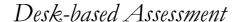
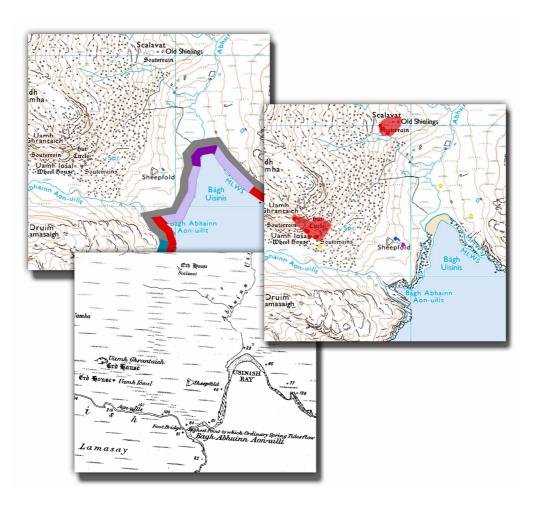
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# East Coast of North Uist, Benbecula & South Uist





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## **DESK-BASED ASSESSMENT**

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# 1.0 Executive Summary

This desk-based assessment element of a coastal zone assessment survey for the east coasts of North Uist, Benbecula and South Uist was conducted by Glasgow University Archaeological Research Division (GUARD) and the Coastal Research Group (CRG), Department of Geographical and Earth Sciences, University of Glasgow. The work was commissioned by the SCAPE Trust (Scottish Coastal Archaeology & the Problem of Erosion) and was funded by Historic Scotland. The project sought to review previously known and potentially new sites of archaeological and built heritage interest, to detail the geology and geomorphology of the area and to assess past and potential coastal change. This resulted in the identification of a number of areas where the potential for archaeological sites to be affected by coastal erosion or sea level change was considered to be high. These areas could be targeted by future field survey. The assessment covered areas 1 km inland from the coast's edge and all offshore islands situated within 4 km of the coast's edge, unless already covered in previous assessments. The work noted a total of 408 potential archaeological or built heritage sites. The work was carried out in accordance with Historic Scotland's Procedure Paper 4: Coastal Zone Assessment Survey (Historic Scotland, 1996).

A wide variety of sites were noted during the desk-based assessment, including numerous dun sites and a large number of Historic Rural Settlement sites. The coastline itself was deemed overall, from desk-based information, to be relatively stable, consisting primarily of rocky coast dotted with numerous small bays and larger sea lochs. In total, it is recommended that fifteen areas of coastline are subject to field survey (Figure 2).

## 2.0 Introduction

### 2.1 Background

The implications of coastal erosion for Scotland's archaeology and built heritage has been acknowledged for three decades beginning with Shepherd's (1978) survey of machair sites on the Uists and Benbecula and Crawford's excavations at the Udal (Crawford 1980 & 1981). Work continued into the next decade in the Western Isles and also in other areas of Scotland including Mercer's (1980, 1981, 1985) and Batey's (1984) archaeological surveys along the coastal fringes of Sutherland and Caithness. In 1994, Historic Scotland published policy and management statements on the subject of coastal erosion recognising the need for long-term studies of coastal processes in combination with strategic archaeological fieldwork and protection schemes in order to understand the degree to which coastal erosion is affecting the archaeological resource (Ashmore 1994; Barclay & Fojut 1994). Since then several surveys have been commissioned and carried out along significant stretches of the coastline of Scotland.

The combined forces of the ocean, winds, animals and tourists are currently eroding the coasts of the Uists and Benbecula. This erosion exposes, and in many cases leads to the destruction of, archaeological sites. The west coasts of North Uist, South Uist and Benbecula were the subject of a full coastal zone assessment survey in 2004 and 2005 (Badger *et al* 2005; Moore & Wilson 2005). This archaeological and geomorphological desk-based assessment was subsequently commissioned as the first step towards a full coastal zone assessment of the east coasts of those islands.

The SCAPE Trust commissioned this project to record the archaeological and built heritage sites within a defined coastal strip and to characterize the geology and geomorphology of the coastal regions. The project followed the guidelines set out in Historic Scotland's procedure paper *Coastal Zone Assessment Survey* (Historic Scotland 1996).

#### 2.2 Survey Area

The assessment area comprised three main sections of coastline. These sections included:

- the east coast of North Uist from the north causeway (NF 907 795) to the south causeway (NF 844 592), including the island of Ronay (centred on NF 895 555);
- the east coast of Benbecula from Oban Uaine (NF 856 533) to Ob Saile (NF 815 486), including the island of Fuidhaigh (centred on NF 875 460);
- the east coast of South Uist from Bagh na Creige Loisgte (NF 822 451) to the east end of Caloas Eiriosgaih (NF 802 142).

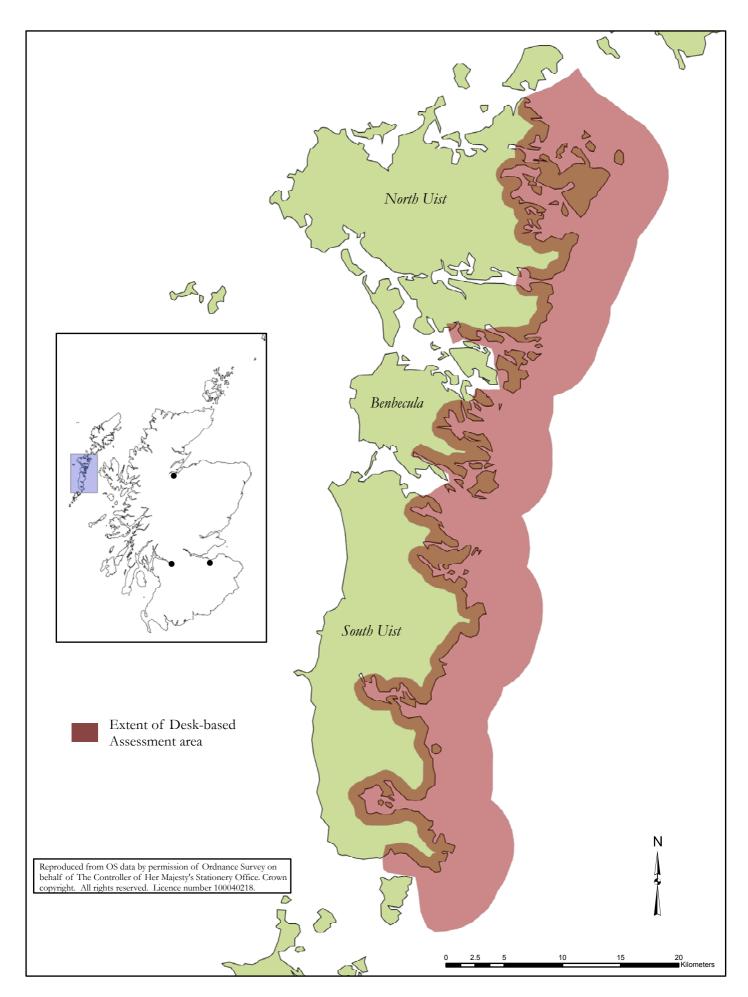


Figure 1: Location of Desk-based Assessment area

W ithin these three primary areas, the assessment took into account the land 1 km from the coast's edge, the intertidal zone and all offshore islands within 4 km of the coast's edge (Figure 1). Two small sections of coastline just outwith the stated survey areas were included in the assessment for discussion purposes due to their overall geomorphological and archaeological significance. These were located on the Roisinis Peninsula, Benbecula and at Bagh Mor on the southern coast of South Uist.

# 3.0 Aims and Objectives

The aim of the desk assessment was to undertake an audit of coastal sites to increase knowledge of the archaeology and built heritage of the survey area and to identify sites and areas vulnerable to coastal change, either in the past, in the present or in the future.

The objectives of the desk assessment were:

- to audit the known archaeological and built heritage sites within the study area;
- to review aerial photographic and historic cartographic evidence in order to identify potential new archaeological or built heritage sites within the study area;
- to detail the geology and geomorphology of the coast's edge and immediate hinterland;
- to make an assessment of coastal change, past, present and future;

Ultimately, the data gathered will be used to assist the local authority archaeologist in devising a strategy for future monument management.

# 4.0 Methodology

#### 4.1 Introduction

The methodology was based on that set out in Historic Scotland's Procedure Paper 4: Coastal Zone Assessment Survey (Historic Scotland 1996) and discussions in Archaeology and the Coastal Erosional Zone: Towards a Historic Scotland Policy (Ashmore 1994).

#### 4.2 Archaeology and Built Heritage

The desk-based assessment covered an area comprising: the coastline and intertidal zone; the hinterland, extending 1 km inland from the coast's edge; and all offshore islands and marine zones within 4 km of the coast's edge (Figure 1). Due to the nature of the east coasts of North Uist, Benbecula and South Uist - they are inundated with tidal inlets and large sea lochs - it was not feasible to define an exact search area conforming to the distances above. The search area was defined using a GIS by creating a single line that represented the coastline and which took in all major coastal features. A 1 km inland buffer and 4 km offshore buffer was subsequently taken from this line.

The desk-based assessment employed the following methodology within the search area described above.

- A review was carried out of current and past coastal policies;
- The local Sites and Monuments Record (SMR) for the Western Isles, held by the Western Isles Archaeology Service, was consulted. This was provided in the form of paper print-outs of all the sites on the east coasts of North Uist, South Uist and Benbecula;
- The National Monuments Record of Scotland (NMRS), maintained by the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Scotland (RCAHMS), was searched for any known archaeological or historical sites within the assessment area. The NMRS data was provided digitally and formed the basis of the project database and GIS;
- Data from the RCAHMS First Edition Survey Project (FESP), showing individual roofed and unroofed buildings present on the first edition Ordnance Survey maps of the area, was obtained and searched in relation to the sites noted in the NMRS;
- Records held and maintained by Historic Scotland were searched for information on Scheduled Ancient Monuments and Listed Buildings;

- Pre-Ordnance Survey maps of the areas of interest, held by the National Library of Scotland (NLS), were identified and examined. Relevant maps range in date from the mid seventeenth century to the early nineteenth century;
- Relevant aerial photographs were viewed at RCAHMS in Edinburgh in order to identify any unknown sites or features of archaeological interest. Three series of photographs were viewed, ranging in date from 1946 to 1987;
- First editions of the Ordnance Survey (OS) 1:10560 maps were examined. These maps date from 1860s;
- Readily accessible primary and secondary historical sources on the assessment area were briefly consulted to give an overview of the historical background to the area. These included the first and second statistical accounts of Scotland published in 1799 and 1845.

Digital data on individual known sites was provided by the RCAHMS. This consisted of a Microsoft Access database of the relevant sites within the survey area extracted from the NMRS. Sites included in this were cross referenced manually with the paper extract of the SMR provided by the Western Isles Archaeology Service and SMR sites not present in the NMRS were added to the database. This project is Aspire compliant (Aspire, 2005).

### 4.3 Geology and Geomorphology

A comprehensive review of the available documentary, aerial photographic and cartographic sources regarding the coastal geology/geomorphology and erosional aspects of the coast was undertaken by geomorphologists Bruce Robertson and Dr Jim Hansom, of the CRG. This enabled the geomorphologists to highlight areas where geomorphological processes may pose a threat to the archaeological or built heritage resource either currently or potentially in the future.

Drift geology maps were not available for all of the assessment area. Where this occurred, soil maps were used to give an indication of the areas probable status.

# 5.0 Report Format

The format of the report generally follows the guidelines set out in Historic Scotland's Procedure Paper 4: Coastal Zone Assessment Survey (Historic Scotland 1996). Variations from the guidelines set out in that paper were necessary due to the nature of this project, in that it encompassed only the desk based assessment aspect and did not include any field survey. It is important to note that no field survey was undertaken during any part of this research and, therefore, details of all sites noted may not represent exactly what is currently present on the ground.

The entire survey area is divided into 28 map areas. Each of these areas is represented by two map sections, representing the same area, with related gazetteers. These are:

- Archaeology and Built Heritage; detailing all sites noted during the desk-based assessment;
- Hinterland Geology and Coastal Geomorphology; noting the physical geology of the map section;

The following section explains the layout and terminology used throughout the report.

#### 5.1 Built Heritage and Archaeology Maps and Gazetteers

The gazetteer entries accompanying the Built Heritage and Archaeology maps are set out as follows:

Gazetteer Example

Site No 101 Site Type Dun

**NGR** NF 9235 7926

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Iron Age

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

These categories are explained in more detail below.

**Site No**A unique identifying number assigned to each site that is specific to this project.

These numbers appear on the accompanying archaeology and built heritage map

sheet.

Site Type This is a brief description of what the site comprises. Full descriptions are given in

the site descriptions (Section 14.0).

**NGR** This is the national grid reference for the site. These are locations given in the

sources consulted during the desk-based research. They cannot be guaranteed to be accurate without a field visit. Similarly, not all eight figures may be relevant. Sites with a poor locational record may only be accurate to four figures but appear here as

eight figures, the later figures being zeros.

**Designation** This states whether or not the site is legally protected and, if so, under what

legislation. Categories of protection encountered here are Scheduled Ancient

Monuments or Listed Buildings (categories A, B and C(s)).

Potential Date This is assigned purely from desk-based research and is not definitive. Dates will

have been assigned according to previous records on the site or professional judgement. They are intended only as a guide. The broad periods are based on those used in the *Aspire* protocol, which are: *Mesolithic, Neolithic, Bronze Age, Iron Age, Later Prehistoric, Roman, Early Medieval, Medieval, Modern and Unknown.* Further potential date categories added were: Post-Medieval or any specific century if

known.

**Source** Details the source of the site, ie NMRS, SMR, Aerial photography, Historic Map.

**Actual/Potential** Notes whether the site has or has not been verified in the field. For example, a site

identified from an aerial photograph or historic map during this project can only be stated as being a potential site at this stage. Similarly, a site where some ambiguity

exists in its NMRS or SMR record, again, is assigned potential.

**Location** States the location of the site relative to the coast edge. Other than a site originating

from aerial photographic evidence, where its location was clearly visible, all locations are taken from the site's NGR. Categories are: *Coast Edge* (area directly adjacent to the mean high water springs (MHWs) and a few metres inland); Intertidal zone (area between MHWS and mean low water springs (MLWS); Hinterland (all the area inland from the coast edge); and Maritime (all offshore areas that are constantly a

marine environment).

The full site descriptions are given in section 14.0. These detail all the sites noted during the course of this project and all information relating to the individual sites that has been gathered. They also include, where applicable, the site's NMRS number, SMR number, Designation, Designation number and site name.

## 5.2 Hinterland Geology and Coastal Geomorphology

The gazetteer entries accompanying the Hinterland Geology and Coastal Geomorphology maps are set out as in the following example entry:

Mainly Rock refers to what the majority of the foreshore comprises.

Coast edge < 5 m refers to the expected status of the coast edge.

Generally low lying hinterland comprising gives a general description of the geology and peat-covered rock. The inner coastline is geomorphology of the map section.

indented rock platform with pockets of sand

and mud in sheltered inlets.

The geological and geomorphologic information given with the maps was all obtained from desk-based assessment with no field visits. Details of each coastal area are, therefore, general and small variations may exist in the geology and geomorphology that are only visible on the ground.

The classification of the Hinterland Geology varies from that stated in Historic Scotland's Procedure Paper 4: Coastal Zone Assessment Survey (Historic Scotland 1996). Due to the lack of detailed drift maps that were available for the area most of the reliable data comes from soil maps and Peacock (1984). In light of this the following categories were used along with Blown Sand:

**Peat & Rock** Areas where no records of drift exist.

**Drift or Peat on Rock** Areas where mapped records exist of drift cover yet the distribution is imprecise.

#### 5.3 Recommendations

The final section states where, as a result of this archaeological and geomorphological desk-based survey, it is recommended that the assessment of the east coasts of North Uist, Benbecula and South Uist is continued with full field survey as defined in Historic Scotland's Procedure Paper 4: *Coastal Zone Assessment Survey* (Historic Scotland 1996).

A total of 15 areas have been recommended for field survey based on a consideration of a number of factors. Clearly, without survey of the whole coastline, as was undertaken elsewhere in the Western Isles, this cannot be seen as a definitive account of the archaeological sites. However, given the indented and rocky nature of the coastline it is recognised that comprehensive coverage in the field would be expensive and possibly not very productive.

Those sections of coast subject to the following factors are recommended for full survey:

- Sections of coast that are deemed to be potentially eroding now, or in the relatively recent past, or will be modified by sea level rise in the near future;
- Sections of coast that have significant numbers of known, or potential, sites located on, or very near to, the coast's edge;
- Sections of coast that are on, or have access to, cultivatable ground, which may have a potential for the discovery of new sites;
- Sections of coast that are located around, or near to, sheltered bays which may have been utilised in the past;
- Sections of coast that are accessible to an archaeologically rich hinterland, specifically more remote areas where access to these sites may only have been possible via the sea.

The sections have also been divided into areas: *High Priority*, where there is a potential higher risk of coastal processes effecting the archaeology or built heritage; *Medium Priority* where sites exist close to, or on, the coast but it is unknown from the desk-based assessment whether areas are actively eroding or not; and those of *Low Priority* where sites may not be under threat from erosion but may be, in the long term, from sea level rise or areas that merit survey purely on their archaeological potential. Generally speaking, a priority area will have two or more of the above factors present. There also exists areas where there are no recommendations for further filed survey. These are generally areas where the coastline was deemed under no immediate threat from coastal processes and there exist very few previously recorded archaeological or built heritage sites.

It is important to note that the predicted difficulty in accessing parts of the coastline within the assessment area will have a profound effect on how the field survey is carried out. This has not been taken into account when defining the areas recommended for further survey. Subsequent discussions between those carrying out the field surveys, SCAPE and Historic Scotland may lead to modifications in the suggested field survey areas noted in this report, for practical reasons.

# 6.0 Background to the Archaeology of the Survey Area

The three areas within the survey zone have had varying degrees of archaeological investigation carried out within them prior to this survey. A brief overview of this is given below. It is by no means a comprehensive review, but gives sources that may prove useful in further phases of the project.

#### 6.1 North Uist

Archaeological investigation on the island North Uist has been undertaken over a substantial period of time, but it was Erskine Beveridge who began large-scale work of a high standard in the early twentieth century, culminating in publication (Beveridge 1911). Beveridge contributed greatly to the record of archaeological sites on the island, and his work included several excavations. More recently, in the latter half of the twentieth century, Ian Crawford carried out a large scale excavation on the multi-period site at An Uidail.

More recently North Uist has been subject to a coastal zone assessment survey on its western side (Badger *et al* 2005). This recorded a large number of archaeological sites, many from eroding contexts.

#### 6.2 Benbecula

Fewer archaeological investigations appear to have been conducted on Benbecula, with the majority of work concentrating on North and South Uist. Armit (1997) conducted excavations around Loch Olabhat in the late 1980s. More recent work includes a full coastal zone assessment survey of the west coast (Moore & Wilson 2005). As with the survey on North Uist, this recorded a large number of archaeological sites, many from eroding contexts.

#### 6.3 South Uist

The island of South Uist has also seen previous archaeological investigations. These include the investigation of a series of sites on the south, west and north coasts that were located in eroding parts of the coast (Barber 2003).

More recent investigations include the full coastal zone assessment survey of the west coast (Moore & Wilson 2005). Academic research has also recently concentrated on South Uist (for example, Parker-Pearson *et al* 2004a; 2004b; Raven 2005; Sharples (ed) 2004). This academic research has, however, been concentrated on the west coast.

# 7.0 Physical Background to the Coastal Zone

by Dr Jim Hanson & Bruce Robertson

## 7.1 The Geology of the Minch coast of the Uists and Benbecula

The underlying geology of the Western Isles is dominated by an ancient basement of metamorphic Lewisian gneiss, intruded by basaltic sills and dykes during the Tertiary, but earlier deformed and metamorphosed during two phases (Stoker et al 1993). The first episode, the Scourian, occurred 2900-1100 Ma ago and produced the undifferentiated but hard and resistant Gneisses that outcrop over much of the area. The second, the Laxfordian cycle (1900-1100 Ma ago), produced much of the structural framework that has influenced the coastal outline that we see today. Towards the end of this episode, the Outer Hebrides Thrust Zone was formed along the eastern seaboard: the Minch Coastline. Much of the outer Minch coast is controlled by the North Minch Basin Fault, a coast-parallel fault that marks the junction between the Lewisian gneiss of the islands and the Devonian and younger rocks (mainly sandstones) that characterise the Minch basin itself. Just inland from this main fault lies the Outer Isles Thrust Plane or Zone which marks out the line of hills and high ground separating the rockier more indented east coast from the sediment veneered and flatter west coast and its great spreads of machair dune cordons and backing grasslands. In North Uist, for example, the Outer Hebridean Thrust Plane occurs high on the west-facing slopes of the hills of eastern North Uist and divides the island into two distinctive geological provinces. To the west, the rocks are relatively uncrushed gneisses, whereas in the east the rocks are crushed gneisses and mylonites.

This hard rock geology dominates the Minch coastline with cliffs and intertidal rock platforms, the coastal orientation being largely controlled by the dual influence of the coast-parallel Minch fault and the Outer Isles Thrust Plane (Stoker *et al* 1993). Several secondary faults trend approximately normal to this main orientation and can be picked out in the east/west orientation of Locheport and the southeast/northwest trending North and South Fords of Benbecula, all of which interrupt the south/north trend of the Minch Coast. Whilst no major faults are mapped for the Sound of Eriskay, Loch Boisdale and Loch Aineaort (Stoker *et al* 1993) each of these long Minch coast inlets follow the same southeast/northwest structural trend marked out by shear zones and lineations in the gneissic fabric (Fettes *et al* 1992). As a result, the relative durability of the underlying bedrock finds morphological expression in the orientation of many

coastal rock skerries, headlands and reefs, all of which are strongly linked to the north-west-to-south-east regional foliation of the gneiss. For example, in the Lochs Blashaval and Siginish area, both subaerial and seabed topography is made up of a series of ridges and deep, rock-floored, narrow basins, the scale, alignment and relief of which mirrors the structural trend.

#### 7.2 Glaciation

Whilst many of the indentations of the Minch Coast are a function of exploitation along faults or lines of weakness in the underlying rock structure, they have certainly been further modified by Quaternary glaciation. Ice flow from the mainland to the east was convergent with ice flowing both west and east from spreading centres in the centre of the islands. Eastwards flow occurred in the Uists, Lewis and Harris and led to moderate amounts of erosion of the Minch coastal areas, although some streamlining likely occurred along the flanks of the higher ground. Much of the erosion performed at this time appears to have been areal scour, where bedrock erosion forms a Cnoc and Lochan topography (small rounded bedrock hummocks or roche moutonee) with little attendant deposition of glacial till (Peacock 1984). A good example of this is in the Loch Maddy area where the largest sea loch of North Uist reaches only 20 m deep. Since its bathymetry does not show a normal fiord or West Highland sea loch characteristic, it might be best described as a fiard (Earll & Padgett 1984). Unusual in Scotland, fiards are similar in origin to fiords but occur in areas of low-lying land that have been subject to extensive erosional scour by glacier ice and have intensely serrated shorelines, interrupted by many peninsulas and inlets (Earll & Padgett 1984). The low and fragmented shoreline of Loch Maddy has numerous inlets and small rocky islands, while the intertidal area consists of predominantly gravel and boulders, with limited coarse sand patches and outcrops of scoured bedrock. Glacial deposits along the coast are rare and restricted to till caps atop bedrock. Unfortunately, detailed drift mapping of the Western Isles has not yet been carried out by BGS and so the reporting of hinterland characteristics is problematic and restricted to those areas where more detailed work has occurred. The occurrence of glacial till (or drift) mapped here has been compiled from small scale mapping by Ritchie (1968), Soil Survey of Scotland Sheet 2 (1982) and Peacock (1984). In general, it appears that glacigenic sediments such as till or glacifluvial gravels are extremely limited or very thin at the coast but thicken landwards. For example, coastal mapping of North Uist by Ritchie (1968) shows this clearly with bare rock surfaces covered by peat on the outer coast and patchy till cover on the landward flanks and islets of long inlets such as Lochs Maddy and Eport. These tills are the source of the intertidal gravel and sand that occur in such locations. The most extensive area of glacial till deposits occurs at Usinish in South Uist (Soil Survey of Scotland Sheet 2 (1982)). The lack of beach areas on the Minch coast is directly related to the lack of glacigenic source sediment. In the north, adjacent to the Sound of Berneray, extensive banks of submerged sand are associated with reefs, indeed, much of the floor of the shallow Sound of Harris is sand covered. The larger islands in the Sound (Torogay, Sursay, Tahay, Opsay, Vaccasay and Hermetray) have a patchy cover of glacial deposits that have been eroded to form a series of extensive intertidal boulder shoals as occurs in Loch Mhic Phail and Loch Aulasary, both characterised by a multitude of narrow interdigitations of land, sea and low rocky islets rarely rising more than a few metres above sea level, each thinly veneered by till and peat. Tidal ponds occur here whose centres lie below low tide and which remain partly flooded when the tide recedes to reveal washed perimeters of boulders and rocks within the intertidal zone. However, these locations are the exceptions and along the whole of the Minch coast, there is very little sediment available from the erosion of the limited glacial till deposits that can be supplied to the coast for beach or dune building.

Since deglaciation of the Western Isles about 14-15,000 years BP, the dominant trend in the Outer Hebrides has been one of rising relative sea-level, interrupted by temporary regressions (Sissons 1967). Ritchie (1971) suggests that the Holocene sea level rise in the Uists was of the order of 80 m, while Steers (1973) accepts a rise in sea level of between 61-73 m. However, both agree that most of this rise took place before 5700 BP and led to the submergence of a surface assemblage of landforms near Loch Maddy whose morphogenetic affinities lie more with the Norwegian strandflat than with any landscape in the British Isles. At this time, the low glacially eroded terrains of the Loch Maddy and Lochboisdale areas were transformed into a multitude of islands, skerries and convoluted inlets and straits.

#### 7.3 Morphogenetic Evironment

Unsheltered coasts in the western isles are exposed to high mean wind speeds, but the inner coasts of the Minch are relatively sheltered. At Benbecula, mean wind speeds varied between 1963 and 1978 from 8.5 ms<sup>-1</sup> in winter to 6.5 ms<sup>-1</sup> in summer, mainly from between west and south (Barne *et al* 1997). The seabed offshore of Lochmaddy is shallow with numerous skerries and reefs. Spring tidal range at Lochmaddy is 3.5 m and maximum tidal currents on spring tides are variable around 1 ms<sup>-1</sup>, depending on location, and

in narrow straights higher speeds may be achieved (Barne *et al* 1997). However, although the tides on the Atlantic side of the Sound of Harris are out of phase with those in the Minch, there are no strong currents flowing between the two, although complex flow patterns and eddies occur. Along the Minch coast, wave conditions are dominated by local wind-generated waves and fetch lengths are short but variable. Between 180° and 220° N, fetch lengths exceed 200 km, with a maximum return significant wave height of 3.5 m from 162° N (Ramsey & Brampton 2000). Along the outer coast, the irregular coastal outline produces a highly variable wave climate. The inner parts of the shoreline within the sea lochs and inlets are very sheltered indeed and are subject only to small locally-produced waves.

The most recent interpretation of sea level changes around the Scottish coast has been provided by Dawson et al (2001), who base their estimates on the Late Holocene uplift pattern, long-term tide gauge records and crustal movements determined by Shennan (1989). All of the Western Isles is placed within an area of current sea level rise of greater than, or equal to, 1 mm/yr and so is subject to a slowly rising relative sea level that is an extension of the rate experienced over all of this area for the last few thousand years at least. However, given the projected accelerations in the rate of relative sea level rise up to AD 2050, the best estimate from Dawson et al (2001) produces a sea level rise in the Western Isles of greater than 0.17 m. This will result in a greater rate of coastal erosion than has been the case thus far. Coupled with past increases in storminess in the Eastern North Atlantic (Gunther et al 1989) and a general reduction in sediment availability on beaches in the Western Isles (May & Hansom 2003) then the rate of erosion of existing coasts in this area might be reasonably expected to rise in the future.

#### 7.4 Coastal Sediment Cell 8A

The idea behind coastal sediment cells is that they define lengths of coastline, bounded by cell limits, within which sediment exchange may occur and therefore may affect other parts of the same cell, but over whose boundaries sediment exchange does not occur. As such, they define unified areas within which shoreline management planning can occur based on a sound knowledge of coastal sediment movements. The east coast of North and South Uist, Barra, Benbecula (and the coast of Lewis and Harris as far as Stornoway) are designated as Cell 8a (Ramsey & Brampton 2000). In spite of this designation, there is little opportunity for sediment exchanges to occur between even adjacent elements of the indented Minch coastline, far less between North Uist and Harris, and so the identification of Sediment Cells and of Sediment Cell-based planning has been questioned as inappropriate for large areas of Western Scotland and for Cell 8a in particular (Hansom et al 2004). As a result, much of the eastern (Minch) coastline of the Uists is a series of small independent and largely sediment-poor rocky units between which no sediment exchange occurs. Where sediment occurs at the coast it is directly related to either the availability of glacigenic material at places such as the Usinish peninsula, and Loch Aineaort, or to the leakage of sediment from the relatively sediment-rich west coast, such as at Glendale in South Uist, and via the Fords at Kallin in Grimsay and Rossinish in Benbecula.

#### 7.5 Morphology of the Minch Coast of the Uists

Several types of coastline occur in this area, but in essence all are the product of submergence of a variably glaciated rock platform close to sea level. In general, the Minch coast hinterland is characterised by a line of glacially scoured hills that correspond to the line of the Outer Hebridean Thrust zone. To the east of the hills, the coastline is predominantly rocky and rugged. For example in the Lochmaddy area, South Lee reaches 281 m but reduces in height at the inlets where, adjacent to the sea-lochs of Maddy, Blashaval, Mhic Phail and Aulasary, the land rarely rises more than a few metres above present sea level. Many of the irregular sea loch inlets link with inland freshwater and brackish lochs, particularly in the vicinity of Lochmaddy, Loch Eport, Loch Aineaort and Lochboisdale and this allows limited tidal exchange of water and a complicated and serrated coastal outline with sizeable areas of intertidal sands and gravels in the sheltered areas between the islets.

The outer Minch coastline to the north and south of the entrance to Loch Maddy consists of cliffs rarely more than 30 m high and with gradients of 20-50° that continue underwater. The term "pseudo-cliff" has been coined to describe these features that characterise much of the Minch Coast of the Uists. The cliff slopes are highly irregular both in plan and profile, but there are few caves, arches or stacks and only limited cliff foot accumulations of gravel or boulders. Shore platforms skirt much of the coast south from Loch Maddy, but are never extensive and rarely backed by anything other than scoured rock surfaces. Other than at Usinish, there are few scree or till covered slopes so that the cliffs are "clean" bare rock cliffs and contrast markedly with most cliff areas elsewhere in Scotland (Hansom 2003). The lack of erosional features such as caves, arches and stacks in the pseudo-cliffs of the Minch coastline is also a

likely result of a fairly rapid Holocene submergence (Ritchie 1968). Even in the more exposed locations and in spite of the occurrence of crushed gneisses and mylonites, erosional features are not well developed. In the absence of any characteristically marine cliff-foot features, it is most likely that the "pseudo-cliffs" are simply drowned subaerial slopes that have been locally steepened by glacial and slope processes rather than by marine processes and basal undercutting.

As a result of Late glacial and Holocene submergence, the Outer Hebrides do not show the well-developed suites of emerged beaches and associated features so characteristic of much of the Inner Hebrides and Scottish mainland (Sissons 1967; Ritchie 1971; Steers 1973). However, Godard (1965) recognised a number of shore platforms just above modern sea level (eg at 0.5 m above high water mark on the south shore of Loch Maddy) which he suggested might indicate limited emergence. However, the platforms are undated and are more likely to be either interglacial in age, or glacial in origin and thus unrelated to marine processes. They may be simply rock surfaces that have been brought to their present altitude by subsequent submergence (Ritchie 1968). Similarly, the occurrence of rock platforms close to sea level in the northern part of the Loch Maddy area are also likely to be washed rock surfaces that now occur close to sea level, rather than having been cut at this level by marine processes.

#### 7.6 Tidal Incursion

Several sites have been found in this survey to be sited at, or just above, MHWS and as such it is unclear the extent to which these features are subject to tidal influence or wave undercutting. For example, the site (265, Map 19) clearly shows signs of erosion and/or flooding. Comparison of aerial photographs between 1946 and 1987 shows the front wall of the feature to have been breached and degraded between these dates. This feature illustrates the problem of submergence, sea level and frontal erosion well, and prompted Gilbertson *et al* (1996a; 1996b) to comment that it would seem inconceivable that buildings and walls would be built close to a shoreline that was in the process of being actively flooded or eroded. The inference is that the shoreline was at some vertical or horizontal distance away from the structures when they were built.

# 8.0 Summary of Results

A summary of results relating to Archaeology and Built Heritage is given below.

Table 1: Number of Sites

Sites	No of Sites Noted in Assessment	% of Total No of Sites
Scheduled Ancient Monument	16	4%
Listed Building	24	6%
Designed Landscape	0	0%
Designated Wreck	0	0%
Undesignated Wreck	49	12%
Other Site	263	64%
Potential new site from DBA	56	14%
TOTAL	408	100%

This gives a general idea of the relative proportion of each site type category assigned to this project. The field survey will inevitably locate new sites not noted in this desk-based assessment and reassess sites recorded in this survey.

# 9.0 Maps and Gazetteers

# Map 1: North Uist, Northern Causeway to Aird Mor

NF 907 795 to NF 919 748

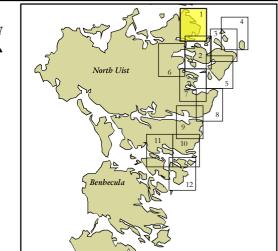
This area yielded relatively few sites of archaeological interest compared to other areas of the coastline. Only five sites were noted, one being a record of a previous archaeological survey and watching brief relating to the construction of the causeway and another being a shipwreck.

The most significant site in this area noted by the desk-based assessment is the dun located in Loch Iosal an Duin. From an inspection of aerial photography and cartography that the loch is not at present subject to tidal forces, although could be affected by sea level rise.



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## Map 1: Gazetteer

Site No 001

Site Type SLIPWAY NGR NF 9077 7934

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActual

**Location** Intertidal Zone

Site No 002

Site Type STEAM TRAWLER NGR NF 9220 7910

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 003

**Site Type** FIELD SURVEY AREA

**NGR** NF 9050 7900

DesignationNonePotential DateNoneSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 004

Site Type NATURAL FEATURE; SHIELING-HUTS

**NGR** NF 9044 7795

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval Source NMRS Actual/Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 005 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 9171 7700

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

# Map 1: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

Hinterland is mainly drift and peat on visible rock. The foreshore in this area comprises in the most part. lag boulders with some mudflats and sand around the bays and sheltered inlets of a series of low shallow basins.

# Map 2: North Uist, Aird Mor to Orasaigh & Loch Portain to Aird a Chonnaidh

NF 919 748 to NF 942 732 & NF 939 715 to 906 734

This area of coast line is extremely fragmented with numerous inlets and small islets including Ceallasaigh Mor and Ceallasaigh Beag.

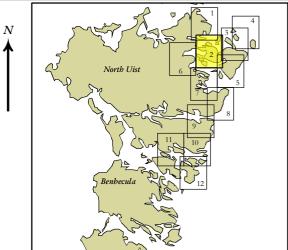
Five sites of archaeological interested were noted in this area, all relating to deserted Historic Rural Settlement. These include small shieling sites a possible farmstead and larger township.



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## Map 2: Gazetteer

Site No 010

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE); HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 9250 7420

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 016

Site Type SHIELING-HUT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9134 7371

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Coast Edge

Site No 024

Site Type FARMSTEAD (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9354 7329

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 035

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 9220 7230

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval Source NMRS Actual/Potential Location Hinterland

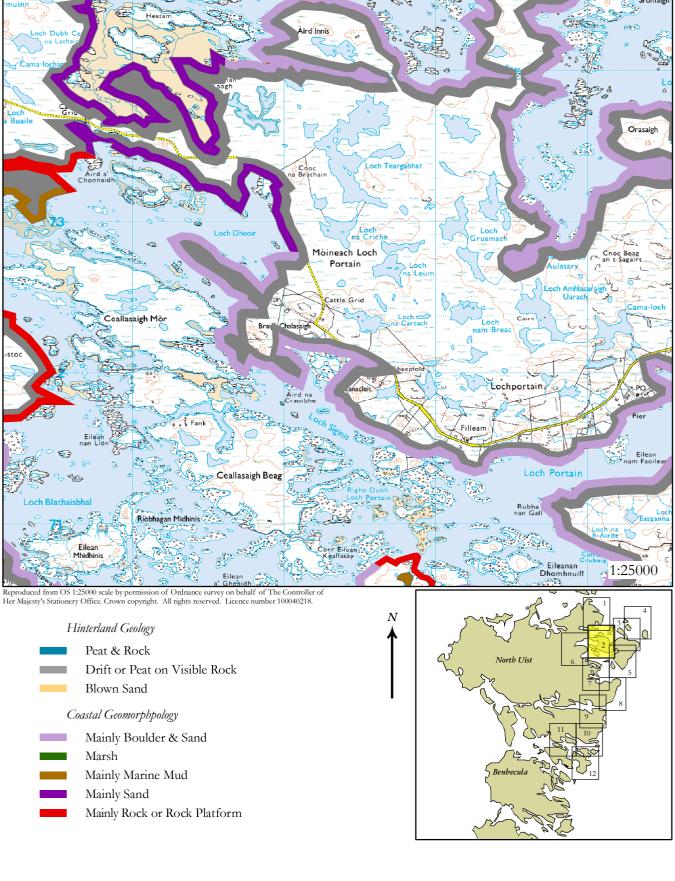
Site No 043

Site Type BUILDINGS NGR NF 9280 7160

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland



# Map 2: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

Hinterland is mainly drift and peat on visible rock. The foreshore in this area comprises lag boulders with sand and mud in some bays and sheltered inlets and predominantly sandy west of Aird innis.

# Map 3: North Uist, Orasaigh to Crogearraidh na Thobha

NF 942 732 to NF 976 721

This section of coastline includes numerous off shore islands of varying size, including Bhotarsaigh, Sursaigh and Grodaigh some of which contain sites of archaeological interest.

A total of five sites of archaeological or built heritage interest were noted in this section of coastline. These include one Scheduled Ancient Monument and a category B listed building.

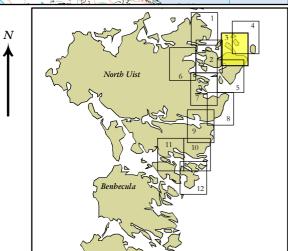
The most significant site located in this section is the Scheduled Ancient Monument of Dun Mhic Laitheann located on the small island of Grodaigh. The dun occupies a position on the coast edge and is located on a small promontory connected to Grodaigh at low tide. Other sites include records of Historic Rural Settlement buildings on the small island of Sursaigh and a find spot of potential Medieval date on the mainland.



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# Map 3: Gazetteer

Site No 007

Site TypeBUILDINGSNGRNF 9581 7584

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 017

Site Type WOODEN SCOOP NGR NF 9590 7360

DesignationNonePotential DateMedievalSourceNMRSActual/PotentialFind SpotLocationHinterland

Site No 018

Site Type RESIDENTIAL
NGR NF 9541 7346
Designation Listed B
Potential Date Post Medieval
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 021

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 9610 7330

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval Source NMRS Actual/Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 026

Site Type DUN; SHIELING-HUTS

**NGR** NF 9777 7314

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Iron Age

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Mainly Rock or Rock Platform

# Map 3: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

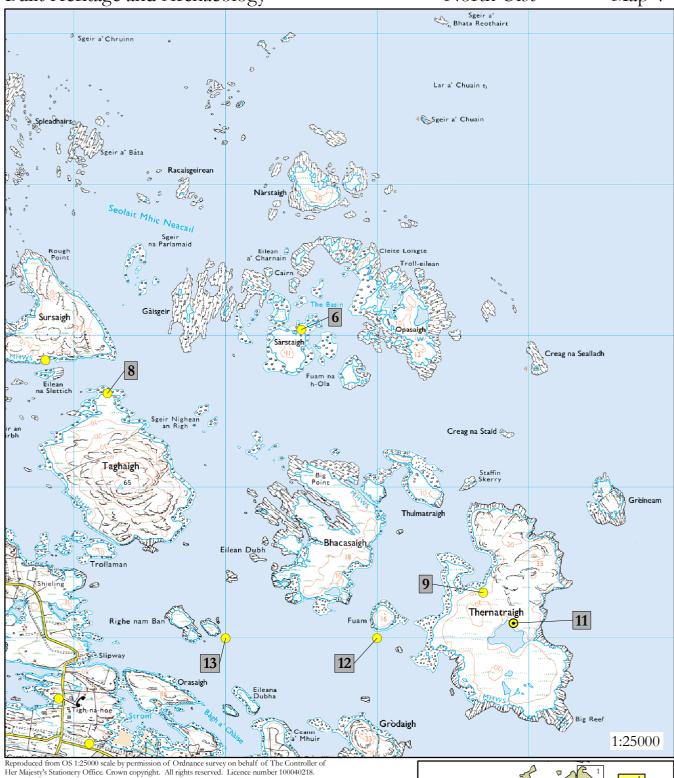
Hinterland comprises drift and peat on visible rock. The foreshore consists of mainly lag boulders or rock platform with a steep cliff coastline towards the eastern edge of this section and a pocket of sand in the middle section at Bagh a Chaise.

# Map 4: North Uist, Islands of Thernatraigh, Bhacasaigh, Taghaigh, Opasaigh & Sarstaigh

Centred NF 988 741, NF 977 746, NF 963 751, NF 982 761 & NF 974 760 respectively.

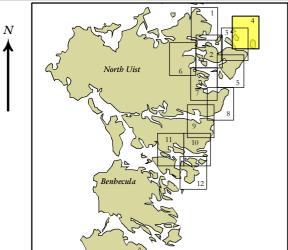
This section includes no mainland sections of coastline being solely related to off shore islands.

A total of six sites of archaeological interest were noted during the assessment. These include one shipwreck with the remainder being related to Historic Rural Settlement. These sites include two townships and two potential 17th century buildings. These later buildings are noted on the islands of 'Hermetray' and 'Vacksay' in 1695 and presumably relate to the islands of Thernatraigh and Bhacasaigh.



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## Map 4: Gazetteer

Site No 006

Site Type BUILDINGS; ENCLOSURE

**NGR** NF 9750 7604

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 008

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 9622 7562

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 009

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9870 7430

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 011

Location

Site Type BARQUE, UNASSIGNED

Maritime

**NGR** NF 9890 7410

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActual

Site No 012 Site Type HOUSE

NGR NF 9800 7400
Designation None
Potential Date 17th Century
Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

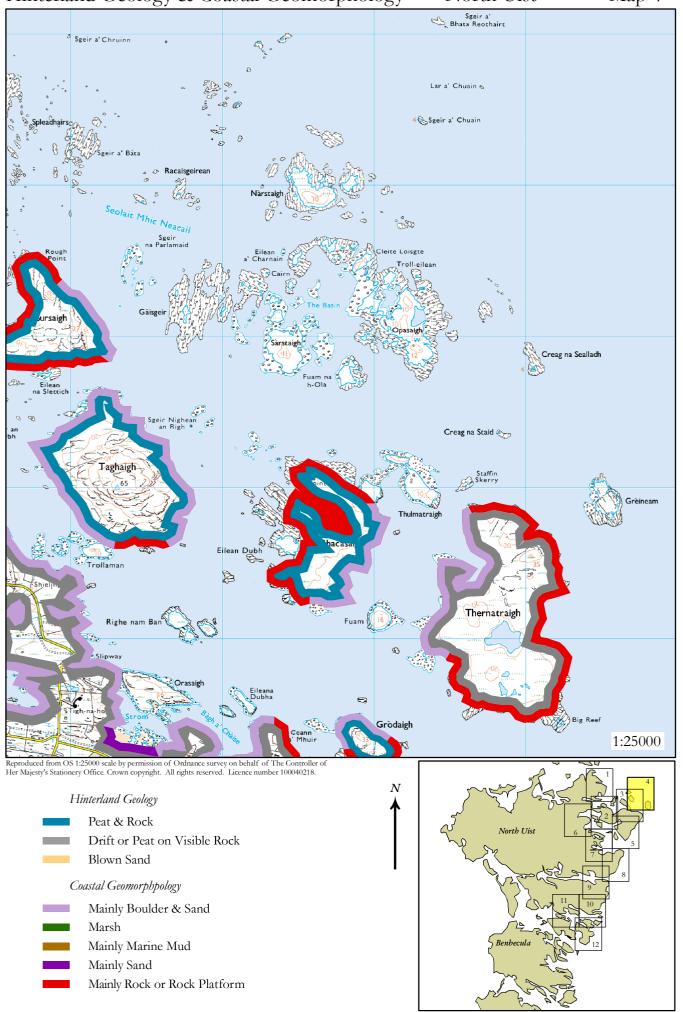
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 013

 Site Type
 HOUSE

 NGR
 NF 9700 7400

**Designation** None

Potential Date 17th Century
Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland



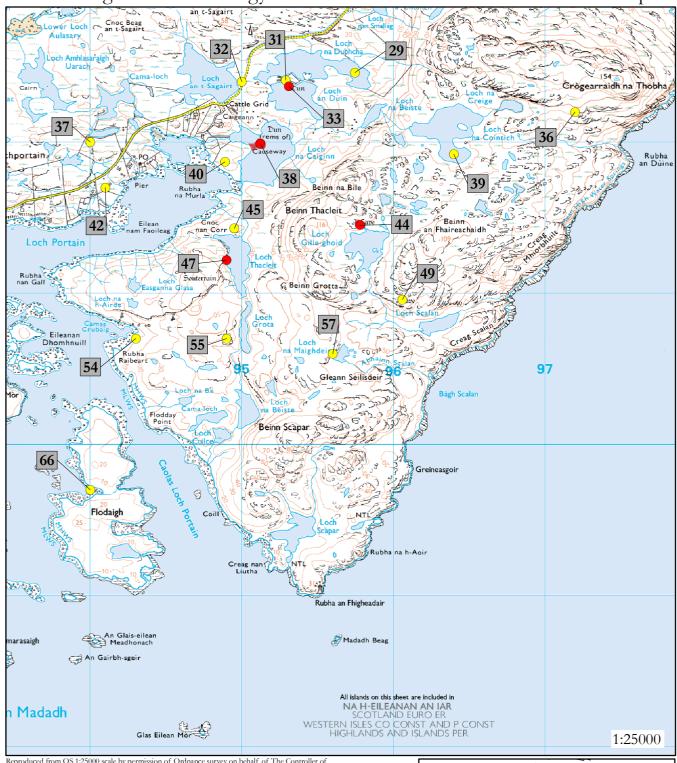
# Map 5: North Uist, Crogearraidh na Thobha to Loch Portain

NF 976 721 to NF 939 715

This section of coastline is, in the majority, concerned with mainland coastline with the addition of the small island of Flodaigh.

A total of eighteen sites of archaeological interest were noted in this section which include four Scheduled Ancient Monuments. Other sites include seven relating to probable Historic Rural Settlement remains, an account of a chapel that does not have an accurate location and a site relating to prehistoric cists and cup markings.

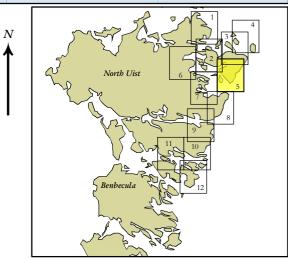
The Scheduled Ancient Monuments include two dun sites, a souterrain and a cave site where midden remains have been recovered. The souterrain and cave site are situated in hinterland locations and do not appear to be threatened by coastal erosion. Of the dun sites only one, located in Loch na Caiginn may be subject to tidal influences currently or in the near future.



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## Map 5: Gazetteer

Site No 029 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 9574 7246

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 031

Site Type SOUTERRAIN (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9529 7241

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 032

Site Type CLEARANCE CAIRN

**NGR** NF 9500 7240

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 033 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 9531 7236

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Iron Age

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 036

Site Type CAVE; SHIELING-HUTS

**NGR** NF 9720 7220

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 037

Site Type CHAPEL (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9400 7200

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 038

Site Type DUN; FARMSTEAD

**NGR** NF 9512 7199

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Iron Age

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 039

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE) NGR NF 9640 7192

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 040

Site Type ENCLOSURES NGR NF 9489 7187

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 042

Site TypeTOWNSHIPNGRNF 9410 7170

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 044

Site Type CAVE; MIDDEN; POTTERY

**NGR** NF 9578 7145

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Iron Age

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 045

Site Type FARMSTEAD (POSSIBLE)

NGR NF 9495 7143
Potential Date Unknown
Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Potential
Location Hinterland

Site No 047

Site TypeSOUTERRAINNGRNF 9490 7122

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Iron Age

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 049

Site Type CAVE; POTTERY; MIDDEN

**NGR** NF 9606 7096

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 054

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 9430 7070

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 055

Site Type CIST; CUP-MARKINGS

**NGR** NF 9490 7070

DesignationNonePotential DateBronze AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 057

Site Type CAVE; POTTERY NGR NF 9560 7060

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 066

Site Type FARMSTEAD (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9400 6970

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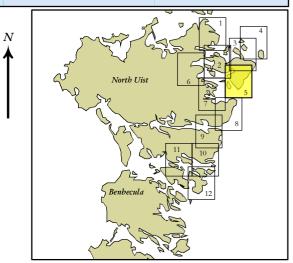
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# Hinterland Geology Peat & Rock Drift or Peat on Visible Rock Blown Sand Coastal Geomorphpology Mainly Boulder & Sand Marsh

Mainly Marine Mud

Mainly Sand

Mainly Rock or Rock Platform



# Map 5: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

Hinterland comprises drift and peat on visible rock. The coast edge is steep and rocky on the eastern edge facing the Minch turning to lag boulders and gravel intertidal areas on the foreshore in the west-facing coast of Loch Portain and around Flodaigh.

