 0.4m deep, there was a clayey gravel layer encountered in the northeast side of the pit this measured 0.3m deep. No archaeological activity was identified within the confines of the mast area pit.

#### 4.3 Cable Duct

The cable duct trench runs between the cabinet area to the east of the car park up to the mast pit (cf. Figure 02)

A 30m long cable duct trench was excavated (cf. Plates 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41) from the mast pit in the northwest to the cabinet area in the southeast to allow the cables to be buried, this trench measured 30m long by 1.2m wide and varied in depth from 0.9m to 1m, the trench was excavated through the shallow peaty topsoil and bedrock. The blackish brown peaty silt topsoil varied in depth along the cable duct trench ranging from 0.1m to 0.3m deep. A brownish grey mixed clayey gravel layer was present at the northwest end of the mast pit. No archaeological activity was identified within the cable duct trench.

#### 4.4 Cabinet Area

The cabinet area is located to the east of the car park (cf. Figure 02)

An area of ground reduction took place to the West of the car park at Pen Y Pass this was to allow for the installation of cabinets associated with the mast (cf. Plates 17, 26, and 27). An area measuring 13m long by 2.7m wide was excavated, the upper layer of this area comprised

of made ground with brick, plastic and an old window frame contained within (cf. Plate 36). No archaeological activity was identified within the cabinet area.

#### 4.5 Pyg & Miners Track Area

An area of ground was excavated close to the starting points of the Pyg and Miners tracks by the car park. This area as seen in the 15m long section (cf. 12, 13, 14, , 16, 17, 30, 31, 32) consisted of a layer of topsoil sat on the bedrock and an area of possible redeposited or built up ground sitting above and orange/brown clay layer; this began approximately midway through the section and contained a large wooden modern post, metal and plastic (cf. Plate 15 and 17). No archaeological activity was identified in this area.

# **5 CONCLUSIONS**

Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology was commissioned by Mitie Telecoms to oversee the installation of a 15m high monopole telecoms mast with associated antennas, ground-based apparatus and ancillary infrastructure at Pen y Pass Car Park, Nant Gwynant.

The site falls within the Registered Historic Landscape of Dinorwig. There are known prehistoric and early medieval archaeological assets in proximity to the site and the regional Historic Environment Record records three Primary Reference Number assets at the location of the existing car park.

No archaeological activity was identified in any of the excavated areas monitored across the site; this was likely due to the confined nature of the works and the extent of previous disturbance associated with existing infrastructure. The black-brown peat-rich silt topsoil observed in all the excavated areas is typical of the soil stratigraphy found in an upland heath environment.

### 6 SOURCES CONSULTED

- 1. Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2020, Standard and guidance for the collection, Documentation, Conservation and Research of Archaeological Materials
- 2. Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2020. Standard and Guidance for Archaeological Watching Brief
- 3. English Heritage, 1991, Management of Archaeological Projects (MAP2)
- 4. Historic England, 2015, Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment (MoRPHE)
- 5. Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments of Wales, 2015, Guidelines for digital archives
- 6. The Welsh Archaeological Trusts, 2022. *Guidance for the Submission of Data to the Welsh Historic Environment Records (HERs)* Version 2.

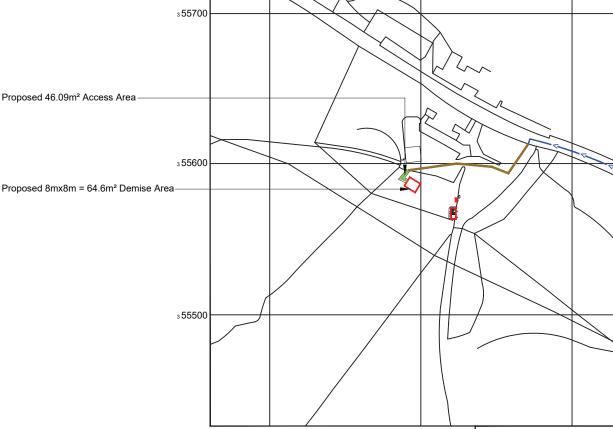
# FIGURE 01

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#### SITE AREA PLAN 1:50,000 <sup>1km</sup>

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From N Wales Expy/A55 to Conway Rd/A470 in Conwy Principal Area. Take exit 19 from N Wales Expy/A55, Head east on M53 0.7 mile, At junction 5, take the A41 exit to North Wales/Q'Ferry/Eastham 0.3 mile, At the roundabout, take the 3rd exit onto New Chester Rd/A41 0.6 mile. Slight right onto Welsh Rd/A550 4.6 mile, Use the right lane to merge with A494 via the ramp to North Wales/Queensferry/A550 5.1 mile, Continue onto N Wales Expy/A55 33.5 mile, At junction 19, take the A470 exit to Betws-y-Coed/Llandudno 0.3 mile, At Glan Conwy Interchange, take the 1st exit onto Conway Rd/A470 404 ft, At the roundabout, take the 3rd exit and stay on Conway Rd/A470 230 ft, Continue straight to stay on Conway Rd/A470 11.0 mile, Turn right onto B5106 0.4 mile, Turn left to stay on B5106 3.1 mile, Turn left to stay on B5106 180 ft, Turn right onto A5 5.2 mile, Turn left onto A4086 4.2 mile, Turn right to stay on A4086 1.0 mile, Turn left 89 ft, Turn right 180 ft, Destination will be on the left.

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# FIGURE 02

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Existing sign to be	relocated west
along the Pyg Tra	
Existing drainage	0.0m
Existing Approx. 1.0m high dry stone wall	
Proposed 3m wide wheeling track	
To be utilised for cherry picker, crane	
	Proposed draw pit
Proposed EE 15.0m Hutchinson engineering Alpha 360b pole on 2250x2250x1000mm reinforced concrete base	
Proposed EE 1No. GPS Node to be installed on proposed	Proposed EE 1No. meter cabinet c/w generator socket on proposed concrete base in fenceline. Enclosure to be located at midpoint between parking bays stone to match adjacent YHA hostel building.
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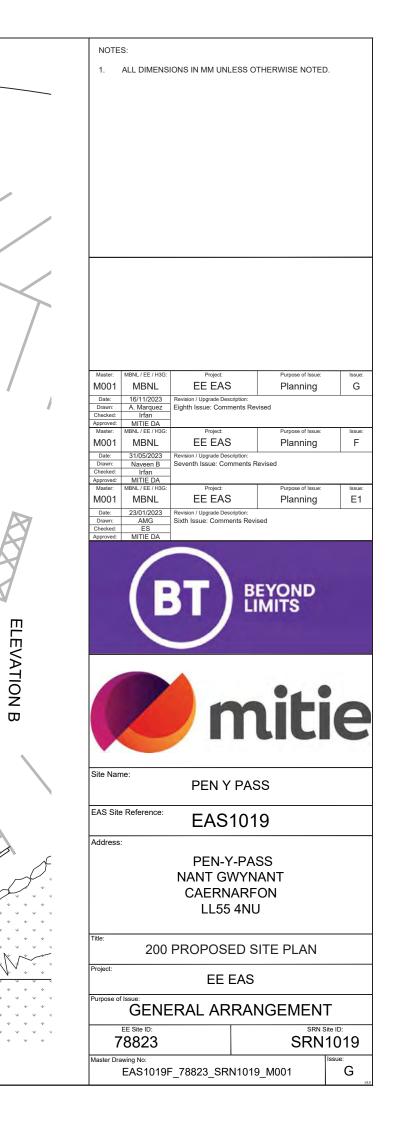
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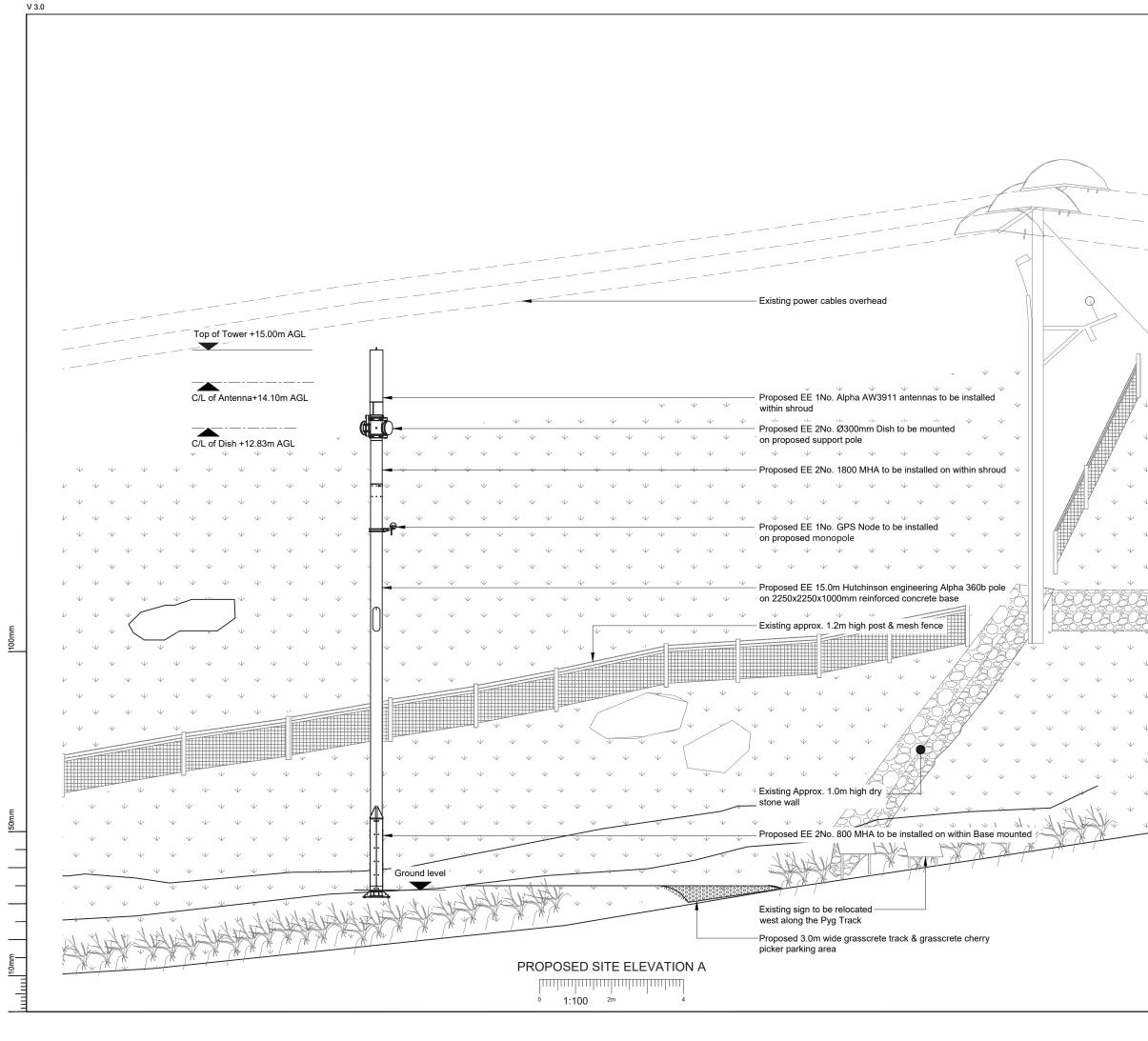
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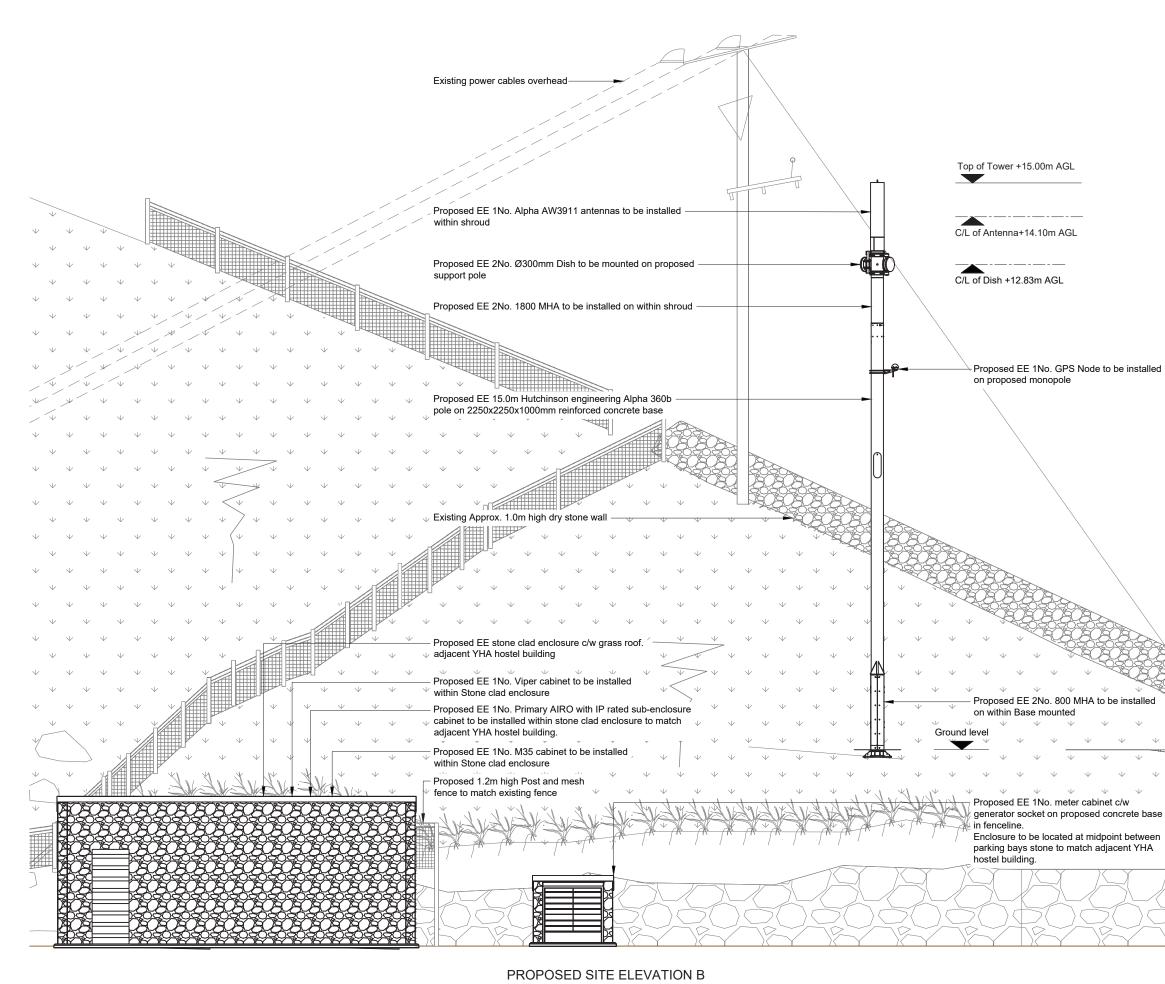
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Plate 1: View of tower base pit showing topsoil and bedrock and length of pit; scale 1x3m; view from SE (archive reference: G2816\_001).



