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Summary

In July 2014, Archaeology Wales carried out a watching brief during the excavation of three foundation trenches for the installation of new stone seating to the west of the two hillforts on Y Garn Goch.

The work was commissioned by the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority and was carried out under Scheduled Monument Consent.

The site lies within a landscape of known archaeological significance, within the Scheduled Ancient Monument, Garn Goch Camps (CM037), 100m to the west of Gaer Fach hillfort. The surrounding landscape contains a number of other designated and undesignated sites and consequently the site was considered to have high archaeological potential. The watching brief revealed no finds or features of archaeological significance.

1. Introduction

In June 2014, Archaeology Wales was commissioned by the Brecon Beacons National Park to carry out a watching brief, including a rapid desk-based assessment, during the installation of interpretative stone seating within the Scheduled Ancient Monument, Garn Goch Camps (SAM CM037), near Llandeilo, Carmarthenshire (NGR: SN 68305 224295; fig. 1; AW project number 2255).

Scheduled Monument Consent for the work was granted by Cadw on the 10th June 2014.

The watching brief was undertaken on the 10th July 2014 by Simon Ratty, Project Archaeologist at Archaeology Wales.

2. Site Description

2.1 Location, Geology and Topography

The location for the installation of the interpretative seating lies to the west of the two hillforts at Y Garn Goch, on the eastern side of the Tywi Valley, adjacent to the footpath leading from the car park. The site comprises open, moorland, grazing and is on common land.

The site is located at approximately 170m AOD, on a gentle west-facing slope. The underlying geology is Ordovician Ffairfach Grit Formation Sandstone.

2.2 Historical Background

The site is located within the Scheduled Ancient Monument of Garn Goch Camps, a pair of Iron Age Hillforts located on separate summits of a ridge to the east of the Afon Tywi. Y Gaer Fach, the smaller of the two sites, occupies the westernmost summit of the ridge and is the smaller of the two hillforts. It is roughly circular in plan and surrounded by stone built ramparts, which are fallen in places, with other sections either never built or robbed out following the end of use of the site (Coflein 2014a). The entrance is presumed to be through a stone walled passage on the eastern side of the monument.

The larger of the two hillforts, Y Gaer Fawr, is located 200m to the east, on the eastern summit of the ridge. It comprises a large, roughly rectangular enclosure surrounded by substantial stone

built ramparts with at least 8 entrances. The principle entrances appear to be at the north-eastern and south-western ends of the hillfort, where there are large breaks in the ramparts. The main area of the fort covers around 11 hectares, although there is an ‘annex’ on the eastern side that may also have been part of the hillfort structure. Traces of roundhouses and possible agricultural enclosures are visible on the southern side of the site. Other features on the ridge, including a standing stone and a possible Neolithic/Bronze Age cairn, indicate the prolonged use of the site (Coflein 2014b).

3. Desk Based Assessment Results

3.1 HER Data

A search of the HER, held by Dyfed Archaeological Trust, was carried out at the request of the BBNPA Archaeologist. A total of 29 sites of archaeological significance were identified within a 1km radius of the installation site (fig. 2). The full gazetteer is included in Appendix 1; a summary table of the site is presented below.

PRN	NAME	SUMMARY	TYPE	PERIOD	STATUS
878	SYTHFAEN LLWYN DU		Standing Stone	Bronze Age	Scheduled Ancient Monument
879	GAER FAWR Y;CARN GOCH	Apparently a cairn recorded as early as the 19th century.	Cairn	Prehistoric	Scheduled Ancient Monument
887	CARN GOCH;GAER FAWR Y	This is the larger of two hillforts situated on Carn Goch known as "Y Gaer Fawr" that encloses an area of about 12 ha. It occupies the summit of a sandstone ridge at 220m above sea level with ground falling away steeply on all sides.	Hillfort	Iron Age	Scheduled Ancient Monument
892	LLWYNDU CAMP	An oval shaped hillfort that occupies a commanding position on a spur of land at approximately 140m above sea level, with steep slopes all around. The site has	Hillfort	Iron Age	Scheduled Ancient Monument

		good views along the valley and is indivisible with both hillforts on Carn Goch.			
893	GAER FACH Y	The smaller of the two hillforts situated on Carn Goch, known as "Y Gaer Fach". It is situated on a small knoll at 210m above sea level, and is separated from the larger hillfort (PRN 887) by a small gap. It is sub-circular in shape, and defended by a single rampart.	Hillfort	Iron Age	Scheduled Ancient Monument
906	CARN GOCH	Edward Laws recovered a worked flint flake on a visit to Carn Goch in 1872.	Findspot	Prehistoric	
1198	CARNGOCH	Findspot of Bronze Age pottery sherd.	Findspot	Bronze Age	
1199	GAER FAWR Y	The Cadw scheduling note for CM037 (Gaer Fawr hillfort) includes details of CM037B, described as; "two roughly rectangular stone building foundations, ancient but of uncertain date. Two roughly rectangular structures stand at the centre of the hillfort.	Long Hut	Post Medieval, Medieval	Scheduled Ancient Monument