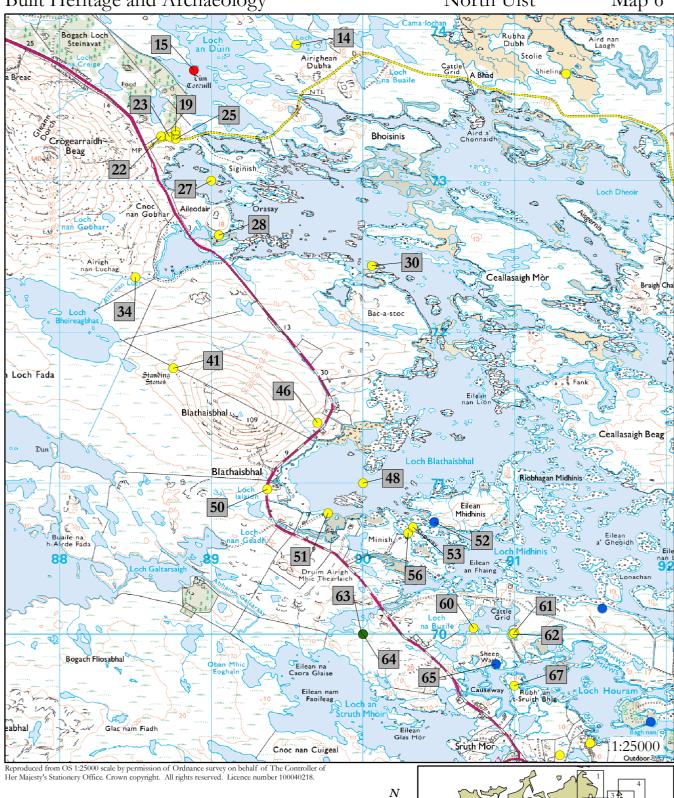
# Map 6: North Uist, Aird a Chonnaidh to Eileanan Fhaing

NF 906 734 to NF 914 702

This section of coastline relates to the north western coastline of the large inlet centring on Loch nam Mhadadh and is extremely uneven with numerous very small off shore islands.

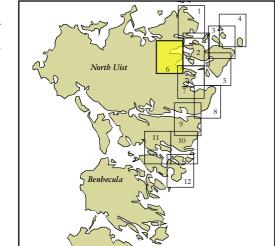
A total of twenty-five sites of archaeological interest were noted in this section which included one Scheduled Ancient Monument, that of Dun Torcuill situated in Loch an Duin. There exists the possibility that this loch is subject to tidal influences but cannot be confirmed without a field visit. Other sites include a possible chapel site on Eilean Mhidhinis, where a ruined structure was visible on aerial photography, four potential dun sites, prehistoric standing stones and a potential chambered cairn. Other sites appear to generally relate to post-Medieval activity in the area.

Two sites are suggested from historic maps, but their location is not certain.



Legend

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## Map 6: Gazetteer

Site No 014 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 8956 7390

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

 Site No
 015

 Site Type
 BROCH

 NGR
 NF 8888 7373

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Iron Age

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 019 Site Type CAIRN

**NGR** NF 8876 7332

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceSMRActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 022 Site Type ROAD

**NGR** NF 8866 7329

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source SMR
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 023

Site TypeQUARRYNGRNF 8872 7329

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source SMR Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 025

Site TypeQUARRYNGRNF 8876 7327

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceSMRActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 027

Site Type CHAMBERED CAIRN (POSS)

**NGR** NF 8900 7300

DesignationNonePotential DateNeolithicSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 028

Site Type ENCLOSURE (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8905 7264

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 030

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE) NGR NF 9006 7244

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 034

Site Type SHIELING-HUT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8850 7236

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 041

Site Type STANDING STONES

**NGR** NF 8875 7176

DesignationNonePotential DateNeolithicSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 046

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS NGR NF 8970 7140

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual

Site No 048

Site Type HAMMER-STONE NGR NF 9000 7100

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialFind SpotLocationHinterland

Site No 050

Site Type POTTERY; MOUND; SETTLEMENT

**NGR** NF 8937 7096

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 051

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8977 7080

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 052

Site Type CHAPEL (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9047 7074

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 053

Site Type CHAPEL (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9033 7071

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 056

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 9030 7067

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 060

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE) NGR NF 9073 7004

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 061

Site Type MOUND; STRUCTURES

**NGR** NF 9100 7001

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 062

Site Type BUILDINGS; ENCLOSURE

**NGR** NF 9099 7000

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 063

Site Type SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9000 7000

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationUnknown

Site No 064

Site Type SETTLEMENTS (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9000 7000

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationUnknown

Site No 065

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 9088 6980

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 067

'DUN'; NATURAL FEATURE NF 9100 6966

Site Type
NGR
Designation
Potential Date None Unknown Source NMRS Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

# Map 6: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

Hinterland comprises drift and peat on the west facing slopes into Loch Maddy with peat covered slopes on the east facing slopes.

The coastline consists of rock or lag boulders with isolated pockets of mud or sand within a series of shallow rocky basins.

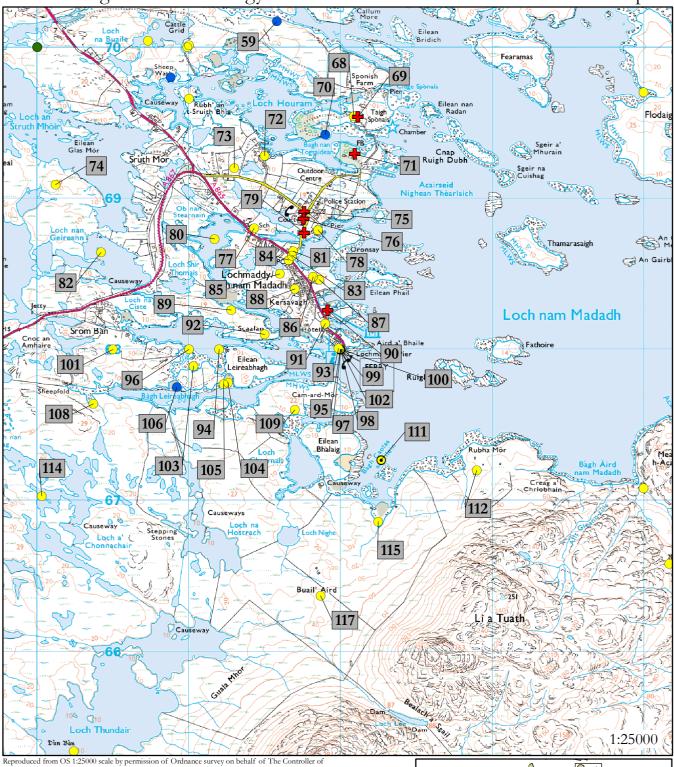
## Map 7: North Uist, Eileanan Fhaing to Rhuba Mor

NF 914 702 to NF 931 674

This section of coastline relates to the area centring around the current settlement of Lochmaddy on the shores of the sea loch with the same name.

A total of forty-seven sites of archaeological and built heritage interest were noted in this section which includes five Listed B category buildings, one Listed C(s) category building and seven references to ship wrecks.

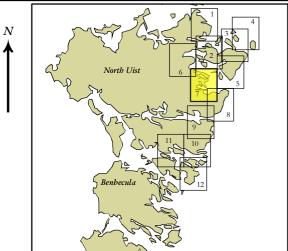
The majority of the sites notes in this area relate to post-Medieval activity on the shores of Loch nam Madadh. Other sites include four possible dun sites located to the west of the current settlement. Records do, however, show that their identification as dun sites is not certain. Perhaps the most significant factor in this area is the density of sites spanning, potentially, a long period of time showing that the area has been suitable for habitation for a considerable time.



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## Map 7: Gazetteer

Site No 059

Site Type STRUCTURES (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9158 7017

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

 Site No
 068

 Site Type
 WORKS

 NGR
 NF 9209 6954

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 069

Site Type HOUSE; WALLED GARDEN

NGR NF 9211 6953
Designation Listed B
Potential Date 19th Century
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 070

Site TypeBUILDINGSNGRNF 9190 6942

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 071

Site Type COTTAGE
NGR NF 9209 6929
Designation Listed C(s)
Potential Date 19th Century
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 072

Site Type HOSPITAL NGR NF 9150 6928

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 073

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 9130 6920

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 074

Site Type 'DUN'; NATURAL FEATURE

**NGR** NF 9012 6909

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 075

Site Type COUNTY BUILDINGS

NGR NF 9176 6890

Designation Listed B

Potential Date 19th Century

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 076 Site Type LAW

NGR NF 9175 6886

Designation Listed B

Potential Date 19th Century

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 077

Site Type SCHOOL NGR NF 9143 6880

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 078

Site TypeRECREATIONNGRNF 9185 6878

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 079

Site TypeRESIDENTIALNGRNF 9176 6877DesignationListed BPotential Date19th CenturySourceHistoric Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 080

Site Type 'WALL'; 'BUILDING'; NATURAL

**NGR** NF 9117 6873

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Site No 081 Site Type BANK

**NGR** NF 9169 6865

**Designation** None

Potential Date 20th Century
Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 082

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE) NGR NF 9042 6864

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Site No 083

Site TypeVILLAGENGRNF 9168 6862

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

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Site Type POST OFFICE NGR NF 9166 6859

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Site TypeBLACKHOUSESNGRNF 9160 6850

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Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 086

Site TypeCHURCHNGRNF 9182 6848

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Potential Date Post Medieval NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

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 087

 Site Type
 MANSE

 NGR
 NF 9186 6846

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval Source NMRS

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 088

Site TypeTOWNSHIPNGRNF 9170 6840

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 089

Site Type ENCLOSURE; POTTERY; RIVETS

**NGR** NF 9128 6826

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Site Type 'CAIRNS'; CLEARANCE

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**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS

Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 090 Site Type INN

NGR NF 9191 6825
Designation Listed B
Potential Date 18th Century
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

 Site No
 091

 Site Type
 HOTEL

 NGR
 NF 9190 6817

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 093

Site Type PIER; BEACON; FERRY

**NGR** NF 9198 6800

**Designation** None

Potential Date 20th Century Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual

**Location** Intertidal Zone

Site No 094

Site TypeFARMSTEADNGRNF 9120 6800

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 095

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 9200 6800

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Site No 096

Site Type ROMAN COINS NGR NF 9100 6800

DesignationNonePotential DateRomanSourceNMRSActual/PotentialFind SpotLocationHinterland

Site No 097

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 9200 6800

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 098

Site Type SHIP, UNASSIGNED, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 9200 6800

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 099

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 9200 6800

Designation None
Potential Date 19th Century
Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual

Location Maritime

Site No 100

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 9200 6800

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 101

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 9050 6800

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 102

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 9200 6800

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 103

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9103 6789

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 104 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 9126 6778

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 105

Site Type 'MOUND'; NATURAL

**NGR** NF 9123 6777

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 106

Site Type ENCLOSURE NGR NF 9092 6775

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 108

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 9037 6764

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 109

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9170 6760

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Site No 111

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 9227 6727

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 112

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 9290 6720

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 114

Site Type 'DUN'; NATURAL FEATURE

**NGR** NF 9003 6703

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 115

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 9225 6686

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 117

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9187 6637

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

# Map 7: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

Hinterland comprises drift and peat over rock. Rock and lag boulder indented coastline comprising of inlets and bays with some small isolated pockets of intertidal mud or sand and deeper water round the settlement at Lochmaddy.

# Map 8: North Uist, Rhuba Mor to Mo Teiltein

NF 931 674 to NF 932 639

This section of coastline runs around the headland of Aird nam Madadh which forms the south eastern corner of Loach nam Madadh.

Only four sites of archaeological interest were noted in this section. Of these, three relate to potential Historic Rural Settlement sites, one of which was identified from aerial photographic evidence. One township site lies in the long inlet of Acarsaid nam Madach which would have been ideal to access from the sea.

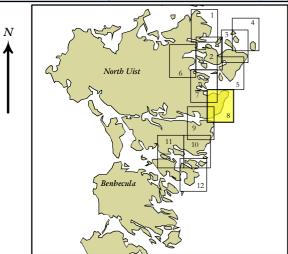
The only site located further inland was a cave that is recorded to have had midden remains associated with it.



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## Map 8: Gazetteer

Site No 107

Site Type BUILDING (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9473 6768

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 110

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE); HARBOUR

**NGR** NF 9460 6733

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 113

Site TypeTOWNSHIPNGRNF 9400 6708

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 116

Site Type CAVE; MIDDEN; POTTERY

**NGR** NF 9417 6658

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland



# Map 8: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge >5 m

Hinterland comprises drift and peat on visible rock. Much of the coastline comprises of cliff on the open coast with some lag boulder deposits on the more sheltered coast of Loch Maddy.

## Map 9: North Uist, Mo Teiltein to Loch an Tomain

NF 932 639 to 928 608

This section of coastline runs around the relatively thin inlet of Loch Euphort. The survey area extends into the mouth of Loch Euphort for a short length but it was deemed that any areas further to the west along the shores of the loch would not be influenced by the normal coastal processes. Sites located along the shore of Loch Euphort would, however, be subject to potential sea level rise.

A total of sixteen sites of archaeological interest were noted along this section of the assessment area. Three sites were located just outside the assessment area but were included because of their location close to the MHWS. These were the two duns in Loch Thundair (one of which is a Scheduled Ancient Monument) and one Dun in Loch Obsaraigh to the south.

All the sites, other than the references to wrecks, were located in the hinterland and included a concentration of prehistoric activity to the north of the inlet to Loach Euphort and isolated references to Historic Rural Settlement sites.

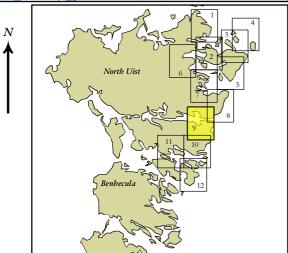
One interesting area is the Prehistoric long cairn and cup marked rock located on the small strip of land between the sea (Bagh a Bhiorain) and Loch Crogabhat to the east.



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## Map 9: Gazetteer

Site No 118

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9090 6470

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 119

Site Type 'DUN'; NATURAL FEATURE

**NGR** NF 9069 6438

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 120

Site Type HUT-CIRCLE NGR NF 9254 6416

**Designation** None

Potential Date Late Prehistoric

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 121 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 9220 6402

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 122

Site Type SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9100 6400

**Designation** None

Potential Date17th CenturySourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationUnknown

Site No 123

Site Type SHIELING-HUT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 9250 6383

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 124

Site Type FISHING VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 9000 6300

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 125

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 9000 6300

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 126

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 9200 6300

DesignationNonePotential Date19th Century

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Maritime

Site No 127

Site Type CUP-MARKINGS NGR NF 9130 6270

**Designation** None

Potential Date Late Prehistoric

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 128

Site Type CAIRN: LONG NGR NF 9130 6270

DesignationNonePotential DateNeolithicSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 129

Site Type MOUND; ENCLOSURE

**NGR** NF 9061 6263

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 130

Site Type MOUND; SHIELING-HUT

**NGR** NF 9060 6250

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 406

Site Type DUN; STRUCTURES

**NGR** NF 9024 6534

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 407 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 9024 6525

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Iron Age

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 408 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 9008 6263

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

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# Map 9: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge < 5 inner loch, rest of section > 5 m

Hinterland comprises drift and peat on visible rock on the lower inland slopes both sides of Loch Euport and peat cover over rock on the higher ground of the outer coastline. There is no drift cover on the steep outer coast. The coastline comprises rocky cliffs on the outer coast with boulder and gravel intertidal deposits at Aird Mhor in Loch Euport.

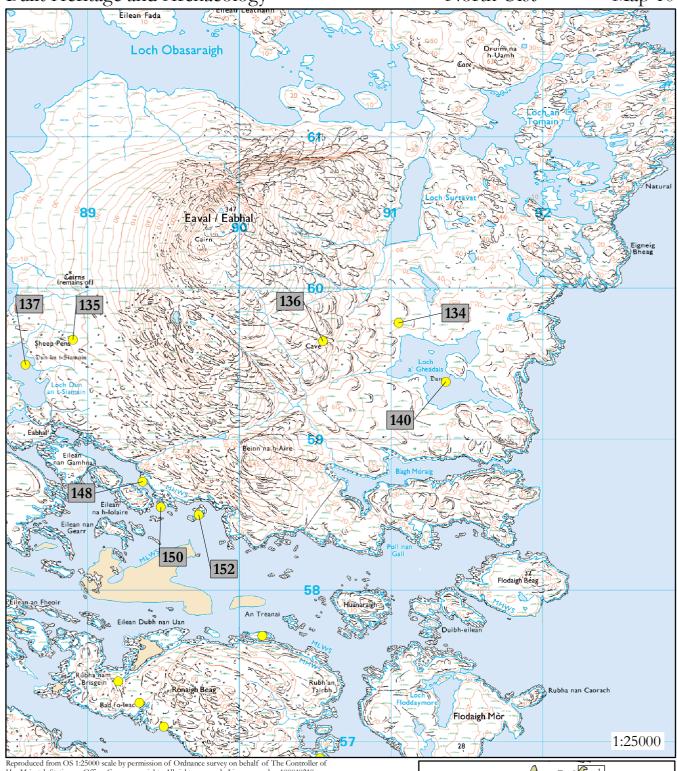
# Map 10: North Uist, Mo Teiltein to Liernis

NF 932 639 to NF 886 583

This section of coastline runs around the south eastern tip of North Uist.

A total of eight sites of archaeological interest were located in the assessment area none of which were Scheduled Ancient Monuments or Listed Buildings.

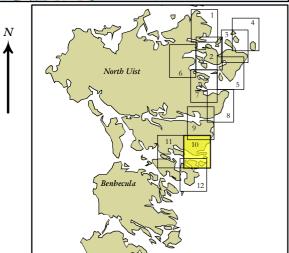
Five of the sites were located in the hinterland relatively far away from the coast edge. These included two dun sites and records of post-Medieval activity. The most significant sites were a group of three sites located on the coast edge which included two potential duns and a possible fort. They are all reported to be located on small promontories or rock outcrops just off the southern coastline.



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## Map 10: Gazetteer

Site No 134

Site Type BUILDINGS; ENCLOSURE; LAZY BEDS

NGR NF 9105 5977
Potential Date Post Medieval
Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 135

Site TypeENCLOSURENGRNF 8890 5966

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 136 Site Type CAVE

**NGR** NF 9055 5965

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 137 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 8858 5949

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 140 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 9136 5938

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 148

Site Type FORT (POSSIBLE) NGR NF 8936 5872

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 150

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE) NGR NF 8948 5855

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 152

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE) NGR NF 8973 5850

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

# Map 10: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge >5 m

Hinterland of the east facing slopes of Eaval consist of peat on visible rock while the southern and western slopes have drift and peat over rock Most of the coastline comprises cliff and rock platform.

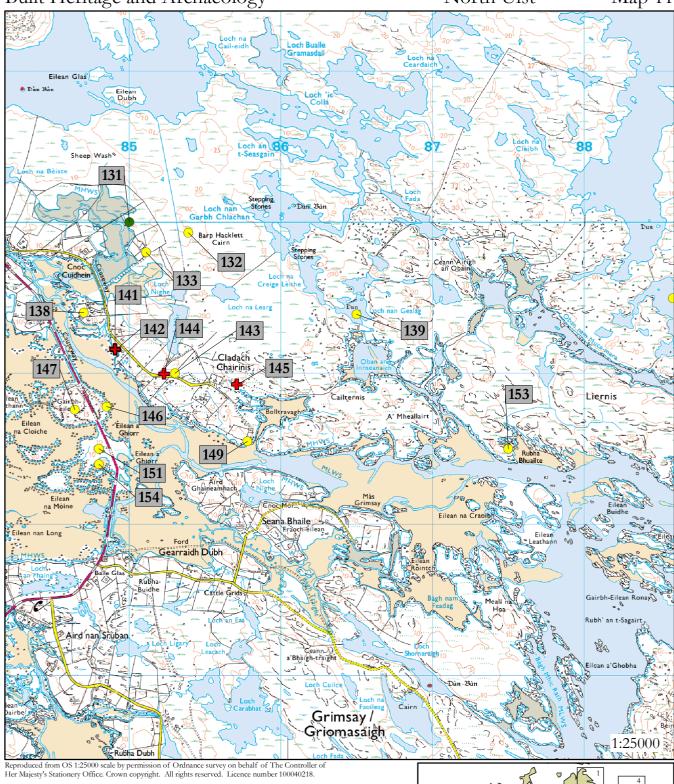
# Map 11: North Uist, Leirnis to the South Causeway

NF 886 583 to NF 844 592

This section of coastline runs along the southern coast of North Uist to the South Causeway.

A total of sixteen sites of archaeological and built heritage interest were noted. These included two Listed category B buildings and two Listed category C(s) buildings.

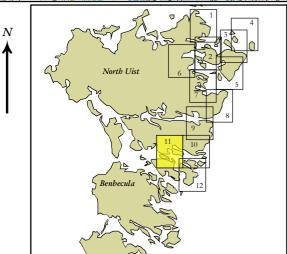
The remainder of the sites include a series of Historic Rural Settlement remains, primarily townships, and two dun sites, one in the hinterland and one on the coast. The site on the coast, although stated as an actual site, may not remain visible above surface Due to reports of a building occupying the site.



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## Map 11: Gazetteer

Site No 131

Site Type SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8500 6000

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationUnknown

Site No 132

Site Type CHAMBERED CAIRN; SHIELING-HUTS

**NGR** NF 8539 5993

DesignationNonePotential DateNeolithicSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 133

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8511 5980

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieva;

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 138

Site Type BUILDING; ENCLOSURES

**NGR** NF 8470 5940

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 139 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 8650 5939

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 141 Site Type BYRE

NGR NF 8490 5916

Designation Listed C(s)

Potential Date 19th Century

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 142

Site Type COTTAGE
NGR NF 8490 5915
Designation Listed C(s)
Potential Date 19th Century
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 143

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 8530 5900

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval Source NMRS Actual/Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 144

Site TypeRESIDENTIALNGRNF 8522 5899DesignationListed BPotential Date19th CenturySourceHistoric Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 145

Site TypeRESIDENTIALNGRNF 8570 5892DesignationListed BPotential Date19th CenturySourceHistoric Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 146

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 8485 5878

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval Source NMRS

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 147

Site Type QUARRY NGR NF 8464 5876

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 149 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 8578 5855

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 151

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 8480 5850

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval Source NMRS Actual/Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 153

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 8750 5850

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

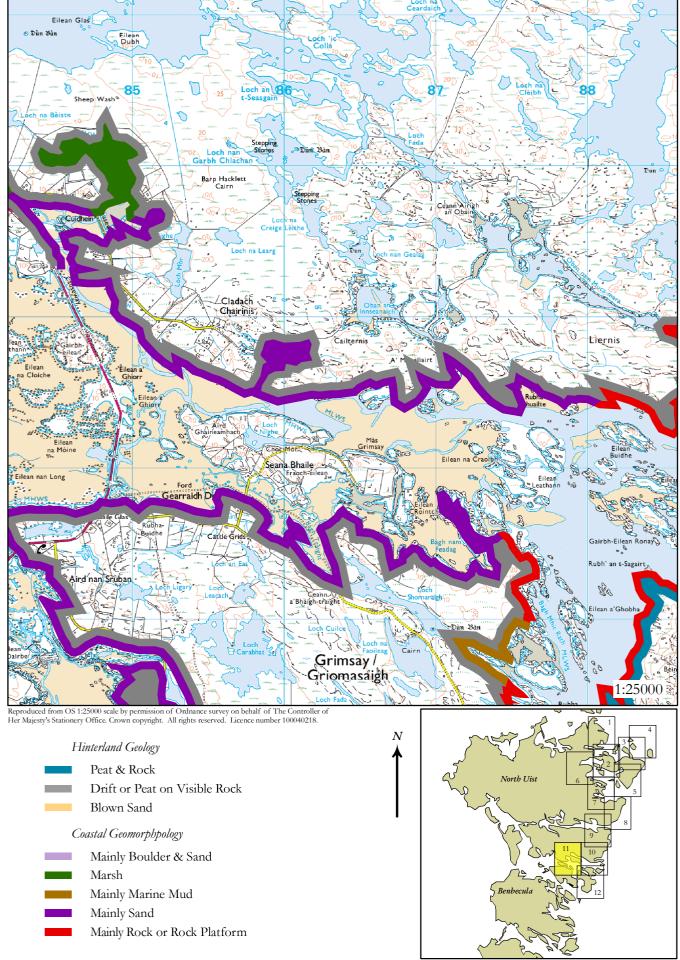
Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 154

Site Type CROSS (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8480 5840

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland



# Map 11: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

Hinterland comprises drift and peat with visible rock. Low lying rock indented coastline in North Ford characterized by inlets and bays with large areas of inter-tidal sand and some areas of mud and saltmarsh towards the west

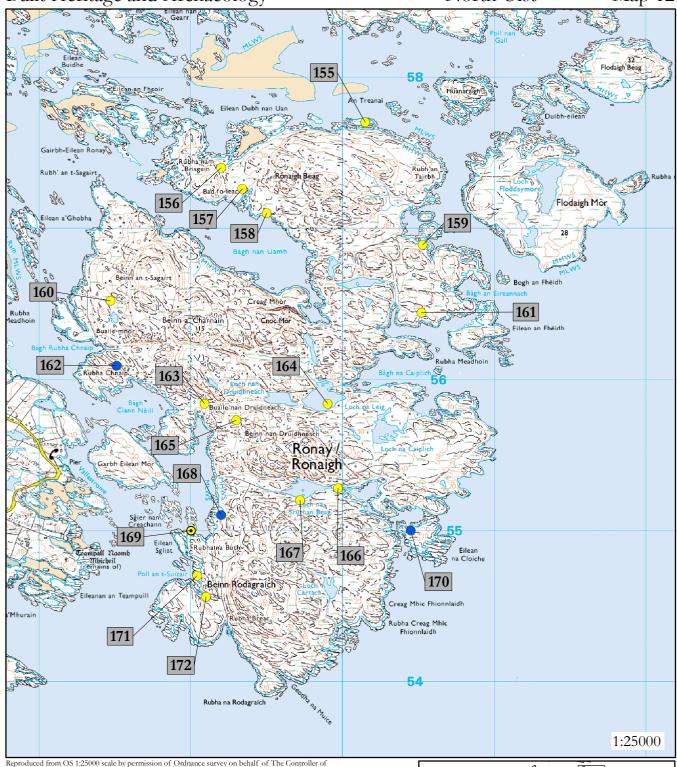
## Map 12: North Uist, Island of Ronay

Centred NF 898 558

This section is concerned with the entire coastline of Ronay, situated off the south eastern tip of North Uist, and the close by islands of Flodaigh Mor and Flodaigh Beag.

A total of eighteen sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These included no Scheduled Ancient Monuments or Listed Buildings.

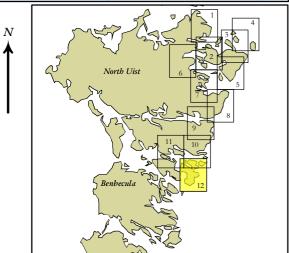
The sites on Ronay were generally situated in the coastal areas although not necessarily directly on the coast edge. The vast majority of these sites relate to Historic Rural Settlement remains including townships and isolated buildings. A potential dun is located in an inland loch on the south of the island and there are accounts in 1695 of a chapel being present on the island. What is recorded as a fort at the northern end of the island has been suggested to be false.



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## Map 12: Gazetteer

Site No 155

Site Type 'FORT': NIL ANTIQUITY

**NGR** NF 9015 5770

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 156

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 8920 5740

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 157

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8934 5726

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 158

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 8950 5710

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval Source NMRS

Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 159

Site TypeBUILDINGSNGRNF 9053 5689

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 160

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 8847 5652

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval Source NMRS Actual/Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 161

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS NGR NF 9052 5644

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

 Site No
 162

 Site Type
 DYKES

 NGR
 NF 8851 5609

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 163

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8909 5584

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 164

Site Type CHAPEL (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8990 5583

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceSMRActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 165

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8930 5573

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 166

Site TypeFARMSTEADNGRNF 8997 5528

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 168

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8920 5510

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 169

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8900 5500

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 167

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE) NGR NF 8972 5520

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 170

Site TypeBUILDINGNGRNF 9045 5500

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 171

Site Type SHIELING-HUT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8904 5470

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 172

Site Type SHIELING-HUT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8910 5456

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Mainly Rock or Rock Platform

# Map 12: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge >5 m

Hinterland consists of peat and visible rock with no drift cover. The coastline comprises cliff and rock platform.

## Map 13: Benbecula, Roisinis to Baigh Niabhag

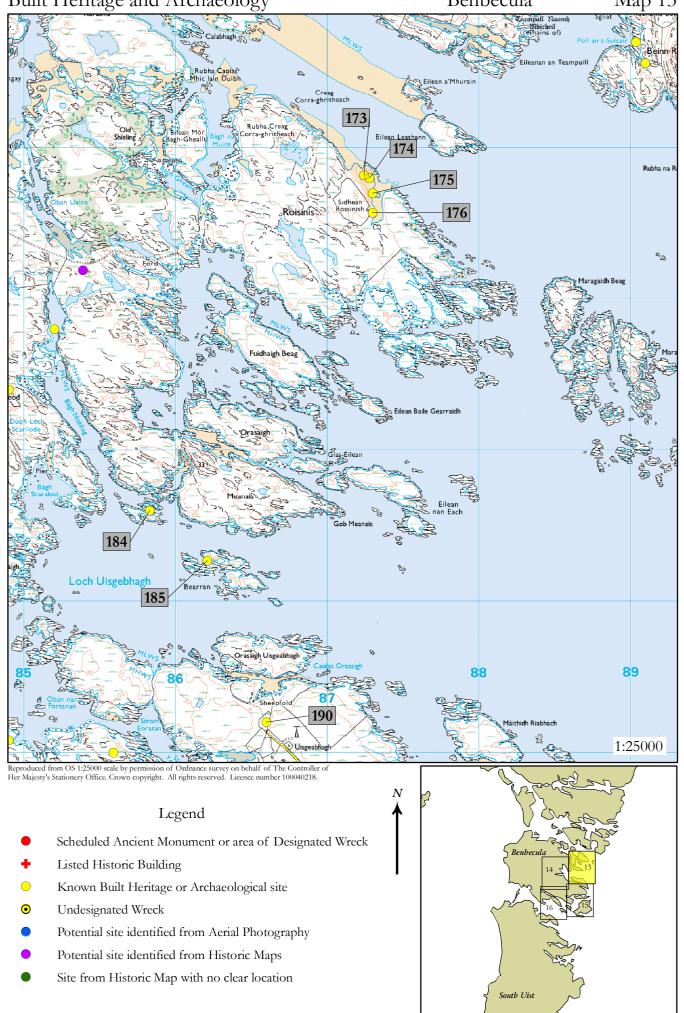
NF 865 543 to 856 518

This section of coast runs around the Roisinis Peninsula to the northern part of Loch Uisgebhagh and also includes a small section of the southern coast of Loch Uisgebhagh and the small island of Bearran. As noted in section 2.2, the assessment area was extended slightly to the north to take in the Roisinis Peninsula due to the presence of a significant geomorphological area. This area has been subject to prior field inspection as part of the coastal zone assessment surveys (Moore & Wilson 2005).

A total of seven sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These included no Scheduled Ancient Monuments or Listed Buildings.

The most significant area is located at Sidhean Rossinish where three sites of records of prehistoric activity have been located relating to eroding dunes. These include Iron Age and Beaker pottery, a cist and prehistoric settlement.

The remainder of the sites located around Loch Uisgebhagh to the south are related to Historic Rural Settlement remains.



## Map 13: Gazetteer

Site No 173

Site Type FINDSPOT (IRON AGE)

**NGR** NF 8724 5381

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceSMRActual/PotentialFind SpotLocationCoast Edge

Site No 174

Site Type MIDDENS; CIST; POTTERY; BURIALS

**NGR** NF 8728 5380

DesignationNonePotential DateNeolithicSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 185

Site Type BUILDING; POTTERY

**NGR** NF 8621 5127

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 190

Site Type SHIELING-HUT NGR NF 8660 5020

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 175

Site Type SETTLEMENT NGR NF 8730 5370

DesignationNonePotential DateBronze AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 176

Site Type BUILDING; SHEEPFOLD

**NGR** NF 8730 5357

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

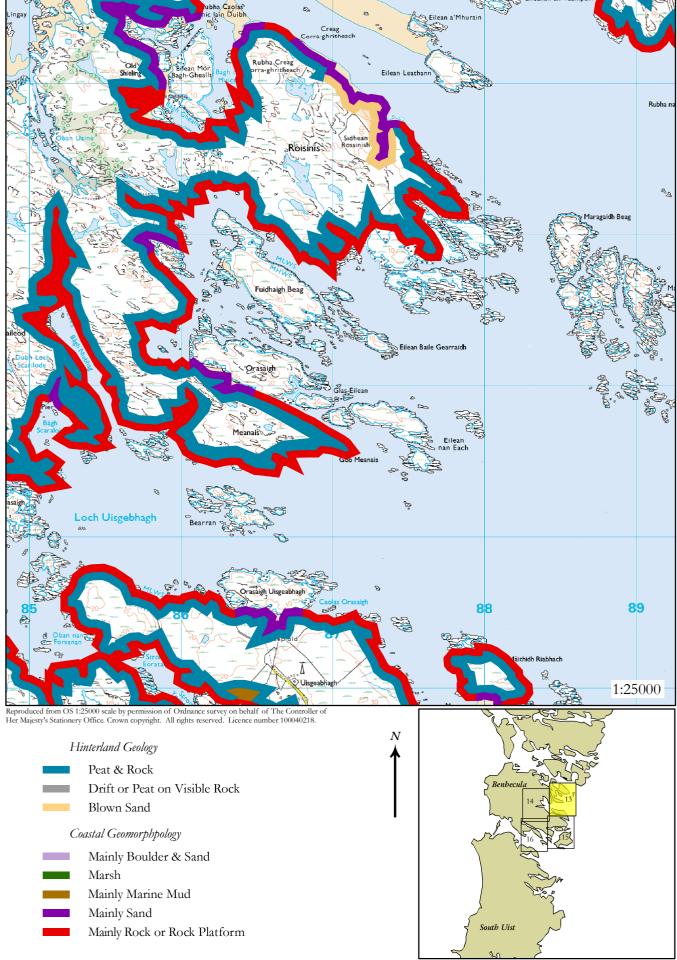
Site No 184

Site Type
NGR
Designation
Potential Date BUILDING NF 8583 5160

None

Post Medieval

Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Coast Edge



# Map 13: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock.

Coast edge <5 m

Hinterland comprises peat covered rock with notable exceptions at Sidhean Rossinish which has machair hillocks. The coastline is mainly rocky with rock platform and skerris, with pockets of sand driven from the west collecting in the inlets and bays and fronting the site at Rossinish. North east from Rossinish lies Kallin (Grimsay), a small inlet backed by a very small bay dune system

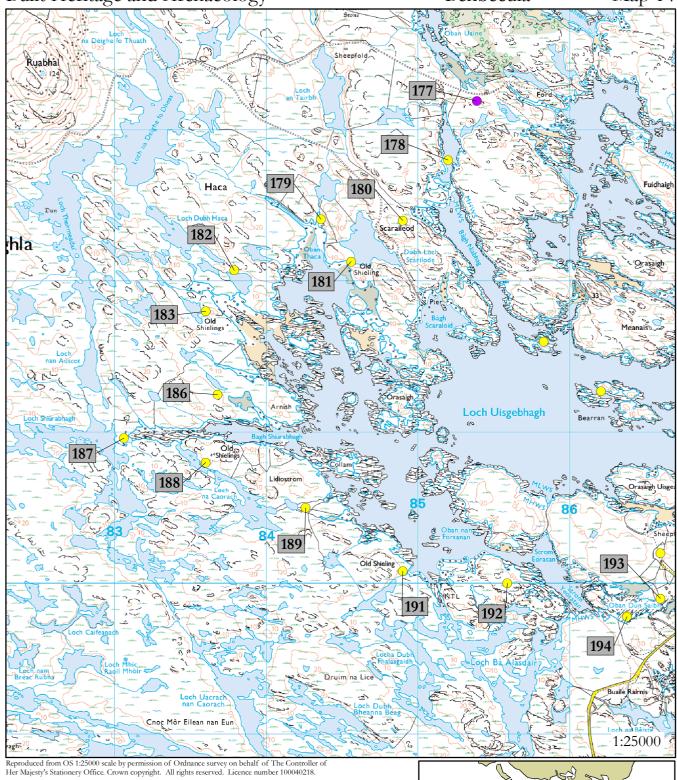
# Map 14: Benbecula, Baigh Niabhag to Orasaigh Uisgeabhagh

NF 856 518 to 863 505

This section of coast runs around Loch Uisgebhagh on its north western, western and southern sides.

A total of fifteen sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These included no Scheduled Ancient Monuments or Listed Buildings.

All the sites noted in this area relate to post-Medieval activity including deserted townships, buildings and shielings.



#### Legend

- Scheduled Ancient Monument or area of Designated Wreck
- Listed Historic Building
- Known Built Heritage or Archaeological site
- $\odot$ Undesignated Wreck
- Potential site identified from Aerial Photography
- Potential site identified from Historic Maps
- Site from Historic Map with no clear location



## Map 14: Gazetteer

Site No 177

Site TypeBUILDINGSNGRNF 8539 5319

**Designation** None

Potential Date
Source
Actual/Potential
Location
Post Medieval
Historic Map
Actual
Hinterland

 Site No
 178

 Site Type
 CAIRN

 NGR
 NF 8520 5280

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 179

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8436 5241

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 180

Site TypeRESIDENTIALNGRNF 8490 5240

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 181

Site Type FOOTBRIDGE NGR NF 8456 5213

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 182

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8379 5207

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 183

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS NGR NF 8360 5180

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 186

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8368 5125

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 187

Site Type BUILDINGS NGR NF 8306 5096

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 188

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 8360 5080

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 189

Site Type FIELD BANKS NGR NF 8426 5050

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 191

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8490 5008

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 192

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8559 5000

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 193

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 8660 4990

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 194

Site Type NATURAL FEATURE

**NGR** NF 8638 4978

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

# Map 14: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

Generally low lying hinterland comprising peat covered rock. The inner coastline is indented rockplatform with pockets of sand and mud in sheltered inlets.

# Map 15: Benbecula, Rubha Liasain to Oban Uiane &

the Island of Wiay

NF 878 492 to NF 856 476 & NF 873 460 (centred)

This section of coast around the south eastern part of Benbecula including the prominent peninsula of Eileanan Chearabhaigh and the Island of Wiay.

A total of seven sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These included no Scheduled Ancient Monuments or Listed Buildings.

One record of a wreck was noted while the remainder all relate to Historic Rural Settlement sites including a probably modern pier to the east of Eileanan Chearabhaigh. Of the three sites noted on Wiay only one, a possible structure noted from aerial photography was located on the coast edge.



#### Legend

- Scheduled Ancient Monument or area of Designated Wreck
- + Listed Historic Building
- Known Built Heritage or Archaeological site
- Undesignated Wreck
- Potential site identified from Aerial Photography
- Potential site identified from Historic Maps
- Site from Historic Map with no clear location



### Map 15: Gazetteer

Site No 198

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 8609 4820

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 204 Site Type PIER

**NGR** NF 8580 4766

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActual

**Location** Intertidal Zone

 Site No
 205

 Site Type
 DYKES

 NGR
 NF 8654 4760

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential
Location Hinterland

Site No 209

Site Type FISHING VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8979 4679

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 210

Site Type STRUCTURE (Possible)

**NGR** NF 8656 4621

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 212

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8675 4616

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 218

TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

NF 8638 4518

Site Type
NGR
Designation
Potential Date None Unknown Source NMRS Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Mainly Rock or Rock Platform

South Uist

# Map 15: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

Dissected mainland and island hinterland of peat covered rock with no till cover sloping on to coastline of mainly rockplatform with some lag boulder at the head of the loch at Bagh Moraig.

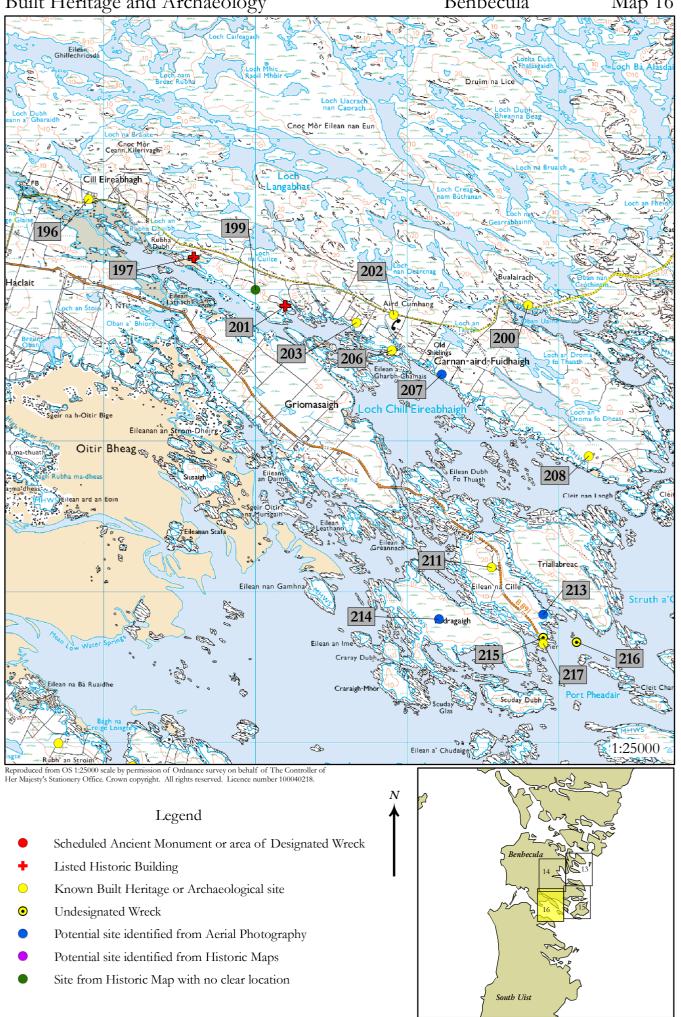
## Map 16: Benbecula, Oban Uiane to Ob Saile & Eilean na Cille

NF 856 476 to NF 815 486 & NF 846 460 (centred)

This section of coast along the southern side of Benbecula and includes the Peninsula of Eilean na Cille.

A total of sixteen sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These included one Listed category B and one Listed category C(s) Building.

Two records of wrecks were noted while the remainder relate to Historic Rural Settlement activity and more recent built heritage entries of which no further details were noted.



### Map 16: Gazetteer

Site No 196

Site Type FARMSTEAD; FIELD-SYSTEM

**NGR** NF 8190 4860

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 197

Site Type RESIDENTIAL
NGR NF 8259 4821
Designation Listed C(s)
Potential Date 19th Century
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 202

Site TypeRESIDENTIALNGRNF 8391 4783

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 203

Site TypeRESIDENTIALNGRNF 8366 4778

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 199

Site Type SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8300 4800

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationUnknown

Site No 200

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE); HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 8480 4790

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 201

Site Type RESIDENTIAL
NGR NF 8319 4789
Designation Listed B
Potential Date 19th Century
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 206

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 8390 4760

**Designation** None

Potential DatePost MedievalSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 207

Site TypeBUILDINGSNGRNF 8423 4744

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 208

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 8520 4690

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 211

Site Type BUILDINGS NGR NF 8455 4616

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 213

Site Type STRUCTURES (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8490 4585

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 214
Site Type DYKE

**NGR** NF 8421 4582

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 215

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8490 4570

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 216

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8512 4567

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 217 Site Type PIER

**NGR** NF 8490 4566

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActual

**Location** Intertidal Zone

Mainly Rock or Rock Platform

South Uist

## Map 16: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

Hinterland and islands consist of low-lying peat covered rock with some visible rock on the hinterland facing south onto Loch Kilerivagh. The coastline is mainlyrock platform with some areas of inter-tidal mud at the far west end of Loch Kilerivagh. The outer South Ford to the east can be characterised as intertidal rock with the inner South Ford sandy to the causeway.

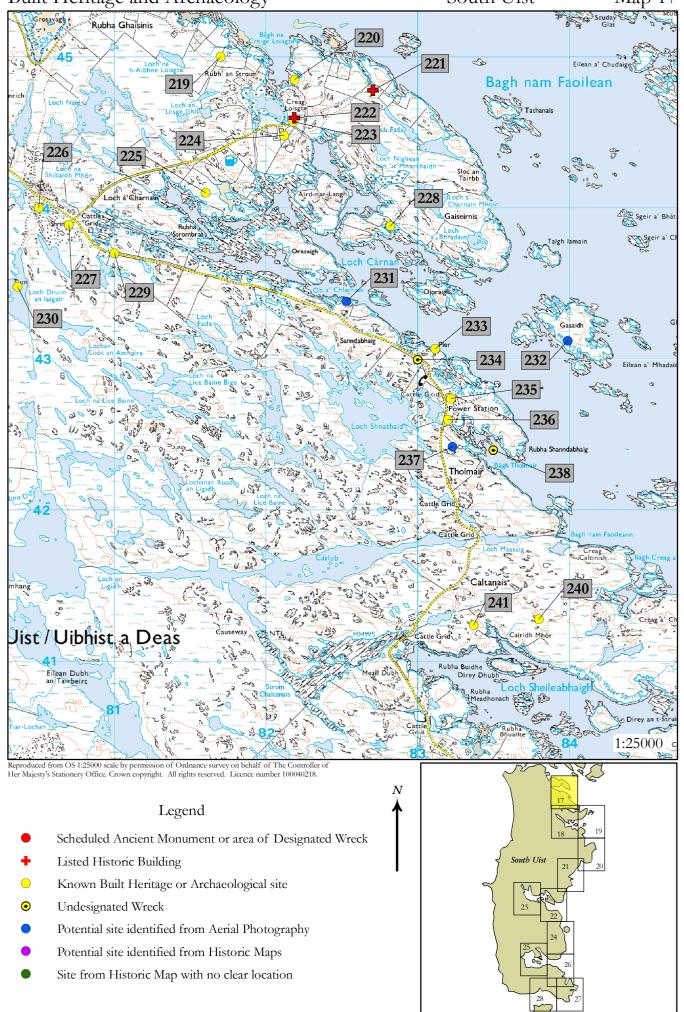
### Map 17: South Uist, Baigh na Criege Loisgte to Baigh Creag a Chuilbh & Direy an t-Struith to Rubha Bhuailte

NF 822 451 to NF 845 416 & NF 846 407 to NF 836 406

This section runs around a broken coastline including the sea lochs of Loch Carnan and Loch Sheileabhaigh.

A total of twenty-two sites of archaeological and built heritage interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. This included two Listed category B buildings.

Two records relate to maritime shipwrecks while the remainder, in the majority, relate to Historic Rural Settlement remains and more recent 20<sup>th</sup> century records. One dun is recorded on Loch Druim an Iasgair but is located far from the coast edge.



### Map 17: Gazetteer

Site No 219

Site TypeTOWNSHIPNGRNF 8170 4500

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 220

Site Type BUILDING; ENCLOSURE

**NGR** NF 8219 4485

**Designation** None

Potential DatePost MedievalSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 221

Site Type RESIDENTIAL
NGR NF 8270 4477
Designation Listed B
Potential Date 20th Century
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 222

Site TypeRESIDENTIALNGRNF 8218 4459DesignationListed BPotential Date20th CenturySourceHistoric Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 223

Site Type ENCLOSURE NGR NF 8218 4457

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 224

Site Type BUILDINGS NGR NF 8212 4448

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval NMRS

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 225

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 8160 4410

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 226

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS NGR NF 8050 4400

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval Source NMRS

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 227

Site TypeRELIGIONNGRNF 8069 4388

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 228

Site Type BUILDINGS NGR NF 8282 4388

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 229

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 8100 4370

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 230 Site Type DUN

**NGR** NF 8036 4348

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 231

Site Type ENCLOSURE NGR NF 8253 4338

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 232

Site Type BUILDING (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8399 4312

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 233 Site Type JETTY

**NGR** NF 8311 4306

**Designation** None

Potential Date 20th Century Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual

**Location** Intertidal Zone

Site No 234

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8300 4300

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 235

Site Type POWER STATION NGR NF 8322 4274

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 236

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 8320 4260

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual

Location Hinterland

Site No 237

Site TypeENCLOSURENGRNF 8323 4242

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 238

Site Type FISHING VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8350 4240

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 240

Site Type FARMSTEAD; SHIELING-HUTS

**NGR** NF 8380 4128

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 241

Site Type BUILDINGS; ENCLOSURE

**NGR** NF 8337 4124

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Mainly Sand

Mainly Rock or Rock Platform

# Map 17: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

Hinterland is dissected low-lying peat covered rock and coastline of mainly low rock platform.

