# Former Mill At Glencally, Glen Prosen, DD8 4RQ Report on Level 1 Standing Building Survey





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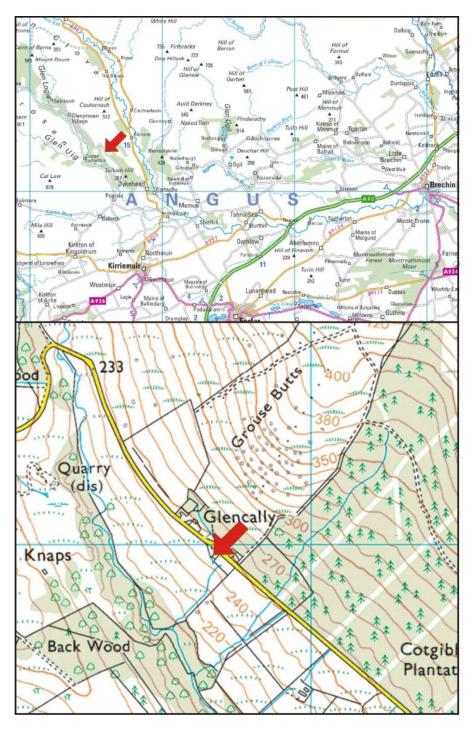
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### SUMMARY

A Level 1 standing building survey was carried out on 28 July 2015. The original early 19<sup>th</sup> century L-shaped mill was extended prior to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition OS map (Illus 11) with an extension to the NW which was later demolished leaving a low walled enclosure (Room 4). An extension was also added to the SW and again this was demolished leaving tying in stones on the SW gable. A room added to the centre of the mill in the L between Rooms 1 and 2 was demolished prior to this survey. It is recommended that no further archaeological work is required during the current planning application.

# **1** INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The site (Illus 1) is located on the SW side of the Cortachy to Glenprosen Village Road north of Tulloch Hill. It is centred on NGR NO 35720 62970, at 240-250m OD (Illus 1) and in the parish of Cortachy and Clova.
- 1.2 The work was commissioned by John Boath. A planning application 15/00367/FULL was passed by Angus Council on 12 June 2015. Condition 1a is a requirement for a Level 1 standing building survey.
- 1.3 All the archaeological work was carried out in the context of Scottish Planning Policy (SPP) Planning Advice Note (PAN 2/2011) and Scottish Historic Environment Policy (SHEP), which state that archaeological remains should be regarded as part of the environment to be protected and managed.



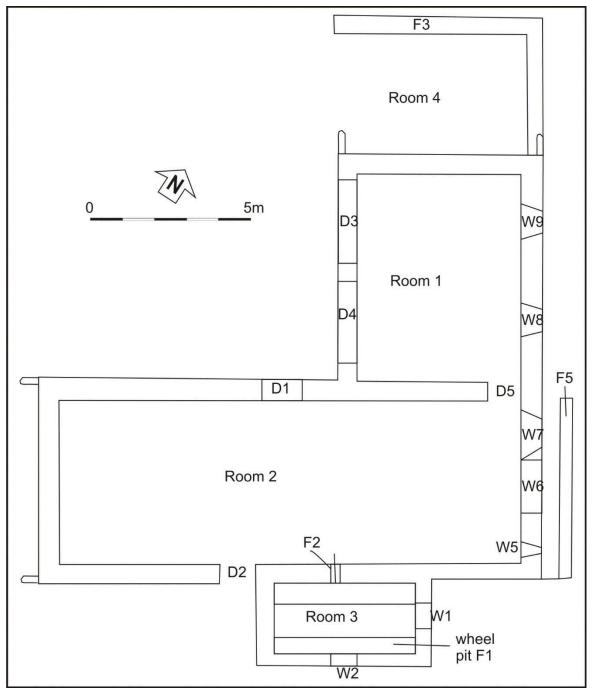
Illus 1 Location plan (Contains Ordnance Survey data © Crown copyright and database right 2015)