4884	GEIDRYCH MILL	Site of a corn mill recorded on the historic Ordnance Survey maps, with an internal overshot wheel powered by a mill-race diverted from the Nant Geidrych to the southeast. The building was converted to a house in the early 19th century	Corn Mill	Post Medieval	
4895	GLAN-GEIDRYCH MILL		Mill	Post Medieval	
5017	CWM DU	A circular, univallate, defended enclosure, approximately 50m in diameter, located on a gentle north facing hillslope at 190m above sea level.	Enclosure?,Defended Enclosure	Unknown, Iron Age	Scheduled Ancient Monument
7530	GAER FAWR Y		Burnt Mound	Prehistoric	Scheduled Ancient Monument
13007	PENRALLT	Situated on a gentle north-facing slope at 140m above sea level Penrallt was described in 1986 as a small enclosure, approximately 20m east-west by 15m north-south	Enclosure	Unknown	
13715	GARN GOCH		Common Land	Post Medieval,Medieval	
13796	GARN COCH		Common Land	Post Medieval,Medieval	

14207	CARN GOCH	A well preserved stone-built hut circle on a very steep north-facing slope. The walls of the hut survive up to 1m high. (K.Murphy)	Hut Circle	Iron Age	Scheduled Ancient Monument
18205	PANT-Y-FFYNNON		Well	Post Medieval	
18862			Quarry	Post Medieval	
18863	CAPEL BETHLEHEM		Chapel	Post Medieval	
21538	TROEDYRHIW	Pinfold recorded on the historic Ordnance Survey maps but not shown on mastermap. Visible on modern aerial photograph.	Building	Post Medieval	Listed Building
25369	LLWYN Y MENDY;LLWYN-MAENDY;LLWYN Y MANDY;LLWYN Y MENDY	Historic home described by Francis Jones in 1987. Shown on late 20th century maps.	Major Dwelling	Post Medieval	
29428	BETHLEHEM		Village	Post Medieval	
29552	CARN GOCH	A field boundary consisting of a bank of earth and stone with ditch three of which are shown on the 1839 tithe.	Field Boundary	Post Medieval	
29553	CARN GOCH	Banks of rubble and boulders dividing the area into irregular shaped fields.	Field Boundary	Unknown	
29616	BETHLEHEM		Post Office	Post Medieval	
61192	CRUG GLAS	Grade II listed farmhouse	Farmhouse	Post Medieval	Listed Building
61193	OUTBUILDING AT CRUG GLAS	Grade II listed outbuilding	Outbuilding	Post Medieval	Listed Building

61194	GRANARY AT CRUG GLAS	Grade II listed granary	Granary	Post Medieval	Listed Building
99676		A bridge is shown in this location on the second edition Ordnance Survey map.	Bridge	Modern	
100562	GWYNFOR EVANS MEMORIAL STONE	This memorial to Welsh politician Gwynfor Evans was erected on the approach to Garn Goch Hillfort (PRN 887) in the summer of 2006. M. Page 2012	Memorial Stone	Modern	

The HER lists seven Scheduled Ancient Monuments (SAMs) and four Listed Buildings (LBs) within 1km of the installation site.

The SAMs include the two hillforts on Carn Goch together with a cairn and two rectangular buildings within the Y Gaer Fawr hillfort. A further two scheduled sites are located on a ridge 800m to the west of Carn Goch: Llwyndu Camp, an iron age hillfort, and a Bronze Age standing stone.

The LBs comprise three agricultural buildings at Crug Glas farm and a circular structure of unknown function at Troedyrhiw. All of the buildings are post-medieval in date.

The remainder of the sites recorded on the HER comprise further evidence for prehistoric activity, including finds spots of pottery and struck lithics. In addition, there are a number of features which provide evidence for agricultural activities from the prehistoric period to the modern day, including field boundaries.

3.2 Map Regression

The 1891 OS, 1:10500 map (fig. 3) shows the installation site as located within an area of open moorland. A rock outcrop is located to the north, and the two hillforts are depicted to the east, however, no features of archaeological interest are depicted on the location of the site.

Later maps also depict the installation site in open moorland with no evidence of archaeological features.

4. Watching Brief Results

The watching brief was carried out during the excavation of the three foundation trenches for the stone installation on the 10th July 2014. The trenches were dug using a combination of mechanical excavator and hand excavation.

The three trenches were located close together in an area adjacent to the footpath, where the bracken had recently been cleared (fig. 4).

4.1 Trench 1

Trench 1 measured 2.86m long by 1m wide and was excavated to a depth of 0.44m (fig. 5). Below the bracken a dark red organic topsoil was identified, (100). This was 0.13m deep and had a high peat content. The topsoil overlay a deposit of dark brown peat, (101), containing frequent large blocks of Ffairfach grit stone. The peat was 0.28m deep and overlay the natural, a mid-brown silty clay (102). No finds or features of archaeological significance were identified in the trench.

4.2 Trench 2

Trench 2 measured 2.39m long by 1.12m wide and was excavated to a depth of 0.48m (fig. 6). Below the bracken the a dark red organic topsoil, (200), similar to that in trench 1, was identified. The topsoil was 0.12m deep and overlay a deposit of dark black brown peat containing frequent large Ffairfach grit stones, (201). This was excavated to a depth of 0.36m but the base of the deposit was not revealed within the trench. No finds or features of archaeological significance were identified in the trench.

4.3 Trench 3

Trench 3 measured 2.9m long by 1.13m wide and was excavated to a depth of 0.32m. Below the bracken a dark red peaty topsoil, (300), similar to trenches 1 and 2, was identified. This was 0.09m deep and overlay a deposit of dark brown/black peat (301). The peat contained frequent large Ffairfach grit stones, and was excavated to a depth of 0.23m but the base of the deposit was not reached. No finds or features of archaeological significance were identified in the trench.