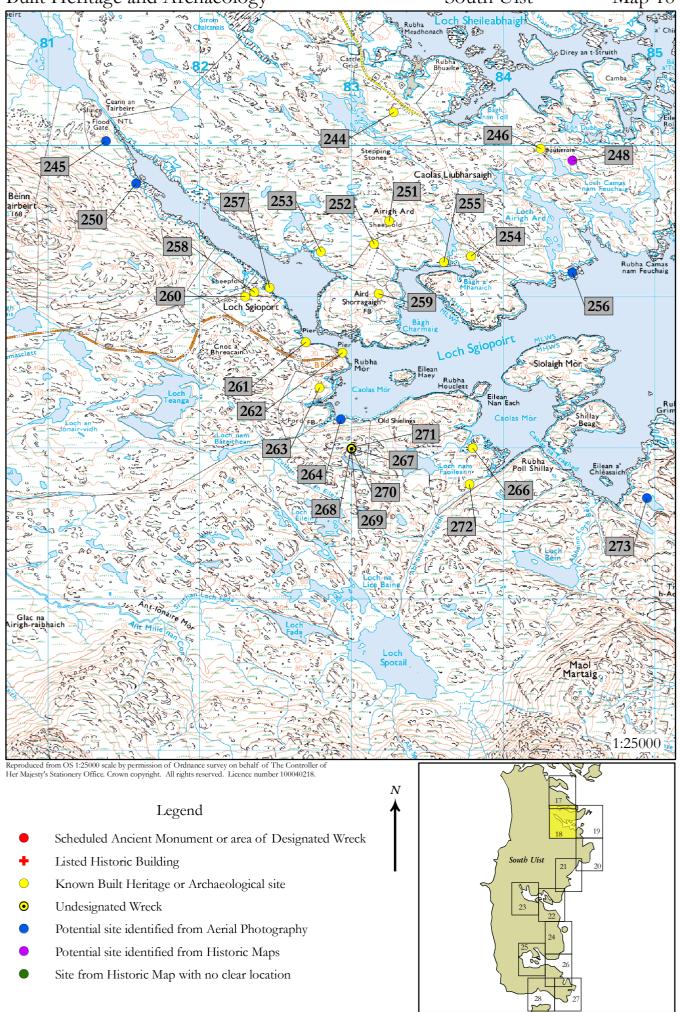
### Map 18: South Uist, Rubha Bhuailte to Camba & Rubha Cama nam Feuchaig to Rubha Grimman

NF 836 406 to NF 849 406 & NF 850 393 to NF 850 382

This area encompasses the broken southern shores of Loch Sheileabhaigh and the majority of Loch Sgiopoirt.

A total of twenty-seven sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These included no Scheduled Ancient Monuments or Listed Buildings.

The records include five entries relating to maritime wrecks. One entry relates to a souterrain at Loch Camas nam Feuchaig while the remainder relate to Historic Rural Settlement activity.



### Map 18: Gazetteer

Site No 244

Site TypeTOWNSHIPNGRNF 8328 4022

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 245

Site Type BUILDINGS NGR NF 8138 4003

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 246

Site TypeSOUTERRAINNGRNF 8425 3998

DesignationNonePotential DateIron AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 248

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8446 3990

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 250

Site Type BUILDING (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8158 3975

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 251

Site Type SHEEPFOLD NGR NF 8325 3950

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 252

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8315 3935

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 253

Site Type SHIELING-HUT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8280 3930

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 254

Site TypeFARMSTEADNGRNF 8379 3927

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 255

Site TypeSHEEPFOLDNGRNF 8361 3923

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 256

Site Type BUILDING (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8446 3916

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 257 Site Type PIER

**NGR** NF 8246 3906

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActual

**Location** Intertidal Zone

Site No 258

Site Type TOWNSHIP; VILLAGE

**NGR** NF 8236 3903

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 259

Site TypeFARMSTEADNGRNF 8318 3902

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 260

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8230 3900

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 261

Site TypeFARMSTEADNGRNF 8270 3870

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 262

Site Type PIER; LANDING STAGE

**NGR** NF 8294 3863

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActual

**Location** Intertidal Zone

Site No 263

Site Type BUILDINGS NGR NF 8279 3840

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 264

Site Type BUILDINGS; ENCLOSURES

**NGR** NF 8293 3819

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 266

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8380 3800

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 267

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8300 3800

**Designation** None

Potential Date 19th Century Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Maritime

Site No 268

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8300 3800

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 269

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8300 3800

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 270

Site Type MINOR WARSHIP; LANDING CRAFT

**NGR** NF 8300 3800

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 271

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8300 3800

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 272

Site TypeFARMSTEADNGRNF 8378 3776

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 273

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8495 3767

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Mainly Rock or Rock Platform

# Map 18: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

Dissected hinterland of peat and visible rock on the north section rising to steeper slopes on the southern hinterland and a coastline of cliff and peat covered rock platforms.

### Map 19: South Uist, Baigh Creag a Chuilbh to Rubha Cama nam Feuchaig & Rubha Grimman to Rubha Roiscel

NF 845 416 to NF 850 393 & NF 850 382 to NF 857 366

This area encompasses the broken coastline around the entrances to Loch Sheileabhaigh and Loch Sgiopoirt.

A total of eight sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These included no Scheduled Ancient Monuments or Listed Buildings.

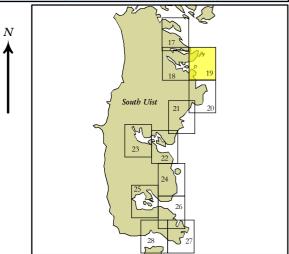
The records include one entry relating to a maritime wreck. The remainder of the sites include potential unroofed buildings noted on aerial photography of the area and a structure of unknown purpose that clearly shows signs of change, possibly due to erosion, from aerial photography in the 1940s compared to that in the 1980s.



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#### Legend

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- + Listed Historic Building
- Known Built Heritage or Archaeological site
- Undesignated Wreck
- Potential site identified from Aerial Photography
- Potential site identified from Historic Maps
- Site from Historic Map with no clear location



### Map 19: Gazetteer

Site No 242

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8538 4040

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 243

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8680 4030

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 247

Site TypeFARMSTEADNGRNF 8532 3997

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 249

Site Type BUILDING; WALL NGR NF 8519 3984

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 265

Site Type BUILDING; STRUCTURES

**NGR** NF 8517 3805

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationIntertidal Zone

Site No 274

Site Type STRUCTURE (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8534 3753

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 275

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8551 3721

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 276

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8528 3707

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

# Map 19: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge >5 m

Low lying peat and visible rock hinterland to the north and on the higher southern slopes across the entrance

to Loch Skipport The coastline is comprised of cliff and rock platform.

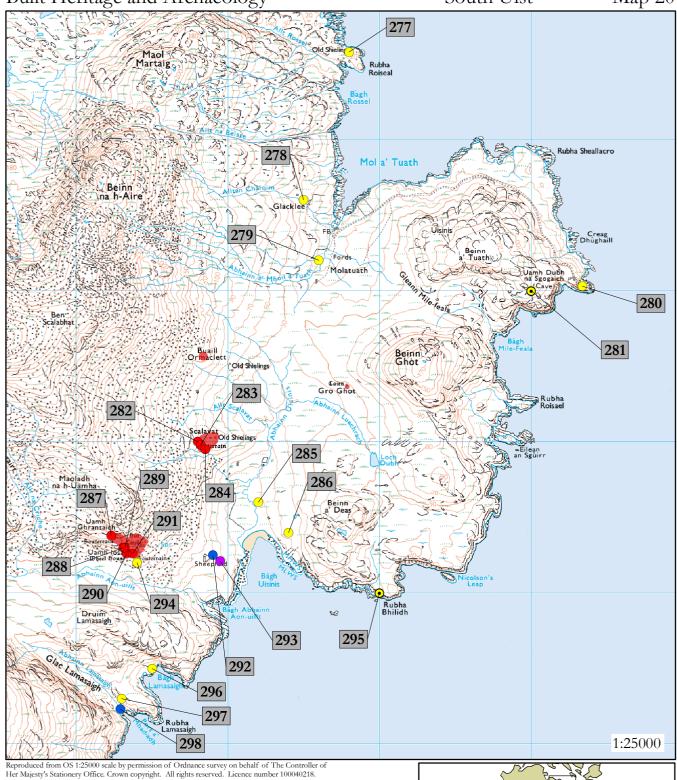
### Map 20: South Uist, Rubha Roiscel to Glac Lamasaigh

NF 857 366 to NF 843 322

This area a relatively straight section of north to south running coastline with a large promontory including the summit of Beinn Ghot.

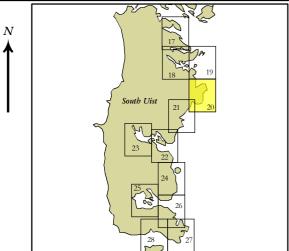
A total of twenty-one sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These included eight Scheduled Ancient Monuments concentrated on the steep slopes above Bagh Uisinis. They include shieling huts, hut circles, souterrains and an enclosure and clearly represent a very important archaeological landscape.

Other sites in the area include those relating to Historic Rural Settlement remains, including sites on the coast edge, and a more modern lighthouse.



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- Potential site identified from Historic Maps
- Site from Historic Map with no clear location



### Map 20: Gazetteer

Site No 277

Site TypeBUILDINGSNGRNF 8580 3658

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 278

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8550 3560

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 279

Site TypeTOWNSHIPNGRNF 8560 3520

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 280

Site TypeLIGHTHOUSENGRNF 8734 3503

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 281

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8700 3500

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 282

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS NGR NF 8480 3400

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Post Medieval Source Historic Scotland

Actual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 283

Site Type SOUTERRAIN NGR NF 8482 3398

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Iron Age

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 285

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8520 3360

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval NMRS
Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 286

Site Type CAIRN; POTTERY NGR NF 8540 3340

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 287

Site Type HUT-CIRCLE; SOUTERRAIN

**NGR** NF 8423 3338

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date
Source
Late Prehistoric
Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 288

Site Type SOUTERRAIN NGR NF 8431 3330

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Iron Age

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 289

Site Type ENCLOSURE NGR NF 8432 3330

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Unknown

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 290

Site Type AISLED HOUSE; SOUTERRAIN

**NGR** NF 8433 3326

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Iron Age

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 291

Site TypeSOUTERRAINNGRNF 8437 3326

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Iron Age

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 292

Site Type STRUCTURES (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8490 3325

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 293

Site TypeBUILDINGSNGRNF 8495 3321

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 294

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS NGR NF 8440 3320

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 295

Location

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime)

Maritime

**NGR** NF 8600 3300

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActual

Site No 296

Site TypeENCLOSURENGRNF 8450 3250

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknwonSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 297

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8430 3230

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 298

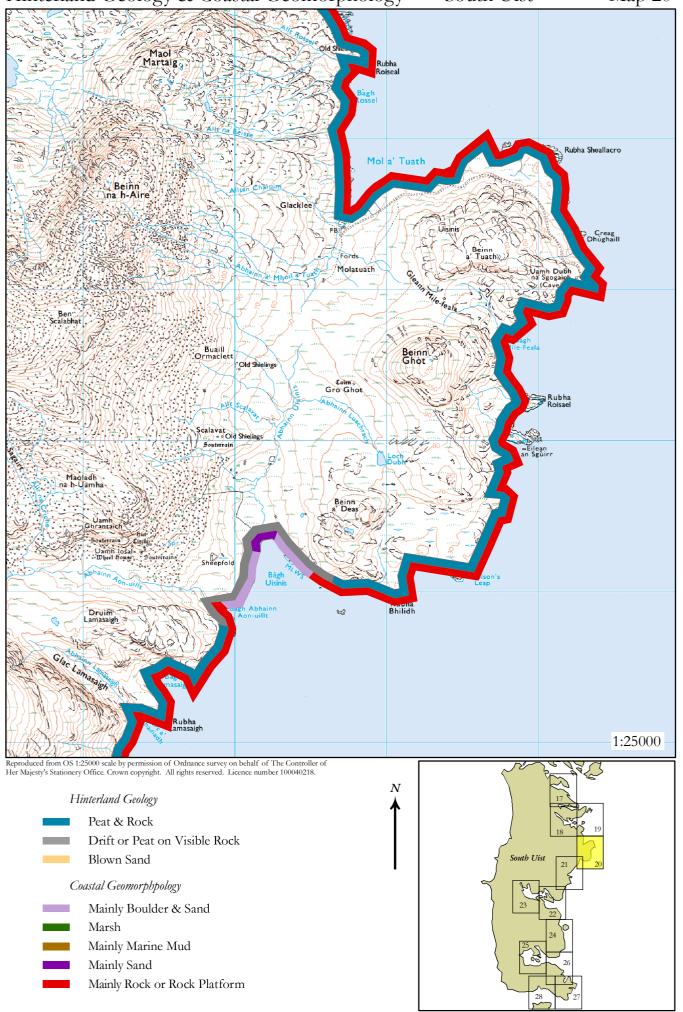
Site Type STRUCTURE (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8429 3223

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Intertidal Zone



# Map 20: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge >5 m

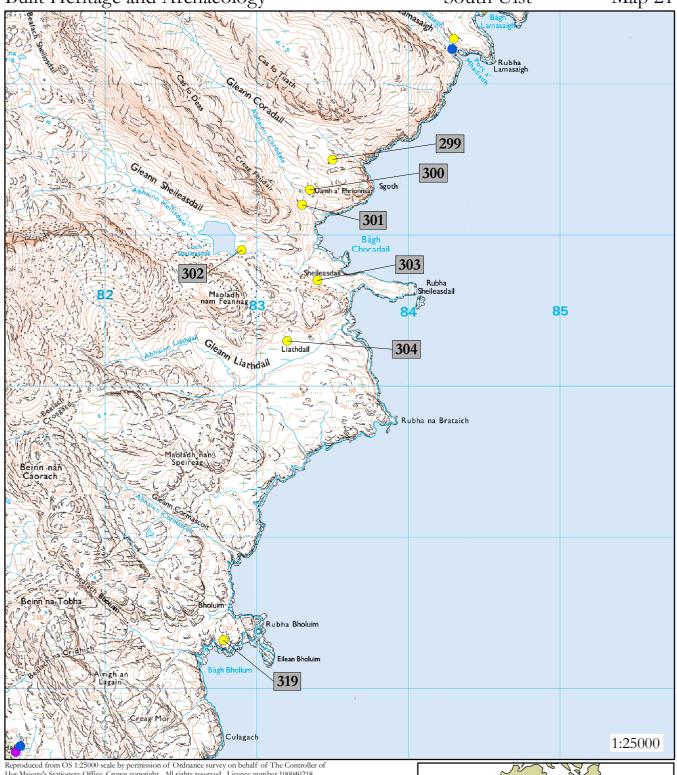
Hinterland is mainly peat and visible rock to the north and far south of this section while the middle area above Usinish Bay consists of drift. The coastline is mainly rock platform apart from the pocket beach and lag boulders likely derived from the adjacent area of drift at Usinish bay.

# Map 21: South Uist, Glac Lamasaigh to Eilean Bholuim

NF 843 322 to NF 831 282

This section of coast runs in a north to south direction with a series of small rocky bays dotted along its length.

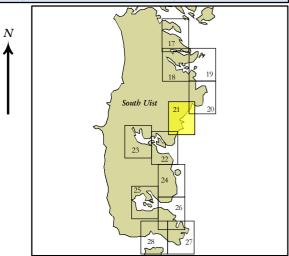
A total of seven sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These included no Scheduled Ancient Monuments or Listed Buildings. All the sites noted, bar one, relate to Historic Rural Settlement remains with none located on the coast edge. The remaining site is a cave supposedly related to Prince Charles Edward Stuart.



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### Map 21: Gazetteer

Site No 299

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS NGR NF 8350 3150

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 300 Site Type CAVE

**NGR** NF 8335 3130

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 301

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 8330 3120

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 302

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS NGR NF 8290 3090

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval
Source NMRS

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 303

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 8340 3070

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

SourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 304

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 8320 3030

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 319

Site Type
NGR
Designation
Potential Date FARMSTEAD NF 8278 2832

None

Post Medieval

Source **NMRS** Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

# Map 21: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge >5 m

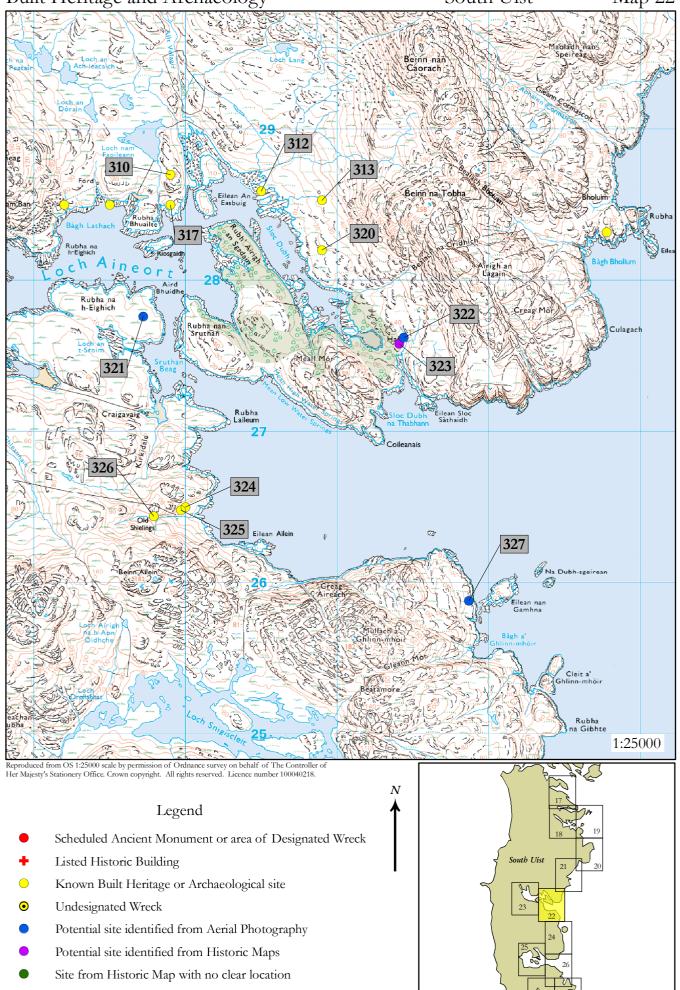
Hinterland consists of very steep slopes on the side of Ben Mhor with peat and visible rock to the north and south of this section while the middle area consists of an area of drift at Rubha na Brataich. The coastline is cliff and rock platform.

### Map 22: South Uist, Eilean Bholuim to Rubha Buailte & Rubha na h-Eighich to Bun an Amair

NF 831 282 to NF 797 283 & NF 795 280 to NF 822 244

This section of coast runs to the north and to the south on either side of the entrance to Loch Aineort.

A total of twelve sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. One record relates to a previous archaeological field survey. The remainder relate to Historic Rural Settlement sites either potential, identified from aerial photography or historic maps, or known sites recorded in the NMRS. Most of the sites are located in the hinterland.



### Map 22: Gazetteer

Site No 310

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS; FARMSTEAD

NGR NF 7990 2870

Designation None

**Potential Date** Post Medieval

Source **NMRS** Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 312

BUILDING Site Type **NGR** NF 8050 2859

Designation None

**Potential Date** Post Medieval

Source **NMRS** Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 313

SHEEPFOLD (POSSIBLE) Site Type

NGR NF 8090 2853

Designation None **Potential Date** Unknown Source **NMRS** Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 317

Site Type **BUILDINGS NGR** NF 7990 2850

Designation None

**Potential Date** Post Medieval Source **NMRS** Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No

320 Site Type FIELD SURVEY AREA

NGR NF 8090 2820

Designation None

Not applicable **Potential Date** 

Source **NMRS** Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 321

ENCLOSURES (POSSIBLE) Site Type

NF 7972 2776 **NGR** Designation None

**Potential Date** Unknown

Aerial Photograph Source

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 322

Site Type BUILDINGS (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8144 2762

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 323

Site TypeBUILDINGNGRNF 8141 2758

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 324

Site Type FARMSTEAD; QUERNS

**NGR** NF 8000 2650

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 325

Site Type FARMSTEAD (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 7997 2648

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 326

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS; ENCLOSURE;

**NGR** NF 7979 2644

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 327

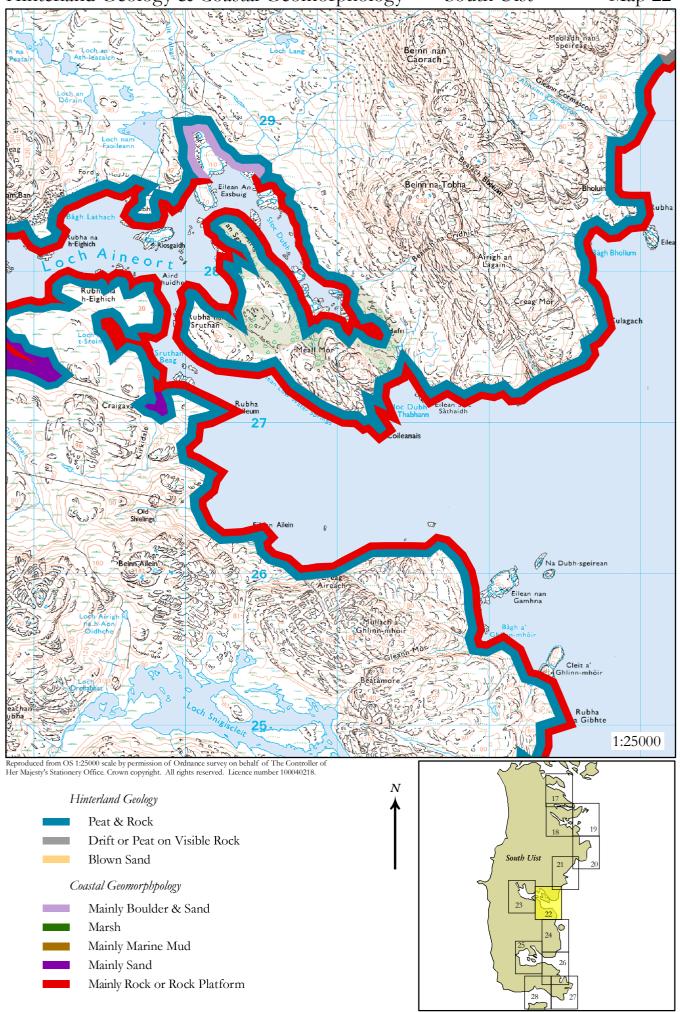
Site Type STRUCTURE (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8187 2588

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland



# Map 22: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge >5 m

Hinterland consists of very steep slopes of peat and visible rock to the north and south at the entrance to Loch Aineaort. The Coastline consists of cliff mostly on the open coast and rock platform towards and inside the mouth of the Loch with shallow areas of sand/mud and gravel inside the loch where sheltered.

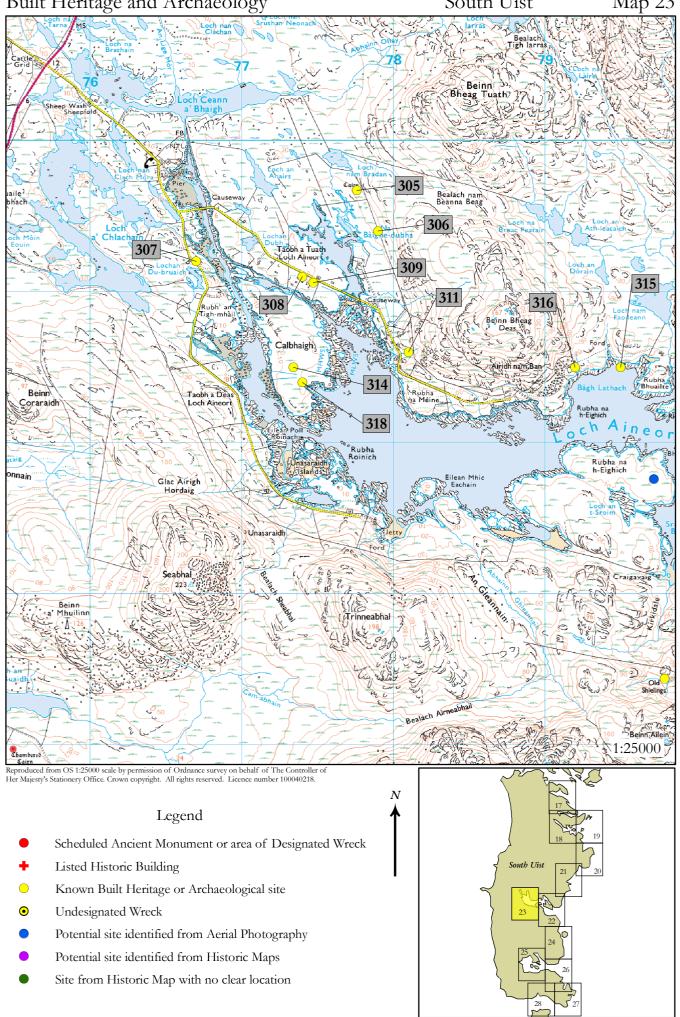
# Map 23: South Uist, Rubha Buailte to Rubha na h-Eighich

NF 797 283 to NF 795 280

This section of coast runs the main part and far western stretches of Loch Aineort.

A total of ten sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. One record relates to a general entry to the area and is not archaeologically significant and another relates to a record of a previous archaeological survey.

A potential prehistoric chambered cairn has been noted to the far north west of the assessment area while the remainder of the sites are Historic Rural Settlement remains all located in the hinterland.



### Map 23: Gazetteer

Site No 305

Site Type CAIRN; CHAMBERED CAIRN

**NGR** NF 7776 2967

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 306

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS NGR NF 7790 2940

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 307

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 7670 2920

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 308

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 7740 2910

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 309 Site Type SHED

**NGR** NF 7747 2906

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 311

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 7810 2860

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 314

Site Type GENERAL VIEW NGR NF 7734 2850

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknwonSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 315

**Site Type** FIELD SURVEY AREA

**NGR** NF 7950 2850

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 316

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 7920 2850

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 318

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 7740 2840

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Mainly Sand

Mainly Rock or Rock Platform

# Map 23: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m

Hinterland around Loch Aineaort consists mainly of peat and visible rock while an area around the north west end of the Loch consists of drift which may be responsible for the very small pockets of sand and lag boulders on the southern shore. The rest of coastline is mainly rock platform.

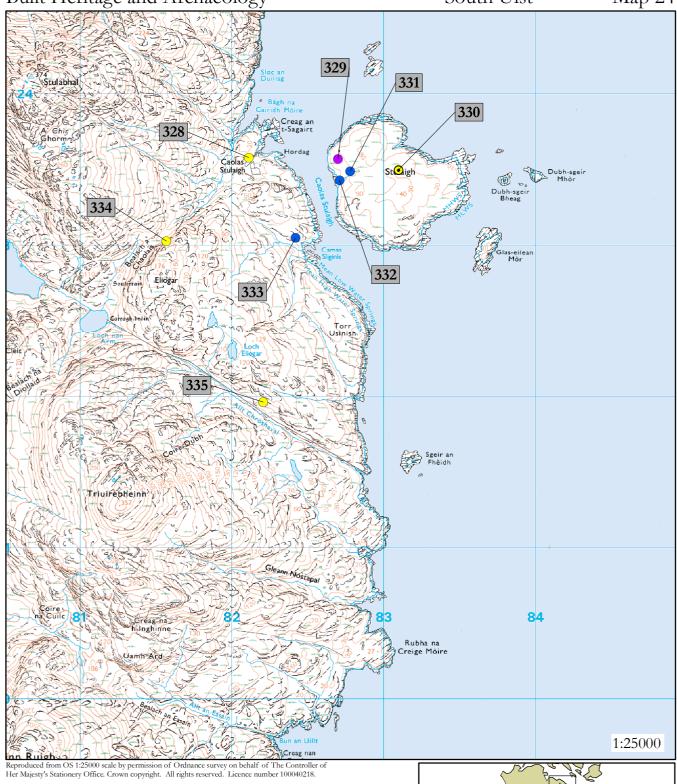
### Map 24: South Uist, Bun an Amair to Bun an Uillt

NF 822 244 to NF 824 198

This section of coast is a relatively even section of coastline with few bays compared to other sections of the survey area. It includes the island of Stulaigh.

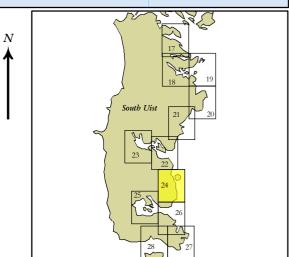
A total of eight sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment, one of these relating to a record of a maritime wreck. The remainder of the sites relate to Historic Rural Settlement remains that were identified from aerial photography, historic maps, the NMRS and the local SMR.

Only one of the sites, an unroofed building identified from aerial photography, was noted to be on the coast edge. This was located on the eastern side on Stulaigh Island.



Legend

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- Undesignated Wreck
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### Map 24: Gazetteer

Site No 328

Site TypeTOWNSHIPNGRNF 8211 2358

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 329

Site Type ENCLOSURE NGR NF 8270 2357

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 330

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8310 2350

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 331

Site Type STRUCTURE (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8278 2349

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 332

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8271 2343

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 333

Site Type STRUCTURE (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8242 2305

Designation None
Potential Date Unknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 334

Site Type STRUCTURES NGR NF 8156 2302

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceSMRActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 335

Site Type STRUCTURES NGR NF 8220 2196

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceSMRActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland



# Map 24: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge >5 m

Hinterland is mainly peat and visible rock on steep slopes above an almost entirely cliff coastline section with some areas of rock platform.

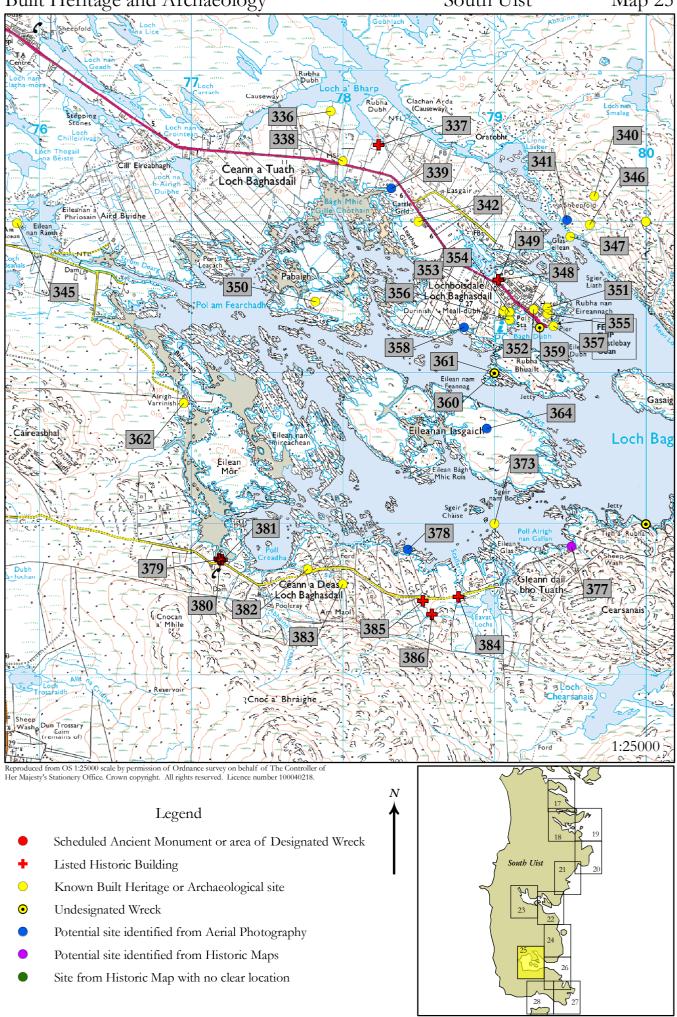
### Map 25: South Uist, Uisge Scoag to Tigh a Rubha

NF 800 194 to NF 799 180

This section of coast encompasses the western area of Loch Boisdale in the south of South Uist. The coastline is broken at the western end with numerous small islands dotted around the current settlement of Lochboisdale.

A total of thirty-seven sites of archaeological and built heritage interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These included two Listed category A Buildings, five Listed category B and two Listed category C(s). Three of the sites relate to records of maritime wrecks and two relate to find spots of carved stone balls. The rest of the sites relate to Historic Rural Settlement remains or later 19th/20th century structures. One interesting site is the possible monastic settlement on the small island of Pabaigh.

There is clearly a high concentration of sites in this area from various periods in the past testifying to its suitability for habitation in the past.



### Map 25: Gazetteer

Site No 336

Site Type CARVED STONE BALL

**NGR** NF 7792 2073

DesignationNonePotential DateNeolithicSourceNMRSActual/PotentialFind SpotLocationHinterland

Site No 337

Site Type RESIDENTIAL
NGR NF 7823 2050
Designation Listed A
Potential Date 19th Century
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 338

Site Type CROFTING TOWNSHIP

**NGR** NF 7800 2040

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval
Potential Date Post Medieval
Source NMRS

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 339

Site Type BUILDINGS NGR NF 7832 2022

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 340

Site Type WHEELHOUSE (POSS); FARMSTEAD

**NGR** NF 7966 2017

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 341

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 7948 2001

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 342

Site Type EDUCATION NGR NF 7850 2000

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 345

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 7585 1999

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 346

Site Type CHAPEL; BURIAL GROUND

**NGR** NF 7963 1998

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 347

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

Hinterland

**NGR** NF 7950 1990

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

 Site No
 348

 Site Type
 SCHOOL

 NGR
 NF 7902 1961

 Designation
 Listed C(s)

Potential Date 20th Century
Source Historic Scotland
Actual/Potential Actual

Site No 349

Location

Site Type SCHOOLHOUSE
NGR NF 7902 1961
Designation Listed C(s)
Potential Date 20th Century
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 350

Site Type MONASTIC SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 7782 1947

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 351

Site Type MILITARY CAMP NGR NF 7935 1943

**Designation** None

Potential Date 20th Century
Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 352

Site Type VILLAGE NGR NF 7926 1942

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 353

Site Type CHURCH NGR NF 7906 1941

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 354

Site Type BLACKHOUSES; THATCHED

**NGR** NF 7910 1940

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

 Site No
 355

 Site Type
 HOTEL

 NGR
 NF 7935 1939

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 356

Site Type POLICE STATION; HOUSE

**NGR** NF 7910 1935

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 357 Site Type PIER

**NGR** NF 7939 1931

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 358

Site Type BUILDINGS NGR NF 7880 1930

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 359

**Site Type** FISHING VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 7930 1930

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 360

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 7900 1900

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 361

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 7900 1900

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 362

Site Type HOUSE, BUILDINGS

**NGR** NF 7695 1880

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 364

Site Type ENCLOSURE (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 7895 1863

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 373

Site Type CARVED STONE BALL

**NGR** NF 7900 1800

DesignationNonePotential DateNeolithicSourceNMRSActual/PotentialFind SpotLocationCoast Edge

Site No 377

Site Type BUILDINGS NGR NF 7951 1785

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

Site No 378 Site Type DYKE

**NGR** NF 7843 1783

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Intertidal Zone

Site No 379
Site Type HOUSE
NGR NF 7718 1776
Designation Listed B
Potential Date 19th Century
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 380

Site TypePOST OFFICENGRNF 7719 1776DesignationListed BPotential Date19th CenturySourceHistoric Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

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Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 382

Site Type BYRE; THATCHED HOUSE

**NGR** NF 7776 1770

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 383

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**NGR** NF 7800 1760

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval Source NMRS

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

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Location Hinterland

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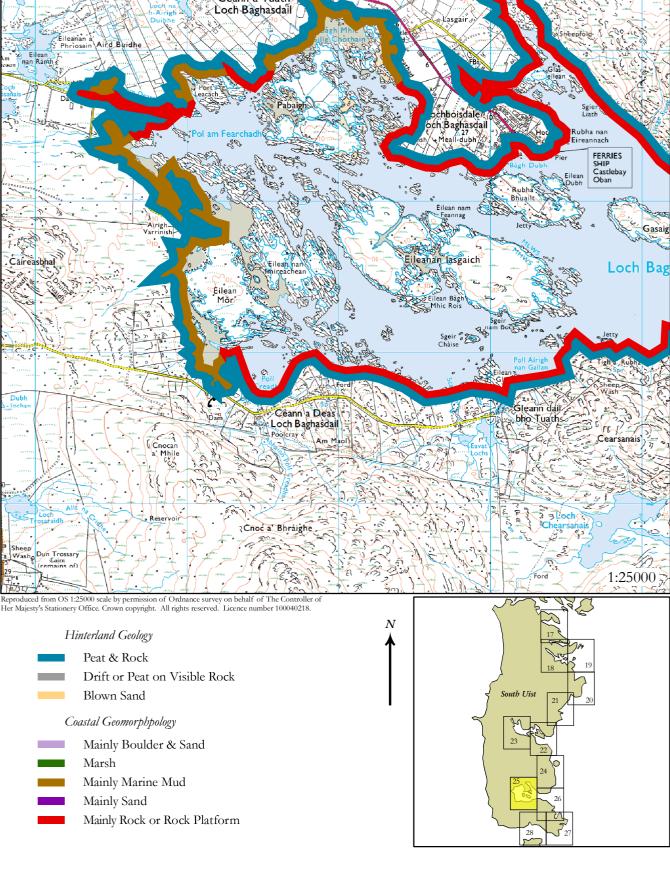
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NGR NF 7852 1748
Designation Listed A
Potential Date 19th Century
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual
Location Hinterland

Site No 386

Site Type COTTAGE
NGR NF 7858 1740
Designation Listed B
Potential Date 19th Century
Source Historic Scotland

Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland



### Map 25: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge <5 m at the head of the loch rising to >5 at the mouth if the loch.

Hinterland is mainly peat and visible rock with an area of peat covered rock at the low lying north west end of Loch Boisdale. The fragmented shoreline is mainly rock and rock platform with inter-tidal mud areas in sheltered inlets at the head of the Loch.

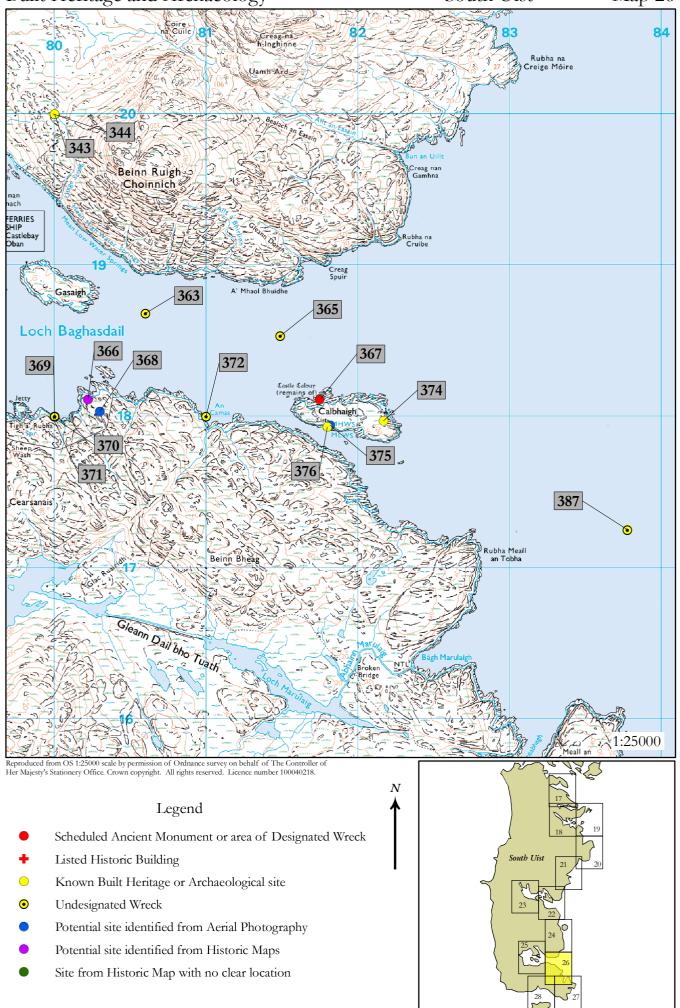
# Map 26: South Uist, Bun an Uillt to Uisge Scoag & Tigh a Rubha to Bagh Marulaigh

NF 824 198 to NF 800 194 & NF 799 180 to NF 827 163

This section of coast covers the entrance to Loch Boisdale and the coasts extending to the north and south.

A total of fifteen sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These included one Scheduled Ancient Monument, that of Calvay Castle and seven entries relating to records of maritime wrecks.

A cist burial was noted on the island of Calbhaigh (Calvay) with a nearby potential enclosure identified from aerial photography. A lighthouse is also located on the island. Other sites include isolated Historic Rural Settlement buildings.



#### Map 26: Gazetteer

Site No 343

Site Type GOLD BUCKLE NGR NF 8000 2000

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialFind SpotLocationHinterland

Site No 344

Site Type SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8000 2000

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationUnknown

Site No 363

Site Type OBSTRUCTION, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8060 1868

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 365

Site Type OBSTRUCTION, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8149 1853

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 366

Site Type BUILDING NGR NF 8022 1811

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationHinterland

 Site No
 367

 Site Type
 CASTLE

 NGR
 NF 8175 1811

**Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Potential Date Unknown

Source Historic Scotland

Actual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 368

Site TypeBUILDINGSNGRNF 8030 1803

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/Potential Potential Location Hinterland

Site No 369

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8000 1800

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

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Site Type FISHING VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8000 1800

**Designation** None

Potential Date 19th Century Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Maritime

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Site Type FISHING VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8000 1800

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 372

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8100 1800

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 374

Site TypeLIGHTHOUSENGRNF 8217 1797

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 375

Site Type ENCLOSURE (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8182 1794

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 376 Site Type CIST

**NGR** NF 8180 1793

DesignationNonePotential DateBronze AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationCoast Edge

Site No 387

Site Type WRECK (INDUSTRIAL)

**NGR** NF 8378 1725

**Designation** None

Potential Date 19th Century

Source SMR Actual/Potential Actual Location Maritime

Mainly Sand

Mainly Rock or Rock Platform

### Map 26: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge >5 m

Hinterland is mainly peat and visible rock on steep slopes with a continuous rock platform skirting the coastline and the small island of Calvay at the entrance to Loch Boisdale.

### Map 27: South Uist, Bagh Marulaigh to Rubha Dubh

NF 827 163 to NF 817 131

This section of coast covers the south-eastern tip of South Uist.

A total of six sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These did not include any Scheduled Ancient Monuments or Listed Buildings.

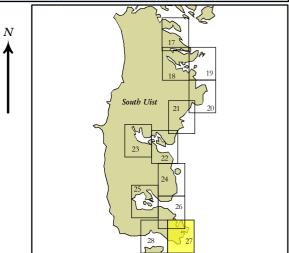
Three of the sites were related to records of maritime wrecks, one to a site noted on a historic map with no accurate location with the remaining two being potential Historic Rural Settlement sites.



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#### Legend

- Scheduled Ancient Monument or area of Designated Wreck
- Listed Historic Building
- Known Built Heritage or Archaeological site
- Undesignated Wreck
- Potential site identified from Aerial Photography
- Potential site identified from Historic Maps
- Site from Historic Map with no clear location



#### Map 27: Gazetteer

Site No 388

Site Type TOWNSHIP NGR NF 8290 1510

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 389

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8300 1500

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 395

Site Type TERRACES (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8323 1356

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknown

Source Aerial Photograph

Actual/PotentialPotentialLocationCoast Edge

Site No 397

Site Type NAVAL AUXILIARY, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8340 1312

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Site No 398

Site Type FLOATING DOCK, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8179 1312

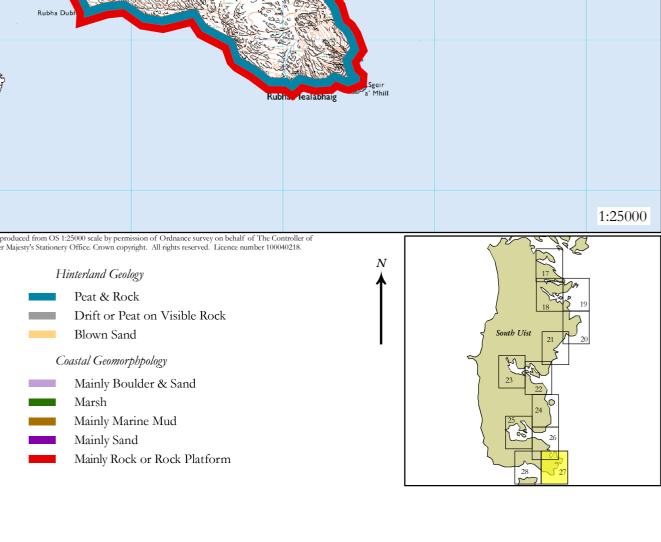
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Site No 403

Site Type SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

**NGR** NF 8300 1300

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceHistoric MapActual/PotentialPotentialLocationUnknown



### Map 27: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Mainly Rock

Coast edge >5 m

Hinterland is mainly peat and visible rock on steep slopes with a continuous rock platform skirting the coastline and steep sheer cliffs at Ru Melvick extending to the west.

#### Map 28: South Uist, Rubha Dubh to Bagh Mor

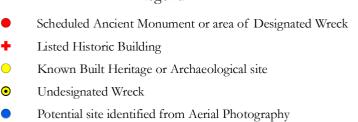
NF 817 131 to 784 140

This section of coast runs along the southern coast of South Uist. As noted in section 2.2. the assessment area was extended slightly to the west, to take in the sands of Bagh Mor, due to the presence of a significant geomorphological area. This area has been subject to prior field inspection as part of the coastal zone assessment surveys (Moore & Wilson 2005).

A total of 10 sites of archaeological interest were noted during the desk-based assessment. These did not include any Scheduled Ancient Monuments or Listed Buildings.

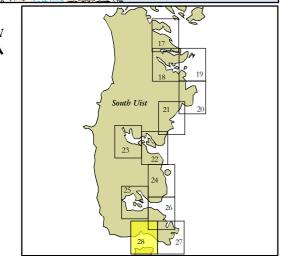
Six of the sites were related to records of maritime wrecks including the Politician of 'Whisky Galore' fame. A hinterland cairn has been previously recorded as has a Historic Rural Settlement farmstead at the back of Bagh Mor.

Perhaps the most significant site in the section are the two sites on the eastern side of Bagh Mor where prehistoric Beaker sherds have been recovered from eroding sections.



Potential site identified from Historic Maps

Site from Historic Map with no clear location



#### Map 28: Gazetteer

Site No 390

**Site Type** FARMSTEAD; FIELD-SYSTEM

**NGR** NF 7919 1475

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS Actual/Potential Actual Location Hinterland

Site No 391 Site Type CAIRN

**NGR** NF 8103 1434

DesignationNonePotential DateUnknownSourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationHinterland

Site No 392

Site Type MIDDEN; BEAKERS; FLINTS

**NGR** NF 8040 1430

DesignationNonePotential DateBronze AgeSourceNMRSActual/PotentialFind SpotLocationHinterland

Site No 393

Site TypeMIDDENNGRNF 7980 1430

**Designation** None

Potential Date Post Medieval

Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Coast Edge

Site No 394

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 7900 1400

DesignationNonePotential Date19th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 396

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 8081 1346

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 399

Site Type TUG, (Maritime) NGR NF 7900 1300

DesignationNonePotential Date20th CenturySourceNMRSActual/PotentialActualLocationMaritime

Site No 400

Site Type VESSEL, (Maritime) NGR NF 8000 1300

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Site No 401

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 7900 1300

**Designation** None

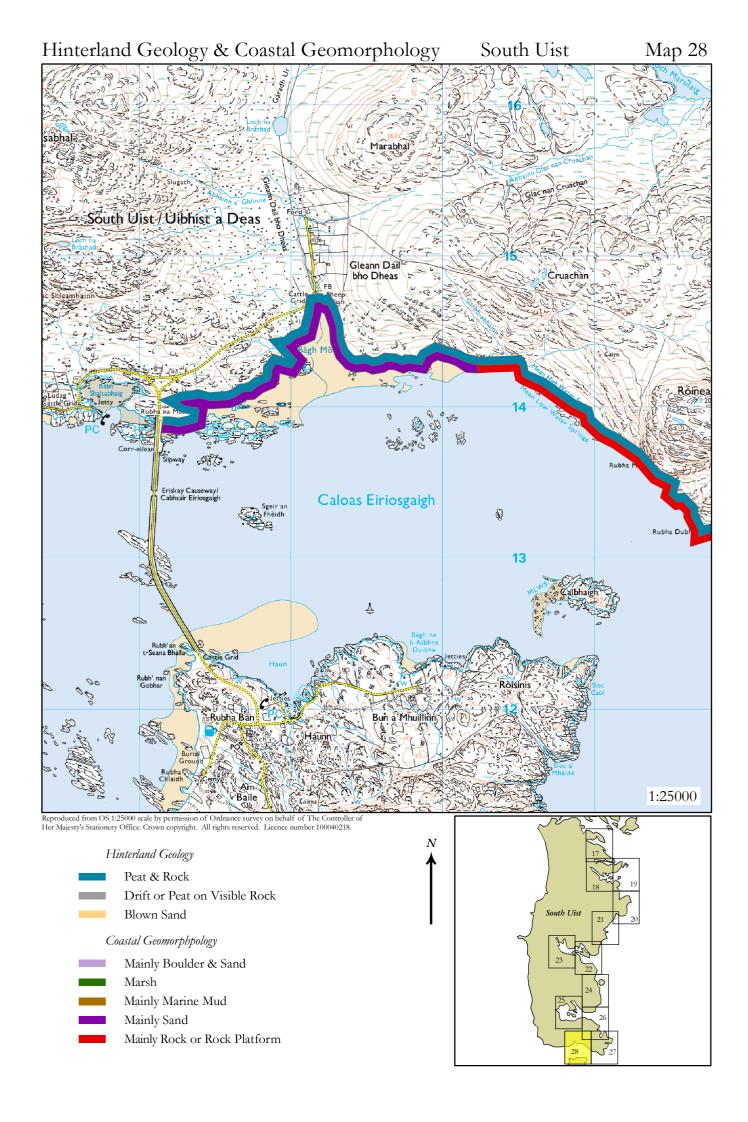
Potential Date 19th Century
Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Maritime

Site No 402

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime)

**NGR** NF 7900 1300

Designation None
Potential Date 19th Century
Source NMRS
Actual/Potential Actual
Location Maritime



### Map 28: Hinterland Geology & Coastal Geomorphology

Sand and Rock

Coast edge <5 m at the west of the section rising to >5 at the east

Hinterland comprises peat and visible rock on steep slopes. The coastline to the east is rock platform backed by steep slopes and cliffs. A large extent of sandy beach occurs at South Glendale backed by sand dunes.