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# WRITTEN SCHEME OF INVESTIGATION FOR AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL WATCHING BRIEF

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Date

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## **1 INTRODUCTION**

Gwynedd Archaeological Trust (GAT) has been commissioned by *Gillan Consulting* to undertake an archaeological watching brief during the installation of a 15m high monopole telecoms mast with associated antennas, ground-based apparatus and ancillary infrastructure at Pen y Pass Car Park, Nant Gwynant. LL55 4NU (NGR SH64725562; cf. Figure 01). The site is located southeast of Llanberis, with the Pyg and Miner's Tracks leading up the mountain commencing at the car park edge. The works are scheduled from January 2024 under planning reference NP2/11/52L, with the watching brief required under Conditions 7 and 8.

The watching brief will be planned, managed and undertaken by GAT in accordance with the following standards and guidance:

- Guidance for the Submission of Data to the Welsh Historic Environment Records (HERs) Version 2 (The Welsh Archaeological Trusts, 2022);
- Guidelines for digital archives (Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments of Wales, 2015).
- Management of Archaeological Projects (English Heritage, 1991);
- Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment: The MoRPHE Project Managers' Guide (Historic England, 2015);
- Standard and Guidance for Archaeological Watching Brief (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2020);
- Standard and Guidance for the Collection, Documentation, Conservation and Research of Archaeological Materials (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2020).

Gwynedd Archaeological Trust is certified to ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015 (Cert. No. 74180/A/0001/UK/En) and a Registered Organisation with the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA).

## 1.1 Aims and Objectives

The key aims and objectives are to:

- Establish the date and nature of any archaeological remains identified during the watching brief and assess their implications for understanding the historical development of the monitored area. The watching brief is located within an area of known prehistoric and early medieval activity;
- to place the results in context (if applicable), with reference made to A Research Framework for the Archaeology of Wales Version 03, Final Refresh Document (March 2017), and,
- if no additional archaeological activity is identified, establish why this may be the case.

## **1.2 Monitoring Arrangements**

The archaeological mitigation will be monitored by the Gwynedd Archaeological Planning Service (GAPS); both the written scheme of investigation and all subsequent reporting must be approved by GAPS before final issue. GAPS contact details are:

• Tom Fildes | tom.fildes@heneb.co.uk | 07920264232.

## 1.3 Historic Environment Record

In line with the Historic Environment Record (HER) requirements, the HER will be contacted at the onset of the project to ensure that any data arising is formatted in a manner suitable for accession to the HER and follows the guidance set out in *Guidance for the Submission of Data to the Welsh Historic Environment Records (HERs)* (The Welsh Archaeological Trusts, 2022). In line with this guidance, all submitted reporting will need to include the equivalent of a non-technical summary in Welsh and English at the front of the report combined with short bilingual summaries of the principal Historic Assets recorded during the event. These requirements are mandatory.

The HER enquiry number for this project is GATHER1967 and the Event Primary Reference Number is 46732.

## 2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL BAKCGROUND

#### 2.1 Historic Background

The site falls within the Registered Historic Landscape of Dinorwig (ref. HLW (Gw) 6) and the Historic Landscape Character area of Unenclosed Mountain (North Carneddau). There are known prehistoric and early medieval archaeological assets in proximity to the site and the regional Historic Environment Record records three Primary Reference Numbers (PRNs) at the location of the existing car park:

- PRN 6118 (NGR SH64765559): Described in the regional HER as the site of a Bronze Age cairn that was partly robbed when the Gorphwysfa Hotel was built. It was marked on the 1st ed. 6 inch map and its position is that now occupied by the Pen-y-pass car park, so must have been flattened. There are no records of any finds from this cairn;
- PRN 6119 (NGR SH64705560): Described in the regional HER as the site of seven or eight early medieval long cist graves that are said to have been destroyed when the road was built below Gorphwysfa on the Llanberis side. The location is a saddle between the rising ground of Snowdon on the southwest and the Glyderau on the north;
- PRN 29606 (NGR SH64755565): Listed in the regional HER as a post-medieval copper trial mine. Destroyed when Gorphwysfa Hotel was built cist in which were found a piece of flint and a probable incense cup. Mentioned by Llwyd as being covered in white quartz.
- PRN 98892 (NGR SH64735563): Listed in the regional HER as the site of wartime roadblock "Pen y Pass", listed in wartime document held at Caernarfon Archives, (ref.: XC12/2/34) and
- PRN20799 (NGR SH64705560): Listed in the regional HER as a post-medieval copper trial mine.

This demonstrates there is potential for activity in the area. The A4086 road close to the car park is the postulated route Roman Roads PRN 17811 and PRN17824) leading to Pen-y-Gwryd marching camp (PRN 1479) c.1km to the east, suggesting there is also potential for activity from this period.

#### 2.2 Historic Mapping

The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> edition Ordnance Survey 6-inch to 1-mile Caernarvonshire County Series Ordnance Survey maps (Sheet XX.NE, published 1891, 1901, 1920 and 1953 respectively; cf. Figures 04, 05, 06 and 07), all show the Gorphwysfa Hotel (now part of the Youth Hostel Association) established alongside the road. On the opposite side of the road is a trapezoidal area with several small outbuildings alongside the road. There are no significant changes between the map editions, with the trapezoidal area subsequently expanded into a larger car park during the twentieth century. On all four editions of the six-inch map the site of the Bronze Age cairn (PRN 6118; NGR SH64765559) is listed as *Carnedd*.

## **3 METHOD STATEMENT**

#### 3.1 Introduction

An archaeological watching brief is defined by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists as a formal programme of observation and investigation conducted during any operation carried out for non-archaeological reasons where there is a possibility that archaeological deposits may be disturbed or destroyed. The programme will result in the preparation of a report and ordered archive (ClfA, 2020).

The watching brief will monitor c installation of a 15m high monopole telecoms mast with associated antennas, ground-based apparatus and ancillary infrastructure at Pen y Pass Car Park, Nant Gwynant. LL55 4NU (NGR SH64725562; cf. <u>Figure 01</u>). I

GAPS have requested a watching brief on an *intensive basis covering all ground-disturbing works, including but not limited to footings, access, and landscaping.* GAPS have also stated that sufficient desk-based evidence should be provided as part of the wider report to support the results; in support of this, the following resources will be consulted:

- The regional Historic Environment Register (HER) Gwynedd Archaeological Trust, Craig Beuno, Ffordd y Garth, Bangor, Gwynedd LL57 2RT) will be examined for information concerning the area. Examination of the core HER will be undertaken, including the 6-inch to 1-mile County Series Ordnance Survey maps (Caernarvonshire County Series Map Sheet Caernarvonshire County Series Ordnance Survey maps (Sheet XX.NE, published 1891, 1901, 1920 and 1953) and secondary sources.
- The National Monuments Record of Wales (Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales, Plas Crug, Aberystwyth SY23 1NJ) and the online catalogue of the National Library of Wales (Penglais Rd, Aberystwyth SY23 3BU) will be examined checked for any sites additional to the HER;
- Aerial photographs from the National Monuments Record of Wales (Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales, National Monuments Record of Wales, Plas Crug, Aberystwyth SY23 1NJ) will be examined for potential features. This will include 1940s RAF and later vertical aerial photographs;
- 4. Archive data, including primary and secondary sources, historic maps and estate maps will be examined at the regional archives, if open and accessible. Archive data will include historic mapping such as the 1840 Beddgelert Parish Tithe map and schedule; and

 Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) data will be examined from *DataMap Wales* at <u>https://datamap.gov.wales/maps/lidar-viewer/</u> for information on potential surface features using 1m digital terrain modelling for area SH6455.