5. Discussion and Conclusions

The desk-based assessment revealed that the installation location lies within a landscape of historic and archaeological significance, with a number of Scheduled Ancient Monuments and undesignated heritage assets within a 1km radius of the site. These include the two Iron Age hillforts located to the east of the installation site. Given the historical significance of the area it was considered that the installation site had high archaeological potential and consequently an archaeological watching brief was carried out during groundworks.

The watching brief revealed that the installation site is covered by a thin, peat rich, topsoil which overlays a deposit of peat. In trench 1 the natural was revealed beneath the peat and comprised a silty clay till. No finds or features of archaeological significance were identified within any of the excavated trenches.

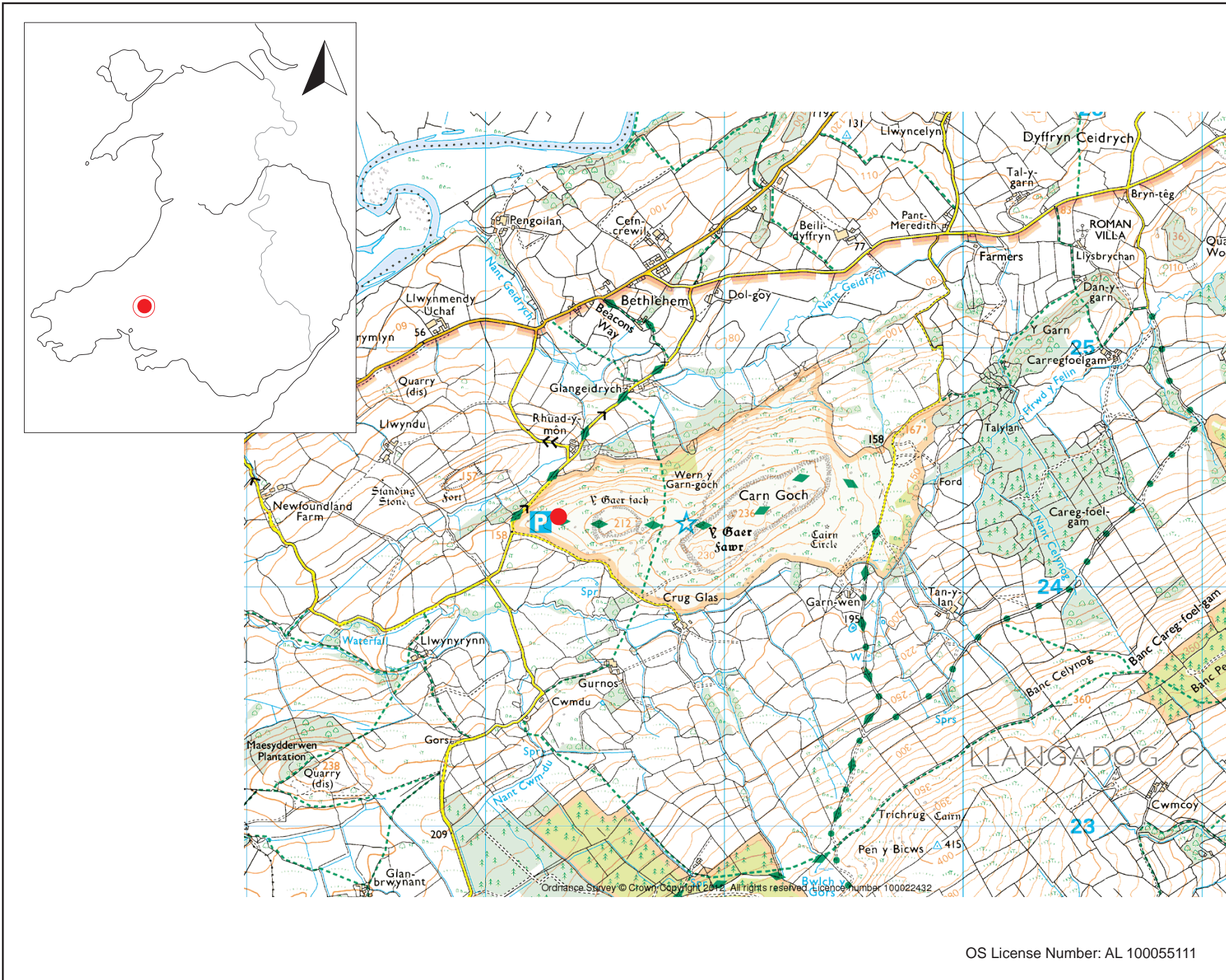
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Thanks to Simon Ratty for undertaking the watching brief.