#### 10.0 Recommendations

It is clear from the above maps and associated gazetteers that there are a significant number of archaeological sites of all periods on the relatively remote east coast. The coastline is predominantly rocky and so is naturally resistant to coastal erosion. However, there are many inlets, sandy bays and low, soft coastal edges which would be affected by coastal erosion and sea level rise. Inland lochs, in particular, which are protected from the sea by low stretches of land, are vulnerable to inundation by the sea, thus exposing further archaeological sites to the effects of the sea.

Because of the nature of the coastline, in terms of remoteness, length and inclusion of numerous offshore islands it may not be feasible, or economic, to survey the entire length of the coastline. Therefore, this report has put forward a series of priority areas based on a set of criteria that has been devised for this project (Section 5.3). These areas are shown in Figure 2. A fuller description and explanation of each area is given below. Areas not recommended for field survey are blank on Figure 2. These are areas, where due to the relative stability of the coast and absence of coastal archaeological or built heritage sites, there are no recommendations for field survey within the future phases of this project.

#### 10.1 Areas Recommended for Field Survey

Area 1

NF 907 795 to NF 947 734

Priority: Medium 1:25000 Maps: 1 & 2

This area is defined by an uneven coastline of sheltered bays where sand has accumulated. The section includes the mainland coast, Sromaigh and Orasaigh. There is evidence of prehistoric and Historic Rural Settlement remains in the hinterland with the occasional site located near the coast. This area is recommended for field survey as the sheltered bays may have been utilised in the past and parts of the coast may be effected by coastal processes.

Area 2

NF 973 733 to NF 975 720

Priority: Medium 1:25000 Maps: 3 & 4

This area is defined by a relatively even coastline with numerous offshore islands. The suggested survey area includes the mainland coastal strip around the headland, the island of Grodaigh and islands of Thernatraigh and Bhacasaigh. This area is recommended for survey due to the presence of Dun Mhic Laitheann, which is a Scheduled Ancient Monument, located on the coast edge. Further features may be present on the coast edge of the mainland or Grodaigh. The islands of Thernatraigh and Bhacasaigh both have areas where sand has gathered, on the western and eastern coasts respectively, and also have reports from the seventeenth century of buildings being present.

Area 3

NF 955 690 to NF 953 673

Priority: Medium

1:25000 Maps: 2, 5, 6, 7 & 8

This area consists of the coastline around the large sea loch of Loch nam Madadh. The coastal geomorphology of the area is defined by a mixture of deposits from rock platform to sands and has a large number of archaeological and built heritage sites both on the coast and in the hinterland. The hinterland of Loch Portain contains four Scheduled Ancient Monuments of probable prehistoric date while the western area around the current settlement of Loachmaddy contains significant built heritage features and numerous Historic Rural Settlement remains. This area is recommended for field survey as the sheltered bays may have been utilised in the past and parts of the coast may be effected by coastal processes.

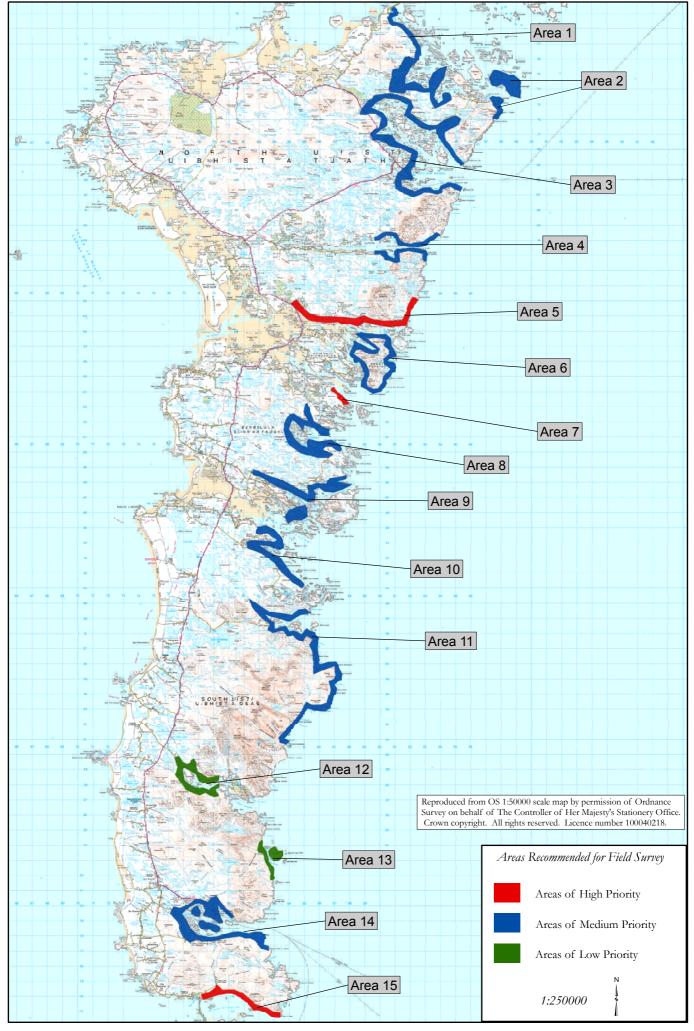


Figure 2: Location of areas recommended for field survey

Area 4

NF 939 864 to NF 896 641 & NF 896 632 to 930 626

Priority: Medium 1:25000 Maps: 9

This area is defined by two varying types of coastline around the entrance to Loch Euphort. The eastern sections, both north and south of the inlet, are more rugged and steep while the western areas are flatter and at a lower level. This is reflected in the change from rock shelf to softer material in the coastal geomorphology. This area is of significance due to its position around the entrance to the loch. Archaeological remains exist in the south-western area at a low level near the coast and may, therefore, be at risk from coastal change. The area to the north of the inlet has a concentration of prehistoric remains in the hinterland, suggesting related sites may lie on the coast.

Area 5

NF 924 602 to NF 844 592

Priority: High

1:25000 Maps: 10 & 11

This area is defined by the rocky coast running around the south eastern tip of North Uist and the more sandy coastline with patches of marsh running to the west. Archaeological sites from varying periods are located along this stretch of coast. A group of two possible duns and a possible fort have been reported in a small coastal strip that may be subject to coastal influences as they are close to the MHWS. Along with these potentially significant sites, the area as a whole is recommended for field survey as the coastal geomorphology appears to be varying, suggesting a variety of processes are occurring.

Area 6

Coastline of Ronay Priority: Medium 1:25000 Maps: 12

This area is defined by an uneven coastline of sheltered bays and consists of the entire coastline of Ronay. Although the coastal geomorphology does not suggest active erosion may be present, there are archaeological sites recorded in sheltered bays near, or on, the coast edge. It is not suspected that the island is visited frequently and, therefore, there may exist small pockets of erosion and further archaeological sites to be discovered.

Area 7

NF 868 542 to NF 878 531

Priority: High 1:25000 Maps: 13

This area of coastline is on the north-eastern side of the Roisinis Peninsula. It has already been subject to coastal zone assessment (Moore & Wilson 2005) but is recommended for further field survey as it is located on the edge of this assessment area and is deemed to be of significance. Prehistoric remains have previously been located in an eroding context.

This area has been noted as a key site for machair chronology due to its 5000 year old archaeological and geomorphological record (Nature Conservancy Council 1977).

The area, in particular, consists of a small bay beach (0.8 ha) on the northeast coast of Benbecula backed by a climbing dune system (total site area 9.6 ha). It is likely derived from sand driven from the west through the North Ford channel following the breaching and drowning of the main machair system on the west coast between Gramsdale, Cairnis and the island of Baleshare (Dargie 1998). There are two areas of beach and dune: Sidhean Rossinish and East Rossinish. The eastern beach itself is small with a low and eroding dune cliff, seasonally part-buried by a summer accretion bank backed by a narrow zone of mobile dunes. Dargie (1998) considers the vegetation distribution and morphology to suggest slow retreat

due to frontal erosion by waves from Prince Charles Bay. On Sidhean Rossinish, there is no strand vegetation but large areas of mobile dune vegetation and bare sand atop the low rocky cliffs suggest considerable wind-induced instability. The local availability of sand delivered via the North Ford makes this one of the few sites on the Minch coast with ongoing (although now somewhat diminished) sediment supply. Very thin layers of podsolised till (0.1 m thick) occur at the landward extremities of the site (Whittington & Ritchie 1988) suggesting that the till cover is likely to thicken landwards.

In relation to this area, but outwith this survey zone, is Kallin (Grimsay) which lies 1.2 km northeast of Rossinish and is a small inlet backed by a very small bay dune system with a restricted spread of acid sand and a limited climbing dune to the rear, total area 1.19 ha (Dargie 1998). Sections through the machair show up to 2.5 m of dune covered podsolised till at High Water Mark, sometimes over rotted Lewisian bedrock (Whittington & Ritchie 1988). Entirely fixed dunes suggest that it might be an old system dating from the release of sand when the main west coast machair was breached and drowned. With a 700 m fetch east to Ronay the only waves that can gain access here are short destructive ones that have cliffed the back beach zone. Since the sand supply here is extremely limited, the site suffers from slow erosional retreat.

Area 8

NF 866 515 to NF 874 501

Priority: Medium 1:25000 Maps: 14

This area is defined by the coastline around Loch Uisgebhagh and consists of numerous inlets and small bays. This area is recommended for field survey as the sheltered bays may have been utilised in the past and the coastal geomorphology suggests there may be pockets of changing coastline. The hinterland also contains sites near to and on the coast edge that may be subject to coastal processes.

Area 9

NF 877 483 to NF 815 486 & Eilean na Cille

Priority: Medium

1:25000 Maps: 15 & 16

This area is defined by the rocky coastline on the south-eastern tip of Benbecula which leads to an area of marine mud at the western end. This area is recommended for field survey as there may exist sheltered bays along the coast that were utilised in the past along with the fact that the hinterland shows clear evidence of being utilised in the past shown by the presence of numerous Historic Rural Settlement remains.

Area 10

NF 822 451 to NF 849 410

Priority: Medium 1:25000 Maps: 17

This area is defined by an uneven coastline of sheltered bays within and around Loch Carnan. This area is recommended for field survey as there may exist many sheltered bays along the coast that were utilised in the past along with the fact that the hinterland shows clear evidence of being utilised in the past as is shown by the presence of numerous Historic Rural Settlement remains.

Area 11

NF 853 394 to NF 839 306

Priority: Medium

1:25000 Maps: 18, 19, 20 & 21

This area is defined by the sea loch of Loch Sgioport in the north and a rocky coastline to the south. Loch Sgioport is relatively sheltered and contains records of numerous Historic Rural Settlement sites in the hinterland and on the coast edge suggesting it is worth field investigation. Site 265 clearly shows signs

of erosion and/or flooding. Comparison of aerial photographs between 1946 and 1987 show the front wall of the feature to have been breached and degraded between these dates. This feature illustrates the potential problem of submergence, sea level and frontal erosion well.

The area to the south is more exposed but contains a few more sheltered bays. To the southwest of Beinn Ghot is a very significant archaeological landscape containing eight Scheduled Ancient Monuments including shieling huts, hut circles, souterrains and an enclosure. Historic Rural Settlement remains exist closer to the coastline in this area also. This area is recommended for field survey due to the significant archaeological hinterland suggesting related remains may be present on the coastline. The area is remote suggesting the sea and coast were utilised as access in the past.

Area 12

NF 794 285 to NF 793 279

Priority: Low

1:25000 Maps: 23

This area is defined by the coastline around the western area of Loch Aincort and consists of a mixture of rocky coast and sandy bays. This area is recommended for field survey as the sheltered bays may have been utilised in the past and the coastal geomorphology suggests there may be pockets of changing coastline.

Area 13

NF 821 244 to NF 829 217

Priority: Low

1:25000 Maps: 24

This area is defined by a relatively straight, rocky coastline and the island of Stulaigh. The island and a short stretch of coastline is recommended for field survey due to the presence of Historic Rural Settlement sites in both areas and, due to its remote location, the sea may have been the only access. Related sites may, therefore, be located on the coast and be vulnerable to coastal processes.

Area 14

NF 802 193 to NF 267 172

Priority: Medium

1:25000 Maps: 25 & 26

This area is defined by the inner and southern coastline of Loch Baghasdail. The western area contains numerous sites of archaeological and built heritage interest on the coastline and hinterland including a possible monastic settlement on the island of Pabaigh. It is clearly an area that has been utilised from prehistoric times to the present. A small island to the east of the main settlement area contains the Scheduled Ancient Monument of Cava Castle. This occupies a significant position at the entrance to Loch Baghasdail. This area is recommended for further survey due to its significance in terms of archaeology and built heritage.

Area 15

NF 835 126 to NF 782 139

Priority: High

1:25000 Maps: 27 & 28

This area of coastline is on the Southern shores of South Uist. The western area, around Bagh Mor, has already been subject to coastal zone assessment (Moore & Wilson 2005) but is recommended for further field survey as it is located on the edge of this assessment area and is deemed to be of significance. Prehistoric remains have previously been located in an eroding context.

The area, in particular, lies to the east of the causeway that now links Eriskay to South Uist and, as such, is now sheltered from wave approach through the Sound of Eriskay from the west. There is a gently sloping

low beach traversed by two streams which join at the back beach. The beach is mainly sandy but small areas of back beach gravel are veneered by vegetated sand. The upper part of the beach is part stabilised with patchy marram but in the eastern, more exposed, part of the beach, the sand dunes at the rear are cliffed to 2 m. In the west, the low dunes at the rear of the beach reach 15 m wide and, according to Dargie (1998), they appear to have a healthy sand input. Blown sand extends some distance inland behind the beach. The occurrence of buildings of unknown age on the foreshore (Gilbertson 1996a; 1996b) suggests that past erosion, perhaps driven by sea level rise, has removed part of the structures and adjacent walls.

The area to the east of this is recommended also for field survey due to its contrasting rock geomorphological makeup and its close proximity to this significant site.

#### 11.0 Discussion and Conclusions

This rapid desk-based assessment has brought together all the known sites from both the NMRS and the local SMR and incorporated potential sites from historic maps and aerial photographs. The geomorphological survey has brought together available information from aerial photographic and cartographic sources and highlighted areas where there is the potential for geomorphological processes to pose a threat to the archaeological or built heritage resource.

This assessment has highlighted that, against expectations, there are in fact many sites of all periods located along the eastern coastal edge. This coastline, while rocky, has many sites of archaeological significance including duns, souterrains and historic-era settlement sites. Sites of historic and social interest were also noted; such as the wreck of the Politician and a cave associated with Bonnie Prince Charlie. These sites may not be of high archaeological significance but in a cultural sense they are of great importance.

The depth of our archaeological understanding of much of the east coast is hampered by its present remoteness, which has resulted in a significant lack of archaeological survey work in this area. This inevitably results in a lack of archaeological sites being recorded; which then leads to a view that relatively little of significance occurred here in the past. Hopefully, the subsequent fieldwork associated with this project will begin to fill this gap and enable the contribution of the east coast to be appreciated. The remoteness of some areas may in itself suggest that the sea and coastline, with numerous small bays and sea lochs, played a significant role in relation to transport and access in the past.

As noted above, the lack of archaeological survey may have resulted in many fewer sites being represented here than is actually the case. This ultimately suggests that field survey of the coastline would be worthwhile in relation to the identification of new significant archaeological sites and that areas not recommended for further survey cannot be discounted from containing currently unknown significant sites.

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### 14.1 Cartographic Sources

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Pont, T	1560-1614	Pont 36: Maps of South Uist; Inverkeithing
Bleau, J	1654	Vistus Insula, vulgo Viist, cum aliis minoribus ex
		Aebudarum numero ei ad meridiem adjacentibus/Auct.
		Timotheo Pont
Speed, J	1627	The Kingdome of Scotland
Speed, J	1662	The Kingdome of Scotland
Jansson, J	1659	Lochabria, omnesq, Insulae versus Occidentem sitae, ut
		Visto, Mulla, aliaeque
Moll, H	1732	A Map of the North West part of the Western Islands
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Huddart, J et al	1794	A new chart of the West Coast of Scotland from the Point
		of Ardnamurchan to Cape Wrath
Depot Generale	1803	Carte particuliere de la cote occidentale d'Escosse, depuis le
de la Marine, Paris		Cape Wrath jusqu'a la Pointe d'Ardnamurchan.
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		and adjacent coast of Scotland
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Thompson, J	1820	Western Isles
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Great Britain,	1865	Hebrides or Western Isles from Barra Head to Scarpa Id
Hydrographic Office		
Ordnance Survey	1880	First edition 1:10560 map sheets (covering survey area)
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### 14.2 Aerial Photographs

Sortie	Frames	Date	Scale	Reference
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CPE/Scot/UK191	1011-1027	10 October 1946	1:10000	B139
CPE/Scot/UK191	1037-1076	10 October 1946	1:10000	B139
CPE/Scot/UK191	1097-1103	10 October 1946	1:10000	B139
CPE/Scot/UK191	1269-1270	10 October 1946	1:10000	B139
CPE/Scot/UK191	4184-4189	10 October 1946	1:10000	B139
CPE/Scot/UK191	4195-4223	10 October 1946	1:10000	B139
CPE/Scot/UK191	4226-4268	10 October 1946	1:10000	B139
CPE/Scot/UK191	4323-4344	10 October 1946	1:10000	B139
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540/A/461	3038-3076	24 March 1950	1:10000	B291
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540/A/461	4038-4076	24 March 1950	1:10000	B291
540/A/461	4092-4109	24 March 1950	1:10000	B291
540/A/461	4110-4118	24 March 1950	1:10000	B291
540/A/468	3022-3027	27 March 1950	1:10000	B293
540/A/468	3041-3084	27 March 1950	1:10000	B293
540/A/468	3090-3096	27 March 1950	1:10000	B293
540/A/468	4041-4047	27 March 1950	1:10000	B293
540/A/468	4077-4081	27 March 1950	1:10000	B293
540/A/468	4062-4068	27 March 1950	1:10000	B293
04/87	063-180	1987	1:24000	C210
04/87	188-293	1987	1:24000	C210

# 15.0 Appendix B: Site Descriptions

See following pages.

Site No 001

NGR NF 9077 7934
Site Name OTTERNISH
Site Type SLIPWAY

SMR No

NMRS No NF97NW 11

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97NW 11 9077 7934. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 002

NGR NF 9220 7910 Site Name WAMBA

Site Type STEAM TRAWLER

SMR No

NMRS No NF97NW 8001

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97NW 8001 c. 922 791 N57 41.8 W7 10 The location of this stranding cannot be

accurately determined and there may be no surviving remains in situ. Cara Island is not named as such on the 1996 edition of the OS 1:50,000 map; the location stated is converted from that cited by Larn and Larn. Information from RCAHMS (RJCM),

29 April 2002. R and B Larn 1998.

Site No 003

**NGR** NF 9050 7900

Site Name BERNERAY CAUSEWAY
Site Type FIELD SURVEY AREA

SMR No

NMRS No NF97NW 8
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA** Report

NF97NW 8 centred 905 790 NF 905 790 (centre) An archaeological watching brief was undertaken from October-December 1997 at the Rubh'a' Charnain Mhoir peninsula during the development of the Screvan Quarry site and the causeway linking North Uist to Berneray. In addition to the watching brief, a variety of features identified through walkover survey were excavated. These features included postmedieval boundaries and agricultural traces. Evidence of quarrying and harbour features were also recorded. Examination of a findspot of pottery from within the Screvan Quarry area was undertaken, revealing evidence for Neolithic settlement activity. A large shallow pit and associated deposits contained the remains of up to 150 pottery vessels, as well as flint and quartz tools and part of a macehead. Other findspots and features which could be assigned to the Neolithic were located in the vicinity of the larger spread of material. A cairn was revealed during stripping of topsoil for the causeway and new slipway at Otternish. The part of the cairn revealed was cleaned and recorded, during which a substantial kerb was observed. The cairn measured 8 x 8.8m and stood 0.5m high, and appeared to be a burial monument, possibly of Bronze Age origin. The cairn was directly impacted by the development, but discussion with the consultants, Babtie Group, and Historic Scotland resulted in the monument being preserved in situ through a redesign of the works. Another cairn was discovered during further stages of the watching brief in August 1998 at Aird Ma-Ruibhe. This was a square cairn, thought to be Pictish in date, measuring 3 x 3m and comprised a kerb of worked gneiss slabs, with a mound of smaller gneiss and quartz pebbles inside. There were no corner posts, but a post-hole was located at the S corner of the cairn. The cairn was planned and photographed but not excavated. This monument was also threatened by the causeway works, but is now protected through realignment of the new road. Full report with Western Isles Council. Sponsor: Western Isles Council. J Downes and A Badcock 1998.

Site No 004

**NGR** NF 9044 7795

Site Name BEINN A'CHAOLAIS

Site Type NATURAL FEATURE; SHIELING-HUTS

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF97NW 4
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97NW 4 9044 7795. A large stone slab, 7ft 3ins x 5ft, lies among the ruins of

several shielings on Beinn a' Chaolais, 1/2 mile E of Port Nan Long. Near it lies another, more than 5ft in length. E Beveridge 1911. Two boulders, of the dimensions given by Beveridge, are situated in the westernmost of a group of six shielings at NF 9044 7795. There is no apparent reason why these should be singled out from the

many other large stones in the area. Visited by OS (J T T) 26 June 1965.

NGR NF 9171 7700

Site Name LOCH IOSAL AN DUIN

Site Type DUN

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF97NW 6 **HS** Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF97NW 6 91715 77009. (NF 9171 7699) Dun (NR) OS 6"map, Inverness-shire,

> 2nd ed., (1904) This dun stands in the SW corner of Loch Iosal an Duin. The island has been surrounded at its outer edge by a wall, and approached from the W shore of the loch by a well-defined causeway. At its centre are distinct traces of a circular building enclosing an area c.11ft in diameter. E Beveridge 1911. The dun, as described above, encloses a roughly oval area measurng c.10 x 6.0m; but dense

vegetation obscures the building. Visited by OS (R B) 23 June 1965.

006 Site No

NGR NF 9750 7604 SARSTAY Site Name

Site Type **BUILDINGS**; ENCLOSURE

**SMR No** 2521

NF97NE 1 NMRS No **HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA** Report NF97NE 1 9750 7604 Three unroofed buildings and an enclosure are depicted on

the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1881, sheet xxxii). Three unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1990). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 18 April 1997.

Site No 007

NGR NF 9581 7584 Site Name **SURSAY** Site Type **BUILDINGS** 

**SMR No** 2522

NMRS No NF97NE 2 **HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97NE 2 9581 7584 Three unroofed buildings are depicted on the 1st edition of

the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1881, sheet xxxii) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1990). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 18 April 1997.

NGR NF 9622 7562 Site Name TAHAY

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2523

NMRS No NF97NE 3 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97NE 3 centred on 9622 7562 A township comprising six unroofed buildings,

one of which is a T-shaped long building, and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1881, sheet xxxii). Three unroofed buildings, a sheepfold and part of the head-dyke are shown and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1990). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 18 April 1997.

Site No 009

NGR NF 9870 7430 Site Name HERMETRAY

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2520

NMRS No NF97SE 16 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SE 16 centred on 987 743 see also NF97SE 10 NF 98 74 House What may be a

township comprising six unroofed buildings is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1881, sheet xxxii). One unroofed building is shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 18 April 1997.

Site No 010

NGR NF 9250 7420 Site Name ARDENNISH

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE); HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2516

NMRS No NF97SW 12

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 12 centred on 925 742 What may be a township comprising five unroofed

buildings and parts of a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1882, sheet xxxi). Four unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 17 April 1997.

NGR NF 9890 7410

BROUGHTON: THERNATRAIGH Site Name

Site Type BARQUE, UNASSIGNED

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF97SE 8001

**HS** Designation None

Designation No

NF97SE 8001 c. 989 741 N57 39.4 W7 2.9 NLO: Thernatraigh [name: NF 989 741]. **DBA** Report

Site No 012

NGR NF 9800 7400 Site Name HERMETRAY

Site Type **HOUSE** SMR No 1269

NMRS No NF97SE 10

None

**HS** Designation Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SE 10 centred 98 74. The foundations of a house built by the English 'for a

magazine to keep their casks, salt, etc' for a fishery in the time of Charles I, was still to be seen (c.1695) on the island of Hermetra (Hermetray). M Martin 1934. The foundations of this building were not located. No further information. Visited by OS

(EGC) 4 July 1965.

Site No 013

NGR NF 9700 7400 Site Name VACCASAY Site Type **HOUSE** SMR No 1278 NMRS No NF97SE 7

**HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA** Report NF97SE 7 centred 97 74. The foundations of a house built by the English 'for a

magazine to keep their casks, salt, etc' for a fishery in the time of Charles I, was still to be seen (c.1695) on the island of Vacksay (Vaccasay) in Loch Maddy. M Martin 1934. This building could not be located. No further information. Visited by OS (E

G C) 4 July 1965.

NGR NF 8956 7390 Site Name LOCH BRU

Site Type DUN SMR No 1199

NMRS No NF87SE 7 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF87SE 7 8956 7390. (NF 8956 7390) An 'island-fort' has stood near the centre of

Loch Bru, a branch of Loch an Duin. The dun itself only occupies a part of the islet and is about 30-33ft in diameter. There appears to be an outer rampart on the SE probably to guard the entrance at the end of a now ruinous causeway from the shore. (E Beveridge 1911) Visible on A/Ps. (Dun visible on RAF air photograph 540/509: Pt II: flown 23 May 1951. E Beveridge 1911. A rocky islet, measuring 18.0m E-W by 11.0m transversely, on which there is a tumbled mass of stone (probably the

collapsed walling of a dun). The possible remains of a submerged causeway are visible

on the SE. Visited by OS (R D) 21 June 1965.

Site No 015

**NGR** NF 8888 7373

Site Name LOCH AN DUIN, DUN TORCUILL

Site Type BROCH
SMR No 1194

NMRS No NF87SE 3

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 2349

**DBA Report** NF87SE 3 88885 73730 (NF 8887 7373) Dun Torcuill (OE) OS 6"map, Inverness-

shire, 2nd ed., (1904) Dun Torcuill is perhaps the finest example of a broch in North Uist (it is considered by Feachem to be a galleried dun). Connected to the shore by a massive causeway, the island is completely walled around its edge, the southern and larger part being occupied by the broch proper, while the remainder forms an annexe enclosed within a separate rampart. The central area contained a secondary erection of oblong shape similar to that at Dun an Sticer (NF87NE 1) and is probably dated 1542-1618. (E Beveridge 1911) Full description and plan. (RCAHMS 1928) E Beveridge 1911; RCAHMS 1928; R W Feachem 1963. Dun Torcuill is a galleried dun and not a broch. It measures 18.6m NW to SE by 16.3m, with walls from 2.3m to 3.8m thick and up to 3.0m high externally and 2.1m internally. The entrance and gallery are still visible in the NW arc. The 'secondary erection' noticed by Beveridge is obscured by tumbled stone which occupies the whole of the centre. Adjoining the outer wall-face of the dun on the N are two later enclosures, with walls up to 1.9m thick and 1.3m high, the more westerly of which blocks the entrance to the dun. Traces of a tumbled drystone wall, 0.8m maximum height, start from the walljunction of the N enclosure, continue around the water's edge on the W side of the islet and then possibly rejoin the west side of the dun: debris from the dun hides any other indications of the an outer curtain wall alleged by Beveridge. Surveyed at

1/10,560. Visited by OS (N K B) 20 June 1965.

NGR NF 9134 7371 Site Name STOLIE

Site Type SHIELING-HUT (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2515

NMRS No NF97SW 11

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 11 9134 7371 What may be an unroofed shieling-hut is depicted on the 1st

edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1882, sheet xxxi) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information

from RCAHMS (SAH) 17 April 1997.

Site No 017

NGR NF 9590 7360 Site Name CHEESE BAY

Site Type WOODEN SCOOP

**SMR No** 1270

NMRS No NF97SE 11 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SE 11 959 736. A wooden scoop or handled oval bowl (the bowl 7.5ins long)

was found in 1974 or '75 in peat cutting 4ft 6ins down under peat on the bedrock by Murdo MacLennan (Mr M MacLennan, 5 Cheese Bay, Lochmaddy), who retains it in his possession. The findspot is approximately NF 959 736. Information contained in letter from Dr J Close-Brooks (National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland

[NMAS]) to OS 7 July 1977. Scoop of Picea abies or Larix decidua (possibly

driftwood) held in the National Museum of Scotland (NMS) under accession number IP 3. Attributed to the Early Historic period but may be of post-medieval date. It is

unclear whether or not it was buried in the bog. C Earwood 1993.

Site No 018

**NGR** NF 9541 7346

Site Name LOCH AULASARY, 1 CHEESE BAY

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

SMR No

NMRS No NF97SE 17 HS Designation Listed B Designation No 17590

**DBA Report** Shown as roofless shell on 1st ed. O.S. (1878); now re-roofed. Single storey 3-bay

Hebridean-type thatched cottage, facing south, and built into bank at rear, latter level with eaves. Door to right bay on south elevation an unusual arrangement; single central window high on short east wall. Rubble-built walls, angles both curved and squared. Single off-centre apex drainpipe flue; muran thatch roof, secured by nettin with stone weights over inner wallhead. Shed formerly adjoined at west. Path to front

built up in rubble above shore.

NGR NF 8876 7332 Site Name LOCH PORTAIN

Site Type CAIRN
SMR No 11465

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** A small hollow, apparently excavated for boulders and peat for the cairn that now

supports pole 3. This has exposed a group of stones from  $0.3 \times 0.28 \times 0.1 \text{m}$  to  $0.6 \times 0.3 \text{m}$  in size, possibly placed and at least partly under the peat. This feature appears to be part of an earlier cairn situated on the low hilltop which would be highly visible

especially from the south and east. Source: Carol Knott, 2001.

Site No 020

NGR NF 8876 7330
Site Name LOCH PORTAIN
Site Type BLACKHOUSE

**SMR No** 114660

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Remains of a building were observed on the brow of a small hill. The low remains are

badly compromised but give internal dimensions of 11m by 3.1m-3.8m. It is aligned NNE-SSW with indications of internal divisions. It is of traditional blackhouse construction with a drystone internal stone face surviving to a maximum of 0.45 m in four coarses at the N end with a peaty wall core. One slab 2.25 m long is present in the E wall while the remainder is mostly small stones. There is the suggestion of a doorway in the southern half of the W wall. Nothing is shown here on the 1st edition OS map of 1879. This, combined with the poor state of the walls suggests it was heavily ruinous by the time of the OS survey in 1879. Source: Carol Knott, 2001.

Site No 021

NGR NF 9610 7330 Site Name ORASAY Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 2519

NMRS No NF97SE 15 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SE 15 centred on 961 733 A township comprising twenty-three unroofed

buildings, three of which are T-shaped and two are L-shaped, and two enclosures is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1881, sheet xxxii). Twenty-two roofed and eleven unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 18 April 1997

NGR NF 8866 7329 Site Name LOCH PORTAIN

Site Type ROAD SMR No 11462

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Before the construction of the present Lochportain road an old well built track led

from the main road to the tip of the Siginish peninsula. This is shown on the 1st edition OS map of 1879. To the south of the road the track is still extant. Most of the track to the north shows up as a prominent feature. Source: Carol Knott, 2001.

Site No 023

NGR NF 8872 7329 Site Name LOCH PORTAIN

Site Type QUARRY SMR No 114630

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Deep heather covered hollow against the old road. Presumably a quarry pit. Source:

Carol Knott, 2001.

Site No 024

**NGR** NF 9354 7329

Site Name LOCH AULASARY

Site Type FARMSTEAD (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2517

NMRS No NF97SW 13

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 13 9354 7329 What may be a farmstead comprising one unroofed building

with an attached enclosure is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1882, sheet xxxi). Two unroofed buildings, one of which is attached to a length of wall, are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 17 April

1997

Site No 025

NGR NF 8876 7327 Site Name LOCH PORTAIN

Site Type QUARRY SMR No 11464

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Old quarry on the northern edge of a modern road. Source: Carol Knott, 2001.

**NGR** NF 9777 7314

Site Name GROATAY, DUN MHIC LAITHEANN

Site Type DUN; SHIELING-HUTS

**SMR No** 1268

NMRS No NF97SE 1

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 5807

DBA Report NF97SE 1 9777 7314. (NF 9777 7314) Dun Mhic Laitheann (NAT) Site of Dun

(NR) OS 6"map, Inverness-shire, 2nd ed., (1911) Dun Mhic Laitheann, connected with Groatay at low water, stood on a steep-sided rock with a wall round its edge, 9-10 1/2ft thick x 3 1/2ft high, and traces of an entrance to the W. In the NE corner and impinging on the outer wall is an oblong enclosure 50ft long x 10-12ft wide. At the highest point to the E are the remains of a building measuring internally 23 x 15ft with walls 6ft thick. A possible mid-17th century re-occupation is suggested. E Beveridge 1911; RCAHMS 1928. Dun Mhic Laitheann is generally as described above. Although the wall is conspicuous on the NW half of the rock, it may never have continued around the remaining and naturally defensive portion. In addition to the internal structures noted above, there are the stony outlines of three shieling-like

features. Visited by OS (E G C) 4 July 1965.

Site No 027

NGR NF 8900 7300 Site Name VOISKINISH

Site Type CHAMBERED CAIRN (POSSIBLE); CAIRN

**SMR No** 1185

NMRS No NF87SE 21 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF87SE 21 c. 89 73. NF 89 73 'A glass-covered mound 12.0m in diameter and 1.5m

high. The top has been excavated revealing a sub-rectangular chamber (4 x 2 1/2m) of stone construction. No vertical slabs can be seen either in the chamber or forming a peristalith, although the extent of the mound can be traced for the greater part of the circumference by boulders protuding from the grass. There is a smaller depression in cairn to the SE of the other which may be the remains of a chamber or an excavation (circular, 2.0m diameter), although, judging from its position in the mound and relationship to the existing, chamber, it is more likely to be a chamber itself. The larger chamber is practically filled with stones, but there appears to be the remains of a smaller chamber inside.' On the evidence above it cannot be said with certainty that this is a chambered cairn: it is probably a cairn with later insertions. Visited by OS (J B) 20 June 1967.

NGR NF 8905 7264 Site Name ALIOTER

Site Type ENCLOSURE (POSSIBLE)

None

**SMR No** 2618

NMRS No NF87SE 37

**HS** Designation

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF87SE 37 8905 7264 What may be an enclosure is depicted on the 1st edition of

the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1882, sheet xxxi), but it is not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 17 April 1997.

Site No 029

**NGR** NF 9574 7246

Site Name LOCH NA DUBCHA

Site Type DUN SMR No 1274

NMRS No NF97SE 3 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SE 3 95748 72461. (NF 9573 7247) Little remains of a dun situated near the

centre of Loch Bru, and eastern branch of Loch an Duin. It is a green-capped islet, the fort occupying only part of the whole area. There appears to be an outer rampart on the SE evidently erected to guard the entrance at the end of a now-ruinous causeway (E Beveridge 1911). The remains of the dun measure about 33ft in diameter externally, with indications of an outer wall to the SE and a dilapidated causeway 60 yards long (RCAHMS 1928). E Beveridge 1911; RCAHMS 1928. No trace of a dun can now be seen. A line of stones in the water to the S of the islet may be part of the outer rampart mentioned above. The causeway is now only visible as an irregular scatter of stones leading from the E side of the islet to the E shore of the

loch. Visited by OS (R B) 24 June 1965.

**NGR** NF 9006 7244

Site Name LOCH BLASHAVAL

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1288

NMRS No NF97SW 8
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 8 9006 7244. A rocky sea-islet in a branch of Loch Maddy, and about 20

yards off the northern extremity of Bac a' Stoc, is traditionally the site of a dun, at one time specifically named, but which is now lost. Evidence supports this tradition insofar as wall fragments are traceable along the S edge, while less distinct remains of some interior building are apparent near the summit. A group of rocks seems to be all that remains of a causeway. E Beveridge 1911. NF 9006 7244. This islet measures 26.0m E-W by 12.0m transversely, but the grass-covered summit contained no structural remains of a dun, although a few scattered stones were seen protruding through the turf. A rock- shelter formed by a large overhanging boulder over a low wall was noticed along the S side of the islet, and this is probablt the 'fragments of walling' seen by Beveridge. No trace of a causeway was found - the scatter of rocks in the sea to the S of the islet is a natural formation. Visited by OS (R B) 25 June 1965.

Site No 031

**NGR** NF 9529 7241

Site Name PORTRAIN, LOCH AN DUIN
Site Type SOUTERRAIN (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1277

NMRS No NF97SE 6 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF97SE 6 9529 7241. (Area NF 953 724) Indications of a probable earth-house were

found in the N bank of Loch an Duin, Portain, facing the causeway towards the 'island fort' which stands near (NF97SE 4). What appears to be a doorway, 22ins across and hidden by vegetation, bends westwards where it narrows to 12ins, all between what appear to be structural walls. E Beveridge 1911. No definite trace of an earth-house was found, but from the description given by Beveridge, its site may be

at NF 9529 7241. Visited by OS (J T T) 28 June 1965.

Site No 032

NGR NF 9500 7240 Site Name LOCHPORTAIN

**Site Type** FIELD CLEARANCE CAIRN; STONE BANK

**SMR No** 1271

NMRS No NF97SE 12 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF97SE 12 950 724 Probing around a stone feature partially exposed in the face of a

peat cutting located a linear stone bank some 25m in length and 1m to 1.2m wide. Peat had already begun developing in the locality when the cairn was constructed and, along one stretch, the stones were piled over a small peat bank. Differences in the profiles of test-pits dug on either side of the cairn suggest that cultivation was taking place to the West of the cairn. B A Crone and C M Mills 1988; 1988.

**NGR** NF 9531 7236

Site Name DUN NIGHEAN RIGH LOCHLAINN

Site TypeDUNSMR No1275

NMRS No NF97SE 4

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 5854

**DBA Report** NF97SE 4 95310 72369. (NF 9528 7239) Dun Nighean Righ Lochlainn stands in the

N end of Loch an Duin, near the centre of the Portain District. The dun is of very regular cylindrical form, rising abruptly from the water's edge. The overall diameter is 29 1/2ft, the walls averaging 5ft in height. The interior is now so entirely choked with loose stones that it is difficult to see the original plan, but one radial wall still remains. The island is approached from the shore on its NE by a causeway below the present water-level at the landward end of which are two small semi-circular stone shelters. Fifty yards W from the causeway is a small triangular bay or boat-harbour. E Beveridge 1911; RCAHMS 1928. As described above, although no radial wall is now visible. The amorphous remains of the two shelters can be seen built into the natural rock above the shore, c.21.0m W of the causeway. The boat-harbour, 50 yards W of the causeway, appears to be a natural inlet. Visited by OS (R D) 27 June 1965.

Site No 034

**NGR** NF 8850 7236

Site Name AIRIGH NAN LUCHAG

Site Type SHIELING-HUT (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2617

NMRS No NF87SE 36

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF87SE 36 8850 7236 What may be an unroofed shieling-hut is depicted on the 1st

edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1882, sheet xxxi), but it is not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 17 April 1997.

Site No 035

NGR NF 9220 7230 Site Name BRAE-CALLASAY

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2518

NMRS No NF97SW 15

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 15 centred on 922 723 A township comprising two unroofed, nine roofed

buildings, three enclosures and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1882, sheet xxxi). Five unroofed, three roofed buildings, an enclosure, some field walls and a part of a head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information

from RCAHMS (SAH) 17 April 1997.

**NGR** NF 9720 7220

Site Name CROGARY NA HOE

Site Type CAVE; SHIELING-HUTS; SHELL MIDDEN

**SMR No** 1272

NMRS No NF97SE 13 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SE 13 972 722 At the foot of a precipice to the SW of the summit of Crogary

na Hoe, at an elevation of 400ft OD, is a small cave or rock-shelter about 10ft square and barely 3ft high. Some 12ft in front of the recess on the north and east sides of a tumbled mass of rock are two hut circles, the most northerly measuring some 6ft in diameter, and the other, which lies some 10ft to the SE, about 8ft across. The latter is more clearly defined and shows an entrance from the south-east 1ft 6ins wide. In a cavity under the rock which forms the western part of the latter structure are a mass of limpet shells and a few animal bones. No pottery was seen. RCAHMS 1928,

visited 22 July 1914.

Site No 037

**NGR** NF 9400 7200

Site Name LOCH AN T-SAGAIRT
Site Type CHAPEL (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1864

NMRS No NF97SW 9

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 9 94 72. The site of a chapel is inferred from the place names Loch an t-

Saigairt, Cnoc Beag an-t-Sagairt, and Cnoc Mor an t-Saigart (which refer to a priest).

E Beveridge 1911.

**NGR** NF 9512 7199

Site Name PORTAIN, LOCH NA CAIGINN

Site Type DUN; FARMSTEAD

**SMR No** 1273

NMRS No NF97SE 2

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 5855

**DBA Report** NF97SE 2 95123 71991. (NF 9510 7199) Dun (NR) OS 62Map, Inverness-shire, 2nd

ed., (1903) The remains of a dun are situated in the N end of Loch na Caiginn, accessible over a substantial causeway. The island end of this interrupted causeway has been flanked by two lateral walls at right angles built out from the fort into the water. This elaborate defence is unusual. The island is oval in shape with indications of having been at one time completely surrounded by a wall close to the water's edge. E Beveridge 1911; RCAHMS 1928. All that remains of the dun, which is 12.0m in diameter, is the outer face of the wall, clearly visible to a height of 1.2m in the S. The causeway which rises 1.0m above the level of the loch, and is 1.3m wide, has two horn-like walls abutting at the island end which are probably later. A medieval farmstead, which has been built on and around the dun, consists of the greatly mutilated remains of two almost rectangular buildings built against the outer wall, and an oval building which has been built in the interior. There are also two smaller cells in the interior which may be part of the dun. The tumbled remains of a wall surround the island. Surveyed at 1/2500. Visited by OS (R D) 24 June 1965.

Site No 039

**NGR** NF 9640 7192

Site Name LOCH NA COINTICH

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1276

NMRS No NF97SE 5 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SE 5 9640 7192. A dun is said locally to have existed in a large loch on the

Portain peninsula, "high up near Crogary na Hoc" Beveridge maintains this description apparently points to Loch na Cointich, which has two islets. He adds that although neither appeared at a short distance to support a dun, he is of the opinion that one formerly existed. E Beveridge 1911. No trace of a dun was found on the larger islet in Loch na Cointich, and the only possible site for one could have been on the islet at NF 9640 7192, although this, too, is doubtful, as it measures some 5 x 3.0m in its present state. No trace of a causeway was found leading from any part of the shore to this small, rocky, islet, and the tumble of stones around it is not

indicative of walling. Visited by OS (R B) 24 June 1965.

NGR NF 9489 7187 Site Name CAIGEANN Site Type ENCLOSURES

**SMR No** 2525

NMRS No NF97SW 17

None

HS Designation Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 17 9489 7187 Two enclosures are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-

inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1881, sheet xxxii). The remains of one enclosure are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map

(1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 18 April 1997.

Site No 041

**NGR** NF 8875 7176

Site Name BLASHAVAL, NA FIR BHREIGE

**Site Type** STANDING STONES

**SMR No** 1177

NMRS No NF87SE 14 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF87SE 14 8875 7176. (Name : NF 8885 7172) Na Fir Bhreige (NR) OS 6"map,

Inverness-shire, 2nd ed., (1903) Na Fir Bhreige (the false men) is a row of three standing stones set almost in line upon a ridge which forms the west spur of Blashaval. None now stands more than three feet above the soil, and they are deeply embedded: the one in the middle appears to be the largest. They are a subject of local tradition. E Beveridge 1911. Na Fir Bhreighe, three standing stones, at NF 8871 7177, NF 8875 7176 and NF 8877 7175, are as described by Beveridge. From east to west their dimensions are 0.6m high x 0.4m x 0.3m, 0.5m high x 0.9m x 0.1m, and 0.7m high x 0.3m x 0.2m. The name is still known locally. Surveyed at 1/10,560.

Visited by OS (N K B) 18 June 1965.

Site No 042

NGR NF 9410 7170 Site Name LOCHPORTAIN

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2524

NMRS No NF97SW 16

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 16 centred on 941 717 A township comprising eight unroofed buildings,

one of which is a T-shaped building, an enclosure and part of a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist & Harris 1881, sheet xxxii). This site is now located within the town of Lochportain as shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 18 April 1997.

NGR NF 9280 7160
Site Name FILLEAM
Site Type BUILDINGS

**SMR No** 2529

NMRS No NF97SW 14

**HS** Designation

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 14 928 716 Two unroofed buildings are depicted on the 1st edition of the

OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xxxv). Five roofed buildings, two enclosures and some field walls are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 22 April

1997.

None

Site No 044

**NGR** NF 9578 7145

Site Name LOCH GILLE-GHOID

Site Type CAVE; MIDDEN; POTTERY

**SMR No** 1280

NMRS No NF97SE 9

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 5

**DBA Report** 

NF97SE 9 9578 7145. (Area NF 956 716) Occupational evidence has been found in a cave immediately to the NW of Loch Gille-Ghoid, Portain. The cave lies well above the loch in a rocky gap between two knolls, its entrance facing N, and consisting of two openings which evidently communicated within. The access to the E occupied the lower position and formed the main branch of the cave. The floor revealed kitchen midden remains; bones, pottery, shells, etc. The western access led to a floor with ashes and shells more abundant, together with pottery. Complete 'craggans' are said to have been found here. E Beveridge 1911. Fragments of very dubious late IA pottery found on, or just below, the floor of a cave beside Loch na Maighdeir, were donated to the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland (NMAS) by Mr Neil Whitton (N Whitton, 36 Bryce Rd, Currie, Midlothian ) 8th Sept. 1964. The cave is described as facing N, beside the NW side of the loch, and too small to stand upright in. Information from A S Henshall (NMAS) to OS, 5 May 1965. NF9578 7145. This cave is generally as described by Beveridge. The lower cave is a cleft, 1.5m high, 1.0 -2.0m wide, and at least 8.0m deep; while the upper cave is tent-shaped, 2.4m high, 2.0m wide and 5.0m deep. Profuse midden remains can be seen in both caves. It is obvious from the description given by Mrs Gunn (Mrs Gunn, Bank House, Lochmaddy), that the siting of this cave to Loch Maighdeir is in error. Visited by OS (J T T) 28 May 1965.

**NGR** NF 9495 7143

Site Name CNOC NAN CORR

Site Type FARMSTEAD (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2526

NMRS No NF97SW 18

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 18 9495 7143 What may be a farmstead comprising one unroofed building

and one enclosure is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1881, sheet xxxvi). An unroofed building, the remains of a second building and an incomplete enclosure are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 21 April

1997.

Site No 046

NGR NF 8970 7140 Site Name BLASHAVAL

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS

**SMR No** 1190

NMRS No NF87SE 26

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF87SE 26 897 714. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 047

**NGR** NF 9490 7122

Site Name LOCH HACKLETT, TIGH TALAMHANT

Site Type SOUTERRAIN

**SMR No** 1283

NMRS No NF97SW 3

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 5806

DBA Report NF97SW 3 9490 7122. (NF 9390 7122) Erd House (NR) OS 6"map, Inverness-shire,

2nd ed., (1904) A curiously situated earth-house bearing some resemblance to a cave, in the base of the cliff on the steep west bank of Loch Hacklett (E Beveridge 1911). It is described by Carmichael (information contained in letter from A Carmichael to F W L Thomas): "The narrow part goes backwards and upwards from the lake, and at the end there is a large opening The small opening below is just large enough to admit a man to pass." He also noted that the passages were covered, one roofstone weighing about 4 tons. Over Tigh Talamhant, as the earth-house was known, were several feet of moss, and on this a few yards towards the foot of the cliff, was an old wall 3-4ft high, the remains of an old building over the earth-house. F W L Thomas 1890; E Beveridge 1911. The remains of this earth-house, which is immediately above the water line of Loch Hacklett are generally as shown on the plan, although the old wall mentioned appears to be the inner face of a chamber, 1.7m high, the roof of which has caved in. There appear to be three entrances, two of them leading directly from the edge of the loch into the N end of the passage, and one at the extreme S end below the massive roof-stone mentioned above. Surveyed at 1/2500. Visited by

OS (R D) 28 June 1965.

**NGR** NF 9000 7100

Site Name LOCH BLASHAVAL
Site Type HAMMER-STONE

**SMR No** 1286

NMRS No NF97SW 6
HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF97SW 6 centred 90 71. A hammerstone or maul, 5ins long with groove round

centre, found at Loch Bhlasapol, and now in the National Museum of Antiquities of

Scotland (NMAS). Proc Soc Antiq Scot 1922.