# 2 BACKGROUND

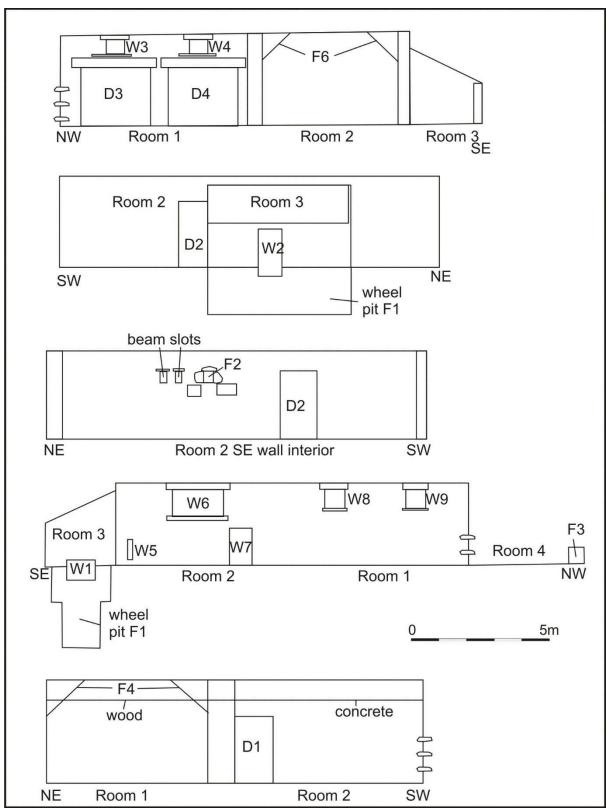
The remains of a mill are depicted on historic OS maps (NO36SE0057; Illus 14-16). The 1st edition shows two L-plan structures, the western one with attached enclosures to the north. To the southeast is a dam and mill pond and an L-plan mill. By the time of the 2nd edition the mill building to the southeast has been altered and extended. The mill is now ruinous and the mill pond has been infilled (Aberdeenshire SMR online).

# 3 THE LEVEL 1 STANDING BUILDING SURVEY

A level 1 standing building survey was carried out on 28 July 2015; the weather was bright and sunny. Architects plans were checked and drawings of all the major elevations were made.



Illus 2 Plan of mill structures recorded (From Copyright Bell Ingram Design)



Illus 3 Building elevations

#### Phase 1

The Phase 1 mill is 13m NW-SE and 13.9m NE-SW and consisted of three rooms. The buildings are constructed of granite and sandstone rubble with granite lintels, quoins and jambs except Room 1 cart doors D3 and D4 which has red sandstone lintels (both cracked; Illus 9) on the SW façade. Room 2 is the main mill and Room 3 the wheelhouse (Illus 4, 5). Room 2 has doors in the NW and SE walls and the driveshaft mechanism for the wheel

survives in the SE wall (F2; Illus 7). The walls of the main building are 0.6m thick and Room 3 the wheelhouse has walls 0.55m thick. Roofs survive only on the wheelhouse which is in a poor condition.



Illus 4 Mill from the north; facing S



Illus 5 Mill from SE showing wheelhouse Room 3 (right); facing NW



Illus 6 Wheel pit F1 (not accessible) photographed through roof of Room 3; facing NW

The wheel pit (F1) is a maximum of 4.9m deep (from the wall-head) and is contained in a slate roofed building added on to the SE wall of Room 2. An aperture through the wall (F2) is  $0.5 \times 0.5m$  in size houses the cast iron driveshaft for the mill wheel (Illus 7); the wheel has been removed.



Illus 7 Wheel driveshaft F2; facing SE



Illus 8 Interior Room 2; facing NE

Beam slots on the NW and SE walls of Room 2 and upper windows throughout indicate that the mill had a first floor throughout.