7. Sources

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Coflein 2014b, Gaer Fawr, Hillfort on Carn Goch (<http://www.coflein.gov.uk/en/site/100866/details/GAER+FAWR+Y%3B+HILLFORT+ON+CARN+GOCH/> - accessed 10th November 2014)



250m

Fig. 1
Location of
site

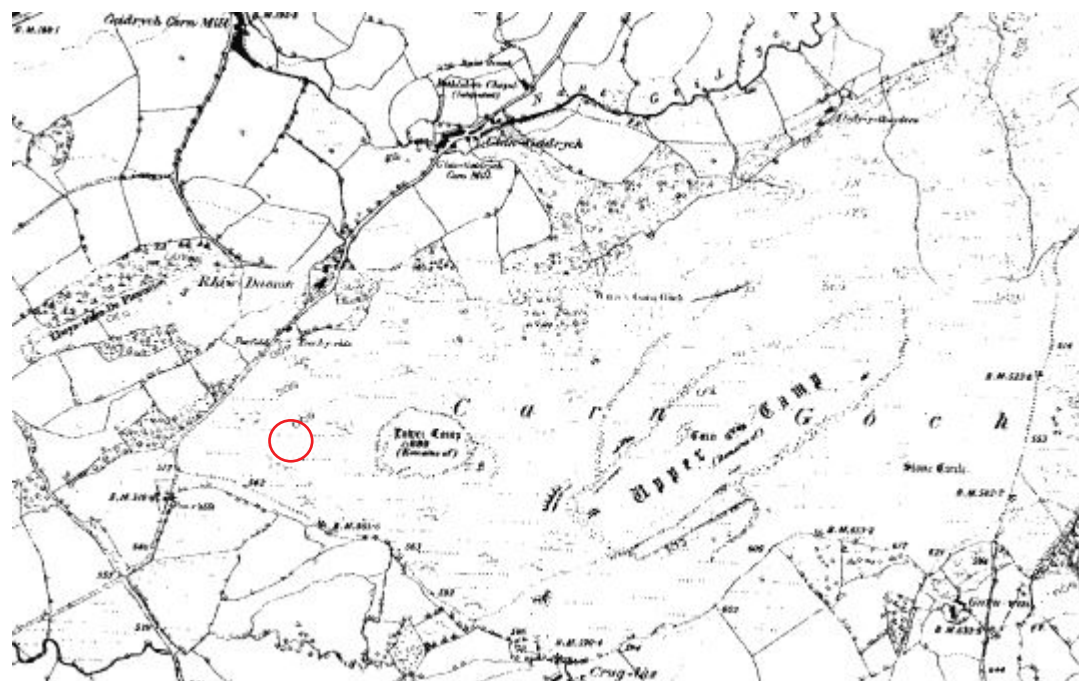


Fig. 3
1880s map of Carn
Goch showing the
location of the
site



Fig. 4
Site pre-excitation
following the
bracken clearance



Excavated trench looking East



South-facing section

Fig. 5
Trench 1 post-ex



Excavated trench looking East

South-facing section



Fig. 6
Trench 2 post-ex



Excavated trench looking North-West



North-East facing section

Fig. 7
Trench 3 post-ex

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Appendx 1: HER Gazetteer



HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT RECORD INFORMATION

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HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT FEATURES

Search criteria:

All data listed on HER for 1km of Y Garn Goch Camps, NGR SN 68305
224295

A search of the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) held by the Dyfed Archaeological Trust has identified the following historic environment features. These are listed and described below. Each feature is allocated a Primary Record Number (PRN) that should be quoted in any correspondence. Where the identification of a site is not certain then all possible interpretations are given in the type field e.g. 'enclosure, henge'. Possible date ranges are also shown in this way in the period field. If a field contains no information then it is either not recorded, not known or not applicable for that site.

Please contact the HER if you have any further questions regarding this information, if you would like any of the sources followed up or if you have information that could improve these records in any way.

Source prefixes:

Ph = Published, historic (pre-1900)
Mh = Unpublished, historic
Pm/Mm = Published/Unpublished modern (post-1899)
Desc Text = Descriptive text.
GP/AP = Ground photograph/Aerial photograph.

All other source types should be self-explanatory; please contact the HER if you require assistance with them.

PRN 100562 **NAME** GWYNFOR EVANS MEMORIAL STONE
TYPE Memorial Stone **PERIOD** Modern
NGR SN68192426 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Intact **STATUS** *None recorded* **EVIDENCE** Structure

SUMMARY

This memorial to Welsh politician Gwynfor Evans was erected on the approach to Garn Goch Hillfort (PRN 887) in the summer of 2006. M. Page 2012

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES

OTHER SOURCES

Photograph Jones, P 2011 Portfolio

PRN 1198 **NAME** CARNGOCH
TYPE Findspot **PERIOD** Bronze Age
NGR SN687242 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Not known **STATUS** *CL , NPBB* **EVIDENCE** Finds

SUMMARY

Findspot of Bronze Age pottery sherd. NAP 2004

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Ph Mention 1893 Archaeologia Cambrensis 5th Series, Vol.10, p.174

Pm Mention 1909 TCASFC Vol.5, p.31

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Project: East Carmarthenshire 2003-2003 ACA reports 2002-94
Mm List DAT 1976 CR 887
Mm List DAT 1989 CR Carms CL27
Mm List Griffiths,WE Bronze Age finds, Carmarthenshire E-CM-31
Mm List Ordnance Survey 1968 SN62 SE12
Mm Desc Text Page,N 2004 Prehistoric Undefined Settlements Project,
Southwest Wales: A Review of the Lithic Evidence from the Regional SMR
Report no.2004-53, ACA Reports
Pm List RCAHM 1917 Carmarthenshire No.427,p.145

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 1199 **NAME** GAER FAWR Y
TYPE Long Hut **PERIOD** Medieval ?, Post Medieval ?
NGR SN690243 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Near Destroyed **STATUS** *CL , NPBB , scheduled ancient monument CM037B* **EVIDENCE** Building

SUMMARY

The Cadw scheduling note for CM037 (Gaer Fawr hillfort) includes details of CM037B, described as; "two roughly rectangular stone building foundations, ancient but of uncertain date. Two roughly rectangular structures stand at the centre of the hillfort. The larger measures 25m x 9m (SN69182432), the other measures 14 x 8m, and these may represent a mediaeval house and fold."