Site No 049

**NGR** NF 9606 7096

Site Name GLEANN SEILISDEIR

Site Type CAVE; POTTERY; MIDDEN

**SMR No** 1279

NMRS No NF97SE 8
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SE 8 9606 709

NF97SE 8 9606 7096. At Gleann Seilisdeir in the S face of a rugged cliff is a large cave which penetrates the rock for 23ft. It is 15ft across its mouth diminishing inwards to a width of 11ft. Upon the floor, among accumulated soil, were found kitchen-midden remains; pottery, ashes, bones, shells, etc. E Beveridge 1911. NF 9606 7096. This cave is as described by Beveridge, and is 1.8m high at the entrance, decreasing to 0.8m at the rear. Slight midden remains can still be seen. Visited by OS

(J T T) 28 June 1965.

Site No 050

NGR NF 8937 7096 Site Name BLASHAVAL

Site Type POTTERY; MOUND; SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1186

NMRS No NF87SE 22 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF87SE 22 8937 7096. NF 894 711 Iron Age pottery was found during recent

quarrying in a small mound successively occupied by a shieling and now a late-19th century house. The pottery is in the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland (NMAS). I A Crawford 1964; Information from Norman Johnstone, Lochmaddy.

The exact find-spot of the pottery was indicated, at NF 8937 7096, by Mrs

Robertson (A J Robertson, Bonnie Blink, Lochmaddy) whose husband dug it up in 1963. It was found in a low amorphous mound in which were also found ashes and stones, suitable for building purposes, suggesting an Iron Age settlement site. Visited by OS (N K B) 18 June 1965. Obliterated by bulldozer during building extensions in

1977. I A Crawford 1980.

NGR NF 8977 7080
Site Name BLASHAVAL
Site Type BUILDING

**SMR No** 2620

NMRS No NF87SE 39
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF87SE 39 8977 7080 An unroofed L-shaped building is depicted on the 1st edition

of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xxxv). A modern roofed building is shown at this location on the current edition of the OS

1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 21 April 1997.

Site No 052

NGR NF 9047 7074
Site Name EILEAN MINISH
Site Type CHAPEL (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph 540/A/461, taken in 1950, shows the faint remains of a north

to south orientated rectangular building. A smaller rectangular structure extends off the southern end. A causeway is clearly visible on the western side of the island linking it to the mainland. This site most likely relates to the building previously

reported as being a possible chapel site (NMRS NF97SW2).

Site No 053

**NGR** NF 9033 7071

Site Name MINISH, EILEAN AN TEAMPULL

Site Type CHAPEL (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1282

NMRS No NF97SW 2 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 2 9033 7071. (Area NF 904 706) Between the sea-lochs Loch Minish and

Blashaval, is an islet called, significantly, Eilean an Teampull, lying in the narrows which separate Collastrome from Minish Island. The remains of a building, said to be rectangular, within an oval enclosure, have been found. The island is accessible over a good causeway. E Beveridge 1911. The remains of the possible chapel are situated on the summit of Eilean an Teampull at NF 9033 7071. They consist of grass-covered footings of a rectangular build- ing, 4.5 x 3.5m x 0.3m high, orientated E-W. No trace of the oval enclosure mentioned above could be found, but the vague remains of a small, 2.5m square, building were noted at the SW corner of the building just described, and which appears to be contemporary with it. A large scatter of stones was seen to the E of the building forming no set pattern. Surveyed at 1/2500. Visited

by OS (R D) 22 June 1965.

**NGR** NF 9430 7070

Site Name LOCH PORTRAIN, CAMAS CRUBAIG

Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 1287

NMRS No NF97SW 7
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 7 centred on 943 707 (NF 9418 7085, 9436 7075, & 9432 7041) The name

'Rudha Raibeart' applies to a piece of pasture land and the remains of several old huts....the meaning for this name could not be ascertained... Name Book 1878; OS 6"map, Inverness-shire, 1st ed., (1881) The depopulated settlement 'Rudha Raibeart' centred at NF 943 707, is now known locally as 'Camus Crubaig', taken from the name of the adjoining bay. It comprises the remains of 2 small enclosures and thirteen buildings varying in size from 15.5 x 3.5m to 3.5 x 2.5m internally, and in height from 0.3m to 1.2m. The majority of the wall corners are rounded as in 'blackhouses'. Several of the remains have been utilised to form small stock enclosures. The approximate date of depopulation is said to be 1850. Visited by OS (R D) 30 June 1965 Eight unroofed buildings are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1881, sheet xxxvi). Ten unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 21 April 1997.

Site No 055

NGR NF 9490 7070 Site Name PORTAIN

Site Type CIST; CUP-MARKINGS

**SMR No** 1281

NMRS No NF97SW 1 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF97SW 1 centred 949 707. A supposed cist is situated at Portain, W of Loch Grota,

at the E base of a cliff. The covering slab bears four cup-marks, three of them in a row near its edge, the other being smaller and out of line. The slab is supported by other stones which appear to have been artificially placed (E Beveridge 1911). Cupmark symbols occur in frequent association with 'Food Vessel Burials'. This cist is not certainly of the short cist type. J V S Megaw and D D A Simpson 1963; E Beveridge 1911. This cist was not located. Visited by OS (R D) 30 June 1965.

Site No 056

NGR NF 9030 7067
Site Name MINISH
Site Type BUILDING

**SMR No** 2528

NMRS No NF97SW 20 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 20 9030 7067 An unroofed building is depicted on the 1st edition of the

OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xxxv), but it is not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 21 April 1997.

NGR NF 9560 7060
Site Name LOCH PORTAIN
Site Type CAVE; POTTERY

**SMR No** 1797

NMRS No NF97SE 14

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF97SE 14 956 706 "Sherds found in a cave near Loch Portain [OS:Loch Portain -

name at NF 940 713] North Uist (approx. map ref. NF956 706)" were donated to RMS (NMAS) by W N Whitton, Edinburgh. [Two caves, with associated middens, have been recorded in this area: NF97SE 8, at NF9606 7096, and NF97SE 9, at

NF9578 7145.] Proc Soc Antiq Scot 1967.

Site No 058

NGR NF 9331 7048 Site Name CLIASAY MORE

Site Type BUILDING

**SMR No** 2527

NMRS No NF97SW 19

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 19 9331 7048 An unroofed building is depicted on the 1st edition of the

OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xxxv) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS

(SAH) 21 April 1997.

Site No 059

NGR NF 9158 7017 Site Name LONACHAN

Site Type STRUCTURES (POSSIBLE)

SMR No NMRS No

1111110110

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph 540/A/461 Frame 3098 shows what appear to be two small

circular structures near to the coast edge. A further area of disturbance may be

present to the south of this.

**NGR** NF 9073 7004

Site Name LOCH NA BUAILE
Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1285

NMRS No NF97SW 5
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 5 9073 7004. (Area NF 908701) A high wooded island near the W end of

Loch Na Buaile is said to have been occupied by a dun. The walls of some building could be traced here c.1870 when the summit was bare, but at the time that Beveridge wrote, the island was so overgrown that no structural remains were then visible. There is however, evidence of an under-water curved causeway from the SE of the island to the shore of the loch, which suppports the tradition (E Beveridge 1911). Classified under 'Duns': traditional site, heavily overgrown; nothing to be seen (RCAHMS 1928) E Beveridge 1911; RCAHMS 1928. NF 9073 7004. This wooded island, measuring 29.0m E-W x 10.0m transversely, is as described by Beveridge. No trace of a dun or other structure could be seen, but a submerged causeway could be traced from the S side of the island to an adjacent smaller islet and thence to the

shore. Visited by OS (R B) 24 June 1965.

Site No 061

**NGR** NF 9100 7001

Site Name LOCH NA BUAILE

Site Type MOUND; STRUCTURES; POTTERY

**SMR No** 1284

NMRS No NF97SW 4

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF97SW 4 9100 7001. (Area NF 9107 00) On a promontory at the SE corner of

Loch na Buaile, close to the remains of a modern dwelling is a mound which possibly represents a prehistoric site; fragments of crude pottery having been found there. E Beveridge 1911. The mound at NF 9100 7001, close by the remains of a modern building, appears to be the remains of several buildings which stand on a small natural hillock; but the remains are too amorphous to make anything out of them. Several other building fragments can also be seen in the area. No further information was encountered concerning the potsherds found, or of this being a pre-historic site.

Visited by OS (R D) 30 June 1965.

Site No 062

**NGR** NF 9099 7000

Site Name LOCH NA BUAILE

Site Type BUILDINGS; ENCLOSURE

**SMR No** 1677

NMRS No NF97SW 10

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF97SW 10 9099 7000. Centred NF 9099 7000. The grass-covered footings of at

least four buildings and one enclosure. Largest building 8.5m by 4.5m. Depopulated c.1850. Remains of a later building 14m by 5m by 1.7m high, depopulated early 20th

century. Un-named. Visited by OS (RD) 30 June 1965.

**NGR** NF 9000 7000

Site Name ESKIN

Site Type SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Speed's map of 1610 and 1662 depicts a possible settlement annotated 'Eskin' near a

sea loch (possibly Loch Madadh). True location is unknown.

Site No 064

**NGR** NF 9000 7000

Site Name KILCOLINKIL & KINVORACHY

Site Type SETTLEMENTS (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Dorret's map of 1750 and Kitchin's subsequent revision in 1773 show two

settlements marked on the north eastern coast of North Uist to the west of 'Hermetra Island' (Thernatraigh Island) and north of 'Loch Partan (Loch Portain). These are annotated as 'Kilcolinkil' and 'Kinvorachy'. Two settlements annotated as 'Kilchalmkil' and 'Keanvarochy' are also noted on Bleau's map of 1654. The location of these sites in relation to current maps is unclear due to the inaccuracies of the

historical maps. They may lie within the survey area.

Site No 065

NGR NF 9088 6980 Site Name LOCH HOURAM

Site Type BUILDING

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph 540/A/461 Frame 3098 shows an unroofed rectangular

building present to the east of a modern sheep wash. The walls of the building may be relatively well preserved in the photograph. Faint traces of smaller square

structures are visible to the south and north east.

NGR NF 9400 6970 Site Name FLODDAY

Site Type FARMSTEAD (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2532

NMRS No NF96NW 22

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 22 940 697 What may be a farmstead comprising one unroofed building is

depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1881, sheet xxxvi), but it is not shown on the current edition of the OS

1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 21 April 1997.

Site No 067

**NGR** NF 9100 6966

Site Name RUBH' AN-T-SRUITH BHIG
Site Type 'DUN'; NATURAL FEATURE

**SMR No** 1242

NMRS No NF96NW 2 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 2 9100 6966. (Area: NF 911 696) The site of a probable dun is situated on

the summit of Rudh' an-t-Sruith Bhig, near Strom Mor. It is a promontory 400 yards E of the bridge over the tidal current from Loch an Aastrom. The site consists of a few irregular groups of stones with doubtful traces of an enclosure c.30ft in diameter. E Beveridge 1911. NF 9100 6966. The probable remains of two shielings and a scatter of boulders, occupy the summit of the promontory, but there is no evidence

of a dun. Visited by OS (E G C) 8 July 1965.

Site No 068

NGR NF 9209 6954
Site Name SPONISH
Site Type WORKS

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF96NW 48

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 48 9209 6954. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 9211 6953 Site Name SPONISH HOUSE

Site Type HOUSE; WALLED GARDEN

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 34
HS Designation Listed B
Designation No 19394

**DBA Report** Early 19th century 2-storey over basement house set on falling ground, with single

storey wing flanking to right and 3-storey later 19th century wing to left. Rendered.

Site No 070

NGR NF 9190 6942
Site Name TAIGH SPONAIS
Site Type BUILDINGS

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph 540/A/461 Frame 4096 clearly shows an unroofed

rectangular building present on the small headland where the current track

terminates. To the west of this a similar structure is visible with a smaller rectangular

enclosure extending off its eastern side.

Site No 071

**NGR** NF 9209 6929

Site Name RUDHA NAN GALL

Site Type COTTAGE

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF96NW 42 HS Designation Listed C(s) Designation No 17574

**DBA Report** Earlier 19th century. Single storey and attic 3-bay cottage with unusually large

rectangular plan. East elevation: rendered as ashlar; other elevations harled - a whitewashed; early 20th century, glazed, central gabled porch with battered base; single windows in outer bays; 2 piended wallhead dormers; symmetrically placed apex

stacks; steep-pitched, piended slate roof. Rear wing.

Site No 072

**NGR** NF 9150 6928

Site Name LONG ISLAND HOSPITAL

Site Type HOSPITAL

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 40

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 9130 6920 Site Name OBHAN VIEW Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 2539

NMRS No NF96NW 29

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF96NW 29 centred on 913 692 A township comprising six roofed, one partially

roofed, two unroofed buildings, two enclosures and some field walls is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xxxv). Three roofed, two unroofed buildings and some field walls are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 22 April 1997.

Site No 074

**NGR** NF 9012 6909

Site Name STRUMORE, CNOC NAN CUIGEAL

Site Type 'DUN'; NATURAL FEATURE

**SMR No** 1240

NMRS No NF96NW 16

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 16 9012 6909. The northernmost of two knolls at Cnoc nan Cuigeal (N of

Loch nan Geireann) is comparatively regular in shape, resembling a flattened cone on which there appear to be traces of a building, c.32ft in diameter over its walls. E Beveridge 1911. The only flat-topped knoll containing a grass-covered scatter of stones at Cnoc nan Cuigeal, is at NF 9012 6909; but no building could be identified,

and the knoll is natural. Visited by OS (N K B) 14 June 1965.

Site No 075

**NGR** NF 9176 6890

Site Name COUNTY BUILDINGS AND POLICE STATION

Site Type COUNTY BUILDINGS

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 38 HS Designation Listed B Designation No 17575

**DBA Report** Matthews & Lawrie of Inverness, architects. Built 1877.

**NGR** NF 9175 6886

Site Name OLD COURTHOUSE

Site Type LAW

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF96NW 31
HS Designation Listed B
Designation No 17576

**DBA Report** James Ross of Inverness, architect, 1845; extended circa 1856, William Lawrie of

Inverness. Former courthouse and jail with walled exercise yard to 3 sides. Main building now 2 storeys, T-plan, gabled low porcfills either re-entrant angle (original block rectangular-plan; rear wing and porches additions). North east elevation: wing and low porches all gabled; cherry-caulked coursed and squared rubble with

contrasting ashlar dressings (remainder whitewashed harl); finialed 3-bay main gable with slits flanking ground floor window, narrow lights above; round-headed door with fanlight to either porch. Asymmetrical south west elevation, original door now a window; round-headed doorway to north west gable, lean-to adjoins at south east. Small-paned sash windows; end and axial stacks; slate roofs. Interior: vaulted cells at ground level; observation slits; key safe. Exercise yard 8-sided on plan; walls rubble-

built with ashlar coping.

Site No 077

NGR NF 9143 6880 Site Name SCHOOL Site Type SCHOOL

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF96NW 39

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 078

**NGR** NF 9185 6878

Site Name HALL

Site Type RECREATION

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 45

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 9176 6877 Site Name OSTROM HOUSE Site Type RESIDENTIAL

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 35 HS Designation Listed B Designation No 17572

**DBA Report** Dated 1852 over porch. 2-storey small former "mansion"/town house. Harled. South

elevation: 5 bays (tusking at west gable suggests original scheme larger), 3 1st floor windows blocked; piended off-centre porch, additional door to right. Asymmetrical openings to north elevation. Corniced end stacks; slate roof. Outbuilding to south, pier to east. 2-storey courthouse; symmetrical north east front with Gothic features, details continue on asymmetrical south east front. L-plan with single storey wing adjoining north west and south west gables (former added by Ross & MacBeth, 1892). Roughly coursed and squared rubble, ashlar dressings; pointed openings, some with hoodmoulds. North east elevation: shallow central porch with cast-iron cresting, 2 lights either side; 3 windows above with raised gabled and finialed dormer heads. South east elevation: advanced gable right with 3-light  $\square$  courtroom window at 1st floor (similar light at opposite gable); lower, 2-storey 3-bay centre-doored wing, gable belfry over low wing beyond. Continuous string between floors with angles chamfered below and corbelled to square. Projecting eaves; end stacks; slate roof. Interior: Gothic features; upper hall with 2-centred arches, some on banded and clustered columns; courtroom furnishings complete, including long judges bench with arcaded, cusped-panelled front.

Site No 080

**NGR** NF 9117 6873

Site Name OB NAN STEARNAIN

Site Type 'WALL'; 'BUILDING'; NATURAL FEATURE

**SMR No** 1234

NMRS No NF96NW 10

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF96NW 10 9117 6873. (NF 9117 6873) An islet near the centre of 0bnan Stearnain

was evidently once surrounded by a wall, except perhaps at its SE edge, which consists of steep rock. The wall is visible at various points along its base especially on the N where three or four courses remain to a width of 7ft. Traces of some buildings

are also visible in the elevated centre of the islet. No causeway can be seen. E Beveridge 1911. No trace of a building or a causeway was found on this islet which is

largely natural rock. Visited by OS (R D) 23 June 1965.

Site No 081

**NGR** NF 9169 6865

Site Name BANK OF SCOTLAND

Site Type BANK

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 33

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

**NGR** NF 9042 6864

Site Name LOCH NAN GEIREANN

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1233

NMRS No NF96NW 1 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF96NW 1 9042 6864. (NF 9042 6864) A flat and almost circular island, possibly

representing the site of a dun, is situated in the NE corner of Loch nan Geireann. There are slight traces of a wall at its S edge and an irregular row of stones between it and the E shore of the loch, probably represents a causeway. E Beveridge 1911. This grass-covered island, measuring 10 x 9.0m and now contains no trace of walling. The possible causeway is no more than an irregular scatter of stones, some of which protrude above the water, and may be natural. Visited by OS (R B) 24 June 1965.

Site No 083

NGR NF 9168 6862 Site Name GENERAL Site Type VILLAGE

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF96NW 30

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 084

NGR NF 9166 6859
Site Name POST OFFICE
Site Type POST OFFICE

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 32

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 085

NGR NF 9160 6850 Site Name BLACKHOUSES Site Type BLACKHOUSES

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 43

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96SW 43 916 685 Unlocated A series of unlocated black houses and thatched

cottages on the Island of North Uist.

**NGR** NF 9182 6848

Site Name LOCHMADDY AND TRUMISGARRY PARISH CHURCH

Site Type CHURCH

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 36

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 087

NGR NF 9186 6846 Site Name MANSE Site Type MANSE

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 37

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 088

NGR NF 9170 6840 Site Name KERSAVAGH Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 2538

NMRS No NF96NW 28

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 28 centred on 917 684 A township comprising two roofed, one partially

roofed and three unroofed buildings is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xxxv). This township is now located within the town of Lochmaddy as shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 22 April 1997.

NGR NF 9128 6826 Site Name SCAALAN

Site Type ENCLOSURE; POTTERY; IRON RIVETS

**SMR No** 1236

NMRS No NF96NW 12

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 12 9128 6826. (Area: NF 914682) There is an irregularly built enclosure

c.50 x 30ft upon Scaalan. 150 yards to the W of this at a more elevated position are two erect stones at its western edge. Within the enclosure were found potsherds and a lozenged-shaped iron rivet-head apparently of Viking origin. Another of the latter was found in a rabbit-hole on a hillock to the N of the cairn group (NF96NW 11). E Beveridge 1911. The enclosure described above was located at NF 9128 6826. It is built into the SE side of a rocky knoll and appears to be a stock enclosure of no great age, regardless of the finds found within it. The area 150 yards to the W of this enclosure was perambulated: one or two boulders were seen but nothing of two

'erect stones'. Visited by OS (W D J) 26 June 1965.

Site No 090

**NGR** NF 9191 6825

Site Name TAIGH CHEARSABHAGH

Site Type INN

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF96NW 41
HS Designation Listed B
Designation No 17573

**DBA Report** Late 18th/early 19th century. Former Inn; 2 storeys with raised basement, 3 bays.

Harled. East elevation: central forestair (door above now a window) garage doors inserted left; small inner top floor window. Straight skews; end □ tacks; slate roof. In

derelict condition. Shed and Quay to east not included in listing.

Site No 091

**NGR** NF 9190 6817

Site Name LOCHMADDY HOTEL

Site Type HOTEL SMR No 1241

NMRS No NF96NW 17

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 17 9190 6817. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 9150 6810 Site Name SCAALAN

Site Type 'CAIRNS'; FIELD CLEARANCE CAIRNS

**SMR No** 1235

NMRS No NF96NW 11

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 11 centred 915 681. (Area: NF 915 681) There is a group of 6 small cairns

at Scaalan near Lochmaddy, upon the slope facing the islan of Leiravay. E Beveridge 1911. The area was perambulated but no cairns were seen. There are, however, a few natural rocky mounds and one or two stone clearance heaps. Visited by OS (W D J)

26 June 1965.

Site No 093

**NGR** NF 9198 6800

Site Name PIER, BEACON AND FERRY TERMINAL

Site Type PIER; BEACON; FERRY TERMINAL

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 46

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 46 91987 68005 and 91987 68005 Lochmaddy Pier [NAT] OS 1:10,000

map, 1971.

Site No 094

**NGR** NF 9120 6800

Site Name EILEAN LEIRAVAY

**Site Type** FARMSTEAD

**SMR No** 1749

NMRS No NF96NW 21

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 9200 6800

REFORM: LITTLE MINCH Site Name

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF96NW 8014

**HS** Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA** Report NF96NW 8014 c. 92 68 N57 36 W7 9 See also NF96NW 8013. NLO: Loch nam

Madadh (Lochmaddy) [name: NF 918 689] Loch Maddy (Loch nam Madadh) [name centred NF 931 685] Caolas na Hearadh (Sound of Harris): name centred NF 96 81. Lochmaddy, 12th March. 'It blew a very heavy gale from W yesterday, from 1 to 7, p.m., during which the SCOTIA, Charleson, and REFORM, Henderson, were driven on the rocks, bilged, and filled; crews saved, and cargoes expected to be secured but in a very damaged state.' Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 8744, London, Saturday March 19 1842. NMRS, MS/829/71 (no. 7676). The loss of this vessel is not cited by I G Whittaker (1998), presumably suggesting her successful recovery. Information

from RCAHMS (RJCM), 12 August 2005.

096 Site No

NGR NF 9100 6800 Site Name LOCHMADDY Site Type ROMAN COINS

**SMR No** 1239

NMRS No NF96NW 15

**HS** Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF96NW 15 91 68. Three Roman coins, in the Kelvingrove Museum, Glasgow, are

stated to have been found near Lochmaddy. They are a small brass of Victorinus, a

small brass of Contantius II, and a large brass of Gratian. G Macdonald 1918.

NGR NF 9200 6800 Site Name SCOTIA

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 8013

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 8013 c. 92 68 N57 36 W7 9 See also NF96NW 8014. NLO: Loch nam

Madadh (Lochmaddy) [name: NF 918 689] Loch Maddy (Loch nam Madadh) [name centred NF 931 685] Caolas na Hearadh (Sound of Harris): name centred NF 96 81. Lochmaddy, 12th March. `It blew a very heavy gale from W yesterday, from 1 to 7, p.m., during which the SCOTIA, Charleson, and REFORM, Henderson, were driven on the rocks, bilged, and filled; crews saved, and cargoes expected to be secured but in a very damaged state.' Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 8744, London, Saturday March 19 1842. NMRS, MS/829/71 (no. 7675). (Classified as brig: no cargo specified, but date of loss cited as 25 March 1842). Scotia: this vessel stranded on rocks at Lochmaddy [Loch nam Madadh], and fills. (B: 1826 206B Kirkcaldy brig?). (Location of loss cited as N57 36.0 W7 9.0). I G Whittaker 1998. The location and map sheet assigned to this record are essentially tentative. Information from

RCAHMS (RJCM), 11 August 2005.

Site No 098

**NGR** NF 9200 6800

Site Name LORD WELLINGTON

Site Type SHIP, UNASSIGNED, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 8011

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF96NW 8011 c. 92 68 N57 36 W7 9 NLO: Loch nam Madadh (Lochmaddy)

[name: NF 918 689] Loch Maddy (Loch nam Madadh) [name centred NF 931 685] Caolas na Hearadh (Sound of Harris): name centred NF 96 81. North Uist, 8th Oct. 'The LORD WELLINGTON, Madjin, from Archangel to Bristol, ran on shore at Lochmaddy 5th inst., but expected to be got off the next spring tide. She makes very little water.' Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 6266, London, Tuesday October 23 1827. NMRS, MS/829/71 (no. 6581). (Classified as [full-rigged] ship: no cargo specified, but date of loss cited as 5 October 1827). Lord Wellington: this vessel stranded near Lochmaddy [Loch nam Madadh]. Capt. Madjin. All gone? Registration:

London. (Location of loss cited as N57 36.0 W7 5.0). I G Whittaker 1998.

**NGR** NF 9200 6800

Site Name CHARLES AND ELLEN

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 8010

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF96NW 8010 c. 92 68 N57 36 W7 9 NLO: Loch nam Madadh (Lochmaddy)

[name: NF 918 689] Loch Maddy (Loch nam Madadh) [name centred NF 931 685] Caolas na Hearadh (Sound of Harris): name centred NF 96 81. CHARLES & ELLEN, three-masted schooner, of Barrow, Renney, from Iceland for Chester, in ballast, drove ashore from her anchorage at Lochmaddy, during a terrific SSW gale yesterday (Oct. 1). The vessel is lying on her beam ends on a rock and is likely to become a total wreck: crew saved. (Lochmaddy, North Uist, Oct. 2, 8 p.m.). Source: Shipping Intelligence, LL, No. 21,351, London, Wednesday October 4 1882. CHARLES & ELLEN, 3-masted schooner, of Barrow, J. F. Bennet master, from Iceland for Liverpool, in ballast, reported as ashore at Lochmaddy, with bottom [Record received incomplete]. NMRS, MS/829/70 (no. 5376). The loss of this vessel is not cited by I G Whittaker (1998). Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 3

February 2005.

Site No 100

NGR NF 9200 6800 Site Name GLENTANNER

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 8012

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 8012 c. 92 68 N57 36 W7 9 NLO: Loch nam Madadh (Lochmaddy)

[name: NF 918 689] Loch Maddy (Loch nam Madadh) [name centred NF 931 685] Caolas na Hearadh (Sound of Harris): name centred NF 96 81. Lochmaddy, North Uist, 22d Dec. 'The GLENTANNER, Skeen, from Stockholm to Limerick, drove from her anchors in this harbor during a dreadful gale from S., this morning, and got upon the rocks, and has sustained so much injury that the cargo must be discharged. Crew saved.' Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 6703, London, Friday December 30 1831. NMRS, MS/829/71 (no. 6822). Lochmaddy, North Uist, 11th Feb. 'The GLENTANNER, from Stockholm to Limerick, which was driven on rocks in this harbor in December, slipped off after her cargo of iron was got out, and sunk in deep water, but has been raised, and hauled into a creek a complete wreck.' Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 6719, London, Friday February 24 1832. NMRS, MS/829/71 (no. 7000). (Classified as brigantine, with cargo of iron: date of loss cited as December 1831). Glentannar: this vessel stranded at Lochmaddy [Loch nam Madadh], slipped off, and sank: all gone to harbour, a wreck. Capt. Skeen. Registration: Aberdeen. Built 1811. 161 tons burthern. Length: 23m. Beam: 7m. (Location of loss cited as N57 35.75 W7 9.5). I G Whittaker 1998. The location and map sheet assigned to this record are essentially tentative. Lochmaddy harbour is not indicated as such on the 1996 edition of the OS 1:50,000 map: the term may apply to Loch nam Madadh as a whole. Lochmaddy pier (NF96NW 46) is at NF 9198 6800. The classification cited by Whittaker remains unverified. Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 6 May 2005.

NGR NF 9050 6800 Site Name STROMBAN

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

None

**SMR No** 2540

NMRS No NF96SW 30

HS Designation

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF96NW 30 centred on 905 680 A township comprising one unroofed, seven

roofed buildings, four enclosures and a short length of head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xxxv). Seven unroofed, five roofed buildings, two enclosures and the head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 3 November 1997.

Site No 102

NGR NF 9200 6800 Site Name QUEEN

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 8015

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF96NW 8015 c. 92 68 N57 36 W7 9 NLO: Loch nam Madadh (Lochmaddy)

[name: NF 918 689] Loch Maddy (Loch nam Madadh) [name centred NF 931 685] Caolas na Hearadh (Sound of Harris): name centred NF 96 81. Loch Maddy [Lochmaddy], North Uist, 26th April. 'The QUEEN, Hawkins, from Shields to Londonderry, was driven on shore in this harbor, during a violent gale 24th inst.; and must discharge to get off. Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 8470, London, Monday May 3 1841. Lochmaddy, North Uist, 7th May. 'The QUEEN, Hawkins, from Shields to Londonderry, which was on shore in this harbor, has been got off leaky, after discharging part of her cargo. Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 8481, London, Saturday May 15 1841. NMRS, MS/829/71 (no. 7614). The location and map sheet assigned to this record are essentially tentative. Lochmaddy harbour is not indicated as such on the 1996 edition of the OS 1:50,000 map: the term may apply to Loch nam Madadh as a whole. Lochmaddy pier (NF96NW 46) is at NF 9198 6800. The loss of this vessel is not cited by I G Whittaker (1998), presumably on account of her successful recovery. Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 14 September 2005.

NGR NF 9103 6789 Site Name STROMBAN

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1248

NMRS No NF96NW 8
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 8 9103 6789. (Area: NF 909 670) A slight mound with some very large

stones lying on its surface situated on a northern spur of Stromban, is probably the site of an old structure of some kind. E Beveridge 1911. No trace of any features other than some recent depopulated structures, was seen at Stromban. Beveridge is probably referring to some large stones on a slight mound at the end of the small promontory at NF 9103 6789 which appear to be natural, but may be the remnants

of old shielings. Visited by OS (W D J) 24 June 1965.

Site No 104

NGR NF 9126 6778 Site Name DUN LEIRAVAY

Site Type DUN SMR No 1246

NMRS No NF96NW 6
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 6 9126 6778. (NF 9126 6778) Dun Leiravay, a round tidal islet in the

narrow passage between Eileen Leiravay and the peninsula of Stromban, the summit of which rises some 4ft above the highest tides. The summit has been defended by a stone wall now almost entirely removed. Only a few tumbled stones remaining. It seems to have had a external diameter of about 30ft. E Beveridge 1911; RCAHMS 1928. No trace of a structure can now be seen on this islet. Visited by OS (W D J) 24

June 1965.

Site No 105

**NGR** NF 9123 6777

Site Name EILEAN LEIRAVAY

Site Type 'MOUND'; NATURAL FEATURE

**SMR No** 1247

NMRS No NF96NW 7

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 7 9123 6777. (NF 9123 6777) A mound or cairn c.20ft in diameter and 5ft

high, covered by turf and loose stones, is situated about 30 yards W of the dun site (NF96NW 6) E Beveridge 1911. There are some loose stones on the very small islet at this sport; but nothing to indicate a cairn. The islet appears to be wholly natural; and no mound akin to that described by Beveridge was seen within the area. Visited

by OS (W D J) 24 June 1965.

**NGR** NF 9092 6775

Site Name BAGH LEIREABHAGH

Site Type ENCLOSURE

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph 540/A/461 Frame 3095 clearly shows an irregular shaped

enclosure located on a small headland. This is also visible on current OS maps.

Site No 107

**NGR** NF 9473 6768

Site Name AIRD NAM MADADH
Site Type BUILDING (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph 540/A/461 Frame 3118 shows the very faint traces of what

may be a rectangular shaped building orientated north to south defined by a turf

bank.

Site No 108

NGR NF 9037 6764 Site Name LEIRAVAY BAY

Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 2536

NMRS No NF96NW 26

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 26 centred on 9037 6764 A township comprising two roofed, six unroofed

buildings and an enclosure of three compartments is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xxxv). Two unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map

(1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 21 April 1997.

NGR NF 9170 6760 Site Name CAM-ARD-MOR

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE); HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2535

NMRS No NF96NW 25

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 25 centred on 917 676 What may be a township comprising three

unroofed buildings, one of which is T-shaped, and two lengths of head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xxxv). Two unroofed buildings and the head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS

(SAH) 21 April 1997.

Site No 110

**NGR** NF 9460 6733

Site Name ACAIRSEID NAM MADADH HARBOUR

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE); HARBOUR

**SMR No** 1680

NMRS No NF96NW 20

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF96NW 20 centred on 9460 6733 Centred NF 9460 6733, at the E end of Acairseid

nam Madadh are a harbour and four building foundations measuring from 18m by 5m to 5.5m by 4m and standing 0.7m high. Visited by OS (WDJ) 29 June 1965 What may be a small township comprising three unroofed buildings is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1881, sheet xxxvi) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 21 April 1997.

NGR NF 9227 6727 Site Name BURNSIDE

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 2241

NMRS No NF96NW 8001

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 8001 9227 6727 N57 35.4333 W7 9.05 Formerly entered as NF96NW

9537. NLO: Loch nam Madadh (Lochmaddy) [name: NF 918 689] Loch Maddy (Loch nam Madadh) [name centred NF 931 685]. BURNSIDE, wreck stands 9 metres above a sand and mud bottom, 7 metres deep. She is 95% intact. The engine room has 1 metre of silt in it. The source includes sketch map of the location. Source: Butland & Siedlecki, BSAC Wreck Register, Scotland 2, 1987. Horizontal Datum = OGB General water depth = 7 Circumstances of Loss Details -The steamship BURNSIDE was beached, following a fire. The vessel was formerly known as SPAARNSTROOM. Surveying Details -15 December 1982. The wreck lies heavily overgrown with weed, almost intact. The hatch covers are missing. No cargo is apparent. The upper part of the wheelhouse is missing. Part of the foc'sle and 4 davits always show at highwater. Position given as 57 35 26N, 007 09 03W. Source: BSAC Wreck Register, Vol 6. Hydrographic Office, 1995. (Former name cited as Dunmore and classified as steamship, with general cargo: date of loss cited as 13 March 1933). This vessel caught fire and sank 0.5 miles SW of Lochamaddy harbour. I G Whittaker 1998. Material reported under RoW amnesty (2001): A3939 2 copper pipes: from seabed. NMRS, MS/829/35. The 1996 edition of the OS 1:50,000 map does not note Vallaquie Island, but indicates Lochmaddy [Loch Maddy: Loch nan Madadh] pier at NF 920 679. The location cited by the Hydrographic Office and by BSAC places the wreck to the SE of the pier, rather than to the SW as is suggested by Whittaker. Whittaker also notes that the vessel previously bore the name Dunmore. Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 2 April 2002. I G Whittaker 1998.

Site No 112

**NGR** NF 9290 6720

Site Name BAGH NAM FAOCHAG

Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 2533

NMRS No NF96NW 23

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 23 centred on 929 672 A township comprising six unroofed buildings is

depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xxxv). Five unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 21 April 1997.

**NGR** NF 9400 6708

Site Name BAGH AIRD NAM MADADH

Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 1679

NMRS No NF96NW 19

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF96NW 19 centred on 9400 6708 Centred NF 9400 6708, where an unnamed

stream flows into Bagh Aird nam Madadh are nine ruined buildings measuring from 32m by 5m to 5m by 4m and standing from 0.8m to 2m high. Visited by OS (WDJ) 29 June 1965 Seven unroofed buildings, one of which is a long building and another is L-shaped, are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1881, sheet xxxvi). Eight unroofed buildings and an enclosure are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 21 April 1997.

Site No 114

**NGR** NF 9003 6703

Site Name LOCH A'CHONNOCHAIR
Site Type 'DUN'; NATURAL FEATURE

SMR No

NMRS No NF96NW 9

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 9 9003 6703. A small island in Loch a' Chonnachair is connected on its W

by Y-shaped causeway, two branches converging into one towards the island end. E Beveridge 1911. There are no traces of a structure on this heather-covered island, measuring  $12.8 \times 7.3 \text{m} \times 1.6 \text{m}$ . high, which is situated approximately 12.0 m from the W shore of the loch at NF 9003 6703. The Y-shaped causeway is visible as a vague spread of stones in shallow water, but is probably a natural formation. Visited by OS

(N K B) 24 June 1965.

Site No 115

**NGR** NF 9225 6686

Site Name BAGH CAOLAS NAN EILEIN

Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 2534

NMRS No NF96NW 24

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 24 centred on 9225 6686 A township comprising four unroofed buildings,

one of which is T-shaped, is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xxxv). Five unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 21 April 1997.

**NGR** NF 9417 6658

Site Name UAMH A'BHALBAIN

Site Type CAVE; MIDDEN; POTTERY

**SMR No** 1243

NMRS No NF96NW 3 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96NW 3 9417 6658. Uamh a' Bhalbhain, a cave with evidence of former

habitation, lies 400 yards S from Ardmaddy Bay, at the base of a crag on the eastern slope of North Lee. It is 8 yards in width by 3-4ft in height and extends 6-9ft inwards. The floor towards its S end contained kitchen midden shells, ashes and pottery fragments. E Beveridge 1911. A cave or rock-shelter corresponding to Beveridge's description and measurements, was located at NF 94176658. There is now little trace occupational remains. The name was not confirmed. Visited by OS

(W D J) 29 June 1965.

Site No 117

NGR NF 9187 6637 Site Name BUAIL' AIRD

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE); ENCLOSURE

**SMR No** 2537

NMRS No NF96NW 27

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF96NW 27 9187 6637 An enclosure is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch

map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xxxv). What may be two unroofed shieling-huts, one of which is L-shaped are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 21 April 1997.

Site No 118

NGR NF 9090 6470 Site Name TOTA HUNDER

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2530

NMRS No NF96SW 13

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96SW 13 centred on 909 647 What may be a township comprising three unroofed

buildings, one of which has an attached enclosure, is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xl). Two unroofed buildings and an enclosure are shown on the current edition of the OS

1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 30 April 1997.

**NGR** NF 9069 6438

Site Name LOCH EPORT, AIRD BHEAG
Site Type 'DUN'; NATURAL FEATURE

**SMR No** 1257

NMRS No NF96SW 5 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96SW 5 9069 6438. A small promontory called Ard Bheag, at Tota Hunder, Near

Loch Eford, is capped by a conical green mound with a number of stones embedded upon its summit. If these represent the foundations of a building they are in all probability the remains of a dun. E Beveridge 1911. NF 9069 6438. This is simply natural rock outcrop on top of a conical green knoll. Visited by OS (R D) 11 June

1965.

Site No 120

**NGR** NF 9254 6416

Site Name BUAILE CARAGARRY

Site Type HUT-CIRCLE

**SMR No** 1259

NMRS No NF96SW 7 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96SW 7 9254 6416. At NF 9254 6416, in a sheltered level area, are the remains of

a hut circle, 7.7m internal diameter. The wall, 0.6m maximum height, varies in thickness from 0.8 to 1.5m with the entrance in the E side. Visited by OS (N K B) 11

June 1965.

Site No 121

**NGR** NF 9220 6402

Site Name DUN CARAGARRY

Site Type DUN SMR No 1258

NMRS No NF96SW 6
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96SW 6 9220 6402. (Area NF 925 640) Dun Caragarry, situated at a considerable

elevation halfway up the shoulder of South Lee, occupying a narrow ridge of great natural strength. The entrance appears to have been towards the E, although no remains of the doorway could be verified. Double walls are traceable here and at the S, and have been combined with natural features to form an enclosure c.35 x 48ft at the centre of which is an almost perfect domed cell, formed by a wall 2-3ft thick, mainly circular, interior c.6 1/2 x 5ft, with the doorway on the W. The slope of a massive boulder, forming part of the defence system on the W, produces a cave-like recess which has been enclosed by low walls to form an oblong chamber 10 x 6ft. Within was found a layer of undisturbed kitchen-midden remains. Potsherds, bone, shells, ashes, etc. were also found in the exterior wall on the S of the fort. Outside its E end is a shelter, perhaps a guard-chamber, and to the SE, 20-30 yards down the slope, is a probable cattle-pen. North Uist 1911; RCAHMS 1928. NF 9220 6402. Dun Caragarry is as described above. Visited by OS (R D) 11 June 1965.

**NGR** NF 9100 6400

Site Name ESSIR

Site Type SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Speed's map of 1610 & 1662 marks a settlement annotated as 'Essir' on the east coast

of North Uist. True location is unknown.

Site No 123

**NGR** NF 9250 6383

Site Name BUAILE CARAGARRY

Site Type SHIELING-HUT (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2531

NMRS No NF96SW 14

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96SW 14 9250 6383 What may be an unroofed shieling-hut is depicted on the 1st

edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xl) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 30 April 1997.

Site No 124

NGR NF 9000 6300 Site Name MY SEAL

Site Type FISHING VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF96SW 8003

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96SW 8003 c. 90 63 N57 33 W7 11 NLO: Loch Euphort [name centred NF 883

635]. (Registrtation number cited as INS 25 and classified as steam drifter: date of loss cited as 17 December 1930). This vessel was wrecked in Loch Eport. I G Whittaker 1998. Material reported under RoW amnesty (2001): A1694 porthole: from seabed. (No accurate location cited). NMRS, MS/829/35. Possibly on map sheet NF86SE. The entrance to Loch Euphort (Loch Eport] is at NG 92 63. Information

from RCAHMS (RJCM), 25 September 2003.

**NGR** NF 9000 6300

Site Name UNKNOWN: IFFEG MOR

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 2193

NMRS No NF96SW 8001

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96SW 8001 c. 90 63 N57 33 W7 11 Location formerly cited as NF 9062 6327

[N57 33.2167 W7 10.4]. NLO: Loch Euphort [name centred NF 883 635]. Possibly on map sheet NF86SE. Horizontal Datum = OGB Surveying Details 20 August 1990. A stranded wreck is shown close to the W of Iffeg Mor, Loch Eport entrance. Report from extract in 'The Yachtsman's Pilot to the W Coast of Scotland'. Not discernible on aerial photography taken in 1988. Hydrographic Office, 1995. Iffeg Mor is not noted on the 1996 edition of the OS 1:50,000 map but is presumably one of the islands around NF 90 32. The entrance to Loch Euphort (Loch Eport] is at

NG 92 63. Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 2 April 2002.

Site No 126

NGR NF 9200 6300 Site Name RECTITUDE

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF96SW 8002

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF96SW 8002 c. 92 63 N57 33 W7 9 NLO: Loch Euphort [name centred NF 883

635]. 3 March 1893. RECTITUDE. 9 years of Stornoway. Wood trading smack. 37 ton. 3 men. Master D. Mackenzie. Owner J. Maclean, Stornoway. Loch Eport, N. Uist to Dunvegan, Skye. Cured herrings. Wind SSW4. Loch Eport, N. Uist. Source: PP Abstracts of Shipping Casualties on Coasts, or in Rivers and Harbours of the UK July 1892-93 (1894 [C.7324] LXXVI.505). NMRS, MS/829/68 (no. 1298). (Classified as wooden ketch, with cargo of cured herring: date of loss cited as 3 March 1893).

This vessel stranded at Loch Eport [Euphort]. I G Whittaker 1998.

Site No 127

**NGR** NF 9130 6270

Site Name BAGH A'BHIORAIN
Site Type CUP-MARKINGS

**SMR No** 1261

NMRS No NF96SW 9
HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF96SW 9 913 627. There are 2 or 3 cup marks (50mm diameter) and a bowl

(165mm diameter and 65mm deep) on the upper face of a large glacially smoothed boulder lying on surface of ground. about 10m outside E end of long cairn(NF96SW 8). The bowl has been ground smoothly to a conical shape and a rounded base. Lord

and Lady Granville, G R Curtis and M R Ponting 1986.

**NGR** NF 9130 6270

Site Name BAGH A'BHIORAIN

Site Type CAIRN: LONG

**SMR No** 1260

NMRS No NF96SW 8 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96SW 8 913 627. 'Between two low rock ridges are extensive remains of a large

rubble structure, probably a long cairn, about 55m long and 20m broad, oriented aproximately EW. There is no evidence of chambers but one long slab is visible in the original structure. Six relatively modern rectangular drystone structures have been built on and beside it, mostly 2m by 3m internally. At the N side is evidence of a low stone setting representing possibly either original kerbing or recent walling. At the W end are two grassy hollows about 3m diameter'. Lord and Lady Granville, G R Curtis

and M R Ponting 1986.

Site No 129

NGR NF 9061 6263 Site Name BURRIVAL

Site Type MOUND; ENCLOSURE

**SMR No** 1251

NMRS No NF96SW 10

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96SW 10 9061 6263. 'A sub-rectangular grass covered rubble mound or raised area

with flat top, as marked on the 1:25,000 map, is surrounded by a moat some 7m to 9m wide (now filled with moss) which is possibly crossed by stepping stones to SW. Height of mound may be disguised by peat in moat and internal features may yet be undisturbed. On the mound partly ruined drystone walls form a relatively modern enclosure, about 12m in width and length internally. Concave walling on SW edge of mound may or may not be part of the original mound'. G R Curtis and M R Ponting

1986.

Site No 130

NGR NF 9060 6250 Site Name BURRIVAL

Site Type MOUND; SHIELING-HUT

**SMR No** 1252

NMRS No NF96SW 11

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF96SW 11 906 625. A small sub-rectangular grass covered mound stands in heather

some 75m S of NF96SW 10. On it are the remains of a relatively modern shieling, approximately 2m by 3m internally, with entrance. G R Curtis and M R Ponting 1986.

**NGR** NF 8500 6000

Site Name STIG

Site Type SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Speed's map of 1610 & 1662 shows a possible settlement annotated 'Stig' on what

appears to be the south coast of North Uist. Its true location is unknown.

Site No 132

**NGR** NF 8539 5993

Site Name KNOCK-CUIEN, BARP HACKLETT

Site Type CHAMBERED CAIRN; SHIELING-HUTS

**SMR No** 999

NMRS No NF85NE 1
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NE 1 8539 5993. NF 853 598 (Information from MS of A S Henshall's

'Chambered Tombs of Scotland' Vol. 2, 6). Very little remains of Barp Hacklett, a chambered cairn that it now an irregular mound 6 to 9ft high with a suggested diameter of 70ft. It has been extensively robbed for building stone (E Beveridge 1911). There are no indications that this cairn has been chambered, though the name implies this, and it is probable. There are foundations of small huts and enclosures on and around it but the only visible features of the cairn itself are a boulder set on end, 3ft high, at the NNE edge, now incorportaed into later walling, two upright stones 19ft 6ins to the SSW of it, and another, 4ft long, set upright near the centre of the mound. E Beveridge 1911. The amorphous remains of Barp Hacklett, at NF 8539 5993, are as described above. The 'huts and enclosures' built on and around the cairn are shielings, and a modern cairn 0.9m high has been built on the site. The name is still known locally. Visited by OS (N K B) 3 June 1965.

Site No 133

NGR NF 8511 5980 Site Name KNOCK-CUIEN

Site Type BUILDING

**SMR No** 2580

NMRS No NF85NE 22

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NE 22 8511 5980 An unroofed building is depicted on the 1st edition of the

OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xl), but it is not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 30 April 1997

**NGR** NF 9105 5977

Site Name LOCH A' GHEADAIS

Site Type BUILDINGS; ENCLOSURE; LAZY BEDS

**SMR No** 1683

NMRS No NF95NW 4

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF95NW 4 9105 5977. Centred NF 9105 5977 are the remains of two rectangular

buildings, 10.7m by 3.5m and 1m high, and a small enclosure. Visited by OS (JTT) 3

June 1965.

Site No 135

**NGR** NF 8890 5966

Site Name LOCH DUN AN T-SIAMAIN

Site Type ENCLOSURE

**SMR No** 2582

NMRS No NF85NE 23

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NE 23 8890 5966 A three compartment enclosure is depicted on the 1st

edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xl). A two compartment enclosure annotated as Sheep Pens is shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 30 April

1997.

None

Site No 136

 NGR
 NF 9055 5965

 Site Name
 EAVAL

 Site Type
 CAVE

 SMR No
 1687

NMRS No NF95NW 3

**HS Designation** 

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF95NW 3 9055 5965. Beveridge was informed that there was evidence of human

occupation here, but this cave was not visited by him. E Beveridge 1911.

**NGR** NF 8858 5949

Site Name DUN AN T-SIAMAIN

Site Type DUN SMR No 1013

NMRS No NF85NE 4
HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF85NE 4 88587 59495. (NF 8857 5947) Dun an t-Siamain (NR) OS 6"map,

Inverness-shire, 2nd ed., (1903) Dun an t-Siamain lies on an island in, and gives its name to, a loch in North Uist. It is somewhat circular, 44ft N-S by 52ft E-W over walls 52 to 75ins thick. There are signs of a doorway, 33ins wide, slightly south of the island end of a causeway, which zig-zags to the eastern shore of the loch, 25 yards away. There is a boat entrance to the south. Traces of a circular cell, 51ins across, can be seen on the east edge of the island, and remains of another, apparently domeshaped, with a base diameter of about 4ft, are in the north. To the north of the shore end of the causeway, there is a walled recess in the bank which probably served as a cattle shelter. E Beveridge 1911. Dun an t-Siamain is generally as described above, but is oval in plan, measuring 14.0m N-S by 9.0m E-W with walls 1.3m wide. The walled recess, described as a cattle-shelter by Beverdige, is on the eastern shore of the loch and appears to be a relatively modern shieling. Across the island end of the causeway there is a defensive wall 1.0 m. wide by 1.5m high and 3.0m long. Surveyed

at 1:1250 and 1:10,560. Visited by OS (R D) 9 June 1965.

Site No 138

**NGR** NF 8470 5940

Site Name CLAIGIONN A' BHAILE
Site Type BUILDING; ENCLOSURES

**SMR No** 2581

NMRS No NF85NW 17

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NW 17 847 594 One unroofed building and two enclosures are depicted on the

1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North Uist etc. 1882, sheet xl), but they are not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map

(1972). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 30 April 1997.