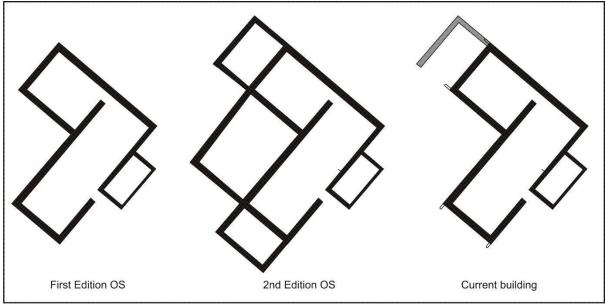
Illus 9 Cartshed Room 1 SW facade with Doors D3 (left) and D4 (right); facing NE



Illus 10 Room 4 wall F3; facing NW

# 4 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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Illus 11 Phase plan

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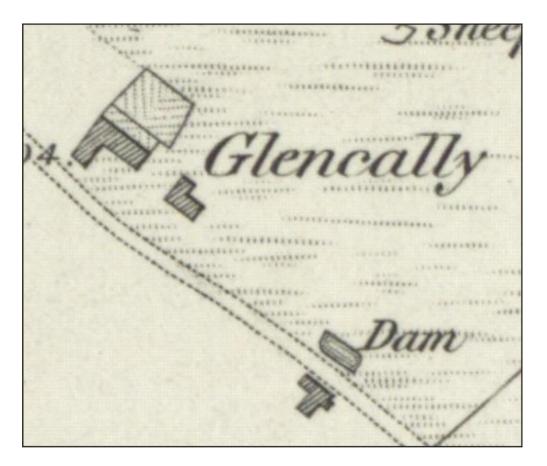
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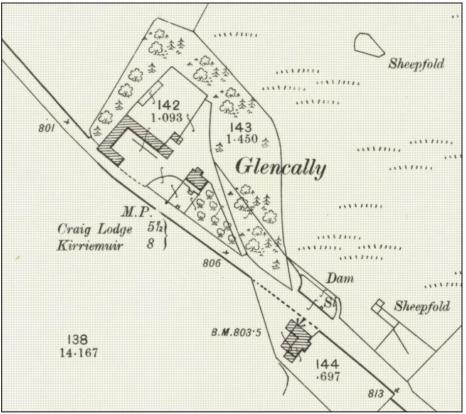
Illus 12 Pont map showing approximate area of Cally Mill (copyright National Library of Scotland)



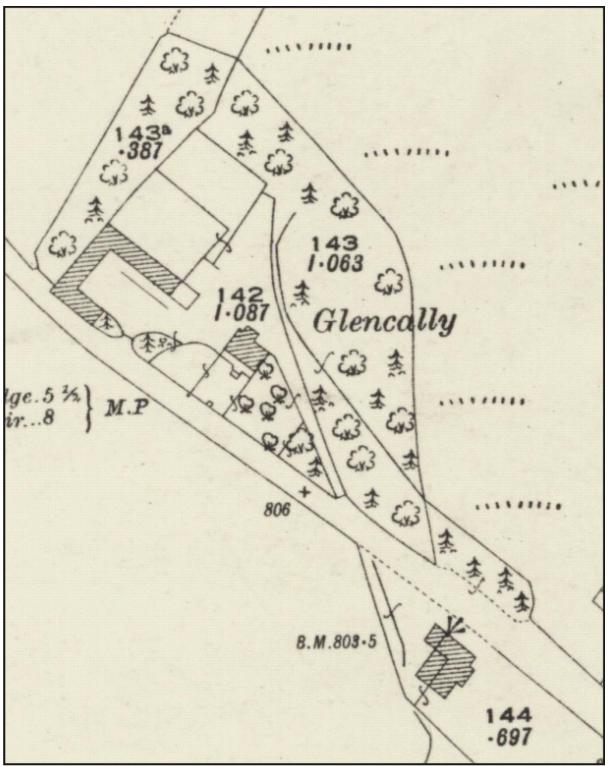
Illus 13 Gordon map of 1636-52 with 'Glencaly' (copyright National Library of Scotland)