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Mm Desc Text CADW 1986 Carm No 376
Mm Desc Text CADW 1992 AM107 SAM File
Mm Desc Text CADW 1998 AM107 SAM file, CM037B(CAM)
Mm List DAT 1976 CR 887
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Pm Desc Text Hogg,AHA 1974 Arch.Camb Vol.123,p.45
Mm List Ordnance Survey 1969 SN62 SW6
Mm Desc Text Sambrook,RP 2003 Deserted Rural Settlements in
Southwest Wales 2002-3 Project ACA reports
Mm AP Oblique St.Joseph,JK

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 13007 **NAME** PENRALLT

TYPE Enclosure **PERIOD** Unknown


NGR SN679242 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog

CONDITION Near Destroyed **STATUS** *NPBB* **EVIDENCE** Earthwork

SUMMARY

Situated on a gentle north-facing slope at 140m above sea level Penrallt was described in 1986 as a small enclosure, approximately 20m east-west by 15m north-south. Carn Goch adjoins the eastern side of the field in which the enclosure lies, and Llwyndu hillfort lies across a small valley to the north.

DESCRIPTION

Situated on a gentle north-facing slope at 140m above sea level Penrallt was described in 1986 by the Cadw Field Monument Warden as a small enclosure, approximately 20m east-west by 15m north-south. Carn Goch adjoins the eastern side of the field in which the enclosure lies, and Llwyndu hillfort lies across a small valley to the north. A marshy area surrounding a small brook ran immediately to the east of the enclosure, and no bank or ditch was visible on that side. On the north, there was little more than a break of slope, but on the west and especially the south, there was a bank 0.2-0.3m in height with slight traces of a ditch on the south. Its outline was rather irregular with a smooth curve on the west and south, but almost straight sides on the north and east. The grid reference could only be fixed to 6 figures. In 2008 the area was found to be much more marshy than in 1986 and the increase in reed growth may account for the fact that the earthwork could not be located. From the previous description it would appear to be too small for a defended enclosure, and is more likely to be earlier in origin  perhaps Bronze Age. The field in which the site lies is under rough pasture, and is very wet and marshy, and is used for the grazing of cattle. F Murphy October 2008 An almost semi-circular enclosure measuring c20m E-W by c15m. Bounded to the west and south by a bank 0.2m-0.3m high with slight traces of an outer ditch, a break of slope to the north and a stream to the east. (PP 2004)

SOURCES Mm Desc Text Burnham,H Sketch plan,GP,DRF

OTHER SOURCES

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Report F Murphy, R Ramsey, M Page and K Murphy 2008 A SURVEY OF
DEFENDED ENCLOSURES IN CARMARTHENSHIRE, 2007-08: GAZETTEER
OF ORDNANCE SURVEY GRID SQUARES SN01, SN02, SN10, SN11 &
SN12

PRN 13715 **NAME** GARN GOCH
TYPE Common Land **PERIOD** Medieval , Post Medieval
NGR SN690243 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Not known **STATUS** *None*
recorded **EVIDENCE** Topography

SUMMARY

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Mm List DAT 1989 CR Carms CL27
Mm Desc Text Rural Surveys Research Unit 1988 The Common Lands of
England and Wales Carms 27

OTHER SOURCES

Many 2006 Carreg Goffa/ Memorial Stone for Gwynfor Evans
Article 2010 Kids (young and old) go back to Celtic roots

PRN 13796 **NAME** GARN COCH
TYPE Common Land **PERIOD** Medieval , Post Medieval
NGR SN688245 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Not known **STATUS** *None*
recorded **EVIDENCE** Topography

SUMMARY

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Mm Desc Text Rural Surveys Research Unit 1988 The Common Lands of England and Wales Carms 136

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 14207 **NAME** CARN GOCH

TYPE Hut Circle **PERIOD** Iron Age

NGR SN691246 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog

CONDITION Intact **STATUS** *CL , NPBB , scheduled ancient monument*

SAM EVIDENCE Earthwork

SUMMARY

A well preserved stone-built hut circle on a very steep north-facing slope. The walls of the hut survive up to 1m high. (K.Murphy)

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Mm File Brecon Beacons National Park 1988 Garn Goch Management Plan DRF

Mm List DAT 1989 CR Carms CL27

Mm Desc Text Murphy,K 189 Beili Dyffryn Farm SMR Library,p.6

Mm File Murphy,K 1989 Survey Report Garn Goch DRF

Mm GP Murphy,K 1989 Colour slide Carm 37

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 18205 **NAME** PANT-Y-FFYNNON

TYPE Well **PERIOD** Post Medieval

NGR SN68282511 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog

CONDITION Not Known **STATUS** *None*

recorded **EVIDENCE** Structure

SUMMARY

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Pm Map OS 1964 SN62NE

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 18862 **NAME**

TYPE Quarry **PERIOD** Post Medieval

NGR SN6758524821 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog

CONDITION Not Known **STATUS** *None*

recorded **EVIDENCE** Earthwork

SUMMARY

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Pm Map OS 1964 SN62SE

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 18863 **NAME** CAPEL BETHLEHEM