#### 3.2 Watching Brief

#### 3.2.1 Fieldwork Methodology

- The watching brief will monitor groundworks as far as the works limit of excavation, the archaeological horizon or the glacial horizon, whichever is encountered first. *The project archaeologist will be afforded sufficient time and opportunity to investigate any archaeological activity, or suspected archaeological activity, encountered;*
- All attendances and photographs will be recorded using GAT pro-formas (cf. <u>Appendices I</u> and <u>II</u>). The records will include stratigraphic depths and composition. The size and location of each trial pit will be recorded;
- Any encountered subsurface features will be recorded on GAT pro-formas with detailed notations and will be recorded photographically with an appropriate scale and a hand drawn measured survey completed;
- Photographic images will be taken using a digital SLR camera set to maximum resolution in RAW format; a photographic record will be maintained on site using GAT pro-formas and digitised in *Microsoft Access* as part of the fieldwork archive and dissemination process. Photographic images will be archived in TIFF format using Nikon NX Studio; the archive numbering system will start from G2816\_001. A photographic ID board will be used to record site code, image orientation and any relevant context numbers; scale bars of appropriate size and quantity will be used, both for general images and for individual features/feature groups.
- Any archaeological features/deposits/structures encountered will be manually cleaned and examined to determine extent, function, date and relationship to adjacent activity. The following excavation strategy will generally apply: 50% sample of each subcircular feature, 25% sample of each linear feature (terminal ends and intersection points with other features will be prioritised). However, if discrete features are identified, these will be 100% excavated. Any features that comprise a spread of material rather than a cut feature, will be completed in quadrants (if fully extant) or 100% excavated if present as a discrete spread;
- Any required sections and plans to be drawn at a minimum 1:10 scale using GAT A4, A3 or A2 pro-forma permatrace (whichever is appropriate to the size/scale of the drawing); section datums will be recorded.

## Should dateable artefacts, human remains and/or ecofacts be recovered, a postexcavation assessment will be prepared as the initial fieldwork report (MAP2 Phase 3),

leading to an Updated Project Design (UPD) for analysis and final reporting (MAP2 Phase 4). Alternatively, depending on quantity and extent of the artefacts and ecofacts, a post-excavation statement will be prepared, followed by MAP2 Phase 4. Additional time, resourcing and costs will be required to undertake any post-excavation programme of works.

#### 3.2.2 Human Remains

Whilst human remains are not expected, if any human remains are identified that cannot be preserved in situ, any excavation will take place under appropriate regulations and with due regard for health and safety issues. In order to excavate human remains, a Ministry of Justice licence is required under Section 25 of the Burials Act 1857 for the removal of any body or remains of any body from any place of burial. In accordance with the Ministry of Justice licence, recovered remains will be reburied once the investigation and/or assessment/analysis are complete.

Non-fragmented skeletal remains will be excavated using wooden tools and collected and stored in polyethylene bags (with appropriate references for context, grave number, et al) and placed in a lidded cardboard archive box (note: separate boxes for each grave) and stored in a suitable manner within GAT premises. If significant quantities of human remains are encountered, a human osteologist should be contacted and appointed to advise the team during the fieldwork. The osteologist will be an external appointment: Dr. Genevieve Tellier | Tel: 01286 238827 | email: northwalesosteology@outlook.com who will assist in devising the excavation, recording and sampling strategy for features containing human remains. The osteologist should also help to ensure that adequate post-excavation processing of human remains is carried out so that the material is in a fit state for assessment during the post-excavation stage. For inhumations, this will involve washing, drying, marking and packing.

If human remains are recovered that are deemed suitable for further assessment/analysis, this will be completed in accordance with the osteologist's requirements and with *Human Bones from Archaeological Sites Guidelines for producing assessment documents and analytical reports* (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2017).

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#### 3.2.3 Ecofacts

Should any archaeological features and/or sealed deposits be identified that are deemed suitable for assessment and analysis, bulk ecofact samples will be taken by the GAT Project Archaeologist team using 10 litre sampling buckets. The deposits will be assessed and analysed for plant species and charcoal, with the results used to inform agrarian practices and wood fuel use, as well as possibly dating. Initial assessment would be completed by the GAT Project Archaeologist team using wet sieving, with the subsequent species identification assessment completed by an ecofact specialist (Jackaline Robertson | AOC Archaeology | telephone: 0208 843 7380). Any deposits deemed suitable for dating will be submitted to a laboratory specialising in radiocarbon dating (e.g., SUERC).

Any ecofact assessment/analysis proposals will require additional resourcing and cost and will only be undertaken further to agreement with GAPS and the client.

Any ecofact samples taken from human burials will be recovered in accordance with the appointed osteologist's guidance.

#### 3.2.4 Artefacts

Diagnostic artefacts will be retained for further examination and identification. <u>Pottery sherds</u> of 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century date will be examined on site and the context from which they were retrieved noted but the sherds will not be retained. The artefacts will be treated according to guidelines issued by the UK Institute of Conservation (Watkinson and Neal 2001) in particular the advice provided within *First Aid for Finds* (Rescue 1999) and Historic England.

Any waterlogged artefacts (e.g. wood or leather) that are to be recovered for post-excavation assessment and analysis will be processed in accordance with *Environmental Archaeology: a guide to the theory and practice of methods, from sampling and recovery to post-excavation* (English Heritage, 2011) and specifically in accordance with Brunning and Watson (2010) for waterlogged wood and Historic England (2012) for waterlogged leather. In such cases an external specialist will be contacted to agree an appropriate sampling and recovery strategy via Lucy Whittingham | Project Manager (post-excavation) | AOC Archaeology | telephone: 0208 843 7380 | email: lucy.whittingham@aocarchaeology.com).

#### Any artefact assessment/analysis will require additional resourcing and cost.

All finds are the property of the landowner; however, it is Trust policy to recommend that all finds are donated to an appropriate museum (in this case Storiel, Ffordd Gwynedd, Bangor, Gwynedd LL57 1DT), where they can receive specialist treatment and study. Access to finds must be granted to the Trust for a reasonable period to allow for analysis and for study and publication as necessary. Trust staff will undertake initial identification, but any additional advice would be sought from a wide range of consultants used by the Trust, including National Museums and Galleries of Wales at Cardiff.

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

The Treasure Valuation Committee, based at the British Museum, and informed by the Portable Antiquities Scheme, will decide whether they or any other museum may wish to acquire the object. If no museum wishes to acquire the object, then the Secretary of State will be able to disclaim it. When this happens, the coroner will notify the occupier and landowner that he intends to return the object to the finder after 28 days unless he receives no objection. If the coroner receives an objection, the find will be retained until the dispute has been settled.

GAT will contact the landowner (via client) for agreement regarding the transfer of artefacts, initially to GAT and subsequently to the relevant museum (Storiel). A GAT produced pro-forma will be issued to the landowner where they are given the option to donate the finds or to record that they want them returning to them once analysis and assessment has been completed. Artefacts will be transferred to the Storiel in accordance with their guidelines.

## 3.3 Working Project Archive

Following the completion of the photographic survey and watching brief, a working project archive will be created based on following task list;

- 1. Pro-formas: all cross referenced and complete;
- Photographic Metadata: completed in *Microsoft Access* and cross-referenced with all pro-formas;
- 3. Survey data: downloaded using a Computer Aided Design package;
- 4. Sections (if relevant): all cross referenced and complete;
- 5. Plans (if relevant): all cross referenced and complete;
- 6. Artefacts (if relevant): quantified and identified; register completed;
- 7. Ecofacts (if relevant): quantified and register completed;
- 8. Context register (if relevant): quantified and register completed.

All relevant site archive data will be added to a digital project register specific to this project, which will be prepared in *Microsoft Excel*.

The site archive data will then be processed, final illustrations will be compiled and a report will be produced which will detail and synthesise the results.

#### 3.4 Selection Strategy & Data Management Plan

As stated in *Standard and guidance for the creation, compilation, transfer and deposition of archaeological archives* (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2020), para. 3.3.1, "Project specifications, research designs or similar documents should include a project- specific Selection Strategy and a Data Management Plan. The Chartered Institute for Archaeologists states that "(I)t is widely accepted that not all the records and materials collected or created during the course of an Archaeological Project require preservation in perpetuity. These records and materials constitute the Working Project Archive which will be subject to Selection, in order to establish what will be retained for long-term curation" (https://www.archaeologists.net/selection-toolkit). The working project archive in this instance will comprise digital data including photographic data, documentation and written data, as well as paper records, including project pro-formas. The Data Management Plan will be stored on a project specific form in the GAT project database (format: *Microsoft* Access) and the Selection Strategy and both will be based on a GAT pro-forma (cf. <u>Appendix III</u>) that will be pdated and appended to the final report.

This working project archive data will be processed as follows:

- 1. Pro-formas: all cross referenced and scanned for digital archiving;
- Photographic Metadata: cross-referenced with all pro-formas and completed in Microsoft Excel;

Information from these will be used to compile the project report. The physical archive will be stored in a designated project folder and the location confirmed in the Data Management Plan; the digital dataset will be stored on a dedicated Trust server, with the location confirmed in the Data Management Plan via a specific hyperlink. External datasets for the HER and RCAHMW are as defined in the dissemination strategy below.

## 3.5 Reporting

The project report will include the following:

- 1. Front cover;
- 2. Inner cover;
- 3. Figures and Plates List;
- 4. Non-technical summary (Welsh/English);
- 5. Introduction;
- 6. Methodology;
- 7. Results;
- 8. Conclusion
- 9. Bibliography;
- 10. Figures; inc.:
  - location plan;
  - sections and plans of recorded archaeological activity (if applicable)
- 11. Plates; inc.
  - Illustrative examples from the Watching Brief
- 12. Appendix I (approved specification);
- 13. Appendix II (Photographic metadata);
- 14. Appendix III (Selection Strategy and Digital Management Plan Final Versions)
- 15. Back cover.

## 3.6 Dissemination & Archiving

The following dissemination and archiving of the report and digital dataset will be applied:

- A digital report will be provided to *Gillan Consulting* and Gwynedd Archaeological Planning Service (draft report then final report);
- A digital report will be provided to the regional Historic Environment Record; this will be submitted within six months of project completion, along with a digital dataset comprising an Event PRN summary. The report and dataset will be submitted in accordance with the required standards set out in *Guidance for the Submission of Data* to the Welsh Historic Environment Records (HERs) (Version 2); and
- A digital report and digital archive dataset will be provided to Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments, Wales (final report only), in accordance with the *RCAHMW Guidelines for Digital Archives Version 1*. The dataset will be prepared in the format required by RCAHMW and will include:
  - Photographic metadata (Microsoft Access);
  - Photographic archive (TIFF format);
  - Project Information form (Excel);
  - File Information form (Excel) Microsoft Word report text final;
  - File Information form (Excel) Photographic metadata (general);
  - File Information form (Excel) Adobe PDF report final; and
  - File Information form (Excel) Photographic metadata (detail).

## **4 PERSONNEL**

The project will be managed by John Roberts, Principal Archaeologist GAT Contracts Section and undertaken by a Project Archaeologist. The Project Archaeologist will be responsible for the completion of all on site pro-formas and the photographic archive, as well as for submitting a draft final report for project manager review and approval. The report will then be submitted as per the arrangements defined above.

## 5 HEALTH AND SAFETY

A site-specific risk assessment will be prepared and will be reviewed by the GAT Project Archaeologist in advance of works, with any additional risks identified on site highlighted in the dynamic risks section and appropriate mitigation undertaken. The GAT attendee will be issued with required personal safety equipment, including high visibility jacket, steel toecapped boots and safety helmet. All site work will be managed and undertaken in accordance with the GAT Health & Safety Policy.

## 6 SOCIAL MEDIA

One of the key aims in the GAT mission statement is to improve the understanding, conservation and promotion of the historic environment in our area and inform and educate the wider public. To help achieve this, GAT maintains an active social media presence and seeks all opportunities to promote our projects and results. With permission, GAT would like the opportunity to promote our work on this scheme through our social media platforms. This could include social media postings during our attendance on site as well as any postings to highlight results. In all instances, approval will be sought from client prior to any postings.

## 7 INSURANCE

## 7.1 Public/Products Liability

Limit of Indemnity- £5,000,000 any one event in respect of Public Liability INSURER Ecclesiastical Insurance Office Plc.

Policy Type Public Liability

Policy Number 000375 Expiry Date 22/08/2024

## 7.2 Employers Liability

Limit Of Indemnity- £10,000,000 Any One Occurrence. Insurer Ecclesiastical Insurance Office Plc.