Illus 14 1<sup>st</sup> Edition Ordnance map showing mill (bottom right) opposite dam. Forfarshire, Sheet XXIV (includes: Cortachy And Clova; Kingoldrum; Lintrathen) Survey date: 1862 Publication date: 1865 (copyright National Library of Scotland)



Illus 15 Second Edition OS map showing mill (bottom right) opposite dam. Forfarshire 024.07 (includes: Cortachy and Clova) Publication date: 1901 Revised: ca. 1900 (copyright National Library of Scotland)



Illus 16 3<sup>rd</sup> edition Ordnance Surbey map showing mill (bottom right). Forfarshire 024.07 (includes: Cortachy and Clova) Publication date: 1924 Revised: ca. 1922 Levelled: 1901 (copyright National Library of Scotland)

## **APPENDIX 2 PHOTOGRAPHS**

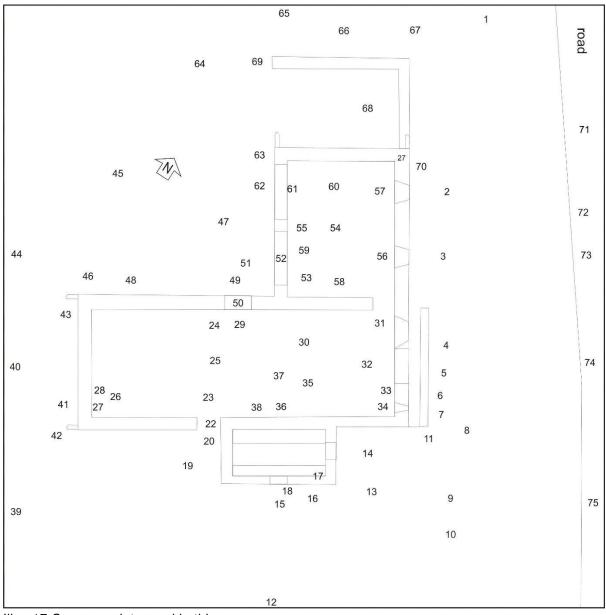


Photo no	Description	Facing	
DSC_0502-3	N corner of former mill	S	1
DSC_0504	NE wall with window W9 and OS bench mark (bottom right)	SW	2
DSC_0505	NE wall with window W9 (right) and W8 (left)	SW	3
DSC_0506	NE wall with window W6 (left)	SW	3
DSC_0507	NE wall with window W9 (centre) D7 (bottom left) W5 (left of ranging rod)	SW	4
DSC_0508-9	W6	SW	5
DSC_0510	W7	SW	6
DSC_0511	W5	SW	7
DSC_0512	Wall and bank F5 parallel to NE wall of mill	NW	7