TYPE Chapel **PERIOD** Post Medieval

NGR SN68742492 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog

CONDITION Not Known **STATUS** *None*

recorded **EVIDENCE** Building

SUMMARY

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Pm Map OS 1964 SN62SE

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 21538 **NAME** TROEDYRHIW

TYPE Building **PERIOD** Post Medieval

NGR SN6828924463 **COMMUNITY** Llandeilo
CONDITION Near Intact **STATUS** *listed building 21975*
EVIDENCE Building

SUMMARY

Pinfold recorded on the historic Ordnance Survey maps but not shown on mastermap. Visible on modern aerial photograph. M. Ings 2011

DESCRIPTION

Record of a circular building, 7m in diameter, of unknown purpose. RPS 10.2001 Circular building, one storey high, single entrance, c.7m diameter. K Murphy 15-5-85

SOURCES Mm List DAT 1985 SRF
Mm List DAT 1989 CR Carms CL27
Mm Desc Text DAT 2004 Llandeilo Fawr Heritage Audit SMR

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 25369 **NAME** LLWYN Y MENDY; LLWYN-MAENDY; LLWYN Y MANDY; LLWYN Y MENDY

TYPE Major Dwelling **PERIOD** Post Medieval

NGR SN67772505 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog

CONDITION Restored **STATUS** *None recorded* **EVIDENCE** Building

SUMMARY

Historic home described by Francis Jones in 1987. Shown on late 20th century maps. RPS 11.2001

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Mh Desc Text Cawdor Golden Grove Books I Adv.Carms.
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Ph Map Kitchin
Ph Map OS 1831 Sheet 41,Caermarthen 1 inch

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 29428 **NAME** BETHLEHEM
TYPE Village **PERIOD** Post Medieval
NGR SN685252 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Intact **STATUS** *None recorded* **EVIDENCE** Topography

SUMMARY

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Pm Desc Text DAT Sambrook,P & Page,N 1995 Dinefwr
Historic Settlements Project - Gazetteer Of Settlements, p

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 29552 **NAME** CARN GOCH
TYPE Field Boundary **PERIOD** Post Medieval
NGR SN6924 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Not known **STATUS** *NPBB* **EVIDENCE** Earthwork

SUMMARY

A field boundary consisting of a bank of earth and stone with ditch three of which are shown on the 1839 tithe. This type of boundary appears to have replaced PRN 29553 and been followed by PRN 14206. JH Based on KM 1989.

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Mh Map 1839 Llangadog Tithe Map
Mm Desc Text Murphy,K 1989 Beli Dyffryn Farm SMR Library, p1, fig 2

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 29553 **NAME** CARN GOCH
TYPE Field Boundary **PERIOD** Unknown
NGR SN6924 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Damaged **STATUS** *NPBB* **EVIDENCE** Earthwork

SUMMARY

Banks of rubble and boulders dividing the area into irregular shaped fields. JH Based on KM 1989.

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Mm Desc Text Murphy, K 1989 Beli Dyffryn Farm SMR Library, p2, fig 2

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 29616 **NAME** BETHLEHEM
TYPE Post Office **PERIOD** Post Medieval
NGR SN68422518 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Intact **STATUS** *None recorded* **EVIDENCE** Building

SUMMARY

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Mh Map 1840 Tithe Plan For Llangadog Parish
Pm Mention Sambrook, P & Page, N 1995 Dinefwr Historic Settlements Project - Gazetteer Of Settlements, p

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 4884 **NAME** GEIDRYCH MILL
TYPE Corn Mill **PERIOD** Post Medieval
NGR SN68222504 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Converted **STATUS** *NPBB* **EVIDENCE** Building

SUMMARY

Site of a corn mill recorded on the historic Ordnance Survey maps, with an internal overshot wheel powered by a mill-race diverted from the Nant Geidrych to the southeast. The building was converted to a house in the early 19th century and no machinery survives (M.Ings, 2013, from various sources)

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Mm AP Vertical Meridian Airmaps 1955 260-220 20774-5
Mm List RCAHM 1976 12d,CM

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 4895 **NAME** GLAN-GEIDRYCH MILL
TYPE Mill **PERIOD** Post Medieval
NGR SN68592483 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Near Intact **STATUS** NPBB **EVIDENCE** Building

SUMMARY

DESCRIPTION

Rectangular stone building. Overshot wheel. 20" diam + iron arms. Iron shaft.

SOURCES Pm Map OS 1907 6" Carms XXXIV NW
Mm List RCAHM 1976 12d,CM

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 5017 **NAME** CWM DU
TYPE Defended Enclosure , Enclosure? ? **PERIOD** Iron Age ?,
Unknown
NGR SN68122348 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Not known **STATUS** NPBB , *scheduled ancient monument*
CM385 **EVIDENCE** Earthwork

SUMMARY

A circular, univallate, defended enclosure, approximately 50m in diameter, located on a gentle north facing hillslope at 190m above sea level. F Murphy 2008