Policy Type Public Liability

Policy Number 000375 Expiry Date 22/08/2024

## 7.3 Professional Indemnity

Limit Of Indemnity- £5,000,000 In Respect Of Each And Every Claim Insurer AXA Insurance UK Plc

Policy Type Professional Indemnity

Policy Number Tg0275

Expiry Date 22/08/2024

## 8 SOURCES CONSULTED

- 1. Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2020, Standard and guidance for the collection, Documentation, Conservation and Research of Archaeological Materials
- 2. Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2020. Standard and Guidance for Archaeological Watching Brief
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- 6. The Welsh Archaeological Trusts, 2022. *Guidance for the Submission of Data to the Welsh Historic Environment Records (HERs)* Version 2.

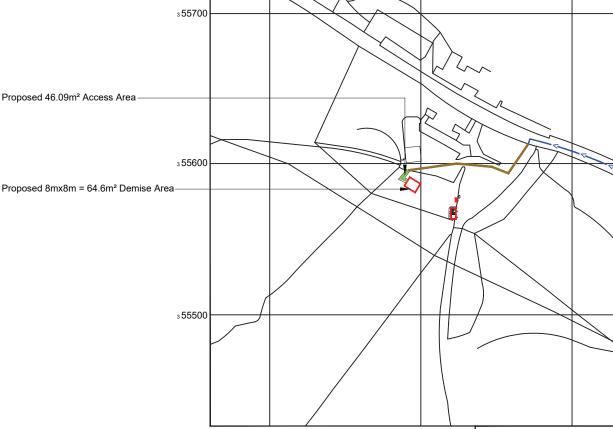
## FIGURE 01

Reproduction of Mitie Drawing No. EAS1019F\_78823\_SRN1019\_M001 Issue F, showing site location. Scale: as shown. SITE LOCATION

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#### SITE AREA PLAN 1:50,000 <sup>1km</sup>

SITE PHOTOGRAPH



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DIRECTIONS TO SITE:

From N Wales Expy/A55 to Conway Rd/A470 in Conwy Principal Area. Take exit 19 from N Wales Expy/A55, Head east on M53 0.7 mile, At junction 5, take the A41 exit to North Wales/Q'Ferry/Eastham 0.3 mile, At the roundabout, take the 3rd exit onto New Chester Rd/A41 0.6 mile. Slight right onto Welsh Rd/A550 4.6 mile, Use the right lane to merge with A494 via the ramp to North Wales/Queensferry/A550 5.1 mile, Continue onto N Wales Expy/A55 33.5 mile, At junction 19, take the A470 exit to Betws-y-Coed/Llandudno 0.3 mile, At Glan Conwy Interchange, take the 1st exit onto Conway Rd/A470 404 ft, At the roundabout, take the 3rd exit and stay on Conway Rd/A470 230 ft, Continue straight to stay on Conway Rd/A470 11.0 mile, Turn right onto B5106 0.4 mile, Turn left to stay on B5106 3.1 mile, Turn left to stay on B5106 180 ft, Turn right onto A5 5.2 mile, Turn left onto A4086 4.2 mile, Turn right to stay on A4086 1.0 mile, Turn left 89 ft, Turn right 180 ft, Destination will be on the left.

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Access Route To Site

Existing Access Route

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## FIGURE 02

Reproduction of Mitie Drawing No. EAS1019F\_78823\_SRN1019\_M001 Issue G, showing proposed site plan and proposed site elevations. Scale: as shown.

N	e timber bollard
Existing sign to be	e relocated west
along the Pyg Tra	
Existing drainage	0.0m
Existing Approx. 1.0m high dry stone wall	
Proposed 3m wide wheeling track $\frac{1}{2}$	
To be utilised for cherry picker, crane	
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Proposed EE 15.0m Hutchinson engineering Alpha 360b pole	
	Proposed EE 1No. meter cabinet c/w generator socket on
Proposed EE 1No. GPS Node to be installed on proposed	<ul> <li>proposed concrete base in fenceline.</li> <li>Enclosure to be located at midpoint between parking bays</li> </ul>
monopole	stone to match adjacent YHA hostel building.
Ground to be leveled as required	
	Proposed EE stone clad enclosure c/w grass roof. adjacent YHA hostel building.
	Proposed EE 1No. M35 cabinet to be installed
* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	* Proposed draw pit $\overline{}$
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	<ul> <li>Communications cabins to be cut into existing landform ad to be faced with local stone to match the YHA building</li> <li>The second and store to be building to be faced with local store to be building to be buildi</li></ul>
Existing Approx. 1.2m high post & rail fence	opposite. Ground and stone to be built up to sides of equipment enclosure. Enclosure roof to grass covered
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	impact on roof structure Heat management.
* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	<ul> <li>Proposed EE 1No. Primary AIRO with IP rated sub-enclosure</li> <li>cabinet to be installed within stone clad enclosure to match adjacent YHA hostel building.</li> </ul>
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	* Proposed EE 1No. Viper cabinet to be installed
· * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	<ul> <li>within Stone clad enclosure</li> <li>* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *</li></ul>
Existing overhead power cable	Proposed 1.2m high Post and mesh
	<pre> Proposed 1.2m nigh Post and mesh fence to match existing fence</pre>
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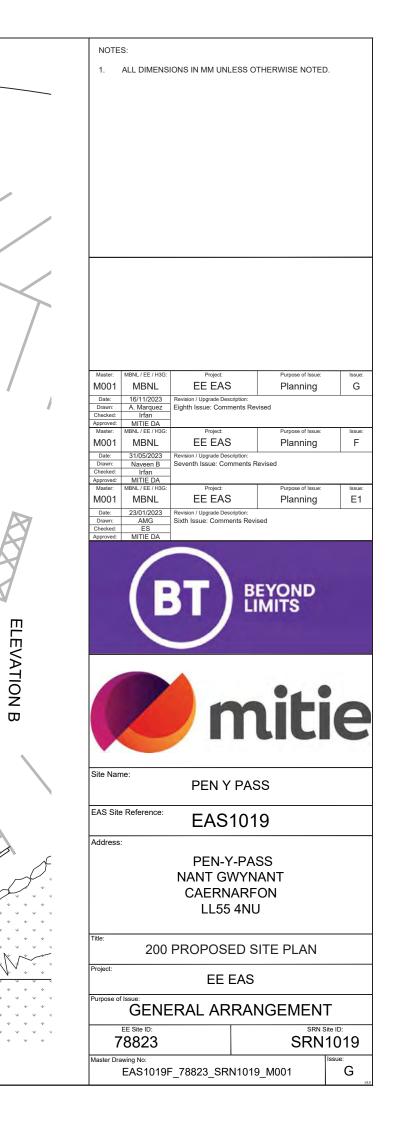
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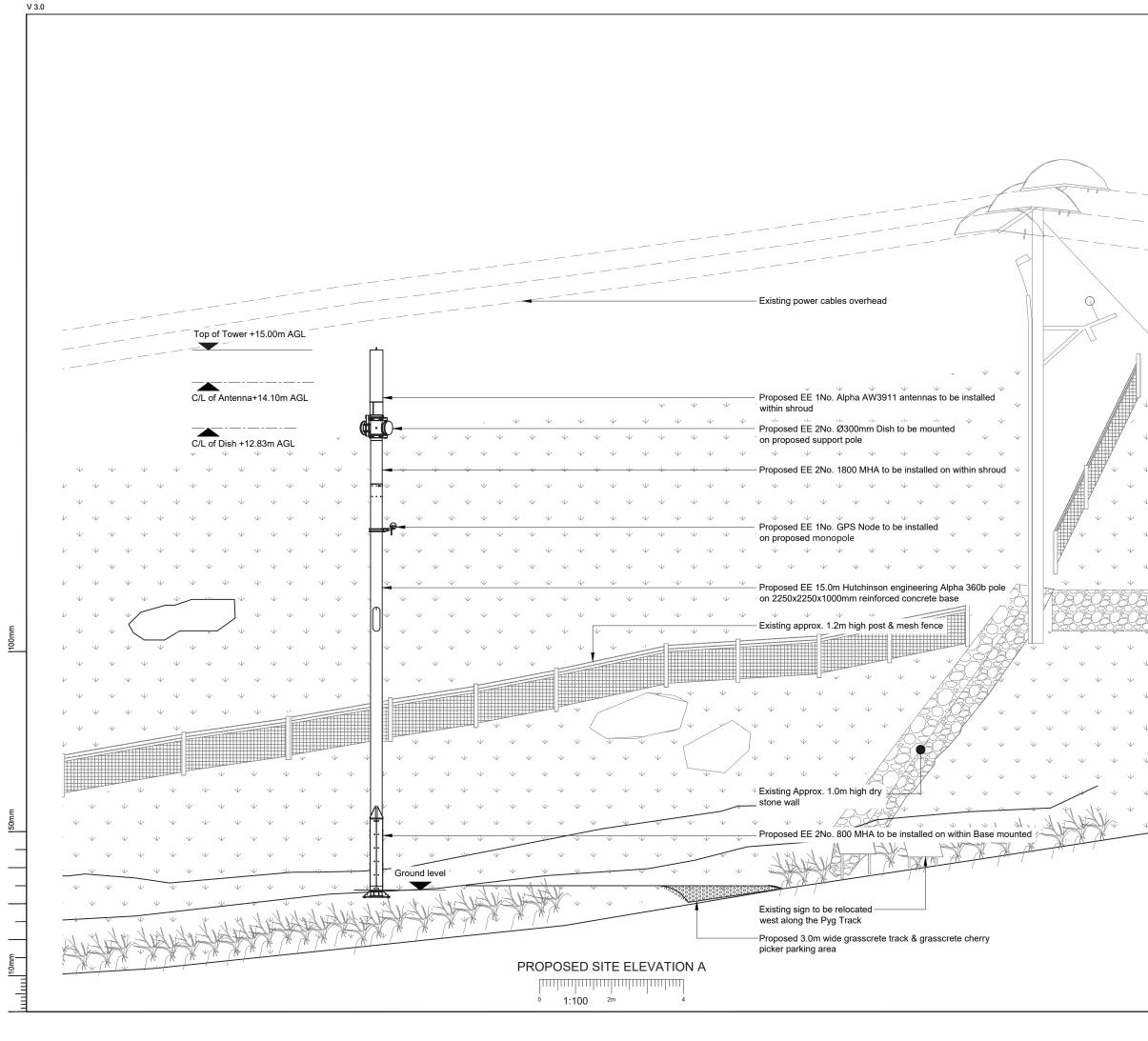
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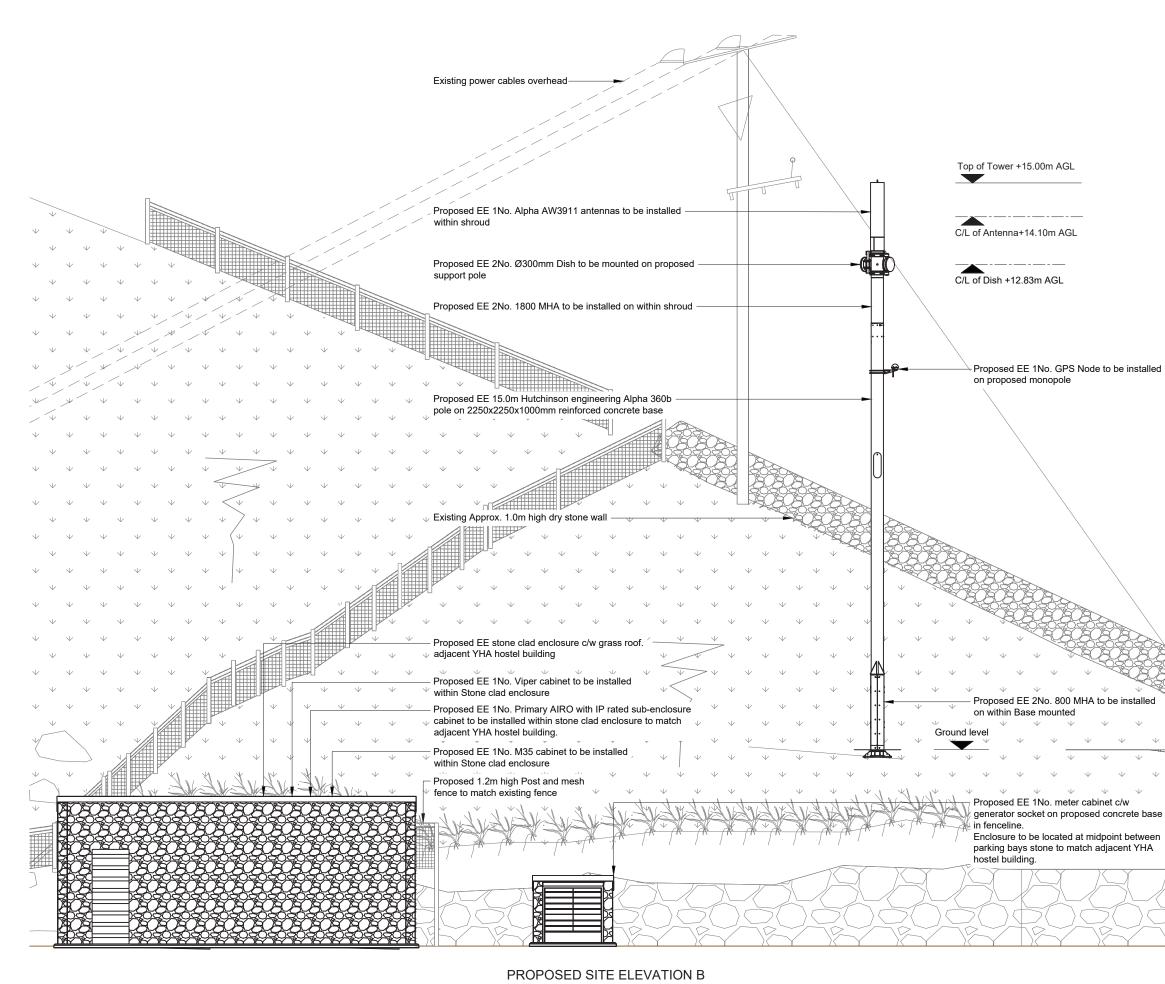
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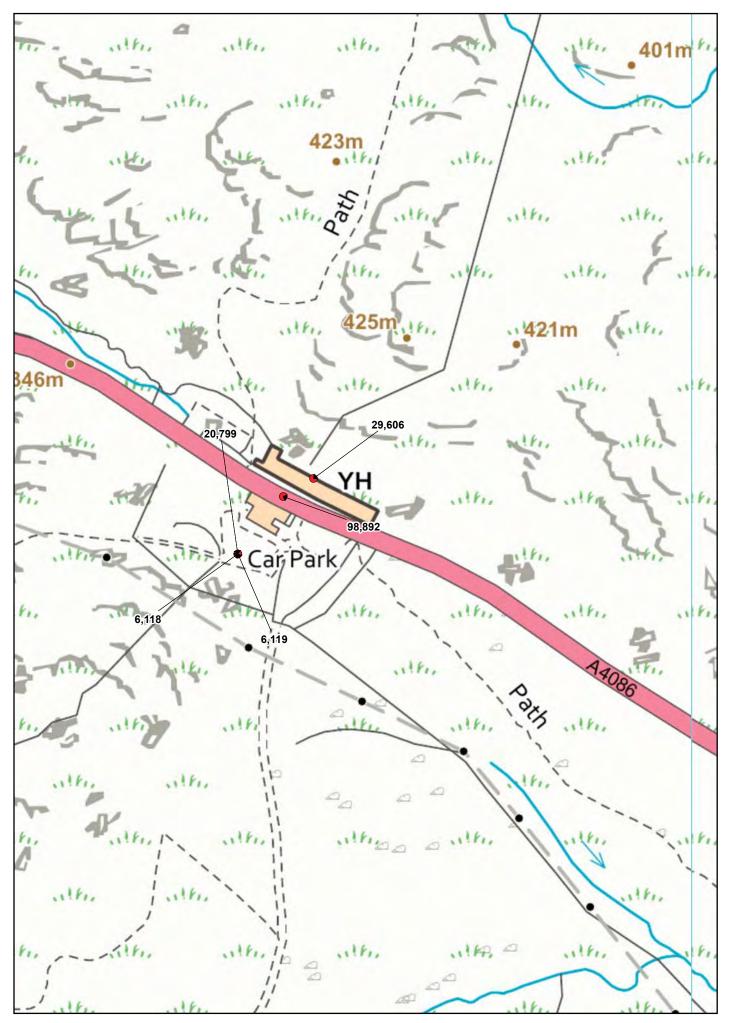