**NGR** NF 8650 5939

Site Name LOCH NAN GEALAG

Site Type DUN SMR No 1012

NMRS No NF85NE 3
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NE 3 8650 5939. (Area: NF 865 594) There is an island fort, 25ft by 30ft, of

which three or four courses of small stones remain along its southern edge, in Loch nan Gealag, North Uist. A causeway, 30 yards long, connects it to the east shore. There is a possible boat harbour at the north-east. E Beveridge 1911. NF 8650 5939. As described above. Tumbled stone, 1.5m high, and scrub obscure the remains of the wall. The causeway is now submerged for a quarter of its length: the boat harbour

is a natural inlet. Visited by OS (N K B) 3 June 1965.

Site No 140

**NGR** NF 9136 5938

Site Name LOCH A'GHEADAIS

Site Type DUN SMR No 1232

NMRS No NF95NW 1 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF95NW 1 9136 5938. (NF 9136 5938) Dun (NR) OS 6"map, Inverness-shire, 2nd

ed., (1904) An island fort is situated in Loch a' Gheadais. The islet is enclosed at the water's edge by a wall, 6ft high on the N, within which is a mound about 15ft high. The ruins of a small circular building stand within the main entrance on the northern (lower) end of the islet. A causeway, slightly curved at both ends, and 30 yards by 5ft wide, leads northwards to a broad point projecting into the E side of the loch. E Beveridge 1911. The dun, causeway, and building are generally as described above. The walls of the dun are 1.3m thick. No entrance was noted. The drystone building in the NW corner is oval and measures 2.7 x 2.0 x 0.5m high, with an entrance in the SW corner. It may or may not be contemporary with the dun. Visited by OS (R D) 8

June 1965.

Site No 141

**NGR** NF 8490 5916

Site Name CLADDACH CARINISH

Site Type BYRE

SMR No

NMRS No NF85NW 39
HS Designation Listed C(s)
Designation No 17566

**DBA Report** Probably 19th century. Hebridean-type thatched cottage, with byre alongside.

COTTAGE: single storey; 3-bay east front with central door; rubble-built slightly battered walls; end stacks; muran thatch roof secured with netting and stone weights over inner wallhead. BYRE: also rubble-built, east-facing door; corrugated-iron gabled roof. Pavement to front; stackyard to rear (west) clearly indicated by raised

circular (stone) stack stands.

**NGR** NF 8490 5915

Site Name CLADDACH CARINISH

**Site Type** COTTAGE

SMR No

NMRS No NF85NW 37 HS Designation Listed C(s) Designation No 17566

**DBA Report** Probably 19th century. Hebridean-type thatched cottage, with byre alongside.

COTTAGE: single storey; 3-bay east front with central door; rubble-built slightly battered walls; end stacks; muran thatch roof secured with netting and stone weights over inner wallhead. BYRE: also rubble-built, east-facing door; corrugated-iron gabled roof. Pavement to front; stackyard to rear (west) clearly indicated by raised

circular (stone) stack stands.

Site No 143

**NGR** NF 8530 5900

Site Name CLADDACH-CARINISH
Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2579

NMRS No NF85NE 24

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NE 24 centred on 853 590 A township comprising twenty-one roofed, eight

unroofed buildings, ten enclosures and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv). Fourteen roofed, thirty unroofed buildings and several enclosures are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS

(SAH) 7 May 1997.

Site No 144

**NGR** NF 8522 5899

Site Name CLADDACH CARNISH

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

SMR No

NMRS No NF85NE 32 HS Designation Listed B Designation No 17565

**DBA Report** Probably 19th century. Skye-type thatched cottage. Single storey; centre-doored 3-

bay south west front, single window central on rear wall. Limewashed rubble, slightly battered walls, curved angles. End stacks; muran thatch roof, reaching over eaves,

and secured with stone weights.

**NGR** NF 8570 5892

Site Name CLADDACH CARINISH

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

SMR No

NMRS No NF85NE 31
HS Designation Listed B
Designation No 17564

**DBA Report** Late 19th/early 20th century. Skye-type thatched cottage. Single storey; centre-

doored 3-bay south west front. Single window central on north east wall. Rubble-built slightly battered walls with curved angles; limewashed. End stacks; muran thatch roof, reaching over eaves, secured with netting and stone weights. Thatch-roofed

outbuilding to north.

Site No 146

NGR NF 8485 5878
Site Name GARBH-EILEAN
Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF85NW 26

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NW 26 centred on 8485 5878 A small township comprising one unroofed, four

roofed buildings and three enclosures is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv). Two unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1972).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 7 May 1997.

Site No 147

**NGR** NF 8464 5876

Site Name EILEAN A' GHIORR

Site Type QUARRY

SMR No

NMRS No NF85NW 46

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NW 46 NF 8464 5876. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 8936 5872

Site Name EAVAL, AN DUNAN Site Type FORT (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1005

NMRS No NF85NE 15

**HS** Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF85NE 15 8936 5872. There is a flat-topped mound about 12ft high, known locally

> as An Dunan, with some appearance of a wall in the west face, on a small promontory 150 yds NW of the western of the two islets near Rudh an Duin (NF85NE 14), above the shore at Eaval. E Beveridge 1911. This feature, a possible promontory fort, is generally as described above. The grass-covered wall, crossing the neck of the promontory for a distance of some 7.0m, measures 0.4m maximum height externally and approximately 1.1m wide, but only vague traces of the inner wall- face are evident. It is sited at NF 8936 5872. The NW, SW and SE sides of the promontory are steep but accessible. Some 20.0m NE of the wall there are the grasscovered footings of 3 buildings, 1 boat-shaped and 2 oval, which may be associated

with the site. Visited by OS (N K B) 3 June 1965.

149 Site No

NGR NF 8578 5855 Site Name **DUN CHEREIN** 

Site Type DUN SMR No 1010

NMRS No NF85NE 2

**HS** Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF85NE 2 8578 5855. (Name: NF 857 585) Dun Cheirein (NAT) OS 6"map,

> Inverness-shire, 2nd ed., (1904) The site of Dun Cheirein, which stood above the shore immediately west of the mouth of Bolltravagh, is now occupied by a crofter's house. (RCAHMS 1928) The name signifies 'Crest Fort'. (Name Book 1878) RCAHMS 1928; Name Book 1878. There are no extant remains of Dun Cheirein.

The house which occupies the site, at NF 8578 5855, is now ruined. Name

confirmed. Visited by OS (N K B) 3 June 1965.

**NGR** NF 8948 5855

Site Name EILEAN NA H-IOLAIRE 2

None

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1004

NMRS No NF85NE 14

HS Designation

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF85NE 14 8948 5855. At NF 8948 5855, on a grassy tidal islet, there are the

possible remains of an oval dun, with walling 1.3m thick and 0.9m maximum height, which has been mutilated by coastal erosion. The wall is constructed of large unhewn stones, and skirts the island at HWMOST. There is no causeway. Visited by OS (N K B) 3 June 1965. MS notes on OS cards suggest that one of NF85NE 13, 14 or 15 may be equated with RCAHMS 1928, Inventory... Outer Hebrides p.59, No. 188. The location cited by RCAHMS fits best with NF85NE 14, and the size indicated on

the divorced survey plan agrees with that recorded by RCAHMS.

Site No 151

**NGR** NF 8480 5850

Site Name EILEAN A' GHIORR

Site Type TOWNSHIP

SMR No

NMRS No NF85NW 11

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF85NW 11 centred on 848 585 (previously recorded at NF 858 584) A township

comprising one unroofed, one partially roofed, three roofed buildings and two enclosures is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv). One roofed, five unroofed buildings and an enclosure are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map

(1972). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 7 May 1997.

Site No 152

**NGR** NF 8973 5850

Site Name EILEAN NA H-IOLAIRE I

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1003

NMRS No NF85NE 13

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NE 13 8973 5850. At NF 8973 5850, on a grassy tidal islet, there are the

remains of a possible dun. Traces of a curved wall of large stones, 1.2m thick and 0.6m high, extending for about 14.0m., bound the southern arc of the islet at HWMOST. The remainder of the wall has probably been eroded. Visited by OS (N

KB) 3 June 1965.

NGR NF 8750 5850
Site Name LIERNISH
Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 1799

NMRS No NF85NE 21 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NE 21 875 585 The village of Liernish, deserted in the early 19th-century was

planned by I A Crawford [on behalf of the School of Scottish Studies]. D G Hurst

1969.

Site No 154

**NGR** NF 8480 5840

Site Name EILEAN A' GHIORR
Site Type CROSS (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No NF85NW 9 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NW 9 848 584. A mound near the centre of Eilean a' Ghiorr is possible the site

of a cross. E Beveridge 1911. No local knowledge of a cross at this site. Visited by

OS (RD) 8 June 1965.

Site No 155

**NGR** NF 9015 5770

Site Name SEANNA CHAISTEAL
Site Type 'FORT': NIL ANTIQUITY

**SMR No** 1684

NMRS No NF95NW 5
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF95NW 5 9015 5770. Seanna Chaisteal (a small island off the NE coast of Romay):

name means 'the old castle'. The rock to the W (at NF 9004 5771) is known locally as

'the fort's kitchen'. No traces of occupation on either. E Beveridge 1911.

Site No 156

NGR NF 8920 5740
Site Name RONAYBEG
Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 1007

NMRS No NF85NE 17 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NE 17 892 574. Remains of four buildings, 5.0m by 3.0m to 7.0m by 4.0m, with

two associated enclosures. Visited by OS 4 June 1965.

**NGR** NF 8934 5726

Site Name RONAYBEG, BAD FO-LEAC

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1009

NMRS No NF85NE 19

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF85NE 19 centred on 8934 5726 Remains of three buildings, best preserved 9.0m

by 4.0m and 1.0m high. Visited by OS 4 June 1965 Three unroofed buildings are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map

(1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 7 May 1997.

Site No 158

NGR NF 8950 5710
Site Name RONAYBEG
Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 1008

NMRS No NF85NE 18

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NE 18 centred on 895 571 (NF 895 570) Remains of four buildings, best

preserved 7.4m by 5.0m and 1.4m high. Visited by OS 4 June 1965 Two unroofed buildings are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv) and on the current edition of the

OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 7 May 1997.

Site No 159

**NGR** NF 9053 5689

Site Name RONAY, ACAIRSEID FHALAICH

Site Type BUILDINGS

**SMR No** 2541

NMRS No NF95NW 6
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF95NW 6 9053 5689 Two unroofed buildings are depicted on the 1st edition of the

OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv),

but they are not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1970).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 7 May 1997.

NGR NF 8847 5652

Site Name RONAY, BUAILE-MHOR

None

Site Type **TOWNSHIP** 

**SMR No** 1002

NMRS No NF85NE 12

**HS** Designation

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF85NE 12 centred on 8847 5652 There is an extensive area of depopulation,

centred on NF 8847 5652, containing the remains of at least 22 buildings, varying in size from 5.0m x 3.0m to 15.0m x 5.5m with a maximum height of 1.4m, together with at least 5 associated enclosures. No name was found for the area: the date of desertion is thought to be post-1845. Visited by OS (J T T) 3 June 1965 One roofed and five unroofed buildings are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv). Thirteen unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 7 May 1997.

Site No 161

NGR NF 9052 5644

Site Name RONAY, BAGH NA CAIPLICH Site Type SHIELING-HUTS; ENCLOSURE

SMR No 1682

NMRS No NF95NW 2

**HS** Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF95NW 2 9052 5644 Circular structure, 34 ft in diameter. E Beveridge 1911 Two

shieling-type structures and a possibly associated enclosure. Visited by OS (ITT) 3 June 1965 Two unroofed shieling-huts are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv), but they are not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1970).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 7 May 1997.

Site No 162

**NGR** NF 8851 5609

Site Name RONAY, RUBHA CHNAIP

Site Type **DYKES** 

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph 540/A/461 Frame 3069 shows two linear dykes that cut off

the north western and south eastern headlands that form Bagh Clann Neill from the

main part of Ronay.

NGR NF 8909 5584 Site Name **RONAY** Site Type BUILDING

**SMR No** 2573

NMRS No NF85NE 26

None

**HS** Designation

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF85NE 26 8909 5584 An unroofed building is depicted on the 1st edition of the

> OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 7 May 1997.

Site No 164

NGR NF 8990 5583 Site Name **RONAY** 

CHAPEL (POSSIBLE) Site Type

None

SMR No 1000

NMRS No NF85NE 10

**HS** Designation

Designation No

**DBA** Report There is a little chapel in the island of Rona, called the Lowlanders' Chapel, because

seamen who die in time of fishing are buried in that place', M Martin, 1695.

Beveridge infers from Martin's statement 'the existence of a pre-Reformation chapel and a rocky knoll near the the west side of Ronay north of the only dwelling which that island contains, is known as Cnoc nan Gall' (Hill of the Lowlanders). E Beveridge 1911. The site of this chapel was not located (Visited by OS (JTT) 3 June

1965.

Site No 165

NGR NF 8930 5573

Site Name RONAY, BUAILE DRUIDHNEACH

Site Type BUILDING

SMR No 2574

NMRS No NF85NE 27

**HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NE 27 8930 5573 An unroofed building is depicted on the 1st edition of the

OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv)

and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 7 May 1997.

**NGR** NF 8997 5528

Site Name RONAY, LOCH NA SRUTHAN BEAG

**Site Type** FARMSTEAD

**SMR No** 2576

NMRS No NF85NE 29

None

**HS** Designation

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85NE 29 8997 5528 A farmstead comprising two unroofed buildings is depicted

on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv). One unroofed building of three compartments is shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS

(SAH) 7 May 1997.

Site No 167

**NGR** NF 8972 5520

Site Name RONAY, LOCH NA SRUTHAN BEAG

Site Type DUN (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 1018

NMRS No NF85NE 9
HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

DBA Report NF85NE 9 8972 5520. (NF 8972 5520) A curved causeway, nearly 20 yards long,

from the shore to the southern, and smaller, of two islets in Loch na Sruthan Beag, Ronay, is an indication of the former existence of a dun. E Beveridge 1911. There is no evidence of a dun on this islet (which seems to be too small). No causeway can be seen, although a tumbled fragment of wall on the shore of the loch may have been

confused for one. Visited by OS (J T T) 3 June 1965.

Site No 168

**NGR** NF 8920 5510

Site Name RONAY, RUBHA NA BUTH

Site Type BUILDING

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph 540/A/461 Frame 3068 shows an 'L' shaped building on the

western side on Ronay.

**NGR** NF 8900 5500

Site Name VENUS: RONAY, LITTLE MINCH
Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF85NE 8002

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF85NE 8002 c. 89 55 N57 29 W7 11 NLO: Ronay (Ronaigh) [name centred NF

898 58]. Possibly on map sheets NF85SE, NF95SW or NF95NW. The VENUS, from Liverpool to Norway, was lost 30th January on the Island of Rona, with all the crew. Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 4454, London, Tuesday May 1 1810. NMRS, MS/829/70 (no. 5667). (No classification specified: cargo cited as salt, and date of loss as 30 January 1810). Venus: this vessel was abandoned off Islay, found wrecked on Rona, North Uist, and sold. Broken up? rRegistration: Portsmouth, NJ. 300 tons builders measurement. (Location of loss cited as N57 28 W7 10). I G Whittaker 1998. The discrepanicies between the account given by Whittaker and the manuscript source cited remain unresolved. The location of loss remains unverified; the are numerous 'Rona' names in the Western Isles. Information from RCAHMS (RJCM),

26 January 2005.

Site No 170

**NGR** NF 9045 5500

Site Name RONAY, EILEAN NA CLOICHE

Site Type BUILDING

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph 540/A/461 Frame 4067 shows a small rectangular unroofed

building orientated east to west and located on the coast edge. To the south west are

the faint remains of a possible small circular structure.

Site No 171

**NGR** NF 8904 5470

Site Name RONAY, POLL AN T-SUICAIR
Site Type SHIELING-HUT (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2583

NMRS No NF85SE 12 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SE 12 8904 5470 What may be an unroofed shieling-hut is depicted on the 1st

edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv), but it is not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map

(1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 6 November 1997.

**NGR** NF 8910 5456

Site Name RONAY, POLL AN T-SUICAIR
Site Type SHIELING-HUT (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2578

NMRS No NF85SE 11 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SE 11 8910 5456 What may be an unroofed shieling-hut is depicted on the 1st

edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc.

1880, sheet xlv) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 7 May 1997.

Site No 173

NGR NF 8724 5381 Site Name ROISSINISH

Site Type FINDSPOT (IRON AGE)

**SMR No** 6833

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Decorated and plain Iron Age pottery found by Mrs S. Hothersall & Mr R. Tye. 4th

September 1999.

Site No 174

NGR NF 8728 5380 Site Name ROSSINISH

Site Type MIDDENS; CIST; POTTERY; BURIALS

SMR No 1030 NMRS No NF85SE 4 HS Designation None

Designation No

DBA Report NF85SE 4 8728 5380. NF 873 537 Rossinish, Benbecula. Many early horizons have

been recently revealed by wind erosion in a large isolated machair hillock. At a low level and endangered by the sea is a complex burial site of cremation pits, slab cist, and at least one beehive tomb. Skeletal material and pottery were found. Mr Peter Morrison, Grimsay, reported this site and a rescue operation was carried out here in August (1964) on behalf of the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland

(NMAS). I A Crawford 1964. The only remaining significant feature at this site is the remains of a small, almost circular, yard, about 2.5m in diameter by 0.3m high, at NF 8728 5380, around which there are numerous middens. Visited by OS (R D) 8 June 1965. No conclusions as yet, but provisional dating is Neolithic Beaker period. Information in telecommunication from I A Crawford, School of Scottish Studies.

NGR NF 8730 5370
Site Name ROSSINISH
Site Type SETTLEMENT

**SMR No** 1031

NMRS No NF85SE 5 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SE 5 873 537. In 1964 Master Kenneth Maclean, Daliburgh, donated to the

National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland (NMAS) potsherds of post-Roman type, an iron nail, and two small perforated pieces of bronze, from sand-dunes at Rossinish, Benbecula - approx. NF 870 538. Information from NMAS letter of acknowledgement, 21 April 1964. Master Maclean, the finder and donor, is at present in Edinburgh. No further information. Visited by OS (E G C) 6 June 1965. A winderoded, machair hillock has produced evidence, some of it structural, for beakerperiod to medieval occupation and cultivation. I A G Shepherd and A N Tuckwell 1974, 1976 and 1977. Cultivation dated to 1900 BC +/- 75 and 1970 BC +/- 60. I A

G Shepherd 1979.

Site No 176

**NGR** NF 8730 5357

Site Name SITHEAN ROSSINISH
Site Type BUILDING; SHEEPFOLD

**SMR No** 2577

NMRS No NF85SE 10

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF85SE 10 8730 5357 An unroofed building is depicted on the 1st edition of the

OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlv). A three compartment enclosure which is annotated as a Sheepfold is shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 7

May 1997.

Site No 177

**NGR** NF 8539 5319

Site Name POUL VIEMANISH?

Site Type BUILDINGS

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** John Thompson's map of 1832 depicts one building to the south of Oban Uiane. A

further building is present to the north but is outwith the desk based assessment area

of this project.

NGR NF 8520 5280 Site Name NEAVAG BAY

Site Type CAIRN
SMR No 1033
NMRS No NF85SE 7
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SE 7 852 528. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 179

NGR NF 8436 5241 Site Name OBAN HAKA

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2564

NMRS No NF85SW 15

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SW 15 centred on 843 524 What may be a township comprising four unroofed

buildings, one of whih has two compartments, is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet xlvii). One unroofed and three roofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS

1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 9 May 1997.

Site No 180

**NGR** NF 8490 5240

Site Name SCARILODE, GENERAL

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF85SW 25

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 181

**NGR** NF 8456 5213

**Site Name** SCARILODE, FOOTBRIDGE

**Site Type** FOOTBRIDGE

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF85SW 28

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 8379 5207 Site Name LOCH BAN

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2563

NMRS No NF85SW 16

**HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SW 16 8379 5207 What may be two unroofed shieling-huts are depicted on the

> 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet xlvii) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971) where a third unroofed building is shown approximately 70m to the NW. Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 9 May 1997.

Site No 183

NGR NF 8360 5180 Site Name **ARNISH** 

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS

**SMR No** 1035

NMRS No NF85SW 10

**HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SW 10 836 518. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 184

NGR NF 8583 5160 Site Name NEAVAG BAY Site Type BUILDING

None

SMR No 1029 NMRS No NF85SE 3 **HS** Designation

Designation No

**DBA** Report NF85SE 3 8583 5160. (NF 8582 5160) Small rectangular building - pottery (probably

broch), 1951. Information from R W Feachem, nd. At NF 8583 5160 there is the faint stony outline of a rectangular building 4.9m x 3.0m. No trace of pottery was

found. Visited by OS (J T T) 3 June 1965.

NGR NF 8621 5127 Site Name BEARRAN

Site Type BUILDING; POTTERY

**SMR No** 1028

NMRS No NF85SE 2 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SE 2 8621 5127 and 8629 5127. (NF 8621 5127) Traces of rectangular building -

broch pottery - 1924. Information from R W Feachem, nd. At NF 8629 5127 there is the faint outline of a rectangular building 10.0m, x 4.5m. No pottery was found.

Visited by OS (J T T) 3 June 1965.

Site No 186

**NGR** NF 8368 5125

Site Name HEOURAVAY BAY

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2565

NMRS No NF85SW 17

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF85SW 17 8368 5125 What may be an unroofed shieling-hut is depicted on the 1st

edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet xlvii) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971) where three unroofed irregularly-shaped circular structures are also shown. Information from RCAHMS

(SAH) 9 May 1997.

Site No 187

NGR NF 8306 5096 Site Name HEORAVAY BAY

Site Type BUILDINGS

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF85SW 31

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SW 31 8306 5096. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 8360 5080 Site Name LIDISTROME

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2566

NMRS No NF85SW 18

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SW 18 centred on 836 508 A township comprising three roofed, four unroofed

buildings, four enclosures and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet xlvii). Two roofed, seven unroofed buildings, an enclosure, some field walls and the remains of the head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information

from RCAHMS (SAH) 9 May 1997.

Site No 189

NGR NF 8426 5050 Site Name LIDISTROME Site Type FIELD BANKS

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF85SW 32

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SW 32 8426 5050. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 190

**NGR** NF 8660 5020

Site Name SOUND OF ORASAY

Site Type SHIELING-HUT

**SMR No** 1032

NMRS No NF85SE 6 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SE 6 866 502. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 191

NGR NF 8490 5008
Site Name FORSANAN
Site Type BUILDING

**SMR No** 2567

NMRS No NF85SW 19

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF85SW 19 8490 5008 An unroofed building is depicted on the 1st edition of the

OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet xlvii), but it is not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 9 May 1997.

**NGR** NF 8559 5000

Site Name STROM YEORATAN

Site Type BUILDING

**SMR No** 2692

NMRS No NF85SE 13 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF85SE 13 8559 5000 An unroofed building is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS

6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, North & South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlvii),

but it is not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 16 December 1997.

Site No 193

NGR NF 8660 4990 Site Name USKAVAGH

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2796

NMRS No NF84NE 2 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NE 2 centred on 866 499 A township comprising seven roofed, three unroofed

buildings, two enclosures, some field walls and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet xlvii). One unroofed, five roofed buildings, a sheepfold, some field walls and the fragmentary remains of a head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS

1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 9 May 1997.

Site No 194

**NGR** NF 8638 4978

Site Name USKAVAGH, DUN SAIBH

Site Type NATURAL FEATURE

**SMR No** 993

NMRS No NF84NE 1
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NE 1 8638 4978. (NF 8638 4978) Dun Saibh (NAT) OS 6" map, Inverness-

shire, 2nd ed., (1903) There is no trace of an antiquity on Dun Saibh. Visited by OS

(J T T) 3 June 1965.

**NGR** NF 8709 4939

Site Name BUAILE-RARNISH

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2797

NMRS No NF84NE 3
HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF84NE 3 centred on 8709 4939 A township comprising four roofed, four

unroofed buildings, some field walls and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet xlvii). One unroofed, six roofed buildings, some field walls and the fragmentary remains of a head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 9 May 1997.

Site No 196

NGR NF 8190 4860 Site Name KILERIVAGH

**Site Type** FARMSTEAD; FIELD-SYSTEM

**SMR No** 2794

NMRS No NF84NW 7 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NW 7 centred on 819 486 A farmstead comprising one roofed, four unroofed

buildings and an enclosure is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1881, sheet xlvi). A field-system (NF 823 485 to NF 817 487) is also shown. Seven roofed, three unroofed buildings and the remains of the field-system are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map

(1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 9 May 1997.

Site No 197

**NGR** NF 8259 4821

Site Name HACKLET, KILERIVAGH

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

**SMR No** 11932

NMRS No NF84NW 15
HS Designation Listed C(s)
Designation No 18756

**DBA Report** Late 19th/early 20th century. Skye-type thatched cottage. Single storey; centre-

doored 3-bay east front, single window on west wall. Rubble-built with curved angles and battered walls. End stacks; muran thatch roof, secured with ropes and stone

weights. Timber addition on north short wall.

NGR NF 8609 4820 Site Name CRAIGASTROME

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2819

NMRS No NF84NE 4
HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

DBA Report NF84NE 4 centred on 8609 4820 A township comprising five roofed, three

unroofed buildings, some field walls and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet xlvii). One unroofed, one partially roofed, seven roofed buildings, some field walls and the fragmentary remains of a head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 9 May 1997.

199

NGR NF 8300 4800 Site Name GILWALL

Site Type SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

Site No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Speed's map of 1610 & 1662 marks a settlement annotated as 'Gilwall' on what may

be suggested to be the south eastern coast of Benbecula. True location is unknown.

Site No 200

NGR NF 8480 4790 Site Name BUALAIRACH

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE); HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2820

NMRS No NF84NW 9

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NW 9 centred on 848 479 What may be a township comprising one unroofed

building and what may be two phases of head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet xlvii). Two unroofed buildings and the remains of the head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 9 May

1997.

**NGR** NF 8319 4789

Site Name HACKLET, 1 AIRD CUMHANG

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

**SMR No** 11947

NMRS No NF84NW 16 HS Designation Listed B Designation No 18755

**DBA Report** Late 19th/early 20th century. Skye-type small thatched cottage, built on slight slope.

Single storey; centre-doored 3-bay east front, single window central on west wall. Rubble-built; slightly battered walls, squared angles. End stacks. Muran thatch roof,

secured with ropes and stone weights.

Site No 202

**NGR** NF 8391 4783

Site Name AIRD CUMHANG, 5

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

**SMR No** 11952

NMRS No NF84NW 18

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 203

**NGR** NF 8366 4778

Site Name AIRD CUMHANG, COTTAGE

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

**SMR No** 11951

NMRS No NF84NW 17

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 204

NGR NF 8580 4766 Site Name CREAGASTROM

Site Type PIER

SMR No

NMRS No NF84NE 8
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NE 8 8580 4766. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

**NGR** NF 8654 4760

Site Name EILEANAN CHEARABHAIGH

Site Type DYKES

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph 540/A/461, taken in 1950, shows two small dykes each

running between two small 'necks' of the Eileanan Chearabhaigh headland. The two

dykes cut off the headland form the mainland.

Site No 206

NGR NF 8390 4760 Site Name AIRD CUMHANG

Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 2829

NMRS No NF84NW 10

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NW 10 centred on 839 476 A township comprising one unroofed, three roofed

buildings, two enclosures and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet xlvii). Two field-systems (centred on NF 836 477 and centred on NF 841 476) are also shown. Nine roofed, one partially roofed, nine unroofed buildings and the remains of the field-

systems are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 9 May 1997.

Site No 207

**NGR** NF 8423 4744

Site Name CARNAN AIRD FUIDHAIGH

Site Type BUILDINGS

SMR No

NMRS No

HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph CPE/Scot/UK191 Frame 1064, taken in 1946, shows at least

five unroofed rectangular buildings, some located on the coast edge, within at least three separate crofting plots. The majority are spread out parallel to the coast line with a further unroofed building visible to the north west at the north western tip of

Loch an Tairbh.

**NGR** NF 8520 4690

Site Name CARNAN-ARD-WIAY

Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 2821

NMRS No NF84NE 5 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NE 5 centred on 853 469 A township comprising one unroofed, five roofed

buildings, five enclosures and some field walls is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet xlvii). Four unroofed, two roofed buildings, a sheepfold and some field walls are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 9

May 1997.

Site No 209

**NGR** NF 8979 4679

Site Name UNKNOWN: FUDAIGH

Site Type FISHING VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF84NE 8001

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NE 8001 8979 4679 N57 24.3333 W7 9.9667 Formerly entered as NF84NE

9540. NLO: Wiay (Fuidaigh) [name centred NF 873 462] Benbecula [name centred NF 82 51]. Quality of fix = EDM Evidence = Echo sounder Horizontal Datum = OGB General water depth = 55 Orientation of keel/wreck = 160340 Surveying Details 14 July 1988. The wreck was examined on 21 March 1988 at 57 24 20N, 007 09 58W using trisponder/hyperfix. The least depth by echosounder was 46 in a general depth of 55 metres. No scour pits were observed. The side scan sonar indicated a height of 8.1 metres, length 52 metres (170 feet), beam 13 metres (42 feet) computed by hydrosearch. The keel lies on an orientation of 160/340 degrees. The vessel is upright and close to the W of a rock outcrop which is shallower. The site is thought to be a fishing vessel. Report by HMS ROEBUCK. Hydrographic Office,

1995.

Site No 210

**NGR** NF 8656 4621

Site Name WIAY

Site Type STRUCTURE (UNKNOWN)

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph 540/A/461 Frame 3049, taken in 1950, shows a structure of

unknown purpose on the coast edge. The structure is rectangular in shape and has numerous internal linear divisions creating a grid pattern. The feature is of unknown

purpose and may be 20th century in origin.

**NGR** NF 8455 4616

Site Name EILEAN NA CILLE

Site Type BUILDINGS

SMR No

NMRS No NF84NW 25

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NW 25 84558 46164. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 212

NGR NF 8675 4616 Site Name SOUTH UIST

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No NF84NE 7 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NE 6 8675 4616 What may be two roofed shieling-huts, an enclosure lying

approximately 50m to the SSE, and an unroofed L-shaped building lying

approximately 100m to the SSW, are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlix). Three unroofed buildings, a sheepfold and an enclosure are shown on the current edition of the OS

1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 13 May 1997.

Site No 213

**NGR** NF 8490 4585

Site Name EILEAN NA CILLE

Site Type STRUCTURES (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph CPE/Scot/UK191 Frame 4375 shows faint remains of two

possible circular structures defined by low lying banks. Difficult to a certain from

photo whether archaeological or natural in origin.

NGR NF 8421 4582 Site Name **FODRAGAIGH** 

Site Type DYKE

**SMR No** NMRS No

**HS** Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph CPE/Scot/UK191 Frame 4375 shows a linear field dyke

> running from the north eastern coast of Fodragaigh to the south west in a north east to south west direction. The dyke appears to be disused and splits the headland in

two.

Site No 215

NGR NF 8490 4570

Site Name ARRAN: PORT PHEADAIR

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF84NW 8001

**HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NW 8001 c. 849 457 N57 23.5 W7 14.8 NLO: Port Pheadair [name: NF 849

455] Benbecula [name centred NF 82 51].

Site No 216

NGR NF 8512 4567

Site Name UNKNOWN: PETER'S PORT Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 2240

NMRS No NF84NE 8002

**HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA** Report NF84NE 8002 8512 4567 N57 23.5417 W7 14.5333 Formerly entered as NF84NE

> 9536. NLO: Port Pheadair [name centred NF 850 455] Benbecula [name centred NF 82 51]. Quality of fix = PA Horizontal Datum = OGB General water depth = 4 Circumstances of Loss Details The vessel, a coastal steamship, ran aground. Surveying Details 16 September 1976. A dangerous wreck of a steel vessel was reported near Peter's Port. It uncovers at 2 hours before low water. The position given is bearing 245 degrees, 2118 metres from the summit [330ft] of Ben a Tuath Wiay. Report taken from Clyde Club SD (Sailing Directions?), p.268. 7 August 1984. The wreck lies about 200 metres E of the jetty at Peter's Port. It dries to reveal 1.5 metres at low water. The lower half of hull with iron propellor is covered thickly with kelp and is all that remains. It lies on its starboard side. Report by Lt M. J. Law, REME. 16 March 1989. The wreck is not visible on aerial photos dated 22 February 1987. 13 February 1990. The wreck lies about 92 metres NW of charted position, on the SE side of the rock. It dries to a least depth of 1.4 metres. Report by M. Lawrence, 15 November 1989. Hydrographic Office, 1995. The wreck lies 100 yards off the end of Peter's Port jetty. It may be a steel trawler. It shows above water in a depth of 4.5 to 6 metres. The seabed has long grassy weed. Source; Butland &

Siedlecki, BSAC Wreck Register, Scotland 2, 1987.

**NGR** NF 8490 4566

Site Name EILEAN NA CILLE

Site Type PIER

SMR No

NMRS No NF84NW 24

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NW 24 8490 4566. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 218

**NGR** NF 8638 4518

Site Name WIAY

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2773

NMRS No NF84NE 6

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NE 6 centred on 8638 4518 What may be a township comprising four

unroofed buildings and an enclosure is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlix). One unroofed building is shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information

from RCAHMS (SAH) 13 May 1997.

Site No 219

NGR NF 8170 4500 Site Name RHUGHASINISH

Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 2771

NMRS No NF84NW 12

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84NW 12 centred on 817 450 A township comprising six unroofed buildings is

depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1882, sheet xlviii). Six roofed and five unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH)

13 May 1997.

NGR NF 8219 4485 Site Name CREAG LOISGTE

Site Type BUILDING; ENCLOSURE

**SMR No** 2783

NMRS No NF84SW 9
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SW 9 8219 4485 An unroofed building and an enclosure are depicted on the 1st

edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlix). One roofed building is shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map

(1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 13 May 1997.

Site No 221

**NGR** NF 8270 4477

Site Name 4A RHUGHASINISH

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

**SMR No** 11943

NMRS No NF84SW 13 HS Designation Listed B Designation No 19907

**DBA Report** Circa 1900. Skye-type thatched cottage. Single storey; centre-doored 3-bay east front.

Single west-facing window. Rubble-built walls with curved angles. End stacks; muran thatch roof, secured with netting, ropes and stone weights. Outbuilding to south

west in poor condition.

Site No 222

**NGR** NF 8218 4459

Site Name RHUGHASINISH, THATCHED COTTAGE

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

**SMR No** 11946

NMRS No NF84SW 14
HS Designation Listed B
Designation No 18741

**DBA Report** Built 1908. Skye-type thatched cottage. Single storey; centre-doored 3 bay east front;

single central west-facing window. Rubbleuilt slightly battered walls with curved angles; end stacks; muran thatch roof, secured with ropes and stone weights.

NGR NF 8218 4457 Site Name RHUGHASINISH Site Type ENCLOSURE

SMR No 2784

NMRS No NF84SW 10

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SW 10 8218 4457 An enclosure is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch

map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlix), but it is not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS

(SAH) 13 May 1997.

Site No 224

NGR NF 8212 4448
Site Name RHUGHASINISH

Site Type BUILDINGS

**SMR No** 2785

NMRS No NF84SW 6 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SW 6 8218 4448 Three unroofed buildings are depicted on the 1st edition of

the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlix), but

they are not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 13 May 1997.

Site No 225

NGR NF 8160 4410 Site Name RHUGHASINISH

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2770

NMRS No NF84SW 5 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SW 5 centred on 816 441 A township comprising three roofed, two unroofed

buildings, some field walls and parts of a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1882, sheet xlviii). One roofed, three unroofed buildings, some field walls and the remains of a head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 13 May 1997.

NGR NF 8050 4400
Site Name LOCHCARNAN
Site Type SHIELING-HUTS

**SMR No** 998

NMRS No NF84SW 3 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF84SW 3 805 440. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 227

**NGR** NF 8069 4388

Site Name LOCHCARNAN, ROADSIDE SHRINE

Site Type RELIGION

SMR No

NMRS No NF84SW 15

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 228

NGR NF 8282 4388
Site Name GAISEIRNIS
Site Type BUILDINGS

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF84SW 17

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SW 17 centred on NF 8282 4388. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 229

NGR NF 8100 4370 Site Name LOCHCARNAN

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2768

NMRS No NF84SW 4
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SW 4 centred on 810 437 A township comprising fourteen roofed, ten

unroofed buildings, five enclosures and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1882, sheet xlviii). Ten roofed, seventeen unroofed buildings, three enclosures and parts of a head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 12 May 1997.

**NGR** NF 8036 4348

Site Name LOCH DRUIM AN IASGAIR

Site Type DUN SMR No 996

NMRS No NF84SW 1 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA** Report

NF84SW 1 8036 4348. (NF 8036 4348) Dun (NR) OS 6"map, Inverness-shire, 2nd ed., (1904) An islet near the middle of Loch Druim an Iasgair, is occupied by a dun, which, in 1915, was in better condition than the usual Hebridean fort. The dun is an irregular oval, 54 1/2ft east-west and 36ft across internally, within a drystone wall 5ft wide at the base, and, in places, 6ft high. Entrances are in the north and south sides. The ruins of stone buildings, apparently circular and oval, are in the western part. No causeway is to be seen. RCAHMS 1928. The remains of a dun as described above. Surveyed at 1:10560. Visited by OS (R D) 11 May 1965. NF 8036 4348 Loch Druim an Iasgair, Carnan. Walled, artificial or modified island. The position of the entrances and internal buildings suggests that the orientation of the RCAHMS survey (1928) may have been skewed by 90°. The walls of the dun come down straight into the loch. In many places the walls continue down, up to 50cm under the present water level. Several boulders stick out from the wall around water level. Two box recesses appear on the outside of the wall at water level. One of these may be the possible latrine opening suggested by the RCAHMS; there was no sign in the undergrowth of the rest of this feature. The walls are still well preserved around the island's northern edge, with two possible entrances - to the E and W. The western hole seems better constructed and has an underwater plateau extending for about 2m outside it; a possible lintel stone lies at water level in the eastern hole. The water of the loch was very peaty with limited visibility, but it appears that the walls are built directly onto a steep embankment of stones, dropping down a further 2m. Sponsors: Universities of Glasgow and Sheffield, King Alfred's College. J A Raven and M Shelley 2003.

Site No 231

NGR NF 8253 4338
Site Name SANNDABHAIG
Site Type ENCLOSURE

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** A large oval enclosure is visible on RAF aerial photograph CPE/Scot/UK191 Frame

1070. The enclosure appears to encircle a large bedrock outcrop.

NGR NF 8399 4312 Site Name GASAIDH

Site Type BUILDING (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Faint traces of a possible rectangular unroofed building are visible on RAF aerial

photograph CPE/Scot/UK192 Frame 1070 on the small island of Gasaidh.

Site No 233

**NGR** NF 8311 4306

Site Name LOCH CARNAN JETTY

Site Type JETTY

SMR No

NMRS No NF84SW 12

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SW 12 83117 43068 Ministry of Defence jetty and dolphins. Information from

RCAHMS (DE), August 2005.

Site No 234

NGR NF 8300 4300 Site Name DERWENT

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF84SW 8002

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF84SW 8002 c. 83 43 N57 22 W7 16 NLO: Loch Carnan [name centred NF 827

436] Gasaidh [name: NF 841 432]. 19 June 1865, DERWENT, SS, of London, 432 tons, Benjamin Buck, Master, returning from the Baltic carrying wheat, stranded on a sunken rock off the Island of South Uist, became a total loss. Inquiry held at Greenwich. Part III: Precis of Special Inquiries into Casualties, ordered by the Board of Trade during the Year 1865. Source: PP Abstracts Returns of Wrecks and Casualties on Coasts of the UK 1865 (1866 [3716] LXV.507). Telegram from Glasgow states that the DERWENT (s.s.), of about 300 tons, is ashore, stern resting on rocks: on Glash Island, Loch Carrnan, South Uist. Source: LL, No. 15,974, London, Thursday, June 22 1865. North Uist, 20th June. The DERWENT (s.s.), of London, Buck, from Danzig to London, with wheat, got on a rock at the entrance of Loch Carnan, South Uist, yesterday, where she remains fast with her bow only above water. She appears to have broken in two near the funnel, and it is feared will go to pieces the first bad weather. Part of the machinery, stores, &c., landed, and a small part of the cargo saved in a dry state, but the remainder is totally lost, and there is not much [Record received incomplete]. NMRS, MS/829/68 (no. 2248). (Classified as steamship, with cargo of wheat; date of loss cited as 19 June 1865). This vessel stranded on Glash Isle, Loch Carrnan [Carnan], South Uist. Capt. Buck. Expected wreck. I G Whittaker 1998. Glash Isle is not noted as such on the 1997 edition of the OS 1:50,000 map. It is possibly to be equated with the island of Gasaidh, at the mouth of the loch. Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 17 March 2004.

NGR NF 8322 4274
Site Name SANNDABHAIG
Site Type POWER STATION

SMR No

NMRS No NF84SW 16

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SW 16 NF 8322 4274. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 236

NGR NF 8320 4260 Site Name HOLMAR

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2781

NMRS No NF84SW 7
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SW 7 centred on 832 426 A township comprising six roofed, one partially

roofed, three unroofed buildings, three enclosures, some field walls and part of a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlix). Eight roofed, seven unroofed buildings, three enclosures, some sheep pens and parts of the head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH)

13 May 1997.

Site No 237

NGR NF 8323 4242
Site Name THOLMAIR
Site Type ENCLOSURE

SMR No

NMRS No

HS Designation
Designation No

**DBA Report** A large rectangular enclosure is visible at the end of a small inlet on RAF aerial

photograph CPE/Scot/UK191 Frame 1070.

Site No 238

**NGR** NF 8350 4240

Site Name FAIRWEATHER IV

None

Site Type FISHING VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF84SW 8001

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF84SW 8001 c. 835 424 N57 21.7 W7 15.9 NLO: Bagh Tholmair [name centred

NF 838 422].

**NGR** NF 8668 4162

Site Name UNKNOWN: GLAS-EILEANAN
Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 2239

NMRS No NF84SE 8001

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SE 8001 8668 4162 N57 21.4333 W7 12.6667 Formerly entered as NF84SE

9535. NLO: Glas-eileanan [name: NF 866 414]. Quality of fix = PA Horizontal Datum = OGB General water depth = 10 Surveying Details -8 January 1976. Wreckage, thought locally to be from a paddle steamer, was located 92 metres due E of the northern of the pair of islets known as Glas-Eileanan in Loch Sheilavaig. Apparently the vessel sank at moorings - iron posts which can still be seen. It lies in a general depth of 10 metres in an area of rocks shallower than the wreck. The remains are very scattered - no danger to shipping except possibly when anchoring. Report by ASADA exercise 'wreck hunter' expedition. 7 August 1984. The wreck lies about 20 metres from the NE tip of Glas-Eileanan. It is very broken up, but the boiler is still identifiable. The site is covered in thick kelp in general depths 10 to 30 metres. It makes an interesting dive with plenty of marine life. Report by Lt M. J. Law, REME 28 June 1984. 14 July 1988. Nothing was found during search within 200 metres of listed position. Minor debris was found. Larger sections may still exist and if so must be entirely covered with kelp. Report by HMS ROEBUCK. Hydrographic Office, 1995. The wreckage lies in depths of between 12 and 18 metres. It is broken up with boilers right against the rock face. The source includes a sketch plan to aid in finding the site. Source: Butland & Siedlecki, BSAC Wreck Register, Scotland 2. 1987.

Site No 240

NGR NF 8380 4128 Site Name CALTINISH

Site Type FARMSTEAD; SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2782

NMRS No NF84SW 8
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SW 8 8380 4128 What may be two unroofed shieling-huts are depicted on the

1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1880, sheet xlix). Four unroofed buildings and an enclosure are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 13 May

1997.

Site No 241

NGR NF 8337 4124 Site Name CALTINISH

Site Type BUILDINGS; ENCLOSURE

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF84SW 19

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SW 19 8337 4124. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

**NGR** NF 8538 4040

Site Name RUBHA CAOLAS LUIRSAIGH

Site Type BUILDING

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** William Bald's map of 1825 shows an 'L' shaped building with no name.

NGR NF 8680 4030 Site Name BALGAIRN

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF84SE 8002

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** 

NF84SE 8002 c. 868 403 N57 20.7 W7 12.5 NLO: Liursaigh Glas [name: NF 868 403] Benbecula [name centred NF 82 51]. 11 October 1882, BALGAIRN, new, of Aberdeen, Lloyd's 100 A.1., last survey 10.82, iron S.S., 1,661 tons, 38 crew, Master W. A. Crombie, Owner J. Davidson, Aberdeen, departed Aberdeen for Cardiff, in ballast, 11 passengers, wind S6, stranded, total loss, Grey Island, S. Uist, Hebrides. Source: PP Abstracts Returns of Wrecks and Casualties on Coasts of the UK 1882-83 (1884 [C.4154] LXXI.621). BALGAIRN, of Aberdeen, Official No. 84,363, built by Hall, Russell & Co., Aberdeen. Table III: List of the 184 Steamers totally lost included in Table 1 of this Appendix, with the Builder's Name and Address in each case if known. Source: PP Abstracts Returns of Wrecks and Casualties on Coasts of the UK 1882-83 (1884 [C.4154] LXXI.621). BALGAIRN, new steamer, on her maiden trip from Glasgow, where she was built, Davidson master, J. & A. Davidson, onwers, stranded on Learsay Island, off Lochcarnan, South Uist, at 2 a.m., this morning, 11th: crew and passengers saved. Ship at high tide full of water. (North Uist, Hebrides, Oct. 11, 5.55 p.m.). Source: Shipping Intelligence, LL, No. 21,358, London, Thursday October 12 1882. BALGAIRN. Tugs have arrived from Glasgow, having been greatly delayed owing to the foggy weather, but all attempts to get the ship off have proved unavailing. Indeed, it is deemed almost impossible that the BALGAIRN could be saved, as her condition is such that it seems, if she could be pulled off the rock, she would probably sink, her bulkhead compartments having been greatly injured, and the hole in her bottom extending more than 30 feet. So little ground is there for believing that the ship can be saved, that the representative of the builders and the several owners, who were on board, have left the place. One of the owners sends by telegraph an interesting account of the catastrophe. After describing the scene of excitement and confusion on board when, without a minute's warning, in the dark and foggy night, the vessel crashed on the reef, the vain signals for help on a spot completely unknown to them, and the anxiety felt every moment lest the ship would break off and sink, he describes the pleasure with which they discovered that they were on an island. A ladder was got out, and run out from the ship to the edge of the rocks, but the ladder would not rest on the rock owing to the continual wash of the sea. One of the engineers poured a large quantity of oil on the water, which had the effect of at once making the sea smooth. About three-fourths of those on board then got run down on the rock. The island was not a quarter of an acre in extent, and was evidently covered at high tide. They subsequently proceeded in the boats to ta neighbouring island, and eventually were rescued by some boatmen, who conveyed them to Benbecula, whence they were taken on a cart to Lochmaddy. (Aberdeen, Oct. 14). Source: Shipping Intelligence, LL, No. 21,362, London, Tuesday October 17 1882. BALGAIRN. Telegram dated Oct. 14, states: Hole 23 feet by 10 feet forehold starboard bilge, and another large hole in number three hold: vessel resting on boilers and engine space: boliers forced up 4 inches high: water covers vessel from forward to number two hatch: stern 11 feet out of water overhanging rocks 90 feet: water smooth, case entirely depends on weather as it will take time to close up fractures. (Liverpool, Oct. 16, 2.40 p.m.). Source: Shipping Intelligence, LL, No. 21,362, London, Tuesday October 17 1882 BALGAIRN (s). Gale of Saturday considerably altered position for the worse: boiler now set up 17 inches: vessel listed four feet six inches seawards: signs of deck, bulwark and shearstrake started fore side of bridge, owing to vessel overhanging fore and aft. She was twisted considerably at high water. (Liverpool, Oct. 16, 8.9 p.m.). Source: Shipping Intelligence, LL, No. 21,362, London, Tuesday October 17 15 October 1882. BALGAIRN. A second sale of materials and stores, salved from the wreck of this steamer, will be held at Ardrossan Nov. 23. (Glasgow, Nov.).1882-83

(1884 [C.4154] LXXI.621) Source: Shipping Intelligence, LL, No. 21,391, London, Monday November 20 [1882]. NMRS, MS/829/69 (no. 3315). (Classified as iron steamship, in ballast; date of loss cited as 11 October 1882). This vessel was wrecked on Grey Leversay [Liursaigh Glas], at the SE end of Benbecula Sound. Capt. Crombie. I G Whittaker 1998.

Site No 244

**NGR** NF 8328 4022

Site Name CAOLAS LUIBHARSAIGH

Site Type TOWNSHIP

SMR No

NMRS No NF84SW 18

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF84SW 18 8328 4022. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 245

**NGR** NF 8138 4003

Site Name CEANNAN TAIRBEIRT

Site Type BUILDINGS

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Two rectangular shaped buildings are visible on RAF aerial photograph

CPE/Scot/UK191 Frame 1075 taken in 1946. One of them is roofed the other is unroofed. They are both likely to be 20th century features as neither is marked on

the 1st edition OS map of 1881.