DESCRIPTION

A circular, univallate, defended enclosure, approximately 50m in diameter, located on a gentle north facing hillslope at 190m above sea level. Identified from aerial photographs taken in 1989, no site visit had been made until this project in 2008. In 2008 the enclosure comprised the remains of a circular single bank, 0.6-0.8m high externally, little more than a break of slope internally, with an outer ditch clearly visible on the west, as is a counterscarp. The diameter of the central area is approximately 40m. A possible simple entrance appears to be on the southwest. To the east of the earthwork flows the Nant Cwm-du and to the south a road appears to respect the curve of the enclosure. There are a number of large stones protruding from the bank and central area, and the landowner confirmed that he had removed a large number of stones from this area over time. It is not a typical location for an Iron Age defended enclosure, but in all other respects it appears very typical of such a site. Interestingly if one looks at the current field boundaries surrounding the enclosure, they would seem to form a circular pattern, with the enclosure at its centre. Could they be reflecting the position of an earlier concentric annexe to the enclosure? The site lies within an area of rough pasture, with gorse and reeds, and is currently used for the grazing of cattle. F Murphy October 2008 A small circular earthwork appears on APs in the corner of a marshy field. Evidence of a possible ditch on one side and bank on another. An unlikely site for an enclosure? Possibly not an antiquity. (TAJ 17-2-89)

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PRN 61192 **NAME** CRUG GLAS
TYPE Farmhouse **PERIOD** Post Medieval
NGR SN6880723823 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Not known **STATUS** *listed building 21972*
II EVIDENCE Building

SUMMARY

Grade II listed farmhouse

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 61193 **NAME** OUTBUILDING AT CRUG GLAS
TYPE Outbuilding **PERIOD** Post Medieval
NGR SN6883023837 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Not known **STATUS** *listed building 21973*
II EVIDENCE Building

SUMMARY

Grade II listed outbuilding

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 61194 **NAME** GRANARY AT CRUG GLAS
TYPE Granary **PERIOD** Post Medieval
NGR SN6881723814 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Not known **STATUS** *listed building 21974*
II EVIDENCE Building

SUMMARY

Grade II listed granary

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 7530 **NAME** GAER FAWR Y

TYPE Burnt Mound ? **PERIOD** Prehistoric

NGR SN69122428 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog

CONDITION Not Known **STATUS** *NPBB , scheduled ancient monument*

SAM EVIDENCE Documentary Evidence

SUMMARY

Not found. JH based on GW 1995.

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Pm List Anwyl,E 1907 Arch.Camb 6th Series,Vol.7,p.381,No.10

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Mm List OS 1969 SN62 SE11

Mm Database Williams,GH 1995 BM4.DBF FoxPro25

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 878 **NAME** SYTHFAEN LLWYN DU

TYPE Standing Stone **PERIOD** Bronze Age

NGR SN67562443 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog

CONDITION Near Intact **STATUS** *NPBB , scheduled ancient monument*

CM180 EVIDENCE Structure

SUMMARY

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Mm Desc Text CADW 1992 AM107 SAM File
Mm Desc Text CADW 1998 AM107 SAM file, CM180(CAM)
Mm Desc Text CADW 2002 Comments relating to Tir Gofal Management SAM file
Mm Desc Text CADW 2003 AM107 SAM file,CM180
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Mm Desc Text RCAHM 1973 DRF
Mm List RCAHM 1973 2c,CM
Mm Desc Text Rees,SE 1983 Carm.SAMs No.180

OTHER SOURCES

PRN 879 **NAME** GAER FAWR Y; CARN GOCH
TYPE Cairn **PERIOD** Prehistoric
NGR SN69022430 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Near Intact **STATUS** *CL , NPBB , scheduled ancient monument CM037C* **EVIDENCE** Earthwork

SUMMARY

Apparently a cairn recorded as early as the 19th century. RPS October 2001.

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES Ph Mention 1893 Arch.Camb 5th Series,Vol.10,p.173-175
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Pm Mention 1931 TCASFC Vol.22,p.28
Pm Desc Text 1935 History of Carmarthenshire Ed JE Lloyd,Vol.1,p.72
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Mm Desc Text CADW 2003 AM107 SAM file,CM037c
Mm List DAT 1976 CR 887
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Pm Desc Text Forde-Johnstone,J 1962 Arch.Journal Vol.119,p.83-4
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Mm List OS 1969 SN62 SE3
Mm AP Vertical RAF 1948 CPE-UK-2487 4312-3
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Pm List Roese,HE 1978 BBCS Vol.28,Pt.I,p.131,Table I
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OTHER SOURCES

PRN 887 **NAME** CARN GOCH; GAER FAWR Y
TYPE Hillfort **PERIOD** Iron Age
NGR SN69122432 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog
CONDITION Near Intact **STATUS** *CL , NPBB , scheduled ancient monument CM037A* **EVIDENCE** Earthwork