FIGURE 03: Location of proximity archaeological assets. Based on Ordnance Survey 1:10000 County Series Map. Scale 1:2500@A4. © Crown copyright and database rights 2023 OS 100020577. Contains National Statistics data © Crown copyright and database right 2023.

Reproduction of First Edition Ordnance Survey 1-inch to 6-inch Caernarvonshire County Series Map Sheet XX.NE. Published 1891. Scale 1:5000@A4.

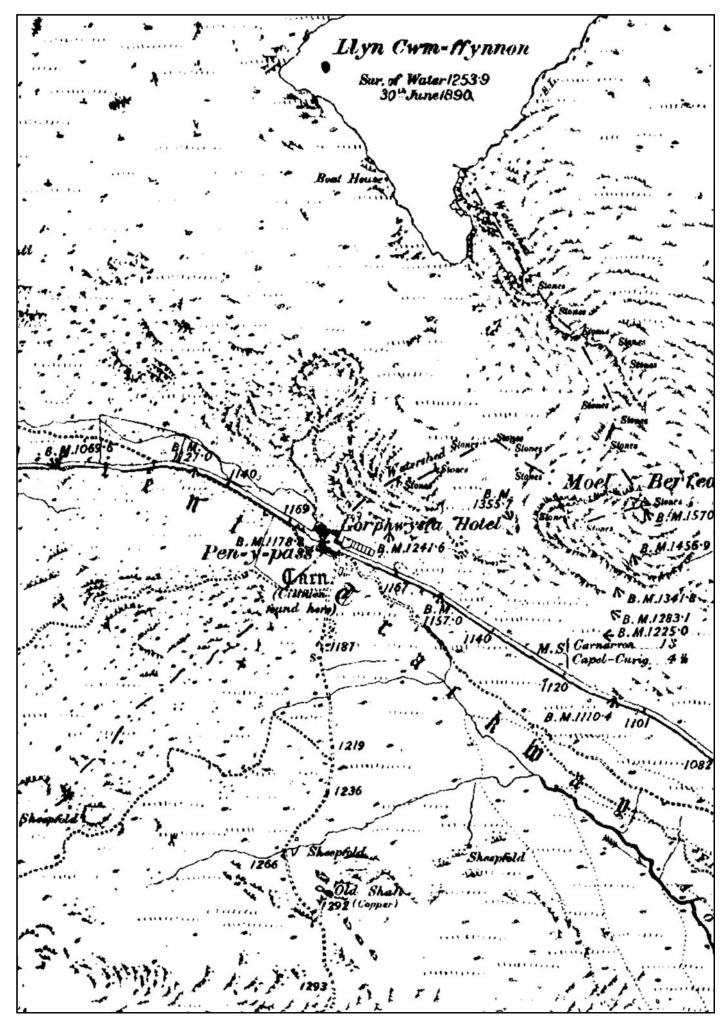


FIGURE 04: Reproduction of First Edition Ordnance Survey 1-inch to 6-inch Caernarvonshire County Series Map Sheet XX.NE. Published 1891. Scale 1:5000@A4.

Reproduction of Second Edition Ordnance Survey 1-inch to 6-inch Caernarvonshire County Series Map Sheet XX.NE. Published 1901. Scale 1:5000@A4.

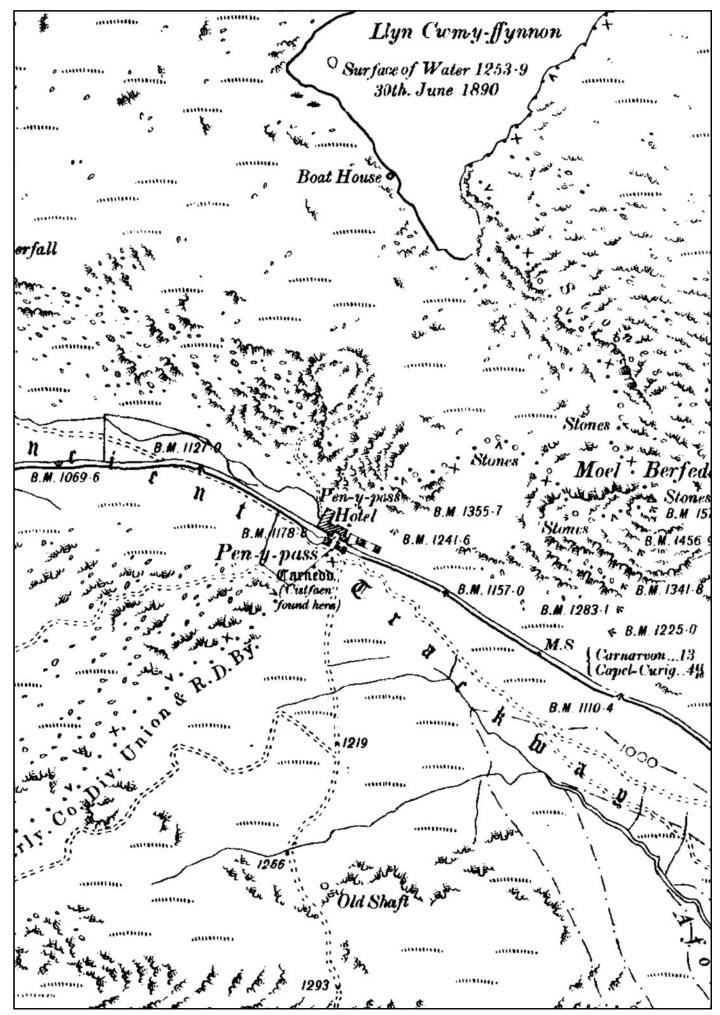


FIGURE 05 Reproduction of Second Edition Ordnance Survey 1-inch to 6-inch Caernarvonshire County Series Map Sheet XX.NE. Published 1901. Scale 1:5000@A4.

Reproduction of Third Edition Ordnance Survey 1-inch to 6-inch Caernarvonshire County Series Map Sheet XX.NE. Published 1920. Scale 1:5000@A4.