**NGR** NF 8425 3998

Site Name LOCH SHEILAVAIG

Site Type SOUTERRAIN

**SMR No** 974

NMRS No NF83NW 1 HS Designation None

Designation No

DBA Report

NF83NW 1 8425 3998. (NF 8425 3998) Erd House (NR - 3 shown) OS 6"map, Inverness-shire, 2nd ed., (1904) A ruined earth house is situated in a hollow at the head of a gully running south-west from, and about 150 yards from, Bagh a Tuath. It is at the foot of a rock face rising 30ft above it to the south. Only part of the southwestern arc of a circular earth house was seen in 1915. It was divided into compartments similar to the one at Usinish. (See NF83SW 2) A passage runs off NW towards a heap of stones 14' distant. Extending north-east for some 50' there is a mound of tumbled stones containing the foundations of rude huts. These are covered in parts with about 10ins of kitchen midden refuse. (The report implies there is only one earth house, and this is the centre of a complex). RCAHMS 1928. The remains of this earthouse consist of a collapsed stone lined passage, 6.0m long x 1.0m wide, oriented NNW - SSE, with the remains of an entrance-chamber c 2.4m in diameter at its SSE end. Some 6.0m beyond the NNW end of the passage a large stone-filled hollow may indicate the position of the main chamber. This earthouse is similar to the earthouse at Lochnam Arm (NF82SW 1) To the north east of the earth-house is a bracken-covered mound of tumbled stones with the vague outlines of a few stone-walled structures, probably shielings. There appears to be only one earth house at this site, a large natural hole in a bank some 60.0m to the north east may have been mistaken by previous Authorities for the entrance to a second earthhouse. Visited by OS (WDJ) 12 May 1965.

Site No 247

NGR NF 8532 3997
Site Name KYLES LUIRSAY
Site Type FARMSTEAD

**SMR No** 2761

NMRS No NF83NE 1 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NE 1 8532 3997 A farmstead comprising one unroofed building is depicted on

the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li). Three unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS

1:10000 map (1970). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 16 May 1997.

**NGR** NF 8446 3990

Site Name CAOLAS LIUBHARSAIGH

Site Type BUILDING

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** William Bald's map of 1825 shows an 'L' shaped building annotated 'Bannyfoughad'.

This is also shown on John Thompson's map of 1832 but located further to the east.

Site No 249

**NGR** NF 8519 3984

Site Name BAGH CLANN ALASDAIR

Site Type BUILDING; WALL

**SMR No** 2762

NMRS No NF83NE 2 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NE 2 8519 3984 An unroofed building with an attached length of wall is

depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li), but it is not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000

map (1970). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 16 May 1997

Site No 250

**NGR** NF 8158 3975

Site Name BEINN TAIRBEIRT

Site Type BUILDING (POSSIBLE)

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Faint remains of a possible rectangular unroofed building are visible on RAF aerial

photograph CPE/Scot/UK191 Frame 1075 taken in 1946.

Site No 251

NGR NF 8325 3950 Site Name AIRIGH ARD Site Type SHEEPFOLD

**SMR No** 2778

NMRS No NF83NW 9 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 9 8325 3950 A sheepfold of four compartments is depicted on the 1st

edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971) where it is shown smaller and is annotated as a Sheepfold. Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 16 May

1997

NGR NF 8315 3935 Site Name AIRIGH ARD

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2776

NMRS No NF83NW 10

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 10 8315 3935 What may be an unroofed shieling-hut is depicted on the 1st

edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li). Three unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000

map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 16 May 1997.

Site No 253

NGR NF 8280 3930 Site Name AIRIGH ARD

Site Type SHIELING-HUT (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2777

NMRS No NF83NW 8 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 8 828 393 What may be an unroofed shieling-hut is depicted on the 1st

edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet

li), but it is not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 16 May 1997.

Site No 254

**NGR** NF 8379 3927

Site Name BAGH A' MHANAICH

**Site Type** FARMSTEAD

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF83NW 16

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NE 16 8379 3927. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 255

**NGR** NF 8361 3923

Site Name BAGH A' MHANAICH

Site Type SHEEPFOLD

SMR No

NMRS No NF83NW 17

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 17 8361 3923. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 8446 3916

Site Name LOCH AIRIGH ARD Site Type BUILDING (POSSIBLE)

SMR No NMRS No

**HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA** Report Faint remains of a rectangular structure are visible on RAF aerial photograph

540/A/468 Frame 4041. The structure is orientated north west to south east near the

coast edge. A more modern building is located to the WNW.

257 Site No

**NGR** NF 8246 3906

LOCHSKIPPORT, PIER Site Name

Site Type PIER

SMR No

NMRS No NF83NW 14

**HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 14 8246 3906. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 258

NGR NF 8236 3903

Site Name LOCHSKIPPORT, GENERAL

Site Type TOWNSHIP; VILLAGE

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF83NW 11

**HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA** Report No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 259

NGR NF 8318 3902

Site Name AIRD HORRAGAY

Site Type **FARMSTEAD** 

SMR No

NMRS No NF83NW 15

**HS** Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 15 8318 3902. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 8230 3900 Site Name LOCHSKIPPORT

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2757

NMRS No NF83NW 4
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 4 centred on 823 390 What may be a small township comprising two

unroofed buildings is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li). A sheepfold is shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). This site now lies within the township of

Lochskipport. Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 15 May 1997.

Site No 261

NGR NF 8270 3870 Site Name LOCHSKIPPORT

**Site Type** FARMSTEAD

**SMR No** 2758

NMRS No NF83NW 5 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF83NW 5 8270 3870 A farmstead comprising two unroofed buildings is depicted

on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). This site now lies within the township of Lochskipport. Information from RCAHMS (SAH)

15 May 1997.

Site No 262

NGR NF 8294 3863 Site Name RUBHA MOR

Site Type PIER; LANDING STAGE

SMR No

NMRS No NF83NW 13

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 13 8294 3863. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 263

NGR NF 8279 3840 Site Name LOCH SKIPPORT

Site Type BUILDINGS

SMR No

NMRS No NF83NW 12

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 12 8279 3840. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 8293 3819 Site Name LOCH SKIPORT

Site Type BUILDINGS; ENCLOSURES; WELL

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** Three rectangular unroofed buildings are visible on RAF aerial photograph

540/A/468 Frame 4041. One of the buildings is located on the coast edge and a possible enclosure is visible to the west. The first edition 1:10560 OS map of the area published in 1881 depicts three unroofed structures and two related enclosures located on the coast edge with a further two structures and two enclosures to the

south west. This does not appear to have been recorded by the FESP.

Site No 265

**NGR** NF 8517 3805

Site Name RUBHA GRIMMAN

Site Type BUILDING; STRUCTURES

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph 540/A/468 Frame 4031, taken in 1950, shows a small square

possible unroofed building with what appears to be an enclosure extending off the northern side into the intertidal zone. A thin linear feature is visible extending off the north eastern side of the enclosure. The site is of unknown purpose. Part of the enclosure wall is not visible on subsequent aerial photography taken in 1988.

Site No 266

NGR NF 8380 3800 Site Name CAOLAS MOR

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2759

NMRS No NF83NW 6

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 6 centred on 838 380 What maybe a small township comprising one

unroofed and four roofed buildings is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li), but it is not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS

(SAH) 15 May 1997.

**NGR** NF 8300 3800

Site Name GENERAL HUNTER

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF83NW 8003

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 8003 c. 83 38 N57 19 W7 16 NLO: Loch Sgiopoirt [name centred NF 942

388] Stornoway [name: NB 425 330]. Possibly on map sheet NF83NE. The GENL. HUNTER, Clark, from Gothenburg to Newry, was totally wrecked at Loch Skipport [Sgiopoirt], South end of the Long Island near Stornoway, previous to 22nd ult. Cargo landing. Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 5236, London, Tuesday December 9 1817. NMRS, MS/829/70 (no. 5938). (No classification or cargo specified: date of loss cited as 22 November 1817). This vessel was wrecked near Stornoway. I G

Whittaker 1998.

Site No 268

**NGR** NF 8300 3800

Site Name GENERAL HUNTER

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF83NW 8005

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF83NW 8005 c. 83 38 N57 19 W7 16 NLO: Loch Sgiopoirt [name centred NF 942

388] Stornoway [name: NB 425 330]. Possibly on map sheet NF83NE. The GENL. HUNTER, Clark, from Gothenburg to Newry, was totally wrecked at Loch Skipport, South end of the Long Island near Stornoway, previous to 22nd ult. Cargo landing. Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 5236, London, Tuesday December 9 1817. NMRS, MS/829/70 (no. 5938). (No classification or cargo specified: date of loss cited as 22

November 1817). General Hunter: this vessel was wrecked near Stornoway.

Registration: British. (Location of loss cited as N58 11 W6 22). I G Whittaker 1998.

NGR NF 8300 3800 Site Name DEIOPEA

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF83NW 8002

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF83NW 8002 c. 83 38 N57 19 W7 16 NLO: Loch Sgiopoirt [name centred NF 942

388]. 20 January 1878, DEIOPEA, 13 yrs old, of Chester, wooden brig, 291 tons, 10 crew, Master T. Davies, Owner R. Grandidge, Chester, departed Langesund for Chester, carrying pit props, wind SSW10, stranded, Loch Skiport, Uist Island, Hebrides. Source: PP Abstracts Returns of Wrecks and Casualties on Coasts of the UK 1877 - 78 (1878-79 [C.2314] LXIV.395). Glasgow, 25th Jan., the DEIOPIA (brig), of Chester, Davies, from Langesund to Connah's quay, with timber, was driven ashore at South Uist, 20th Jan.: and was expected to become a total wreck: crew saved. Source: Shipping Intelligence, LL, No. 19,893, London, Monday January 28 1878. Balranald, Lochmaddy, 28th Jan., 12.50 p.m., the brig DEIOPEA, of and for Chester, from Norway, timber laden, was driven ashore from her anchor at Lochskiport, in South Uist, on the 20th inst., and is likely to become a total wreck: crew saved. Owner Richard Grandidge, Hoole Road, Chester, England. [Record received incomplete]. NMRS, MS/829/69 (no. 2852). (Classified as wooden brig, with cargo of pit props: date of loss cited as 20 January 1878). This vessel stranded at Loch Skiport, Uist. Capt. Davies. I G Whittaker 1998.

Site No 270

**NGR** NF 8300 3800

Site Name LCM309: MCCORMACK BAY

Site Type MINOR WARSHIP; LANDING CRAFT, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 2302

NMRS No NF83NW 8001

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 8001 c. 83 38 N57 19 W7 16 Location formerly cited as NF 8350 3850

[N57 19.62 W7 15.59]. NLO: Loch Sgiopoirt [name centred NF 942 388]. Barge LCM309, Ministry of War Transport, master R. MacMaster. Bound from Greenock to Loch Boisdale. Lost 27 Sep 1946, 9pm BST. McCormack Bay (appears to be a local name, not located on map, record set up using NLO for Loch Skipport), Loch Skipport, 6 miles from Usinish Lighthouse, South Uist. Wind southerly force 3. Cause of wreck 'Engine trouble and anchor failing to hold on clean bottom'. Crew 2, saved. No cargo. [Contemporary] source: Usinish Lighthouse. McCormack Bay is not noted on the 1997 edition of the OS 1:50,000 map. Information from RCAHMS

(RJCM), 1 April 2002.

**NGR** NF 8300 3800

Site Name CATHERINE AND MARY

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF83NW 8004

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 8004 c. 83 38 N57 19 W7 16 NLO: Loch Sgiopoirt [name centred NF 942

388] Stornoway [name: NB 425 330]. Possibly on map sheet NF83NE. North Uist, 9th Dec. The CATHERINE & MARY (schr.), Thomas, from Stettin to Drogheda, with wheat, came to anchor in Loch Skipport, South Uist, 4th Dec., and has since driven ashore and become a total wreck. Source: LL, No. 15,502, London,

Wednesday, December 16 1863. Balranald, N. Uist, 19th Dec. A small portion of the wheat, much damaged, has been saved and sold ex CATHERINE & MARY, Williams, from Stettin to Drogheda, reported 9th Dec., wrecked at Loch Skipport. Source: LL, No. 15,515, London, Friday, January 1 1864. NMRS, MS/829/72 (no. 10521). Stornoway, 3rd May. The CATHERINE & MARY (schr.), Thomas, from Stettin to Drogheda, which was driven ashore and reported a total wreck in Loch Skipport, South Uist, previous to 9th Dec., 1863, has been raised, and will be towed here for repairs. Source: LL, No. 15,936, London, Tuesday, May 9 1865. NMRS, MS/829/72 (no. 10815). (Classified as schooner, with cargo of wheat: date of loss cited as 4 December 1863). Catherine & Mary: this vessel was wrecked in Loch Skipport [Loch Sgiopoirt], South Uist. Capt. Thomas. (Location of loss cited as N57 20.0 W7 15.0). I G Whittaker 1998. The raising of this vessel is not noted by

Whittaker. Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 30 August 2005.

Site No 272

**NGR** NF 8378 3776

Site Name ABHAINN AN LEIGIDH

**Site Type** FARMSTEAD

**SMR No** 2760

NMRS No NF83NW 7
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NW 7 8378 3776 A farmstead comprising two unroofed buildings is depicted

on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information

from RCAHMS (SAH) 15 May 1997.

Site No 273

NGR NF 8495 3767
Site Name ORNAIS
Site Type BUILDING

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** Remains of an unroofed rectangular building orientated north east to south west and

located at the north western end of a small lochan is visible on RAF aerial

photograph 540/A/468 Frame 4031 taken in 1950.

NGR NF 8534 3753 Site Name ORNAIS

Site Type STRUCTURE (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Faint remains of a possible long rectangular structure defined by low turf covered

walls and orientated north east to south west is visible on RAF aerial photograph 540/A/468 Frame 4031. A possible patch of lazy beds is visible to the east.

Site No 275

**NGR** NF 8551 3721

Site Name ACARSAID FALAICH

Site Type BUILDING

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** A single square unroofed building is visible just back from the coast edge on RAF

aerial photograph 540/A468 Frame 4031 taken in 1950.

Site No 276

**NGR** NF 8528 3707

Site Name TIGH NA H-ACAIRSEID

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2764

NMRS No NF83NE 3

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NE 3 8528 3707 What may be two unroofed shieling-huts are depicted on the

1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li), but they are not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map

(1970). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 16 May 1997.

NGR NF 8580 3658 Site Name RUBHA ROSSEL

Site Type BUILDINGS

**SMR No** 2763

NMRS No NF83NE 4
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NE 4 8580 3658 An unroofed building is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS

6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1970) where a second unroofed building is shown approximately 60m to the SSE. Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 16 May

1997.

Site No 278

NGR NF 8550 3560 Site Name GLACKLEE

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2765

NMRS No NF83NE 5 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF83NE 5 centred on 855 356 What may be a township comprising three unroofed

buildings is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li). Four unroofed buildings, one of which has an attached length of wall, are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map

(1970). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 16 May 1997.

Site No 279

NGR NF 8560 3520 Site Name MOLATUATH Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 2766

NMRS No NF83NE 6
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83NE 6 centred on 856 352 A township comprising two roofed, two partially

roofed, three unroofed buildings and four enclosures is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li). One roofed, four unroofed buildings and an enclosure are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1970). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 16 May 1997.

NGR NF 8734 3503

Site Name **USHENISH LIGHTHOUSE** 

Site Type LIGHTHOUSE

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF83NE 7 **HS** Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA** Report No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 281

NGR NF 8700 3500

Site Name CHARLOTTE KERR

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF83NE 8001

**HS** Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA** Report NF83NE 8001 c. 87 35 N57 18 W7 11 See also NF84NW 8005 and NL82NW 8016.

Greenock, 15th March. 'The CHARLOTTE KERR, McLean, from the Clyde to Cape de Verd and Grenada, was driven on shore on Killifides, South Uist, 6th instant. Crew saved. The CONFIDENCE, Wesley, from the Clyde to Hayti, was driven on a reef of rocks at Tiree, 7th inst., having previously lost her rudder and mainmast, and the following day broke up.' Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 6932, London, Tuesday March 11 1834. North Uist, 10th March. 'The cargo and materials of the CHARLOTTE KERR, McLean, from Greenock to Grenada, driven on shore at South Uist 5th inst., are saved. The SCOTIA, McKinlay, from Glasgow to Westport, was driven on shore at Benbecula 6th inst. Crew, cargo, and materials saved.' Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 6936, London, Tuesday March 25 1834. NMRS, MS/829/71 (no. 6929). North Uist, 10th March. 'The cargo and materials of the CHARLOTTE KERR, McLean, from Greenock to Grenada, driven on shore at South Uist 5th inst., are saved. The SCOTIA, McKinlay, from Glasgow to Westport, was driven on shore at Benbecula 6th inst. Crew, cargo, and materials saved.' Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 6936, London, Tuesday March 25 1834. NMRS, MS/829/71 (no. 6935). (Classified as brigantine: no cargo specified, but date of loss cited as 6 March 1834). Charlotte Kerr: this vessel was wrecked on South Uist. Capt. McLean. Registration: Greenock. Built 1829. 130 tons burthern. Length: 20m. Beam: 6m. (Location of loss cited as N57 15.0 W7 30.0). I G Whittaker 1998. Killifides cannot be identified from the available map evidence. The location cited is derived from that cited by Larn and Larn. Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 18 April

2002. R and B Larn 1998.

Site No 282

NGR NF 8480 3400 Site Name **SCALAVAT** 

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS

SMR No 5801

NMRS No NF83SW 14

**HS** Designation Scheduled Ancient Monument

Designation No

**DBA** Report NF83SW 14 848 340 Some 8 shielings and 2 enclosures. Visited by OS 17 May 1965.

**NGR** NF 8482 3398

Site Name USINISH, SCALAVAT I

Site Type SOUTERRAIN

**SMR No** 986

NMRS No NF83SW 3

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 5801

DBA Report NF83SW 3 8482 3398. (NF 8482 3398) Erd House (NR) OS 6"map, Inverness-shire,

2nd ed., (1904) The earth house at Scalavat, Usinish, described by Thomas in 1867 was in 1915 a shapeless heap of tumbled stones with little to indicate the character of the structure. RCAHMS 1928; F W L Thomas 1870. The outward appearance of the earth-house is as described by RCAHMS. 'b' and 'e' of Thomas's plan are discernible through openings in the ground, the latter the only surface indications of the earth house which might well be intact. Surveyed at 1:10560. Visited by OS (E G C) 15

May 1965.

Site No 284

NGR NF 8485 3395 Site Name SCALAVAT

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2775

NMRS No NF83SW 18

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 5801

DBA Report NF83SW 18 8485 3395 What may be two unroofed shieling-huts are depicted on the

1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li), but they are not shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map

(1970). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 16 May 1997.

Site No 285

NGR NF 8520 3360 Site Name USINISH BAY

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

SMR No 2774
NMRS No NF83SE 3
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83SE 3 centred on 852 336 What may be a township comprising six unroofed

buildings is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet li). Eight unroofed buildings and an enclosure are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 16 May 1997.

NGR NF 8540 3340 Site Name USINISH BAY

Site Type CAIRN; POTTERY

**SMR No** 978

NMRS No NF83SE 2 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF83SE 2 854 334. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 287

**NGR** NF 8423 3338

Site Name UAMH GHRANTRAICH

Site Type HUT-CIRCLE; SOUTERRAIN

**SMR No** 989

NMRS No NF83SW 6

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 5800

**DBA Report** NF 83SW 6 8423 3338 and 8425 3336. (NF 8430 3337) Uamh Ghrantaich. End

House (NR) OS 6"map, Inverness-shire, 1st ed., (1880) At the foot of a steep rock face, at NF 8423 3338, there are the mutilated remains of an earth house comprising three almost circular chambers, and two interconnecting passages. The entrance is in the north side of 'A' which is completely exposed, the latter measuring 3.0m in diameter and now only about 1.2m high. The passage leading from 'A' to 'B' is still underground and has a sharp bend in it. It is 0.7m high, 0.9m wide and 4.6m long. 'B' which is the best preserved of the three chambers, is 2.0m in diameter and is now completel enclosed showing corbelled walling; two cupboards in the northern wall and the entrance to the second passage, the latter 0.6m high, 0.5 wide and 1.6m long. 'C' is completely underground and only an estimated diameter of 2.5m can be taken. The overall height of the structure must have been about 2.6 metres. Thirty metres SE of the earth house there are the scant remains of a hut circle, 6.0m in diameter, within a small enclosure (at NF 8425 3336). Surveyed at 1:10560. Visited by OS (R D) 16 May 1965. This earth house was not noted by the RCAHMS in 1915. Nor does Thomas refer to it at all, although he is one of the authories for its publication on the OS 6"map, 1880. Thomas recorded only two earth houses in this vicinity and these have been identified by the field investigator with Uamh Iosal - NF83SW 2 and with NF83SW 5 RCAHMS 1928; F W L Thomas 1870; Name Book 1876.

**NGR** NF 8431 3330

Site Name USINISH, SCALAVAT 2

Site Type SOUTERRAIN

**SMR No** 987

NMRS No NF83SW 4

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 5800

**DBA Report** NF83SW 4 8431 3330. At the top of a gully amongst the tumbled stones at the foot

of the talus under the cliff, some 30 yards NW of the earthouse (NF83SW 2) are further ruins, among which were "several beehive cells" (6' dia, walls remain 2'6" high). A lintelled passage, 2'6" high x 1'4" wide x 3' long, led to a chamber formed by a huge rock slab 17' x 7' x 4' fallen from the cliff and by dry stone walling. RCAHMS 1928. The chamber (underground) with lintelled passage described above were located at c.NF 8431 3330. Only two associated features were located: the northermost one, in the west side of which an opening forms the entrance to the souterrain, is D-shaped, measuring 5.5m x 4.0m, with walls which appear to be corbelled; the second feature is an enclosure c.5.0 diameter. Surveyed at 1:10560. No other remains were seen amongst the tumbeld boulders which litter the site. Visited

by OS (E G C) 15 May 1965.

Site No 289

NGR NF 8432 3330 Site Name GLEN USINISH Site Type ENCLOSURE

**SMR No** 990

NMRS No NF83SW 7

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 5800

**DBA Report** NF83SW 7 8432 3330. 'About 5m to the E of the entrance of the souterrain (NF 83

SW 4) and almost abutting against the outer wall of the roundhouse associated with that souterrain, is a subcircular enclosure 5m in internal diameter. Its containing wall is about 2m thick, and faced with dry stone walling of the same type as the round house. There is no trace of radial piers but in the centre is a large subrectangular

boulder that might have served as a central pillar.' G C David 1969.

**NGR** NF 8433 3326

Site Name USINISH, UAMH IOSAL

Site Type AISLED HOUSE; SOUTERRAIN

**SMR No** 985

NMRS No NF83SW 2

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 929

**DBA Report** 

NF83SW 2 8433 3326. A semi-subterranean building first described by Thomas (who is an authority for the published site) in 1867, which, though called an earth house by the RCAHMS in June 1915 (RCAHMS 1928), appears from its plan to be a wheel house with integral earth house, lies on the north side of Glen Usinish on a steep hillside some 100 yards south of the precipitous face of MacIadh nh'Uamba. Thomas (FWL Thomas 1870) says that the inner or nothern side of the wheelhouse had been built on a small terrace scooped out of the hillside, while the outer side had been built up to it from the ground. The RCAHMS described this southern side as being a tumble of boulders about 2ft high, inside which had been built a circular bee hive shaped cell 4 1/2ft in diameter and about 3ft high, south of which was a short section of what seemed to have been a straight wall. In 1915 the wheel house remained as a circular building about 26ft in diameter internally, with small dominical cells ranged around its inside wall and divided from one another by radiating stone walls. These walls had been about 4ft high in 1867 but even the best was reduced by 1915 to a height of 2ft 9ins. Only three of the cells, with walls rising to 5 1/2ft remained in 1915, though Thomas described another to the west with two more wall recesses than were noted by the RCAHM. The earth house was entered by a lintelled doorway in the centre of the north wall of the wheel house. It was 2ft in length and 1ft 9ins square and opened, on the left, into a lintelled passage about 2ft 6ins to 2ft 9ins high, except where it expanded in a corbelled cell 7 1/2ft high; while on the right of the doorway was a short chamber 2ft 3ins in height. FW L Thomas 1870; RCAHMS 1928; Name Book 1876. NF 8437 3325. This feature, an aisled wheelhouse with earthouse, is as planned by the RCAHMS and its condition would appear to have deteriorated little since their visit. Close to the NW side is an external chamber 1.5m in diameter. Surveyed at 1:10560. Visited by OS (E G C) 15 May 1965.

**NGR** NF 8437 3326

Site Name USINISH, SCALAVAT 3

Site Type SOUTERRAIN

**SMR No** 987

NMRS No NF83SW 5

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 5800

**DBA Report** NF83SW 5 8437 3326. Capt. Thomas described in 1867 a Pictish House to which a

subterranean gallery and chamber was attached. It lay about 1/2 mile inland from Moll a Deas which is about 1 1/2 miles south of Husinish. It was called Meall na Uamh, or Cave Lump. From a partly excavated oval chamber (a) with fallen domed roof 14ft by 7ft and with two wall niches, led low curved passage (b) about 2 1/2ft square and 20ft long, to an elongated beehive chamber (c) 13ft by 5ft and 6 3/4ft high. On its right wall was another cell, (e) 5ft in diameter and 5ft high, entered by a doorway (d) 2ft square. The main passage inclined downwards so that the second chamber (c) was nearly 3ft lower than that of the first (a): and that of the inner one (e) a foot below the second (c). The plans and description were made by Colin MacVean, one of Capt. Otter's party of Surveyors . F W L Thomas 1870. The above structure is identified by the OS Archaeology officer field investigator with the remains of a circular building noted by the RCAHMS some 30 yards ENE of "Uamh Iosal" (NF83SW 2) and rather lower down the hill than a considerable number of ruined shielings. Only the inner face of the nother arc of its wall survives but it seems to have been some 20ft in diameter internally. The construction of the wall is good, and its stones large, suggesting an earlier date for the building than the ruined shielings which are built in and around it. RCAHMS 1928. The earth house shown on F W L Thomas' plan is at NF 8437 3326. It has been severely mutilated by its conversion into shielings; other sheilings have been constructed nearby using stones from the earth house. Visited by OS (R D) 16 May 1965. Doubt is cast upon the identification of this earth house with that recorded by FWL Thomas, as he mentions only two earth houses in this vicinity and is one of the authorities for both Uamh Iosal (NF83SW 2) and Uamh Ghrantaich (NF83SW 6) Name Book 1876.

Site No 292

NGR NF 8490 3325 Site Name BAGH USINIS

Site Type STRUCTURES (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** On RAF vertical aerial photograph 540/A/468 Frame 4039, taken in 1950, an in use

sheepfold and roofed building area clearly visible. A small circular structure, possibly defined by a turf bank, extends off the south western corner of the sheepfold. A similar constructed sub rectangular structure extends off the roofed building. Further to the east a small unroofed rectangular building is visible with a less clearly defined associated enclosure. These three features appear to predate the sheepfold and

roofed building.

NGR NF 8495 3321 Site Name BAGH UISINIS Site Type BUILDINGS

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** William Bald's map of 1825 SHOWS TWO BUILDINGS TO THE WEST OF Bagh

Uisinis. These may relate to the remains visible on RAF aerial photography of the

area.

Site No 294

NGR NF 8440 3320
Site Name GLEN USINISH
Site Type SHIELING-HUTS

**SMR No** 983

NMRS No NF83SW 13

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83SW 13 844 332. Some 10 shielings, c. 3.0m in diameter. Visited by OS 16 May

1965.

Site No 295

NGR NF 8600 3300 Site Name DE FRANCE

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF83SE 8001

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83SE 8001 c. 85 33 N57 17 W7 13 NLO: Uisinis [name: NF 865 354] Bagh Uisinis

[name: NF 853 330]. Possibly on map sheet NF85SW. 17 January 1887. DE FRANCE. 5 years of Norway. Iron steamship. 528 ton. 14 crew. Master H. Brun. Owner P.G. Halvorsen, Bergen, Norway. Liverpool to Newcastle on Tyne. Ballast and 2 passengers. 16 dead. Ushinish, South Uist. Source: PP Abstracts of Shipping Casualties on Coasts, or in Rivers and Harbours of the UK July 1886-87 (1888 [C.5479] XC.735). NMRS, MS/829/68 (no. 1780). (Classified as iron steamship, in ballast; date of loss cited as 17 January 1887). This vessel stranded 1 mile S of

Ushinish lighthouse. I G Whittaker 1998.

NGR NF 8450 3250 Site Name LAMASAY BAY Site Type ENCLOSURE

**SMR No** 991

NMRS No NF83SW 8
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83SW 8 845 325. On a small promontory within 20m of the beach are traces of a

small rectangular enclosure of dry stone walling.' G C David 1969.

Site No 297

**NGR** NF 8430 3230

Site Name PORT A' MHADAIDH

Site Type BUILDING

**SMR No** 992

NMRS No NF83SW 9
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83SW 9 843 323. 'On the S side of the stream, and about 50m from the beach, are

the foundations of a small rectangular building, on the seaward side of a mound.' G

C David 1969.

Site No 298

**NGR** NF 8429 3223

Site Name PORT A MHADIADH
Site Type STRUCTURE (POSSIBLE)

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** In the small bay of Port a Mhadiadh are the faint remains of three unnatural

appearing 'dots' form the points of a regular triangle. Their purpose is unknown and may be natural geological features. Alternatively they may form a boat mooring, for

example. Visible on RAF 540/A/468 Frame 3054.

Site No 299

**NGR** NF 8350 3150

Site Name GLEN CORODALE
Site Type SHIELING-HUTS

**SMR No** 980

NMRS No NF83SW 10

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83SW 10 835 315. 'At the foot of the cliff (Cas fo Thuath) and overlooking a

natural bench on the side of the hill are three sub-circular stone structures, probably

shielings.' G C David 1969.

**NGR** NF 8335 3130

Site Name GLEN CORODALE, PRINCE'S CAVE

Site Type CAVE SMR No 979

NMRS No NF83SW 1 HS Designation None

Designation No

DBA Report NF83SW 1 8335 3130. (NF 8335 3130) Prince's Cave (NAT) OS 6"map, Inverness-

shire, 2nd ed., (1904) Prince Charlie's Cave in Corrodale Glen, South Uist is very small, suitable for a few men in hiding. Prince Charles Edward found shelter in it in the summer of 1746. J W Dougal 1937; NSA (Rev R Maclean) 1845. Prince Charlie's Cave lies at the top of a steep slope, in a rock face, 20.0m from the remains of a cottage. It is 1.6m high by 3.0m deep and 3.4 metres wide. Visited by OS (R D) 17

May 1965.

Site No 301

**NGR** NF 8330 3120

Site Name GLEN CORODALE

Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 982

NMRS No NF83SW 12

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83SW 12 centred on 833 312 Enclosures and four buildings, deserted about 1850.

Visited by OS 16 May 1965 Corodale. Listed among a number of sites 'of 18th-century or earlier origin and deserted in the 19th century' planned by I A Crawford [on behalf of the School of Scottish Studies]. D G Hurst 1969 Two unroofed buildings, both with two compartments of which one is L-shaped, and a sheepfold are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1880, sheet liv). Three unroofed buildings and an incomplete enclosure are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1970).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 20 May 1997.

Site No 302

**NGR** NF 8290 3090

Site Name GLEN HELLISDALE
Site Type SHIELING-HUTS

**SMR No** 981

NMRS No NF83SW 11

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83SW 11 829 309. 'At the seaward end of Loch Hellisdale, to the N of the stream,

is a prominent green mound with several small subcircular structures, probbaly

shieldings.' G C David 1969.

NGR NF 8340 3070 Site Name HELLISDALE Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 1804

NMRS No NF83SW 17 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83SW 17 centred on 834 307 Listed among a number of villages 'of 18th-century

or earlier origin and deserted in the 19th-century' planned by I A Crawford [on behalf of the School of Scottish Studies]. D G Hurst 1969 One roofed and one unroofed building are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1880, sheet liv). Two unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1970). Information from RCAHMS

(SAH) 20 May 1997.

Site No 304

NGR NF 8320 3030 Site Name LIADALE Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 1803

NMRS No NF83SW 16

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF83SW 16 centred on 832 303 Listed among a number of villages 'of 18th-century

or earlier origin and deserted in the 19th-century' planned by I A Crawford [on behalf of the School of Scottish Studies]. D G Hurst 1969 Four unroofed buildings and an enclosure with an attached length of wall are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1880, sheet liv). Two unroofed buildings and a two compartment enclosure with an attached length of wall are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1970). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 20 May 1997.

Site No 305

**NGR** NF 7776 2967

Site Name ABHAINN FEATAG

Site Type CAIRN; CHAMBERED CAIRN (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 630

NMRS No NF72NE 4
HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF72NE 4 7776 2967. NF 7776 2967. The remains of a possible chambered cairn,

14.0m in diameter, with a maximum height of 3.0m. Within the cairn are the remains of a concentric wall, with a possible entrance in the NW. The probable remains of a shieling bothy have been have been inserted in the perimeter of the cairn on the

WNW. Visited by OS (G T) 28 September 1967.

**NGR** NF 7790 2940

Site Name NORTH LOCHEYNORT

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS

**SMR No** 631

NMRS No NF72NE 5 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF72NE 5 779 294. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 307

NGR NF 7670 2920 Site Name LOCH EYNORT

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2706

NMRS No NF72NE 11

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF72NE 11 centred on 767 292 A township comprising twelve roofed, two

unroofed buildings and eleven enclosures is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet liii). Fourteen roofed, one partially roofed, nine unroofed buildings and eleven enclosures are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 19 May 1997.

Site No 308

**NGR** NF 7740 2910

Site Name NORTH LOCHEYNORT

None

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE); HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2704

NMRS No NF72NE 9

HS Designation

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF72NE 9.00 centred on 774 291 What may be a township comprising two roofed,

two unroofed buildings, two enclosures and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet liii). Four roofed buildings, five enclosures and part of the head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 19 May 1997 NF72NE 9.01 7747 2906 Shed Information from RCAHMS

(GPS), 11 November 1998.

**NGR** NF 7747 2906

Site Name TAOBH A TUATH LOCH AINEORT

Site Type SHED

SMR No

NMRS No NF72NE 9.1

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF72NE 9.01 77472 29061. This shed is undergoing survey as part of the Scottish

Farm Buildings Survey: N Uist and S Uist. Information to follow. Information from RCAHMS (GPS), 11 November 1998. This is a gabled stone shed with concrete-block margins. The roof is of corrugated material and there is a central door and a window to one side, with another to the rear. Visited 1998. Information from

RCAHMS (SS), 10 February 2006.

Site No 310

NGR NF 7990 2870 Site Name ARINAMBANE

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS; FARMSTEAD

**SMR No** 632

NMRS No NF72NE 6
HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF72NE 6 centred 799 287. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 311

NGR NF 7810 2860 Site Name LOCH EYNORT

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE); HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2707

NMRS No NF72NE 12

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF72NE 12 centred on 781 286 What may be a township comprising one unroofed

building and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet liii). Six roofed, five unroofed buildings, an enclosure and a head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS

1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 19 May 1997.

NGR NF 8050 2859
Site Name SLOC DUBH
Site Type BUILDING

**SMR No** 2710

NMRS No NF82NW 5 HS Designation None

Designation No

DBA Report NF82NW 5 8050 2859 see also, NF82NW 3 NF 809 282 Field Survey Area NF72NE

7 NF 785 295 Field Survey Area An unroofed building is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet liii) and on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1970). Information from RCAHMS

(SAH) 19 May 1997.

Site No 313

NGR NF 8090 2853 Site Name BEN NA HOE

Site Type SHEEPFOLD (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2713

NMRS No NF82NW 7 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF82NW 7 8090 2853 see also, NF82NW 3 NF 809 282 Field Survey Area NF72NE

7 NF 785 295 Field Survey Area What may be a sheepfol of three compartments is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1880, sheet liv). An enclosure of four compartments is shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1970). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 20 May

1997.

Site No 314

**NGR** NF 7734 2850

Site Name LOCH AINEORT, GENERAL

Site Type GENERAL VIEW

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF72NE 18

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF72NE 18 centred on NF 7734 2850. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 7950 2850 Site Name LOCHEYNORT

**Site Type** FIELD SURVEY AREA

**SMR No** 633

NMRS No NF72NE 7
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF72NE 7 795 285. Record relating to a previous archaeological survey in the area.

No further information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 316

NGR NF 7920 2850 Site Name ARINAMBANE

Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2708

NMRS No NF72NE 13

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF72NE 13 centred on 792 285 see also, NF72NE 7 NF 785 295 Field Survey Area

NF82NW 3 NF 809 282 Field Survey Area A township comprising two roofed, three unroofed buildings and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet liii). One partially roofed, three unroofed buildings and a head-dyke are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 19 May 1997.

Site No 317

**NGR** NF 7990 2850

Site Name RUBHA BHUAILTE

Site Type BUILDINGS

**SMR No** 2709

NMRS No NF72NE 14

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF72NE 14 7990 2850 see also, NF72NE 7 NF 785 295 Field Survey Area

NF82NW 3 NF 809 282 Field Survey Area Two unroofed buildings, aproximately 60m apart, are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet liii). Two unroofed buildings, one of which has an attached length of wall, and another length of wall which has two enclosures attached to it are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 19 May 1997.

NGR NF 7740 2840 Site Name CALVAY

Site Type TOWNSHIP (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2705

NMRS No NF72NE 10

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF72NE 10 centred on 774 284 What may be a township comprising one unroofed

building is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1881, sheet liii). Four unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH)

19 May 1997.

Site No 319

NGR NF 8278 2832 Site Name BORLUM BAY Site Type FARMSTEAD

**SMR No** 2712

NMRS No NF82NW 6 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF82NW 6 centred on 8278 2832 A farmstead comprising two unroofed buildings is

depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1880, sheet liv). Two unroofed buildings, one of which has an attached enclosure, are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1970) although

they are not at the same location as those on the 1st edition. Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 20 May 1997.

Site No 320

NGR NF 8090 2820 Site Name LOCHEYNORT

Site Type FIELD SURVEY AREA

**SMR No** 970

NMRS No NF82NW 3

HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF82NW 3 809 282. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

**NGR** NF 7972 2776

Site Name RUBHA NA H-EIGHICH
Site Type ENCLOSURES (POSSIBLE)

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** What appears to be a series of irregular shaped enclosure banks extend across the

eastern headland of Rubha na h-eighich. They are visible on RAF aerial photography

from 1950 sortie 540/A/468 Frame 3095.

Site No 322

**NGR** NF 8144 2762

Site Name HAFN

Site Type BUILDINGS (POSSIBLE)

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** One square roofless structure is visible on RAF aerial photography from 1950. To

the south of this there are very faint traces of possible sub rectangular structures and

a possible dyke. RAF 540A/468 Frame 4064.

Site No 323

**NGR** NF 8141 2758

Site Name HAUN

Site Type BUILDING

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** William Bald's map of 1825 depicts a single building annotated 'Haun'. It may relate

to that visible on RAF aerial photography of the area.

NGR NF 8000 2650 Site Name LOCH EYNORT

Site Type FARMSTEAD; QUERNS

None

**SMR No** 1914

NMRS No NF82NW 4

**HS Designation** 

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF82NW 4 800 265 Excavation of an 18th-century and 19th-century structure was

completed in June 1993. The results of the excavation suggest that the structure was part of a farmstead in the lower part of Kirkidale. The eastern end of the structure was paved with Stuley slate. Two quern stones were set into the floor. They appear not to be in situ. A small drain ran from the western end of the structure and exited about mid-way along the northern wall. The structure may be one of two buildings shown on the 1801 Bold map of the area. After abandonment the building was used as a temporary shelter. This is shown by several hearths above the abandonment layers. Several post holes, one c50cm in diameter and 30cm deep, were found cut into the bedrock below the structure and demonstrate some earlier activity on this site. The date of these features is unknown as no associated artefacts were found.

Sponsor: Historic Scotland J Moreland 1993.

Site No 325

NGR NF 7997 2648 Site Name KIRKIDALE

Site Type FARMSTEAD (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 2722

NMRS No NF72NE 16

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF72NE 16 7997 2648 What may be a farmstead comprising one unroofed building

and two enclosures is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1881, sheet lv). One unroofed building and an enclosure are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from

RCAHMS (SAH) 21 May 1997.

NGR NF 7979 2644 Site Name KIRKIDALE

Site Type SHIELING-HUTS; ENCLOSURE; POTTERY

**SMR No** 629

NMRS No NF72NE 3 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA** Report

NF72NE 3 7979 2644. "Kirkadal, S Uist. NF 799 265. The tentative identification of this early Christian site is the result of research by Dr Alistair Maclean, Daliburgh, S Uist. Local Gaelic traditions relate to this site, there is slight documentary evidence and the place name is significant. Rectilinear buildings within a diamond-shaped enclosure are obscured by what may be an intrusive shieling." I A Crawford 1964. Centred on NF 7979 2644 is a group of at least eight dry-stone-walled shieling-type structures, maximium height 1.3m, with a possibly associated enclosure. There is no evidence of early Christian occupation at the site. Dr Maclean, Daliburgh was consulted but merely confirmed that there was no evidence of early Christian occupation at the site and also confirmed the information contained above. Surveyed at 1:10560. Visited by OS (W D J) 10 May 1965. NF 798 267 (centred) The excavation of two adjacent sites was continued in Kirkidale. The upper site was better defined and four cellular structures, cut into an earlier mound of large rocks were identified. The coarse handmade pottery from the site falls into two groups, one of which is probably Neolithic. The other has yet to be dated, but may be medieval. No modern material of any kind has been found at this site. At the lower site, an early modern house about 10m by 4.5m had a paved floor at one end incorporating green slate from the island of Stuley, S of Locheynort, and two rotary quernstones. The other end of the building had a rough floor with no paving, and a curved drain leading through the wall; it seems likely to have been used as stalling for animals. Beneath the building the archaeological deposits continued into a large depression, which remains to be investigated. Sponsor: University of Sheffield J Moreland 1992 In June 1993 excavation continued of a series of sub-circular huts connected with a large oval enclosure, and a mound contained within the enclosure. A test pit excavated in 1992 produced a sherd of decorated Neolithic pottery. The area of excavation was expanded to 12m by 12m. Excavation showed that some of the huts contained hearths but little artefactual material. Occasional sherds of non-diagnostic pottery were found. These may be 'medieval' in date. Excavation of the mound revealed that it is likely to have been a substantial stone wall which collapsed to the W (sic). On the eastern side of the wall a series of hearths were uncovered associated with pottery which is similar to that found elsewhere on the site this year. The date and nature of the site remain enigmatic, but further excavation to the layers in which Neolithic pottery was found in 1992 should provide the answers. Sponsor: University of Sheffield J Moreland 1993.

Site No 327

**NGR** NF 8187 2588

Site Name EILEAN NAN GAMHNA
Site Type STRUCTURE (POSSIBLE)

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** 

On RAF aerial photography from 1950 a small square structure is visible on the northern side of a small gully. The structure is roofless with faint remains of a semi circular structure existing immediately to the west. RAF 540/A/468 Frame 4066.

NGR NF 8211 2358 Site Name KYLES STULEY

Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 2724

NMRS No NF82SW 4
HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF82SW 4 centred on 8211 2358 A township comprising one unroofed, two roofed

buildings and two enclosures is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1881, sheet lvi). Six unroofed buildings and four enclosures are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1970).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 21 May 1997.

Site No 329

NGR NF 8270 2357 Site Name STUIAGH Site Type ENCLOSURE

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** William Bald's map of 1825 shows a regular shaped enclosure on the western side of

Stuiagh Island.

Site No 330

NGR NF 8310 2350 Site Name KING ALFRED

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF82SW 8002

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF82SW 8002 c. 831 235 N57 11.6 W7 14.8 Formerly entered (unlocated) as

NF72SE 8010. NLO: Stulaigh [name: NG 831 235]. 4 April 1894, KING ALFRED, 5 years, of Glasgow. Lloyds 100A1. Survey 9/93. Steel steamship. 717 ton. 19 men. Master W. Wishart. Owner O.C. Philipps, Glasgow. Fernandina, Florida to Bo'ness. Phosphate rock. Wind S2. Near Stuley Island, Outer Hebrides. Source: PP Abstracts of Shipping Casualties on Coasts, or in Rivers and Harbours of the UK July 1893-94 (1895 [C.7858] LXXXVII.327). NMRS, MS/829/68 (no. 1225). (Classified as steel cargo ship, with cargo of phosphate rock: date of loss cited as 4 April 1894). This vessel stranded near Stuley [Stulaigh] island, South Uist. I G Whittaker 1998.

NGR NF 8278 2349 Site Name STULAIGH

Site Type STRUCTURE (POSSIBLE)

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** A small circular structure is faintly visible on RAF aerial photography from 1950. The

structure is located uphill from the coast edge and may have an opening on its northern side. Possible areas of disturbance are visible just to the north of this. RAF

540/A/461 Frame 3026.

Site No 332

NGR NF 8271 2343
Site Name STULAIGH
Site Type BUILDING

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** A small square unroofed structure, located next to the coast edge, is visible on RAF

aerial photography from 1950. RAF 540/A/461 Frame 3026.

Site No 333

NGR NF 8242 2305 Site Name CAMAS SLIGINIS

Site Type STRUCTURE (POSSIBLE)

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Very faint traces of a possible structure are visible on RAF aerial photography from

1950. The remains are located in a lighter area of ground and orientated

approximately ENE-WSW. RAF 540/A/461 Frame 3026.

Site No 334

NGR NF 8156 2302 Site Name ELIGAR

Site Type STRUCTURES

**SMR No** 6840

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Green settlement mound north east of SMR No. 6839. Site with structures noted by

Jon Hollingdale in September 1999.

NGR NF 8220 2196 Site Name ELIGAR

Site Type STRUCTURES

**SMR No** 6841

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Site with structures noted by Jon Hollingdale, September 1999.

Site No 336

NGR NF 7792 2073 Site Name LOCH A' BHARP

Site Type CARVED STONE BALL

**SMR No** 661

NMRS No NF72SE 5
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF72SE 5 7792 2073. (NF 7792 2073) A carved stone ball of black and white

speckled schist with four low knobs. Diameter - 2.45ins. Purchased by the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland (NMAS), 1966 (Case 35/9). AS.205. (Undated)

information from A S Henshall, (MSS 25"plan, NMAS) to OS.

Site No 337

**NGR** NF 7823 2050

Site Name 429 NORTH LOCHBOISDALE

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

**SMR No** 11942

NMRS NoNF72SE 16HS DesignationDesignation No18776

**DBA Report** Rebuilt '3. Skye-type thatched cottage, built on slight slope. Single storey; south east

front with central door. Single window central on rear wall. Limewashed rubble, with curved angles and slightly battered walls. End stacks; muran thatch roof, secured with netting and ropes, stone and tubular weights. Recessed, low, timber and corrugated iron addition adjoins south west short wall. Date from local knowledge. House

shown on this site on 1st ed O.S. (1878). Maintained in fine condition.

**NGR** NF 7800 2040

Site Name NORTH LOCHBOISDALE
Site Type CROFTING TOWNSHIP

SMR No 2733 NMRS No NF72SE 9 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF72SE 9 centred on 780 204 A crofting township comprising ninety-four roofed

buildings, which include a school and an inn, one partially roofed building and seventeen unroofed buildings is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1881, sheet lvii). At least one hundred and thirty-four roofed, and forty unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 22 May 1997.

Site No 339

NGR NF 7832 2022 Site Name LOCHBOISDALE

Site Type BUILDINGS

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** Two sets of three buildings recorded under the crofting township site of NF72SE 9

by the FESP have been highlighted here due to their location on the coast edge. Both groups of buildings are visible on RAF aerial photography from 1950. The first group of buildings, at NF 7832 2022, are visible as unroofed buildings on aerial photography. One of these rectangular buildings is located on the coast edge at the end of a small inlet. The inlet has a regular shape and may have been modified from it's natural state. The second group of buildings are located to the south at NF 7837 2000. They consist of three unroofed rectangular structures all located directly on the

coast edge around a small bay. RAF 540/A/461 Frame 3007.

Site No 340

NGR NF 7966 2017 Site Name LINNE LASKER

Site Type WHEELHOUSE (POSSIBLE); FARMSTEAD

**SMR No** 660

NMRS No NF72SE 4
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF72SE 4 7966 2017. (NF 7966 2017) Probably a wheelhouse, one lintel in position,

covered with later shielings. Information from R W Feachem. No wheelhouse is evident in the area indicated. At the site are the footings of two buildings and a small enclosure, probably the remains of a farmstead. The lintel, mentioned above, may be contemporary with these later structures. Visited by OS (N K B) 11 May 1965.

**NGR** NF 7948 2001

Site Name CLADH COINNICH

Site Type BUILDING

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** To the south east of a sheepfold exists an unroofed 'L' shaped building visible on

RAF aerial photography from 1950. RAF 540/A/461 Frame 3007.

Site No 342

**NGR** NF 7850 2000

Site Name LOCHBOISDALE SCHOOL AND SCHOOLHOUSE

Site Type EDUCATION

SMR No 11949
NMRS No NF72SE 17
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 343

NGR NF 8000 2000 Site Name 'EINORT'

Site Type GOLD BUCKLE

**SMR No** 968

NMRS No NF82NW 1 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF82NW 1 unlocated. "There was a buckle of gold found in Einort ground (South

Uist) some twenty years ago, which was about the value of seven guineas". M Martin

1934.

Site No 344

NGR NF 8000 2000 Site Name S. PETRUS

Site Type SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Speed's map of 1610 & 1662 shows a settlement marked on the northern shores of a

sea loch, possibly loch Boisdale. There exists a further settlement marked to the south west with only one annotation, S. Petrus, covering both. True location is

unknown.