SUMMARY

This is the larger of two hillforts situated on Carn Goch known as "Y Gaer Fawr" that encloses an area of about 12 ha. It occupies the summit of a sandstone ridge at 220m above sea level with ground falling away steeply on all sides. A slight gap divides this upper, larger hillfort from the lower enclosure "Y Gaer Fach" (PRN 893) that sits on a knoll to the west. Both hillforts appear to be of similar construction and are therefore probably of the same date. Y Gaer Fawr is a long oval in shape running southwest-northeast. It is surrounded by a single massive dry stonewall now collapsed, and has an outer wall on the northwest side. Hogg (1974) has identified three phases of fortification: 1 - A slight, possibly revetted, bank of earth containing much rubble, still traceable at the north-east and

along the south-east side, but destroyed or concealed elsewhere. This would have enclosed about 12 ha. 2- A massive stone wall around the whole circuit except at the west end of the south-east side, where owing to the presence of cliffs the earlier wall seems to have been considered adequate. The area enclosed was a little smaller, about 11.2 ha. 3 - A further stone wall, rather less massive, apparently intended to form an annexe enclosing a broad shelf on the north side of the hill, but never finished. This would have added a further 4 ha to the enclosed area. At least eight gateways have been identified. The main entrance is on the northeast end with a double portal and there is a single broad gateway on the southwest side. There are six "posterns"; four on the northwest side and two on the southwest. Within the hillfort there are a number of structures. The summit cairn measures 55m x 20m x 3m high, which, like the rampart, is dry stone. Two roughly rectangular structures stand at the centre of the hillfort. The larger measures 25m x 9m, the other measures 14m x 8m, and these may represent a medieval house and fold. An almost circular levelled platform, the possible remains of a round house, 14m in diameter, is located about 25m south of the medieval house. The rampart varies in size from its most massive west side where it is c.6.5m high, down to c.1.5m high on other sides. Apart from the dry stone ramparts and cairn that have no vegetation cover, the interior of the fort is covered with grass and/or bracken. F Murphy 27 February 2008 - compiled from several sources

DESCRIPTION

Iron Age hillfort, the larger of two hillforts situated on Garn Goch. (PP 2004)

SOURCES Mm Map Map showing area owned by National Park and other details DRF

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Pm Mention Cantrill, TC 1906 Arch. Camb 6th Series, Vol. 6, p. 25, No. 13

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PRN 892 **NAME** LLWYNDU CAMP

TYPE Hillfort **PERIOD** Iron Age

NGR SN67902447 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog

CONDITION Damaged, Near intact **STATUS** *NPBB , scheduled ancient monument* **CM010** **EVIDENCE**

SUMMARY

An oval shaped hillfort that occupies a commanding position on a spur of land at approximately 140m above sea level, with steep slopes all around. The site has good views along the valley and is indivisible with both hillforts on Carn Goch (PRNs 887 & 892). The Ordnance Survey identified the enclosure as having bivallate defences, although they record that on the northeast only a single bank and ditch defend the site. A simple entrance is noted on the southwest, and in the north corner a lateral entrance with evidence of it having been rock cut. On the northwest and southeast sides there is a scarp slope with the additional natural defence of the steep slopes below them. Internally there is a median cross-bank, c.3m high with a ditch on its southwest side 1m below its external field level. Quite a considerable stone content is visible in this cross-bank. No other internal features have been identified. The site lies within an area of grazed grass, rough grass, scrub and bracken. F Murphy 27 February 2008 - compiled from several sources

DESCRIPTION

An Iron Age hillfort with multivallate defences with a simple entrance to the southwest, and a lateral entrance in the northern corner. (PP 2004)

SOURCES Pm Mention 1935 History of Carmarthenshire Ed JE

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56594

PRN 893 **NAME** GAER FACH Y

TYPE Hillfort **PERIOD** Iron Age

NGR SN68562426 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog

CONDITION Near Intact **STATUS** *CL , NPBB , scheduled ancient
monument CM037C* **EVIDENCE** Earthwork

SUMMARY

The smaller of the two hillforts situated on Carn Goch, known as "Y Gaer Fach". It is situated on a small knoll at 210m above sea level, and is separated from the larger hillfort (PRN 887) by a small gap. It is sub-circular in shape, and defended by a single stone wall, apart from on the west side where the rampart overlaps and runs parallel producing a narrow corridor. The RCAHM (1917) consider this to be an entrance, whereas Hogg (1974) contends it is part of an unfinished second phase of construction. There is an entrance on the east that consists of two out-turned ramparts forming a narrow passageway running down the hill for approximately 60m towards the adjacent hillfort. The RCAHM (1917) identified traces of a hut circle within the fort, but subsequent visits by the Ordnance Survey and Cadw have not identified any internal features. The whole site is very rocky, and overgrown with bracken. F Murphy 27 February 2008 - compiled from several sources

DESCRIPTION

An Iron Age hillfort defended by a single stone wall with an entrance in

the western side and one in the eastern side. there are tarces of hut circles within the hillfort. (PP 2004)

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PRN 906 **NAME** CARN GOCH

TYPE Findspot **PERIOD** Prehistoric

NGR SN6924 **COMMUNITY** Llangadog

CONDITION Not known **STATUS** NPBB **EVIDENCE** Finds

SUMMARY

Edward Laws recovered a worked flint flake on a visit to Carn Goch in 1872. NAP 2004

DESCRIPTION

Findspot of prehistoric flint flake. NC 2003

SOURCES Mm Desc Text Cook,N et al 2003 Prehistoric Funerary & Ritual Sites Project: East Carmarthenshire 2003-2003 ACA reports 2002-94

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OTHER SOURCES

PRN 99676 **NAME**

TYPE Bridge **PERIOD** Modern

NGR SN68282516 **COMMUNITY** community

CONDITION Not Known **STATUS** *None*

recorded **EVIDENCE** Documentary Evidence

SUMMARY

A bridge is shown in this location on the second edition Ordnance Survey map.

DESCRIPTION

SOURCES

OTHER SOURCES

Map Ordnance Survey 1907 Carmarthenshire XXXIV NW

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