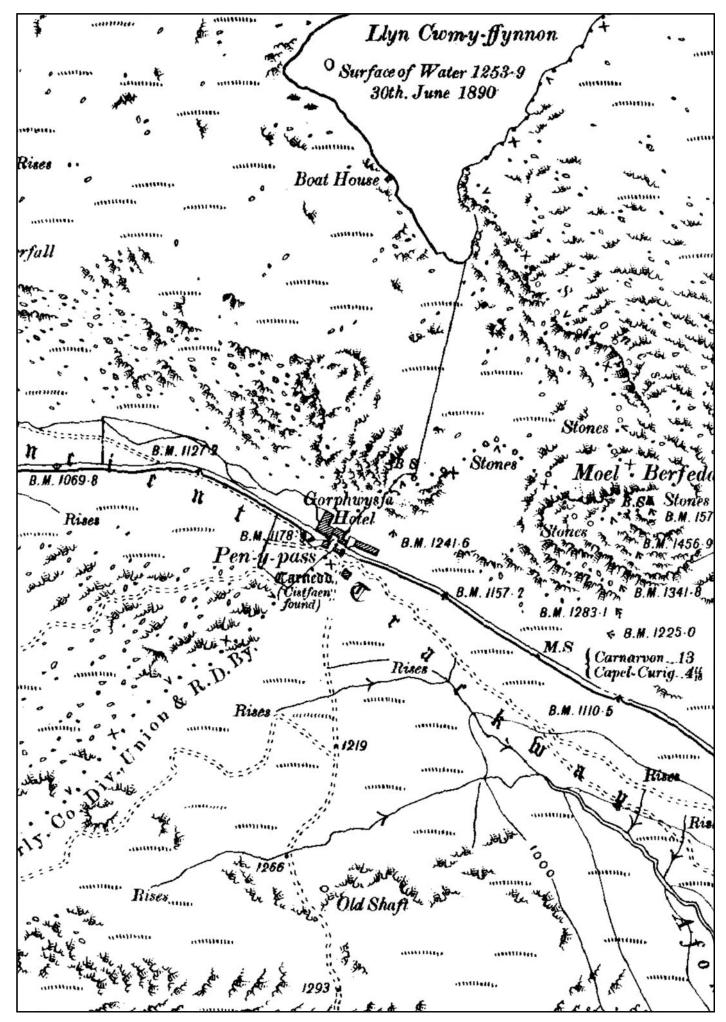


FIGURE 06 Reproduction of Third Edition Ordnance Survey 1-inch to 6-inch Caernarvonshire County Series Map Sheet XX.NE. Published 1920. Scale 1:5000@A4.

Reproduction of Fourth Edition Ordnance Survey 1-inch to 6-inch Caernarvonshire County Series Map Sheet XX.NE. Published 1953. Scale 1:5000@A4.

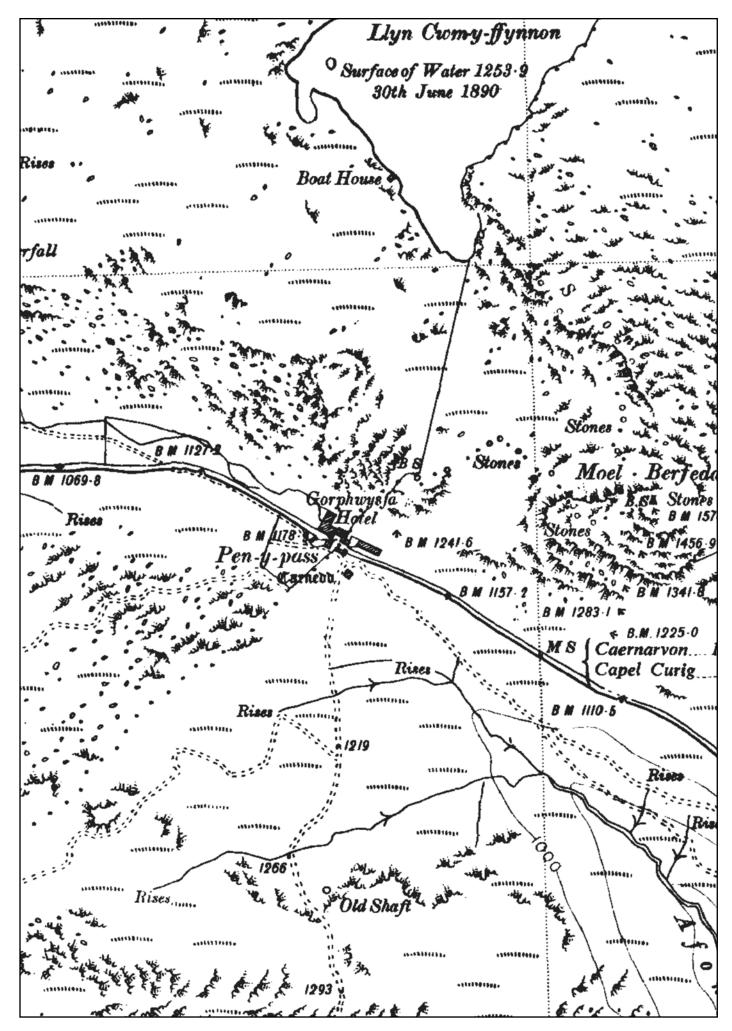


FIGURE 07: Reproduction of Fourth Edition Ordnance Survey 1-inch to 6-inch Caernarvonshire County Series Map Sheet XX.NE. Published 1953. Scale 1:5000@A4.

### **APPENDIX I**

Gwynedd Archaeological Watching Brief Pro-Forma

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Project name	Project number	Compiler
Location		
Description		
Times of travelling and on-site		
Drawn record details		
Photographic record details		

### **APPENDIX II**

Gwynedd Archaeological Trust Photographic Metadata Pro-Forma



#### **Digital Photographic Record**

Include main context numbers for each shot, drawing numbers for sections and any other relevant numbers for cross referencing. Delete any unwanted photos **immediately** from the camera. Regularly upload photographs to computer.

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### **APPENDIX III**

Gwynedd Archaeological Trust Selection Strategy & Digital Management Plan

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# Selection Strategy

# **Project Information**

#### **Project Management**

Project Manager	John Roberts john.roberts @heneb.co.uk		
Archaeological Archive Manager	John Roberts john.roberts @heneb.co.uk		
Organisation	Gwynedd Archaeological Trust		
Stakeholders		Date Contacted	
Collecting Institution(s)	GAT Historic Environment Record	05/12/2023	
	RCAHMW	On completion of Project Archive	
	Storiel, Ffordd Gwynedd, Bangor, Gwynedd LL57 1DT	If applicable, post- fieldwork based on artefact recovery	
Project Lead / Project Assurance	Gwynedd Archaeological Planning Services	tbc	
Other (client)	Gillan COnsulting	n/a	
Resources			

	usual resources required outside of GAT normal operating ment and personnel.
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#### Context

Describe below the context of this Selection Strategy. You should refer to:

- The aims and objectives of the project;
- Local Authority guidance (including the brief);
- Research Frameworks;
- The repository collection development policy and/or deposition policy;
- Material-specific guidance documents.

**Note:** This section may be copied from your Project Design/WSI to ensure all Stakeholders receive this context information.

The full aims and objectives of this project are detailed in the project specific WSI.

Gwynedd Archaeological Trust (GAT) has been commissioned by *Gillan Consulting* to undertake an archaeological watching brief during the installation of a 15m high monopole telecoms mast with associated antennas, ground-based apparatus and ancillary infrastructure at Pen y Pass Car Park, Nant Gwynant. LL55 4NU (NGR SH64725562). The site is located southeast of Llanberis, with the Pyg and Miner's Tracks leading up the mountain commencing at the car park edge. The works are scheduled from January 2024 under planning reference NP2/11/52L, with the watching brief required under Conditions 7 and 8.

Source: Gwynedd Archaeological Trust. 2023.Dinas Dinlle Car Park: Written Scheme of Investigation For Archaeological Mitigation. Prepared for YGC. November 2023. Project G2813.

# 1 – Digital Data

#### Stakeholders

Name the individual(s) responsible for the Digital Data Selection decisions (i.e. Archaeological Archive Manager, Project Manager, Collections Curator).

John Roberts (GAT Principal Archaeologist)

#### Selection

#### Location of Data Management Plan (DMP)

Selection of digital data elements should be considered in your project's DMP. For the purpose of the Selection Strategy, you can either copy the selection section of your DMP below, or attach it as an appendix to this document. Please indicate here if the DMP is attached.

All digital data will be collected, stored and selected in lines with the Gwynedd Archaeological Trust (GAT) Data Management Plan located on GAT's servers (available on request).

The selection strategy in your DMP should:

- 1.1 Define what digital data will be selected for inclusion in the archaeological archive, how this will be done, and why. Do not forget to consider that specialists may have digital data that should be included in the archaeological archive.
- 1.2 Identify the selection review points during the project (i.e. project planning, data gathering, analysis and reporting and archive compilation).
- 1.3 Reference all relevant standards, policies or guidelines (e.g. digital repository deposition requirements) and specialist advice sought.
- 1.4 Identify any selection decisions that differ from standard guidelines and explain why.

Following the completion of the fieldwork, a working project archive will be created based on following task list;

- 1. Pro-formas: all cross referenced and complete;
- 2. Photographic Metadata: completed in Microsoft Access and cross-referenced with all pro-formas;
- 3. Survey data: downloaded using a Computer Aided Design package;
- 4. Sections (if relevant): all cross referenced and complete;
- 5. Plans (if relevant): all cross referenced and complete;
- 6. Artefacts (if relevant): quantified and identified; register completed;
- 7. Ecofacts (if relevant): quantified and register completed;
- 8. Context register (if relevant): quantified and register completed.

All relevant site archive data will be added to a digital project register specific to this project, which will be prepared in *Microsoft Excel*. This data will then be used as the basis for the physical and digital dataset archives. Information from these will be used to compile the project report. The physical archive will be stored in a designated project folder and the location confirmed in the Trust project database; the digital dataset will be stored on a dedicated Trust server, with the location confirmed in the Trust project database; the digital database via a specific hyperlink. External datasets for the HER and RCAHMW are as defined in the dissemination strategy below. De-selected digital data will be confirmed in an updated digital management plan appended to the final report

#### **De-Selected Digital Data**

The procedure for dealing with De-selected digital data and what specialist advice informed this process should be recorded in your DMP. Please copy this information here or attach your DMP as an appendix to this document.

It is envisaged that the de-selected material will be retained on the GAT servers for 2 years following the completion of the project at which point they will be reviewed and deleted as necessary in line with the GAT DMP.

Amendment	Amendments				
Detail any ame	ndments to the abo	ve selection strategy here.			
Date Amendment Rationale Stakeholders					

# 2 – Documents

#### Stakeholders

Name the individual(s) responsible for the Documents Selection decisions (i.e. Archaeological Archive Manager, Project Manager, Repository Representative).

John Roberts – Principal Archaeologist, Gwynedd Archaeological Trust; Sean Derby – Historic Environment Record, Gwynedd Archaeological Trust; Gareth Edwards, *Head of Knowledge and Understanding, RCAHMW* 

#### Selection

Describe your Selection Strategy for the Documents elements of the archaeological archive. To do this you must:

- 2.1 Define which documents will be selected for inclusion in the archaeological archive, how this will be done, and why. Do not forget to consider that specialists may have documents that should be included in the archaeological archive.
- 2.2 Identify the selection review points during the project (e.g. project planning, data gathering, analysis and reporting and archive compilation).
- 2.3 Reference all relevant standards, policies or guidelines (e.g. digital repository deposition requirements) and specialist advice sought.
- 2.4 Identify any selection decisions that differ from standard guidelines and explain why.
  - A digital report will be provided to the regional Historic Environment Record; this will be submitted within six months of project completion (final report only), along with a digital dataset comprising an Event PRN summary. The report and dataset will be submitted in accordance with the required standards set out in *Guidance for the Submission of Data to the Welsh Historic Environment Records (HERs)* (Version 2); and
  - A digital report and digital archive dataset will be provided to Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments, Wales (final report only), in accordance with the *RCAHMW Guidelines for Digital Archives Version 1*. The dataset will be prepared in the format required by RCAHMW and will include:
    - Photographic metadata (Microsoft Access);
    - Photographic archive (TIFF format);

- Project Information form (Excel);
- File Information form (Excel) Microsoft Word report text final;
- File Information form (Excel) Photographic metadata (general);
- File Information form (Excel) Adobe PDF report final; and
- File Information form (Excel) Photographic metadata (detail).