**NGR** NF 7585 1999

Site Name STROM DEARG, AM PRIOSAN

Site Type BUILDING

**SMR No** 592

NMRS No NF71NE 2 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71NE 2 7585 1999. (NF 7585 1999) Am Priosan (NR) OS 6"map, Inverness-

shire, 2nd ed., (1904) Am Priosan (Prison) is a dry-stone pear-shaped building on a rock near the western end of Strom Dearg. The building measures internally 23ft long by 16ft at its widest point. The wall is 3ft high in places and varies from 5 to 6ft in thickness. RCAHMS 1928, visited 1914. The prison is as described above. Visited

by OS (N K B) 7 May 1965.

Site No 346

**NGR** NF 7963 1998

Site Name CLADH CHOINNICH

Site Type CHAPEL; BURIAL GROUND

**SMR No** 591

NMRS No NF71NE 1 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF71NE 1 7963 1998 (NF 7963 1998 ) Chapel & Cladh Choinnich (NR) (Site of) OS

6"map, Inverness-shire, 2nd ed., (1904) "It is traditionally known that there once stood a chapel and burying ground where marked on plan. But there is none now living who can point out with certainty the exact spot" (Name Book 1878) mentioned only (RCAHMS 1928). Name Book 1878; RCAHMS 1928 There is no

trace of either chapel or burial ground in the area indicated: the structures shown on the map are part of an area of minor depopulation. Visited by OS (N K B) 11 May

1965.

Site No 347

**NGR** NF 7950 1990

Site Name BEINN RUIGH CHOINNICH
Site Type TOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 596

NMRS No NF71NE 6

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71NE 6 centred 795 199 Footings of about seven buildings and several small

enclosures. Visited by OS 11 May 1965 One unroofed L-shaped building and part of a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1881, sheet lvii). Two unroofed buildings and part of the head-dyke is shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information

from RCAHMS (SAH) 22 May 1997.

**NGR** NF 7902 1961

Site Name LOCHBOISDALE, SCHOOL

Site Type SCHOOL

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF71NE 16
HS Designation Listed C(s)
Designation No 44722

**DBA Report** 1909. 2-storey gabled school house, linked at right angles to gabled school. Painted

render, base course, painted dressings, stone mullions.HOUSE: 3-bay, advanced gabled bay to right with bipartite window to each floor, door in narrow less advanced bay in re-entrant angle at centre with letterbox fanlight, window above with gabled dormerhead, bipartite windows to each floor in recessed bay to left, again breaking eaves at 1st floor. Gabled return to left with window to each floor to left; gable to right of return to right with later lean-to. Single storey service bays to rear and link to school. SCHOOL: M-gable to road, with right gable slightly advanced. Left gable with gabled ashlar bellcote at apex with weathervane, door to right and bipartite window to left. Right gable with tall tripartite window. Rear elevation to playground M-gabled, each gable with tall tripartite windows. Gable to right of return elevation, blank to left. Timber, 8- or 12-pane sash and case windows. Purple slates. Gablehead stacks with coping, clay cans. Coped skews.INTERIOR: not seen, 1997.GARDEN AND BOUNDARY WALLS, GATEPIERS: rubble walls, with render- pointing and semicircular coping. Square gatepiers to pedestrian and vehicular gateways.

Site No 349

**NGR** NF 7902 1961

Site Name LOCHBOISDALE, SCHOOLHOUSE

Site Type SCHOOLHOUSE

SMR No

**DBA Report** 

NMRS No NF71NE 16.1 HS Designation Listed C(s)
Designation No 44722

1909. 2-storey gabled school house, linked at right angles to gabled school. Painted render, base course, painted dressings, stone mullions. HOUSE: 3-bay, advanced gabled bay to right with bipartite window to each floor, door in narrow less advanced bay in re-entrant angle at centre with letterbox fanlight, window above with gabled dormerhead, bipartite windows to each floor in recessed bay to left, again breaking eaves at 1st floor. Gabled return to left with window to each floor to left; gable to right of return to right with later lean-to. Single storey service bays to rear and link to school. SCHOOL: M-gable to road, with right gable slightly advanced. Left gable with gabled ashlar bellcote at apex with weathervane, door to right and bipartite window to left. Right gable with tall tripartite window. Rear elevation to playground M-gabled, each gable with tall tripartite windows. Gable to right of return elevation, blank to left. Timber, 8- or 12-pane sash and case windows. Purple slates. Gablehead stacks with coping, clay cans. Coped skews. INTERIOR: not seen, 1997.GARDEN AND BOUNDARY WALLS, GATEPIERS: rubble walls, with render-pointing and semicircular coping. Square gatepiers to pedestrian and vehicular gateways.

**NGR** NF 7782 1947

Site Name LOCH BAGHASDAL, PABBAY

Site Type MONASTIC SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

**SMR No** 10066

NMRS No NF71NE 25

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** At the summit of the southern part of the island, stemming off from a large outcrop

of bedrock is a large strewn mound. At the top of this mound, to the east of the bedrock, is an amorphous/sub circular cellular structure measuring approximately 4 m by 5 m internally, heavily overgrown and denuded. To the north and east are what appear to be two, possibly three, further cells also heavily turfed over. They are located lower down the slope than the initial cell. The upper cell could be a badly built or denuded blackhouse. Compared to other blackhouses which are usually dicernible with definable edges and features etc this would appear to be much earlier. There are no ther features apart from walls (one appearing under the peat at some depth) and cultivation ridges on either of the islands, nor are any recorded on the

estate map of 1805. John A. Raven 2003.

Site No 351

**NGR** NF 7935 1943

Site Name LOCHBOISDALE HARBOUR, RAF AIR SEA RESCUE UNIT

Site Type MILITARY CAMP

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 19

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71NE 19 centred 7935 1943 and 7921 1953 The WW II RAF Air Sea Rescue unit

was based in Lochboisdale Harbour (NF71NE 15) and no evidence can be seen for this today. The Unit had a camp behind the Lochboisdale Hotel (NF71NE 13). There was also another RAF accommodation camp in Lochboisdale for transport and stores for RAF Benbecula (NF75NE 4.00) and the site has now been built over by a post-war housing estate. J Guy 2002; NMRS MS 210/12, 87-8 The RAF Air Sea Rescue and transport and stores camps are visible on vertical air photograps taken in 1946 (CPE/Scot/UK191, 1106-1107, flown 10 October 1946). At least four huts and buildings for the Air Sea Rescue unit can be seen immediately to the NW and N of the Lochboisdale Hotel. The RAF transport and stores camp is situated about 200m NW of the hotel where at least 26 huts, mostly of the Nissen type, are also visible on the air photographs. This area is now built over by Kenneth Terrace and Slighe

Choinnich. Information from RCAHMS (DE), August 2005.

Site No 352

**NGR** NF 7926 1942

Site Name LOCHBOISDALE, GENERAL

Site Type VILLAGE

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 12

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

**NGR** NF 7906 1941

Site Name LOCHBOISDALE, PARISH CHURCH

Site Type CHURCH

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 14

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 354

NGR NF 7910 1940 Site Name BLACKHOUSES

Site Type BLACKHOUSES; THATCHED COTTAGES

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 9
HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71NE 9 791 194 Unloctaed A series of unlocated black houses and thatched

cottages on the Island of South Uist.

Site No 355

**NGR** NF 7935 1939

Site Name LOCHBOISDALE, HOTEL

Site Type HOTEL

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 13

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 356

**NGR** NF 7910 1935

Site Name LOCHBOISDALE, POLICE STATION AND HOUSE

Site Type POLICE STATION; HOUSE

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 17

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NMRS REFERENCE: Architect: Alexander Ross (I.C. March 30, 1894).

**NGR** NF 7939 1931

Site Name LOCHBOISDALE, PIER

Site Type PIER

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 15

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** No information in NMRS or SMR.

Site No 358

NGR NF 7880 1930 Site Name LOCHBOISDALE

Site Type BUILDINGS

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** One small square unroofed building is visible on the coast edge on RAF aerial

photography from 1950. The unroofed buildings to the north west recorded previously by the FESP are also visible. There are very faint traces of possible further

buildings located around theses structures recorded during the FESP. RAF

540/A/461 Frame 3005.

Site No 359

NGR NF 7930 1930 Site Name EXCELSIOR

Site Type FISHING VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

**NMRS No** NF71NE 8001

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71NE 8001 c. 793 193 N57 9.1 W7 18.3 NLO: Lochboisdale [name: NF 794 195]

Loch Baghasdail [name centred NF 802 185].

NGR NF 7900 1900 Site Name REFORM

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 8003

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71NE 8003 c. 79 19 N57 9 W7 19 NLO: Lochboisdale [name: NF 794 195] Loch

Baghasdail [name centred NF 802 185]. Possibly on map sheet NF81NW.

Lochmaddy, 31st Aug. The REFORM, McPey, (sloop) of Greenock, for Barra, was totally wrecked 22nd inst., near Loch Boisdale [Lochboisdale], South Uist: master and one man drowned. Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 10,444, London, Tuesday September 7 1847. NMRS, MS/829/72 (no. 8205). (Classified as sailing vessel of unknown rig: no cargo specified, but date of loss cited as 22 August 1847). Reform: this vessel vessel was wrecked near Loch Boisdale. (Location of loss cited as N57 8.75 W7 16.0). I G Whittaker 1998. The location assigned to this record is essentially

tentative. Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 23 November 2005.

Site No 361

NGR NF 7900 1900 Site Name PEGGY

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 8002

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF71NE 8002 c. 79 19 N57 9 W7 19 NLO: Lochboisdale [name: NF 794 195] Loch

Baghasdail [name centred NF 802 185]. Possibly on map sheet NF81NW. 21 September 1882 (about), PEGGY, 37 yrs old, of Glasgow, wooden smack, 25 tons, no-one on board, Master and Owner D. McLellan, Lochboisdale, S. Uist, moored at Lochboisdale, S. Uist, in ballast, stranded, total loss, Lochboisdale, S. Uist. Source: PP Abstracts Returns of Wrecks and Casualties on Coasts of the UK 1883-84 (1884-85 [C.4493] LXX.421). NMRS, MS/829/69 (no. 3412). (Classified as wooden smack, in ballast; date of loss cited as 21 September 1882). This vessel stranded from anchor at

Lochboisdale. I G Whittaker 1998.

Site No 362

**NGR** NF 7695 1880

Site Name AIRIGHH VARRINISH
Site Type HOUSE, BUILDINGS

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 30

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF71NE 30 7695 1880. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

**NGR** NF 8060 1868

Site Name UNKNOWN: GASAY ROCK

Site Type OBSTRUCTION, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 2242

**NMRS No** NF81NW 8001

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF81NW 8001 8060 1868 N57 8.8667 W7 16.9333 NLO: Loch Baghasdail [name

centred NF 802 182]. Horizontal Datum = OGB Buoyage = General water depth = 20 Surveying Details - 3 June 1983. A submerged object was struck by the Motor Fishing Vessel INTEGRITY III in Loch Boisdale, about 185 metres E of Gasay Rock, at position 57 08 52N, 007 16 56W. The incident occurred at 19.05 on 4 March 1983, when the vessel was drawing 8 feet forward & 11 feet aft. Damage was sustained to forefoot and forward end of keel. Source; Marine Division, Dept of Trade, 10 May 1983. Predicted tidal height - 2.5 metres. Hydrographic Office, 1995.

Site No 364

**NGR** NF 7895 1863

Site Name EILEAN LASGAICH

Site Type ENCLOSURE (POSSIBLE)

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** What appears to be a large square enclosure is visible on RAF aerial photography

from 1950. The feature is very regular in shape. RAF 540/A/461 Frame 3003.

Site No 365

**NGR** NF 8149 1853

Site Name UNKNOWN: LOCH BAGHASDAIL
Site Type OBSTRUCTION, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 2190

**NMRS No** NF81NW 8003

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF81NW 8003 8149 1853 N57 8.825 W7 16.0417 NLO: Loch Baghasdail [name

centred NF 802 182]. Horizontal Datum = OGB General water depth = 24

Surveying Details - 30 October 1985. Our anchor was fouled on weighing by bight of 2.5 inch (at least) studded cable, which is apparently in good condition. Position given is 57 08 49.5N, 007 16 02.5W, where the cable remains. Report by RMAS

ROYSTERER 9 October 1985. Hydrographic Office, 1995.

NGR NF 8022 1811
Site Name CORRAN
Site Type BUILDING

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** William Bald's map of 1825 shows a single building annotated 'Corran'. It may relate

to site visible on RAF aerial photography of the area.

Site No 367

**NGR** NF 8175 1811

Site Name CALVAY, CASTLE CALVAY

Site Type CASTLE SMR No 964

NMRS No NF81NW 1

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

**Designation No** 5853

**DBA Report** NF81NW 1 8175 1811. (NF 8175 1811) Castle Calvay (O.E.) (In Ruins) OS 6"map,

Inverness-shire, 2nd ed., (1904) Castle Calvay is situated on an islet separated only at high tide from Calvay Island, to which it is linked by a causeway. The fragmentary buildings, built against and incorporating the curtains, are of rough rubble in shell lime mortar. Slabs of stone are in some places bedded on edge. The average height of the walls in 1924 was 12ft. The date is indeterminate. RCAHMS 1928. The castle is generally as described and planned by RCAHMS but the causeway is no longer

evident. Surveyed at 1:10560. Visited by OS (J T T) 13 May 1965.

Site No 368

NGR NF 8030 1803 Site Name TIGH A RUBHA Site Type BUILDINGS

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** One unroofed rectangular building is visible on RAF aerial photography from 1950.

The building is orientated approximately north to south with faint traces of a smaller

rectangular structure to the west. RAF 540/A/461 Frame 3002.

NGR NF 8000 1800 Site Name PIONEER

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

**NMRS No** NF81NW 8005

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF81NW 8005 c. 80 18 N57 8 W7 17 Possibly on map sheet NF71NE. NLO: Loch

Baghasdail [name centred NF 802 184]. 17 January 1854, PIONEER, of Liverpool, lugger, 17 ton, 3 men, Stornoway to Liverpool, potatoes, wind SSW force 11, thick with rain, value #100, insured, cargo #40, insured #40 at Liverpool. Wrecked. At Loch Boisdale, South Uist, by driving from her anchors on the rocks in a heavy gale. Crew saved. Shipping and Mercantile Gazette. Lloyds List. Coastguard Officers. Source: PP Admiralty Register of Wrecks and other Casualties on Shores of UK 1854 (1854-55 (75) XXXIV.359)□ Stornoway, 30th Jan. The PIONEER, (lugger), Johnston, of and for Liverpool from this port, with potatoes, was lost at Loch Boisdale 17th Jan.; crew saved. Source: The Marine List, LL, No. 12,440, London, Monday February 6 1854. NMRS, MS/829/67 (no. 497). (Classified as lugger, with cargo of potatoes: date of loss cited as 17 January 1854). This vessel was driven from anchor and wrecked in Loch Boisdale [Loch Baghasdail]. I G Whittaker 1998.

Site No 370

NGR NF 8000 1800 Site Name TULIP

Site Type FISHING VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF81NW 8008

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF81NW 8008 c. 80 18 N57 8 W7 17 Possibly on map sheet NF71NE. NLO: Loch

Baghasdail [name centred NF 802 184].

Site No 371

**NGR** NF 8000 1800

Site Name ANN

Site Type FISHING VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF81NW 8009

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF81NW 8009 c. 80 18 N57 8 W7 17 NLO: Loch Baghasdail [name centred NF 802

184]. Glasgow, June 17. AROS CASTLE (s) - ANN. The AROS CASTLE (s), Smith, hence for Loch Eport, North Uist, and the intermediate West Highland ports, on the 12th inst., during a very strong breeze, ran into the ANN fishing smack, of Skipness, Macallister, at anchor in Loch Boisdale [Lochboisdale] Bay. The steamer sustained no damage, but the smack was injured amidships and afterwards sank. Source: Shipping

Intelligence, LL, No. 20,641, London, Wednesday June 23 [1880]. NMRS,

MS/829/70 (no. 4984). Possibly on map sheet NF71NE; the location assigned to this record is essentially tentative. The loss of this vessel is not cited by I G Whittaker

(1998). Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 17 November 2004.

NGR NF 8100 1800 Site Name SILVER SPRAY

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

**NMRS No** NF81NW 8007

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF81NW 8007 c. 81 18 N57 9 W7 16 NLO: Loch Baghasdail [name centred NF 802

184]. 8 May 1897, SILVER SPRAY, 21 years, of Dartmouth. Wood schooner. 97 ton. 4 men. Master G.H. Thomas. Owner G.H. Hatchings, Dartmouth. Runcorn to Balta, Shetland. Salt. Wind NW9. Loch Brisdale [Lochboisdale], S. Uist. Source: PP Abstracts of Shipping Casualties on Coasts, or in Rivers and Harbours of the UK July 1896-97 (1898 [C.8917] LXXXVIII.401). NMRS, MS/829/67 (no. 929). (Classified as wooden schooner, with cargo of salt: date of loss cited as 8 May 1897).

This vessel stranded at Loch Boisdale. I G Whittaker 1998.

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Site No 373

NGR NF 7900 1800 Site Name LOCH BOISDALE

**Site Type** CARVED STONE BALL

**SMR No** 595

NMRS No NF71NE 5

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71NE 5 c. 79 18. A 4-knobbed carved stone ball from Loch Boisdale is in the

Royal Museum of Scotland (RMS, AS 205). D N Marshall 1977.

Site No 374

**NGR** NF 8217 1797

Site Name CALVAY, LIGHTHOUSE

Site Type LIGHTHOUSE

SMR No

NMRS No NF81NW 4

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF81NW 4 8217 1797. No further information in NMRS or SMR.

NGR NF 8182 1794 Site Name CALBHAIGH

Site Type ENCLOSURE (POSSIBLE

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Faint traces of a possible sub rectangular enclosure are visible on RAF aerial

photography from 1946 near the coast edge. The remains are in the vicinity of a previously recorded cist burial (NMRS: NF81NW 2). RAF 106G/Scot/UK96 Frame

3197.

Site No 376

NGR NF 8180 1793 Site Name CALVAY

Site Type CIST SMR No 965

NMRS No NF81NW 2 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF81NW 2 8180 1793. (Area NF 820 179) The remains of a short cist, lying

ESE/WNW and measuring 4ft by 3 1/3ft internally, are situated (1924) within 100 ft of the sea and slightly east of a large cleft in the rocks on the south side of Calvay Island. One side is formed by a long thin slab laid on edge, head and foot are closed with single stones and two stones make up the other side. RCAHMS 1928; OS 6"map, Inverness-shire, 2nd ed., (1904) NF 8180 1793. As described by RCAHMS.

Surveyed at 1:10560. Visited by OS (J T T) 13 May 1965.

Site No 377

NGR NF 7951 1785 Site Name ARICNAGALLAN

Site Type BUILDINGS

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** William Bald's map of 1825 depicts three buildings annotated 'Aricnagallan'.

NGR NF 7843 1783 Site Name LOCHBOISDALE

Site Type DYKE

SMR No NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** RAF aerial photograph CPE/Scot/UK191 Frame 1109 taken in 1946 shows part of a

crofting boundary dyke extending into the intertidal area on a rock platform.

Site No 379

**NGR** NF 7718 1776

Site Name BOISDALE HOUSE

Site Type HOUSE

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 18
HS Designation Listed B
Designation No 18743

**DBA Report** Probably mostly built first half of 19th century. Single storey with attics; 3 ranges in

U-plan around courtyard. Rubble-built; part harled, particularly courtyard and west elevations and south gables. West elevation: 3 southern bays, inner advanced and gabled with end stacks, 2 additional bays to left. East range: east elevation with 3 single storey bays and 3 (taller) bays with windows at attic level only; forestair to courtyard. North range with Post Office, central south-facing door between 2 windows. Small-paned sash windows; slate roofs. Outbuildings to east and to south-

west.

Site No 380

**NGR** NF 7719 1776

Site Name BOISDALE HOUSE, POST OFFICE

Site Type POST OFFICE

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 18.1 HS Designation Listed B Designation No 18743

**DBA Report** Probably mostly built first half of 19th century. Single storey with attics; 3 ranges in

U-plan around courtyard. Rubble-built; part harled, particularly courtyard and west elevations and south gables. West elevation: 3 southern bays, inner advanced and gabled with end stacks, 2 additional bays to left. East range: east elevation with 3 single storey bays and 3 (taller) bays with windows at attic level only; forestair to courtyard. North range with Post Office, central south-facing door between 2 windows. Small-paned sash windows; slate roofs. Outbuildings to east and to south-

west.

**NGR** NF 7720 1776

Site Name BOISDALE HOUSE, EAST WING

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 18.2 HS Designation Listed B Designation No 18743

**DBA Report** Probably mostly built first half of 19th century. Single storey with attics; 3 ranges in

U-plan around courtyard. Rubble-built; part harled, particularly courtyard and west elevations and south gables. West elevation: 3 southern bays, inner advanced and gabled with end stacks, 2 additional bays to left. East range: east elevation with 3 single storey bays and 3 (taller) bays with windows at attic level only; forestair to courtyard. North range with Post Office, central south-facing door between 2 windows. Small-paned sash windows; slate roofs. Outbuildings to east and to south-

west.

Site No 382

**NGR** NF 7776 1770

Site Name CEANN A DEAS LOCH BAGHASDAIL

Site Type BYRE; THATCHED HOUSE

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 7.1

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71NE 7.01 77769 17700. This byre is undergoing survey as part of the Scottish

Farm Buildings Survey. Information to follow. Information from RCAHMS (GPS), 11 November 1998. This byre was formerly a house, with the chimney at one end a later addition. It is built of pointed drystone rubble and has a hipped and thatched roof. There is a window either side of the central door and a central window at the rear. When visited in 1998 the building was derelict. Information from RCAHMS

(SS), 10 February 2006.

Site No 383

**NGR** NF 7800 1760

Site NameSOUTH LOCHBOISDALESite TypeTOWNSHIP; HEAD-DYKE

**SMR No** 2732

NMRS No NF71NE 7 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71NE 7.00 centred 780 176 NF71NE 7.01 NF 7777 1770 Byre A township

comprising thirty-nine roofed, two partially roofed, seven unroofed buildings and a head-dyke is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1881, sheet lvii). Forty roofed, three partially roofed and sixteen unroofed buildings are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971).

Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 22 May 1997.

**NGR** NF 7876 1751

Site Name 466 SOUTH LOCHBOISDALE

Site Type RESIDENTIAL

**SMR No** 11940

NMRS No NF71NE 21
HS Designation Listed B
Designation No 18744

**DBA Report** Probably 19th century. Skye-type thatched cottage. Single storey; 3 narrow bays with

central door to north east front. Single window central on rear wall. Rubble-built, with roughly-squared angles; painted reveals. End stacks; muran thatch roof, secured

with ropes and stone weights.

Site No 385

**NGR** NF 7852 1748

Site Name 472B SOUTH LOCHBOISDALE

Site Type COTTAGE

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 7.3 HS Designation Listed A Designation No 18746

**DBA Report** Probably 19th century. Skye-type thatched cottage. Single storey; centre-doored 3-

bay east front; 2 windows to rear. Rubble-built, thick, battered walls with curved angles; painted reveals. End stacks, muran thatch roof, partly renewed in straw, and secured with netting ropes and stone weights. Byre and shed to north and to south

also thatched. Outbuilding to east now derelict.

Site No 386

**NGR** NF 7858 1740

Site Name 472A SOUTH LOCHBOISDALE

Site Type COTTAGE

SMR No

NMRS No NF71NE 7.2 HS Designation Listed B Designation No 18745

**DBA Report** Probably 19th century. Skye-type thatched cottage. Single storey; 3-bay north east

front with central door, one window with modern glazing. Battered, rubble-built walls with curved angles; all painted, with contrasting reveals. End stacks; muran

thatch roof, secured with ropes, netting and stone weights.

**NGR** NF 8378 1725

Site Name SKERRYVORE, MACKENZIE'S ROCK, LABRADOR

Site Type WRECK (INDUSTRIAL)

**SMR No** 2256

**NMRS No** NF81NW 9543

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** 

The SS Labrador was built in 1891 and was wrecked on Mackenzie Rock, near Skerryvore Lighthouse, whilst on route from St John, New Brunswick to Liverpool. It was owned at the time of loss by Mississippi & Dominion Steamship Co. Source: Dictionary of Sea Disasters. 2998nt, steel steamship, built by Harland & Wolff, Belfast. Launched 1891. Dimensions: 401' x 47.2' x 28.3'. As the 62 passengers were waking up and preparing for their last day they wewre disturbed around 7am by a light shudder. Slowly the alarm spread throught the ship as they learned that they were aground anf that preparations were being made to disembark the passengers into the ships boats. It was evident that the ship was badly damaged as the grain, which formed the majority of her cargo, was bursting through the decks evidently swelling as it was soaked by the inrush of sea water. Most of the passengers escaped with only a few of their belongings. The sea was calm and by a second fortuitous stroke of luck the Norwegian steamship VIKING arrived on the scene and picked up all the passengers and crew with the exception of one boatlod which had already headed off for Skerryvore. Over the next few days items of floating wreckage littered the surrounding sea and many items came ashore on Mull, Coll and Tiree. Only a few of the 153 mailbags aboard were recovered. The ship itself soon disappeared and by March 6th had parted amidships and become a total wreck. She was later heavily salvaged. Mackenzie's Rock is just visible at low tide from Skerryvore. The wreck itself lies on the north east side of the rock in position 56 17 28N, 7 10 09W (GPS Fix). The wreckage is vast. Her huge boilers and condenser lie within 50 m of the rock in around 16 m of water. From here the wreckage spreads out to the north east. The stern steering gear is located in the centre of the wreck obviously swept there by the huge forces of the sea. As wreckage spreads further from the rock it is concentrated in a deep gully which decends to approximately 28 m before the wreckage finally runs out. Source: Moir & Crawford, 1994.

Site No 388

NGR NF 8290 1510 Site Name HARTAVAGH Site Type TOWNSHIP

**SMR No** 2736

NMRS No NF81NW 3 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** 

NF81NW 3 centred 829 151 A township comprising nine unroofed buildings is depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist etc. 1880, sheet lviii). One roofed, four unroofed buildings and a sheep wash are shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 28 May 1997.

NGR NF 8300 1500 Site Name MAY QUEEN

Site Type UNASSIGNED, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

**NMRS No** NF81NW 8006

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF81NW 8006 c. 83 15 N57 7 W7 14 Possibly on map sheet NF81SW. NLO: Loch

Baghasdail [name centred NF 802 184]. 15 June 1867, MAY QUEEN, 1 yr old, smack, 20 tons, 5 crew, in ballast, collision, total loss, 1 life lost, 2 miles S. of Loch Boisdale [Lochboisdale], Hebrides. Source: PP Abstracts Returns of Wrecks and Casualties on Coasts of the UK 1867 (1867-68 [4055] LXIII.421). Greenock, 24th June. The MAY QUEEN (smack), of Ayr, sunk, 22nd June, near Lochboisdale, after collision with the VENUS (lugger), of Rosehearty: crew, except 1 man, saved. Source: LL, No. 16,599, London, Wednesday, June 26 1867. NMRS, MS/829/68 (no. 2329). (Classified as smack: no cargo specified but date of loss cited as 22 June 1867). This vessel was in collision and sank near Loch Boisdale [Lochboisdale]. I G

Whittaker 1998.

Site No 390

**NGR** NF 7919 1475

Site Name SOUTH GLENDALE

**Site Type** FARMSTEAD; FIELD-SYSTEM

**SMR No** 2731

NMRS No NF71SE 20

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71SE 20 7919 1475. A farmstead comprising one unroofed, two roofed buildings

and a sheepfold, and a field-system are depicted on the 1st edition of the OS 6-inch map (Inverness-shire, Hebrides, South Uist 1881, sheet lvii). This site is now situated within the town of South Glendale as shown on the current edition of the OS 1:10000 map (1971). Information from RCAHMS (SAH) 22 May 1997. Related site: NF71NE 28 79249 15178. Some of the collections information for NF71SE 20

79191475 may relate to NF71NE 28 79249 15178.

NGR NF 8103 1434
Site Name GORTAN
Site Type CAIRN
SMR No 966

NMRS No NF81SW 1 HS Designation None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF81SW 1 8103 1434. NF 809 144 - Tota Mhor na Leacaich, near Gortan. A

possibly chambered cairn about 50 feet diameter and 5 to 6 feet high, standing at a height of 300ft OD. A late 19th century building has been inserted at the north sector. Some slabs measuring 4ft by 2ft suggest the chamber capstones of a neolithic chambered tomb. Information in telecommunication from I A Crawford, School of Scottish Studies, to OS 26 May 1965. NF 8103 1434 The top of a natural green knoll is covered by a mass of stones measuring c.19.0m NE-SW by c.16.0m transversely with a maximum height of c.1.3m. In the northern half of the mass of stones are the remains of a sub-rectangular building. There is no visible evidence of a chamber or passage. Attached to the SW edge of the mound are the fragmentary remains of a later enclosure with at least two shielings nearby. Visited by OS (W D J) 14 June 1965.

Site No 392

NGR NF 8040 1430 Site Name GORTAN

Site Type MIDDEN; BEAKERS; FLINTS

**SMR No** 967

NMRS No NF81SW 2 HS Designation None

Designation No

DBA Report NF81SW 2 804 143. Cord decorated beaker sherds, a quartz industry, flint tools and

pumice fragments have been weathered out of a midden centred 30m long and up to 0.3m thick. The focus of the midden lies immediately W and N of the exposures. I Shepherd, A Shepherd and C Maclean 1978; I Shepherd, I Ralston and C Maclean

1979.

Site No 393

**NGR** NF 7980 1430

Site Name SOUTH GLEN DALE

Site Type MIDDEN

**SMR No** 614

NMRS No NF71SE 12

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71SE 12 798 143. Coring produced midden deposits in a limited area about 50m

by 30m in the SE of a grass plateau being eroded by the sea. These deposits were examined and found to be fragmentary. Although Beaker pottery had been found on the site it seems probable that the features observed were of post-medieval date. J

Barber 1984.

**NGR** NF 7900 1400

Site Name DUEN: BALESHARE, SOUND OF ERISKAY

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF71SE 8004

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71SE 8004 c. 79 14 N57 6 W7 18 Possibly on map sheet NF89SW. Formerly

entered in error as NF79SE 8001. NLO: Caolas Eirosgaigh [name centred NF 799

133]. 28 September 1853, DUEN, of Christiansand, sloop, 40 ton, 4 men,

Christiansand to Liverpool, deals, wind W force 9, stormy, insured at Christiansand, cargo insured at London, wrecked. South Uist, on the north side of the Sound of Eriskay, by stress of weather. Lloyds Agent. Source: PP Admiralty Register of Wrecks and other Casualties on Shores of UK 1853 (1854 (337) XLII.647) 4 October 1853, DUEN, of Christiansand [see above CB], sloop, wind W force 9, squally, wrecked, South Uist, in the neighbourhood of Baleshare, by stress of weather. Lloyds List. Source: PP Admiralty Register of Wrecks and other Casualties on Shores of UK 1853 (1854 (337) XLII.647) Poulchar, South Uist, 4th Oct. The DUEN (sloop), of Christiansund, has been [record received incomplete]. NMRS, MS/829/67 (no. 458). Baleshare is not noted on the 1997 edition of the OS 1:50,000 map; the location cited is essentially tentative and the loss may have occurred on map sheet NF89SW. This

is essentially tentative and the loss may have occurred on map sheet NF89SW. This loss is not cited by I G Whittaker (1998). Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 21

August 2003.

Site No 395

**NGR** NF 8323 1356

Site Name LOCH A GHEOIDH

Site Type TERRACES (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** Two strips of possible terracing are visible on RAF Aerial photography from 1946

extending back from the coast edge. The possible terraces run approximately parallel to the coast edge. Potential for being natural features or relate to peat cuttings. RAF

106G/Scot/UK96 Frame 3701.

**NGR** NF 8081 1346

Site Name POLITICIAN (STERN PORTION)
Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 2189

NMRS No NF81SW 8001

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** 

NF81SW 8001 8081 1346 N57 6.075 W7 16.3333 For bow portion (NF c. 803 096: N57 4 W7 16.5), see NF80NW 8001. NLO: Roisinis [name: NF 804 122] Caloas Eiriosgaigh [name centred NF 800 134]. Quality of fix = PHOT Horizontal Datum = OGB General water depth = 5 Circumstances of Loss Details - The POLITICAN ran aground on rocks in fog and heavy weather while on passage from Liverpool to New Orleans. This loss was the inspiration for the novel 'Whisky Galore' by Compton Mackenzie. Surveying Details - The vessel was stranded at 57 04 00N, 007 16 30W, approximately. 19 August 1975. The vessel lies at 57 06 07N, 007 16 28W. Only number 5 hold and part of the propellor shaft remains. Dozens of broken whisky bottles are scattered amongst heavy kelp which obscures the wreckage. Report by letter from D. Sloan, 31 July 1975. 8 January 1976. The stern section was located in the Sound of Eriskay at 069 deg (true), 648 metres from Calvay Rock. Horizontal sextant angles - summit of Ben Scrien on Eriskay 46,00 summit of Calvay 55.00 sextremity of Rudha Dubh on South Uist. The least depth over the wreck at chart datum was 1 metre. The wreck lies on an orientation of 045/225 degrees and covers an area 72 x 20 metres. The engine room fittings and a propeller were located. There is evidence of clearance using explosive demolition, and little remains of the wreck above the keel other than the propeller shaft and other robust sections. The wreck was examined on 29 August 1975. Fuel oil is reported still held within the lower part of the wreck and local fishermen are anxious that further disturbance should not take place. Report by ASADA exercise 'wreck hunter' expedition. Originally the vessel went aground at 57 04 00N, 007 16 30W. The stern section was towed some years ago to a sheltered position near Calvay Rock and systematically and illegally salvaged of all non-ferrous metals. Apparently about 1000 tons of wreckage remains covered in kelp. Report by J. Moor. July 1984. The wreck is virtually totally covered with sand. Only a small amount of the remaining superstructure protrudes above the seabed, in general depth of 5 metres. Report by Lt M. J. Law, REME. 22 January 1987. The position is taken from aerial photography - 57 06 04.5N, 007 16 20W. 20 March 1989. A salvage operation is planned for early summer by Mr Donald Macphee to recover the 2 to 7 thousand cases of whisky and Jamaican bank notes that are still in the wreck. The mast tops of the vessel are 9.1 metres below the surface, with a further 15.2 metres between the upper deck and keel. Source: Daily Telegraph, 20 March 1989. Note; this does fit well with previous descriptions received. 31 January 1990. In further reference to proposed salvage attempt to be attempted in the Spring of 1990. Source: the Guardian, 13 December 1989. 4 April 1990. Salvage of the cargo is scheduled to commence in June. Source: the Times, 20 March 1990. 10 August 1994. The site was located by diver. It is well broken and stands 1-2 metres above the seabed. The site is well covered in kelp. Report by J. Leigh. Hydrographic Office, 1995. (Former name cited as London Merchant and classified as steel steamship: date of loss cited as 5 February 1941). This vessel stranded off Rosinish [Roisinis] Point, on the E side of Eriskay. (Locations cited as N57 6.1 W7 16.2 (aft portion) and N57 4 W7 16.5). I G Whittaker 1998. Material reported under RoW amnesty (2001): A2713 1 'clay brick' marked 'Forth': from seabed A3751 7 assorted glass bottles, from in and around the wreck A3936 1 copper pipe, 1 oiler: from seabed. [Droits do not note from which portion of the wreck these object are derived ]. NMRS, MS/829/35.

**NGR** NF 8340 1312

Site Name RFA BIRCHOIL: RUBHA MEALABHAIG
Site Type NAVAL AUXILIARY, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 2187

NMRS No NF81SW 8004

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** 

NF81SW 8004 8340 1312 N57 6 W7 13.75 Formerly entered as NF82SW 8001 at cited location NF 8424 2411 [N57 6 W7 13.75]. NLO: Rubha Mealabhaig [name: NF 832 128] Benbecula [name centred NF 82 51]. Quality of fix = PA Horizontal Datum = OGB General water depth = 8 Circumstances of Loss Details - The fleet oiler RFA BIRCHOIL ran ashore. Source: World War II Shipping Loses. Surveying Details - The vessel ran ashore on Ru Melvich on bearing 357 degrees, 6.75 miles from the Trig Point. 24 August 1970. Being offered for tender. 9 October 1970. The wreck was sold to Elliot & Co (divers) Helenburgh. 26 February 1971. The site was investigated by boat using visual and echosounder means. No trace was found and it was assumed to have been dispersed. Report by HMS HECCLA. 19 August 1975. The wreck is broken up with remains scattered over a large area. There is evidence of recent salvage attempts. Report by letter from D. Sloan dated 31 July 1975. 28 October 1976. The vessel was not visible on RAF aerial photography dated 1971. 7 August 1984. The position was given as 57 06 00N, 007 13 45W. Only a few plates and a porthole were found at a depth of about 7 metres. Most of the wreck is thought to be in deeper water off Ru Melvick. Report by Lt M. L. Law, REME. 6 March 1985. The site was dived upon in 1984. The bows of wreck lie close inshore in 3 metres of water and the stern is in 14 metres on a sandy bottom. Report by P. Camilla, 25 February 1985. Hydrographic Office, 1995. (Name cited as Birchol and classified as steel RFA oiler: date of loss cited as 29 November 1939). This vessel was lost 357 degs 6.5 cables from trig point: identity uncertain. (Alternative locations cited at N57 5.77 W7 13.73 and N57 5.76 W7 15.3). I G Whittaker 1998. Material reported under RoW amnesty (2001): A2712 1 small bronze valve, 1 brass valve wheel: from seabed. (Name cited as Birchal: location cited [in error] as south end of Benbecula). NMRS, MS/829/35.

**NGR** NF 8179 1312

Site Name UNKNOWN: RUBHA DUBH

Site Type FLOATING DOCK, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 3019

**NMRS No** NF81SW 8003

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF81SW 8003 8179 1312 N57 5.9333 W7 15.3333 NLO: Rubha Dubh [name: NF

816 131]. Quality of fix = PA Horizontal Datum = OGB Surveying Details - 19 August 1975. The remains of what appears to have been a floating dock were reported. The section is badly broken up, lying about 200yds to the east of the wreck at 57 05 56N, 007 15 30W. Report taken from a letter from D. Sloan dated 31 July 1975. 8 January 1976. This wreck lies about 100 metres east of the tug at 57 05 56N, 007 15 30W. The inshore section is against the low tide mark. The wreck extends some 30 metres offshore resting on the rocky beach. Parts of this wreck appear above the surface at low tide. Because of the danger of being swept against sharp reinforcing bars, an accurate survey was not made by the diving party. However, the clearance at low tide was about 4 metres at the most distant parts of the wreck. While inshore, the upper surface of wreck dried about 1 metre during neaps. This ferroconcrete object, probably a pontoon or dry dock, has broken into a number of large segments, each with large numbers of sharp reinforcing bars protruding from them. Because of wash of the swell into chambers in the pontoon, this is an extremely hazardous environment for divers. The ground around the wreck is extremely foul, but it is unlikely that any vessel would want to anchor in the vicinity. Report by ASADA exercise 'wreck hunter' expedition. 7 August 1984. The site is described as the remains of a Mulberry harbour section which was being towed by tug. The section sank at 57 05 56N, 007 15 30W. Report by Lt M. J. Law, REME.

Hydrographic Office, 1995.

Site No 399

**NGR** NF 7900 1300

Site Name HENRIETTE MOLLER
Site Type TUG, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF71SE 8003

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF71SE 8003 c. 79 13 N57 6 W7 18 Possibly on map sheet NF81SW. NLO: Caolas

Eirosgaigh [name centred NF 799 133]. The location assigned to this record is essentially tentative. Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 30 April 2002.

NGR NF 8000 1300 Site Name ROSA MARIS

Site Type VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

**NMRS No** NF81SW 8005

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF81SW 8005 c. 80 13 N57 6 W7 17 Possibly on map sheet NF71SE. Red Rocks are

not indicated as such on the 1997 edition of the OS 1:50,000 map. Information from

RCAHMS (RJCM), 2002. I G Whittaker 1998.

Site No 401

NGR NF 7900 1300 Site Name ELGIN

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF71SE 8007

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NI

NF71SE 8007 c. 79 13 N57 6 W7 18 Possibly on map sheets NF70NE, NF80NW or NF80SW. NLO: Caolas Eirosgaigh [name centred NF 799 133] Loch Indaal [name centred NR 26 57]. 10 June 1876, ELGIN, 11 yrs old, of Leith, wooden brigantine, 310 tons, 10 crew, Master J. Thoms, Owner J. Grant and Son, Leith, departed Liverpool for The Tyne, carrying salt, wind S6, stranded Eriskay Sound, Western Hebrides. Source: PP Abstracts Returns of Wrecks and Casualties on Coasts of the UK 1875 - 76 (1876 [C.1632] LXVII.191). ELGIN, Official No. 49,107, built Pictou, N.S., 1865, stranded attributed to error of judgement on the part of the Master in estimating his distance from Barra Head. Inquiry held at Leith. Table 46: Statement of Official Inquiries in the United Kingdom into the Causes of Wrecks, Casualties, and Collisions, ordered by the Board of Trade during the Year 1875-6. Source: PP Abstracts Returns of Wrecks and Casualties on Coasts of the UK 1875 - 76 (1876 [C.1632] LXVII.191). ELGIN, of Leith, Liverpool to Lynn, stranded, 8th June, NW side of Lochindahl [Lochindaal]. Source: Shipping Intelligence, LL, No. 19,390, London, Friday June 16 1876. Shields, 16th June, the owners of the ELGIN (brgtne.), from Liverpool to Newcastle, with salt, have received a telegram stating that she had gone ashore on Eriscay [Eriskay], South Uist. Source: Shipping Intelligence, LL, No. 19,391, London, Saturday June 17 1876. Leith, 18th June, the ELGIN (brig), of Leith, Toms, from Liverpool to Newcastle, with salt, struck on a rock off Eriskay island (South Uist), on the night of the 10th inst., during a dense fog, and remained fast. The crew made for Eriskay, and landed: her back is broken, and she will be a wreck. The master and mate remained on the island to save the sails, etc. The cargo is totally lost. Source: Shipping Intelligence, LL, No. 19,393, London, Tuesday June 20 1876. NMRS, MS/829/69 (no. 2630). (Classified as wooden brigantine, with cargo of salt: date of loss cited as June 1876). This vessel was wrecked on Rain Rock, 2 cables SW of Eriskay. Capt. Jones. I G Whittaker 1998. The location of this loss is uncertain. Whittaker cites no authority for his stated location. Rain Rock is not noted as such on the 1997 edition of the OS 1:50,000 map, but is probably to be equated with Na Stacan Dubha [name: NF 786 073] or one of the adjacent stacks. This equation places the loss at the opposite end of the island from the Sound of Eriskay. Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 26 April 2004. I G Whittaker 1998.

NGR NF 7900 1300 Site Name BILLOW CREST

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

**SMR No** 

NMRS No NF71SE 8005

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

DBA Report NF71SE 8005 c. 79 13 N57 6 W7 18 Possibly on map sheet NF81SW. NLO: Caolas

Eirosgaigh [name centred NF 799 133]. 3 April 1899 BILLOW CREST, 16 years, of Plymouth, Lloyds cont A1 for 4 years from 9/96. Survey 4/96. Wood schooner. 92 ton, 5 men. Master W. Watkines, Owner J.H. Leslie, Barmouth, Merionethshire. Portmadoc to Esbjerg. Slate. Wind S6. Entrance to Sound of Eriskay, Hebrides. Casualties involving total loss of vessel during year end 30 June 1899. Source: PP Abstracts of Shipping Casualties on Coasts, or in Rivers and Harbours, of UK July 1898-99 (1900 [Cd. 318] LXXVII.531). NMRS, MS/829/67 (no. 749). (Name cited as Billowcrest and classified as wooden schooner, with cargo of slates: date of loss cited as 3 April 1899). This vessel stranded at the entrance to the Sound of Eriskay. I G Whittaker 1998. The location assigned to this record is essentially tentative.

Information from RCAHMS (RJCM), 16 September 2003.

Site No 403

**NGR** NF 8300 1300

Site Name BROG

Site Type SETTLEMENT (POSSIBLE)

SMR No

NMRS No

**HS Designation** None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** Speed's map of 1610 & 1662 mark a possible settlement annotated 'Brog' on the

south eastern tip of South Uist. True location is unknown.

Site No 404

NGR NF 8330 1140 Site Name ERNST WILHELM

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

NMRS No NF81SW 8006

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF81SW 8006 c. 833 114 N57 4.9667 W7 13.7167 NLO: Thairteamul [name: NF 833

114]. 16 August 1885, ERNST WILHELM, 22 yrs old, registered Germany, wooden barque, 345 tons, 10 crew. Master J. E. Girow, Owner E. W. Ohrloff and Son, Barth. Departed Newport, Mon., for Copenhagen carrying coal. Wind NW4, stranded Hartsmul Island, between Eriskay and S. Uist, Hebrides. Source: PP Abstracts of Shipping Casualties on Coasts, or in Rivers and Harbours of the UK July 1885-86 (1887 [C.5196] LXXIV.449). NMRS, MS/829/68 (no. 1878). (Classified as wooden barque, with cargo of coal: date of loss cited as 16 August 1885). This vessel stranded

on Harstmul Island, South Uist. I G Whittaker 1998.

NGR NF 8329 1121 Site Name THALA

Site Type CARGO VESSEL, (Maritime Record)

SMR No

**NMRS No** NF81SW 8002

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** NF81SW 8002 8329 1121 N57 4.9667 W7 13.7167 Formerly entered as NF81SW

9532. NLO: Thairteamul [name: NF 833 114]. Quality of fix = PA Horizontal Datum = OGB General water depth = 8 Circumstances of Loss Details - The steamship THALA was wrecked on Hartamul, S Uist, while on voyage from Pepel, Sierra Leone to the Tees. Source; Dictionary of Disasters. Surveying Details - 17 November 1970. On the 13th May 1970, a Lloyds list report stated approximately 7 to 8 tons of brass and copper had been recovered from the wreck during April 1970. 19 August 1975. The vessel was wrecked at Hartamul. This vessel has been considerably cut up and a salvage team was observed on it in 1973 by local fisherman. Report by letter from D. Sloan dated 31 July 1975. 8 January 1976. An underwater search by divers on the north side Hartamul failed to locate any signs of this wreck. A less extensive search on the opposite side of the reef (the SE side) also produced a negative result. It is possible that the wreck drifted some distance before sinking. Report by ASADA exercise 'wreck hunter' expedition. 6 March 1985. The wreck lies on reef just S of Hartamul in 2 to 15 metres. The engines and boilers are in about 10 metres. Report by P. Camilli, 25 February 1985. Hydrographic Office, 1995.

Site No 406

NGR NF 9024 6534 Site Name DUN BAN

Site Type DUN; STRUCTURES

**SMR No** 1224

NMRS No NF96NW 4

**HS Designation** None

Designation No

**DBA Report** 

NF96NW 4 9024 6534. NF 9024 6534) Dun Ban (NAT) OS 6"map, Inverness-shire, 2nd ed., (1904) Dun Ban...occupies the entire surface of the islet measuring about 30 yards in diameter and rising about 5-10ft above water level, and is unconnected to the shore by a causeway. The islet is fortified around the edge by a slight outer wall 3ft thick, further supplemented by a strong inner rampart 5 1/2ft wide, most clearly apparent on the N and W. At the E there is a clearly defined boat entrance 11ft wide externally but narrowing inwards and upwards over the rock. The N side of the water-gate is natural rock but to the S is a constructed wall 9ft in length. The area enclosed by the two concentric lines of defence is about 55ft in diameter. Facing the water-gate on the E is a circular construction measuring 20ft over walls about 2ft 6ins thick and 3ft in height with a doorway in the E. E Beveridge 1911; RCAHMS 1928.

Dun Ban is as described above, except that there are two more similar circular structures, one built against the inner wall face on its N side. Visited by OS (N K B) 11 June 1965.

NGR NF 9024 6525 Site Name LOCH HUNDER

Site Type DUN SMR No 1245

NMRS No NF96NW 5

**HS Designation** Scheduled Ancient Monument

Designation No 924

**DBA Report** NF96NW 5 9046 6525. (NF 9046 6525) Dun (NR) OS 6"map, Inverness-shire, 2nd

ed., (1904) This dun is representative of many examples of similar duns occuring in the Outer Isles, the date of which is uncertain. It occupies an islet near the E shore of the loch to which it is connected by a causeway. Another causeway connects it with a second islet and a third runs from this to the far shore. The dun is a flattened oval on plan measuring about 40 x 34ft over a wall which varies from 5-10ft thick and which includes at least one chamber, probably more (R W Feachem 1963). Classified as an 'island-broch' (E Beveridge 1911). E Beveridge 1911; RCAHMS 1928; R W Feachem 1963. As described above. Opposite the end of the causeway at 9048 6515, there is a small D-shaped enclosure measuring 6.5 x 5.5m constructed of large stones. It has been scooped out of the hillside and has an entrance facing the

causeway. Visited by OS (N K B) 11 June 1965.

Site No 408

NGR NF 9008 6263 Site Name LOCH OBISARY

Site Type DUN SMR No 0

NMRS No NF96SW 2 HS Designation None

**Designation No** 

**DBA Report** NF96SW 2 9008 6263. (NF 9008 6263) An island nearest the N shore of Loch

Obisary, with steep rocky sides, has been occupied by a dun. Traces of a 5ft wide surrounding wall are apparent on the S side close to the water's edge. Another portion c.3ft thick is on the N side, founded upon a base of perpendicular rock and 5ft above water level. This extends for a length of several yards. E Beveridge 1911.

This dun is as described above. visited by OS (N K B) 13 June 1965.