#### **De-Selected Documents**

Describe the procedure for dealing with De-selected material and what specialist advice has informed this procedure.

It is envisaged that the material de-selected from inclusion in the preserved archive will be duplicates or re-productions created during the analysis phase of the project. De-selected material will therefor either be retained to supplement GAT's research files or recycled.

#### Amendments

Detail any amendments to the above selection strategy here.

Date	Amendment	Rationale	Stakeholders

# 3 – Materials

**Note:** This step should be completed for <u>each material component</u> of the archaeological archive. Copy this table for the various materials as required, providing the 'Material Type' and a section identifier (eg. '3.1') for each.



#### Stakeholders

Name the individual(s) responsible for the Materials Selection decisions (i.e. Archaeological Archive Manager, Project Manager, Repository Representative).

John Roberts – Principal Archaeologist, Gwynedd Archaeological Trust; Jenny Emmett – Senior Planning Archaeologist, Gwynedd Archaeological Planning Service; *Curatorial Officer at Storiel* 

Diagnostic artefacts will be retained for further examination and identification. Pottery sherds of 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century date will be examined on site and the context from which they were retrieved noted but the sherds will not be retained.

Trust staff will undertake initial identification, but any additional advice would be sought from a wide range of consultants used by the Trust, including National Museums and Galleries of Wales at Cardiff.

The artefacts will be treated according to guidelines issued by the UK Institute of Conservation (Watkinson and Neal 2001) in particular the advice provided within *First Aid for Finds* (Rescue 1999) and Historic England.

Any waterlogged artefacts (e.g. wood or leather) that are to be recovered for post-excavation assessment and analysis will be processed in accordance with *Environmental Archaeology: a guide to the theory and practice of methods, from sampling and recovery to post-excavation* (English Heritage, 2011) and specifically in accordance with Brunning and Watson (2010) for waterlogged wood and Historic England (2012) for waterlogged leather. In such cases an external specialist will be contacted to agree an appropriate sampling and recovery strategy via Lucy Whittingham | Project Manager (post-excavation) | AOC Archaeology | telephone: 0208 843 7380 | email: lucy.whittingham@aocarchaeology.com).

All finds are the property of the landowner; however, it is Trust policy to recommend that all finds are donated to an appropriate museum (in this case Storiel, Ffordd Gwynedd, Bangor, Gwynedd LL57 1DT), where they can receive specialist treatment and study.

GAT will contact the landowner via client for agreement regarding the transfer of artefacts, initially to GAT and subsequently to the relevant museum (Storiel). A GAT produced pro-forma will be issued to the landowner where they are given the option to donate the finds or to record that they want them returning to them once analysis and assessment has been completed. Artefacts will be transferred to the Storiel in accordance with their guidelines.

### Selection

Describe your Selection Strategy for each material type and or object type. To do this you must:

- 3.1 State the Selection Strategy you are applying to each category of material, how this will be done, and why.
- 3.2 Identify the selection review points during the project (e.g. project planning, data gathering, analysis and reporting and archive compilation).
- 3.3 Reference all relevant standards, policies or guidelines (e.g. thematic, period, and regional, Research Frameworks, repository deposition policies) and specialist advice sought.
- 3.4 Identify any selection decisions that differ from standard guidelines and explain why.

The <u>Materials Selection Template</u> may be useful in structuring this section.

The full material archive returned to the GAT offices will be reviewed following analysis: Stakeholders (see above) will make selection decisions based on specialists reports and selection recommendations and SDMS collecting policy. The selection will take place during archive completion.

#### **Uncollected Material**

If you are practising selection in the field, describe the process that will be applied. To do this you must:

- Detail how you will characterise, quantify and record all uncollected material on site.
- Explain how you will dispose of, or re-distribute, uncollected material.

Any uncollected material will be left on-site to be incorporated into backfill.

#### **De-Selected Material**

Describe what you will do with the de-selected material. All processed material should have been adequately recorded before de-selection.

All bulk finds will be assessed and recorded to appropriate standards. De-selected material will be returned to the landowner as agreed by the landowner and curatorial archaeologist.

#### Amendments

Detail any amendments to the above selection strategy here.

Date	Amendment	Rationale	Stakeholders

#### **Materials Selection Template**

This table may be inserted into Section 3 of the main <u>Selection Strategy Template</u> to help present differing selection strategies for different material types

Find Type	Selection Strategy	Stakeholders	Review Points

### Gwynedd Archaeological Trust Data Management Plan Overview

The sections below are the basic components of the Data Management Plan. Each section comprises a series of sections which need to be completed. The Work Digital / Think Archive guidance provides a full version of this document which includes Questions to Consider, Guidance and Examples where appropriate.

Section 1: Project Administration
Key project details, unique identifiers and contacts
Section 2: Data Collection
What data will you collect or create?
How will the data be collected or created?
Section 3: Documentation and Metadata
What documentation and metadata will accompany the data?
Section 4: Ethics and Legal Compliance
How will you manage any ethical, copyright and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) issues?
Section 5: Storage and Backup
How will the data be stored, accessed and backed up during the research?
Section 6: Selection and Preservation
<ul> <li>Which should be retained, shared, and/or preserved?</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>What is the long-term preservation plan for the dataset?</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Have you contacted the data repository?</li> </ul>
Have the costs of archiving been fully considered?
Section 7: Data Sharing and Accessibility
How will you share the data and make it accessible?
Are any restrictions on data sharing required?
Section 8: Responsibilities
Who will be responsible for data management?

#### SECTION 1: PROJECT ADMINISTRATION

Project ID
G2816_Pen_y_Pass_Park
Project Name
G2816_Pen_y_Pass_Park
Project Description
Gwynedd Archaeological Trust (GAT) has been commissioned by <i>Gillan Consulting</i> to undertake an archaeological watching brief during the installation of a 15m high monopole telecoms mast with associated antennas, ground-based apparatus and ancillary infrastructure at Pen y Pass Car Park, Nant Gwynant. LL55 4NU (NGR SH64725562). The site is located southeast of Llanberis, with the Pyg and Miner's Tracks leading up the mountain commencing at the car park edge. The works are scheduled from January 2024 under planning reference NP2/11/52L, with the watching brief required under Conditions 7 and 8.
Project Funder / Grant reference
Gillan Consulting
Project Manager
John Roberts
Project Archaeologist
Mike Woods
Data Contact Person
John Roberts
Date DMP created
05/12/2023
Date DMP last updated
05/12/2023
Version
v1
Related data management policies
G2816_Pen_y_Pass_Park _WSI & G2816_Pen_y_Pass_Park _v1 (Selection Straegy)

#### **SECTION 2: DATA COLLECTION**

What data will you collect or create?

Following the completion of the fieldwork, a working project archive will be created based on following task list;

1. Pro-formas: all cross referenced and complete;

- 2. Photographic Metadata: completed in *Microsoft Access* and cross-referenced with all pro-formas;
- 3. Survey data: downloaded using a Computer Aided Design package;
- 4. Sections (if relevant): all cross referenced and complete;
- 5. Plans (if relevant): all cross referenced and complete;
- 6. Artefacts (if relevant): quantified and identified; register completed;
- 7. Ecofacts (if relevant): quantified and register completed;
- 8. Context register (if relevant): quantified and register completed.

All relevant site archive data will be added to a digital project register specific to this project, which will be prepared in *Microsoft Excel.* 

The site archive data will then be processed, final illustrations will be compiled and a report will be produced which will detail and synthesise the results.

The physical archive will be stored in a designated project folder and the location confirmed in the Trust project database; the digital dataset will be stored on a dedicated GAT server, with the location confirmed in the GAT project database via a specific hyperlink. External datasets for the HER and RCAHMW are as defined in the dissemination

strategy below. De-selected digital data will be confirmed in a project specific Selection Strategy document appended to the final report.

On final approval, the following dissemination and archiving of the report and digital dataset will apply:

#### How will the data be collected or created?

- All attendances, subsurface activity, photographs, and contexts records will be recorded using GAT pro-formas. The records will include topsoil and subsoil depths, as well as the composition of the glacial horizon. All encountered subsurface features will be recorded on GAT pro-formas with detailed notations and will be recorded photographically with an appropriate scale, located via GPS and a measured survey completed, either hand drawn or using a Trimble R8 GPS unit.
- Photographic images will be taken using a digital SLR camera set to maximum resolution in RAW format; the photographic record will be digitised in *Microsoft Access* as part of the fieldwork archive and dissemination process. Photographic images will be archived in TIFF format using Adobe Photoshop; the archive numbering system will start from **G2816\_001**. A photographic ID board will be used during the Targeted strip/map/record to record site code, image orientation and any relevant context numbers.

#### SECTION 3: DOCUMENTATION AND METADATA

#### What documentation and metadata will accompany the data?

- A digital report(s) will be provided to the client and GAPS (draft report then final report);
- A digital report will be provided to the regional Historic Environment Record; this will be submitted within six months of project completion (final report only), along with a digital dataset comprising an Event PRN summary. The report and dataset will be submitted in accordance with the required standards set out in *Guidance for the Submission of Data to the Welsh Historic Environment Records (HERs)* (Version 2); and
- A digital report and digital archive dataset will be provided to Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments, Wales (final report only), in accordance with the *RCAHMW Guidelines for Digital Archives Version* 1. The dataset will be prepared in the format required by RCAHMW and will include:
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  - File Information form (Excel) Adobe PDF report final; and
  - File Information form (Excel) Photographic metadata (detail)

#### SECTION 4: ETHICS AND LEGAL COMPLIANCE

How will you manage any ethical, copyright and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) issues?

The project archive does not include data which requires formal consent to be used or included; Digital data archive will be compliant with GDPR 2018 legislation?

Data be stored in secure servers with password access;

Data will be transferred securely;

Data will be owned by Gwynedd Archaeological Trust.

#### SECTION 5: DATA SECURITY: STORAGE AND BACKUP

#### How will the data be stored, accessed and backed up during the research?

All data will be held on Gwynedd Archaeological Trust servers and backed up onto an external NAS Drive. Access will be restricted and password limited

#### SECTION 6: SELECTION AND PRESERVATION

Which data should be retained, shared, and/or preserved?

The core project dataset will be retained, with content dictated by the Gwynedd Archaeological Trust contract section project folder system and server. Any de-selected material will be retained on the server for 2 years following the

completion of the project at which point they will be reviewed and deleted as necessary. Any de-selected material will be confirmed in the Microsoft Access project database. De-selected material may include duplicate or supplementary data that is not required for the core project archive.

What is the long-term preservation plan for the dataset?

- Internally, the dataset will be retained in a project specific folder that will remain accessible to project personnel;
- Externally, the relevant datasets will be retained by the regional Historic Environment Record and RCAHMW; dataset content will be dictated by their respective requirements.

#### Have you contacted the data repository?

The regional Historic Environment Record has been contacted and an event Primary Reference Number sourced ahead of data submission; on project completion, data will be submitted in accordance with the required standards set out in *Guidance for the Submission of Data to the Welsh Historic Environment Records (HERs)* (Version 2); RCAHMW will be contacted on project completion, with data then submitted in accordance with *RCAHMW Guidelines for Digital Archives Version 1*.

Have the costs of archiving been fully considered?

Data archiving costs have been incorporated into the project budget.

#### SECTION 7: DATA SHARING

How will you share the data and make it accessible?

- Internally, a project specific folder will be used for data storage that will remain accessible to project personnel;
- Externally, data will be submitted to the regional Historic Environment Record and RCAHMW and they will be responsible for accessibility.

Are any restrictions on data sharing required?

No

#### SECTION 8: RESPONSIBILITIES

Who will be responsible for implementing the data management plan? John Roberts, Principal Archaeologist, Gwynedd Archaeological Trust

### APPENDIX II

Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology Trust Photographic Metadata

PHOTO RECORD NUMBER*	PROJECT NAME	DESCRIPTION	VIEW FROM	SCALE(S)	CREATOR OF DIGITAL PHOTO*	DATE	PLATES
	Pen y Pass	View of tower base pit showing topsoil and bedrock			Anne Marie		
G2816_001	Car Park	and length of pit	SE	1x3m	Oattes	14/10/2024	1
	Pen y Pass	View of tower base pit showing topsoil and bedrock			Anne Marie		
G2816_002	Car Park	showing width	E	1x3m	Oattes	14/10/2024	2
	Pen y Pass	View of tower base pit showing topsoil and bedrock			Anne Marie		
G2816_003	Car Park	showing depth	SSE	1x3m	Oattes	14/10/2024	3
	Pen y Pass	View of tower base pit showing topsoil and bedrock			Anne Marie		
G2816_004	Car Park	showing depth	S	1x3m	Oattes	14/10/2024	4
	Pen y Pass	View of tower base pit showing topsoil and bedrock			Anne Marie		
G2816_005	Car Park	showing depth	S	1x3m	Oattes	14/10/2024	5
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_006	Car Park	Location shot of working area	NE	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	6
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_007	Car Park	Location shot showing site to SW of car park	SE	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	7
	Pen y Pass	Location shot of tower base pit and cable duct			Anne Marie		
G2816_008	Car Park	trench - view to the SE	NW	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	8
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_009	Car Park	Location shot showing site to SW of car park	WSW	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	9
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816 010	Car Park	View to NW (scenic shot)	SE	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	10
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816 011	Car Park	View to SE (scenic shot)	NW	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	11
	Pen y Pass	Excavated area at SE edge of car park close to Pyg			Anne Marie		
G2816 012	Car Park	and miner's tracks gates (for cabinets)	SE	1x1m	Oattes	14/10/2024	12
	Pen y Pass	Excavated area at SE edge of car park close to Pyg			Anne Marie		
G2816_013	Car Park	and miner's tracks gates (for cabinets)	NE	1x1m	Oattes	14/10/2024	13
	Pen y Pass	Location shot showing gates to Pyg and miner's			Anne Marie		
G2816_014	Car Park	tracks	NNE	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	14

PHOTO RECORD NUMBER*	PROJECT NAME	DESCRIPTION	VIEW FROM	SCALE(S)	CREATOR OF DIGITAL PHOTO*	DATE	PLATES
	Pen y Pass	Closeup view of timber, metal and plastic in made			Anne Marie		
G2816_015	Car Park	ground/backfill	N/A	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	15
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_016	Car Park	View of excavated area	S	1x1m	Oattes	14/10/2024	16
	Pen y Pass	View of excavated area for cabinets showing depth			Anne Marie		
G2816_017	Car Park	of soil, fence post and bedrock in section	ESE	1x1m	Oattes	14/10/2024	17
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_018	Car Park	View along partially excavated cable duct trench	SE	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	18
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_019	Car Park	View along partially excavated cable duct trench	SE	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	19
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_020	Car Park	View of W side of cable trench with topsoil removed	ESE	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	20
	Pen y Pass	View of excavated pit for tower base and cable duct			Anne Marie		
G2816_021	Car Park	trench	SW	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	21
	Pen y Pass	View of excavated pit for tower base and cable duct			Anne Marie		
G2816_022	Car Park	trench	NW	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	22
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_023	Car Park	View of spoil heap - mostly topsoil	N/A	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	23
	Pen y Pass	View of spoil heap - more clayey stony subsoil and			Anne Marie		
G2816 024	Car Park	rock	N/A	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	24
	Pen y Pass	View along unexcavated cable duct trench with			Anne Marie		
G2816 025	Car Park	topsoil removed	SW	not used	Oattes	14/10/2024	25
	Pen y Pass	View of area to be excavated for cabinets at of cable			Anne Marie		
G2816 026	Car Park	duct	N/A	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	26
	Pen y Pass	View of area to be excavated for cabinets at of cable			Anne Marie		
G2816_027	Car Park	duct	N/A	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	27
	Pen y Pass	Partially excavated area (made ground) showing			Anne Marie		
G2816_028	Car Park	plastic in spoil	N/A	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	28

PHOTO RECORD	PROJECT NAME	DESCRIPTION	VIEW FROM	SCALE(S)	CREATOR OF DIGITAL PHOTO*	DATE	PLATES
NUMBER*							
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_029	Car Park	Turf removed from area for cabinets	N/A	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	29
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_030	Car Park	Ground reduced to glacial clay at edge of car park	N/A	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	30
	Pen y Pass	Ground reduction to natural clay at the edge of the			Anne Marie		
G2816_031	Car Park	car park (miners track)	SW	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	31
	Pen y Pass	Ground reduction to natural clay at the edge of the			Anne Marie		
G2816_032	Car Park	car park (miners track)	SW	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	32
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_033	Car Park	Shot of "made ground" backfill	S	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	33
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_034	Car Park	Shot of "made ground" backfill	SSW	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	34
	Pen y Pass	Shot of "made ground" backfill showing broken			Anne Marie		
G2816_035	Car Park	bricks	SSW	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	35
	Pen y Pass	Window frame removed from made ground in			Anne Marie		
G2816_036	Car Park	excavation for cabinets	N/A	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	36
	Pen y Pass	Excavation area mid-ex for cable duct. Top soil			Anne Marie		
G2816_037	Car Park	removed to bedrock	SE	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	37
	Pen y Pass	Excavation area mid-ex for cable duct. Top soil			Anne Marie		
G2816_038	Car Park	removed to bedrock	SE	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	38
	Pen y Pass	Excavation area mid-ex for cable duct. Top soil			Anne Marie		
G2816_039	Car Park	removed to bedrock	SE	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	39
	Pen y Pass	Excavation area mid-ex for cable duct. Top soil			Anne Marie		
G2816_040	Car Park	removed to bedrock	SE	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	40
	Pen y Pass				Anne Marie		
G2816_041	Car Park	Length of cable duct (excavated through rock)	NW	not used	Oattes	06/11/2024	41

### APPENDIX III

Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology Selection Strategy Final

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# **Selection Strategy**

## **Project Information**

#### **Project Management**

Project Manager	John Roberts john.roberts @heneb.co.uk				
Archaeological Archive Manager	John Roberts john.roberts @heneb.co.uk				
Organisation	Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology (Archaeological Services)				
Stakeholders		Date Contacted			
Collecting Institution(s)	Gwynedd Historic Environment Record	05/12/2023			
	RCAHMW	On completion of Project Archive			
	Storiel, Ffordd Gwynedd, Bangor, Gwynedd LL57 1DT	If applicable, post- fieldwork based on artefact recovery			
Project Lead / Project Assurance	Jenny Emmett Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology Planning Services	n/a			
Other (client)	Gillan Consulting	n/a			

#### Resources

#### Resources required

Describe the resources required to implement this Selection Strategy, particularly if unusual resources are required. No unusual resources required outside of GAT normal operating equipment and personnel.

#### Context

The full aims and objectives of this project are detailed in the project specific WSI.

Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology (Archaeological Services) were commissioned by *Gillan Consulting* to undertake an archaeological watching brief during the installation of a 15m high monopole telecoms mast

with associated antennas, ground-based apparatus and ancillary infrastructure at Pen y Pass Car Park, Nant Gwynant LL55 4NU (NGR SH64725562; cf. <u>Figure 01</u>). The site is located southeast of Llanberis, with the Pyg and Miner's Tracks leading up the mountain commencing at the car park edge. The works are scheduled from January 2024 under planning reference NP2/11/52L, with the watching brief required under Conditions 7 and 8.

The archaeological watching brief was undertaken during October and November 2024 and in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Guidance for the Submission of Data to the Welsh Historic Environment Records (HERs) Version 2 (The Welsh Archaeological Trusts, 2022);
- Guidelines for digital archives (Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments of Wales, 2015);
- Management of Archaeological Projects (English Heritage, 1991);
- Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment: The MoRPHE Project Managers' Guide (Historic England, 2015);
- Standard for archaeological monitoring & recording (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2023);
- Standard and guidance for the collection, documentation, conservation and research of archaeological materials (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2020a); and
- Standard and guidance for the creation, compilation, transfer and deposition of archaeological archives (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2020b).
- Universal Guidance for archaeological monitoring & recording (Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2023);

Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology is part of Heneb: Trust for Welsh Archaeology, which is a Registered Charity Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology with the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA).

# 1 – Digital Data

#### Stakeholders

John Roberts-Principal Archaeologist, Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeology

#### Selection

All digital data will be collected, and selected in lines with the Heneb: Gwynedd Archaeological (GA) Data Management Plan located on GA's servers (available on request).

The final version of all born digital documents have been selected for inclusion in the Preserved Archive; These comprise

- HD24-014\_Pen\_Y\_Pass\_Car-Park\_Nant\_Gwynat\_Written Scheme of Investigation (Microsoft Word and Adobe PDF);
- HD24-014\_Photographic Metadata (Microsoft Access):
- Gat\_1796 (Microsoft Word and Adobe PDF);
- Photographic archive (41 images in Tiff format);
- Photographic archive (41 images in Tiff format);
- 1. Artefacts (if relevant): quantified and identified; register completed;

A digital archive dataset has been created for the Royal Commission on Ancient and Historic Monuments Wales, in accordance with the RCAHMW Guidelines for Digital Archives Version 1. The dataset has been prepared in the format required by RCAHMW and comprise:

- Photographic metadata (Microsoft Access);
- Photographic archive (TIFF format);
- Project Information form (Excel);
- File Information form (Excel) Microsoft Word report text final;
- File Information form (Excel) Photographic metadata (general);
- File Information form (Excel) Adobe PDF report final; and
- File Information form (Excel) Photographic metadata (detail).

The digital archive has been stored on a dedicated Trust server, with the location confirmed in the Heneb project database via a specific hyperlink.

#### **De-Selected Digital Data**

The following client data will not form part of the preserved archive and have been deselected:

The following GAT data generated for the report will not form part of the preserved archive and have been deselected:

- HD24-014\_combined\_figures.pdf
- HD24-014\_combined\_plates.pdf
- HD24-014\_Figures\_and\_Plates\_List.docx
- HD24-014\_Appendix\_I.pdf
- HD24-014\_Appendix\_II.docx
- HD24-014\_Appendix\_II.pdf
- HD24-014\_rear\_cover.pdf

- HD24-014\_front\_cover.pdf
- HD24-014\_inner\_cover.pdf
- HD24-014\_Plates\_01\_and\_02.pdf
- HD24-014\_Plates\_03\_and\_04.pdf
- HD24-014\_Plates\_05\_and\_06.pdf
- HD24-014\_Plates\_07\_and\_08.pdf
- HD24-014\_Plates\_09\_and\_10.pdf
- HD24-014\_Plates\_11\_and\_12.pdf
- HD24-014\_Plates\_13\_and\_14.pdf
- HD24-014\_Plates\_15\_and\_16.pdf
- HD24-014\_Plates\_17\_and\_18.pdf
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- HD24-014\_Plates\_39\_and\_40.pdf
- HD24-014\_Plates\_41

# 2 – Documents

#### **Stakeholders**

John Roberts – Principal Archaeologist, Gwynedd Archaeological Trust; Sean Derby – Historic Environment Record, Gwynedd Archaeological Trust; Gareth Edwards, *Head of Knowledge and Understanding, RCAHMW* 

#### Selection

- HD24-014 watching Brief sheets x4
- HD24-014 photographic register sheets x 4

#### **De-Selected Documents**

There is no de-selected data