DSC_0513	Wall and bank F5 parallel to NE wall of mill	SW	7
DSC_0514	Detail of stonework	SW	6
DSC_0515	NE wall of Mill	W	8
DSC_0516-7	Mill from E	W	9
DSC_0518	E corner quoins	W	10
DSC_0519-20	E corner quoins	NW	11
DSC_0521-6	SE wall	NW	12
DSC_0527	SE wall Room 2 with Room 3 (left)	NW	13
DSC_0528	NE wall Room 3 with W1 (bottom, covered with rubble)	SW	14
DSC 0529	Room 3 SE wall with W2 (centre)	NW	15
 DSC 0530	Roof slate detail	NW	16
 DSC 0531	Slated roof Room 3	NW	16
_ DSC_0532-41	Interior Room 3 through gap in roof (no other access)	NW/WNW/W	17
 DSC 0542-3	Window W1 interior through gap in the roof	NNE	17
 DSC 0544-5	Interior Room 3 through gap in roof (no other access) showing wheel pit	NW	17
DSC 0546-8	W2	NW	18
DSC 0549-51	SW wall Room 3	NE	19
DSC 0552-3	D2	NW	20
DSC 0554	SE wall Room 2 with D2	NW	21
DSC 0555	D2 lintel	NW	20
DSC 0556	D2 details	W	22
DSC 0556-60	D2 details	SW	22
DSC_0561-2	D2 interior	SE	23
DSC 0563	D2 lintel	SE	23
DSC_0564	D2 and interior SE wall Room 2	SE	24
DSC_0565	Room 2 SW wall	SW	25
 DSC 0566	Room 2 SW wall	SW	26
DSC 0567	Room 2 SW wall	SW	23
 DSC 0568-9	Room 2	NE	26
DSC 0570-1	Stonework detail	SW	27/28
 DSC_0572-3	D1	NW	29
 DSC_0574	Room 2 NW wall interior with D1 (right)	WNW	23
 DSC 0575	Room 2 NW wall interior with D1 (centre)	NW	23
 DSC 0576	Room 2 NW wall interior with D1 (left)	NNE	23
DSC 0577-9	D1	W	29
DSC_0580	D1	NNE	29
DSC_0581	Room 2 NW wall interior with D1 (left)	NNE	25
DSC 0582	Room 2 D1 (right) D2 (left)	SW	30
DSC 0583	Room 2 NW wall with D1	W	30
DSC_0584	Room 2 NW wall with D5 (right)	NW	32
DSC 0585-6	Room 2 NW wall showing beam slots	NW	32
DSC_0587-90	D5	NW	31
DSC_0591	Room 2 SE wall with F2 (centre)	SSW	31
DSC 0592	Room 2 SE wall with F2 (centre)	S	31

DSC 0593-4	Room 2 NE wall with W7 (left) and W5 (right); W6 above (hidden partly by joists)	NE	30
 DSC 0595	W7	NE	32
 DSC 0596	W6	NE	33
 DSC 0597	W7 detail	N	32
 DSC 0598	W5 interior	NE	34
 DSC_0599-601	Room 2 SE wall showing hoist holes	SE	32
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 DSC_0604	Room 2 SE wall showing hoist holes and voids above	SE	35
_ DSC_0605-8	F2 waterwheel drive shaft aperture with iron fitting in situ	SE	36
DSC_0609-10	F2 waterwheel drive shaft aperture with iron fitting in situ	E	37
DSC_0611-14	F2 waterwheel drive shaft aperture with iron fitting details	SE/S	35/36
DSC_0615-19	F2 waterwheel drive shaft aperture with iron fitting in situ	SE	36
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DSC_0623	D2	SE	23
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DSC_0663	D1	S	49
DSC_0664-5	D1 lintel	SE	49
DSC_0666-7	D1	E	49
DSC_0668	D2 and F2 through D1	SE	50
DSC_0669	D2 (right) D4 (left)	SE	51
DSC_0670	Room 2 SW wall D3 and D4	NE	47
DSC_0671	D4 showing sandstone cracked lintel	NE	51
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DSC 0673-4	W4 above D4	NE	52
DSC_0675	D4 SE jamb	SE	52
DSC_0676	Room 1 SE wall stone details	SE	53
DSC_0677-8	Room 1 SE wall W7 (left) D5, and beam slot holes	SE	54
DSC_0679-80	Room 1 SE wall W7 (left) D5, and beam slot holes	ESE	54
DSC_0681-3	Room 1 NE wall W9 (left) W8 (right)	NE	54
DSC_0684-5	W8	NE	56
DSC_0686-7	Wooden trough NE wall Room 1	ESE/NNE	56
DSC_0688	W9	NNE	57
DSC_0689	Room 1 NW wall	NW	54
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DSC_0692-3	D4 (left) D3 (right)	SW	54
DSC_0694-5	W4 above D4	SW	59
DSC_0696-7	W3 above D3	SW	66
DSC_0698	D3 NW jamb	NNW	61
DSC_0699-700	Room 1 NW wall details	NW	61
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DSC_0704	D3 (left) D4 (right)	SE	63
	D3 (right) with tying in stones where extension has		
DSC_0705-8	been demolished	NE	63
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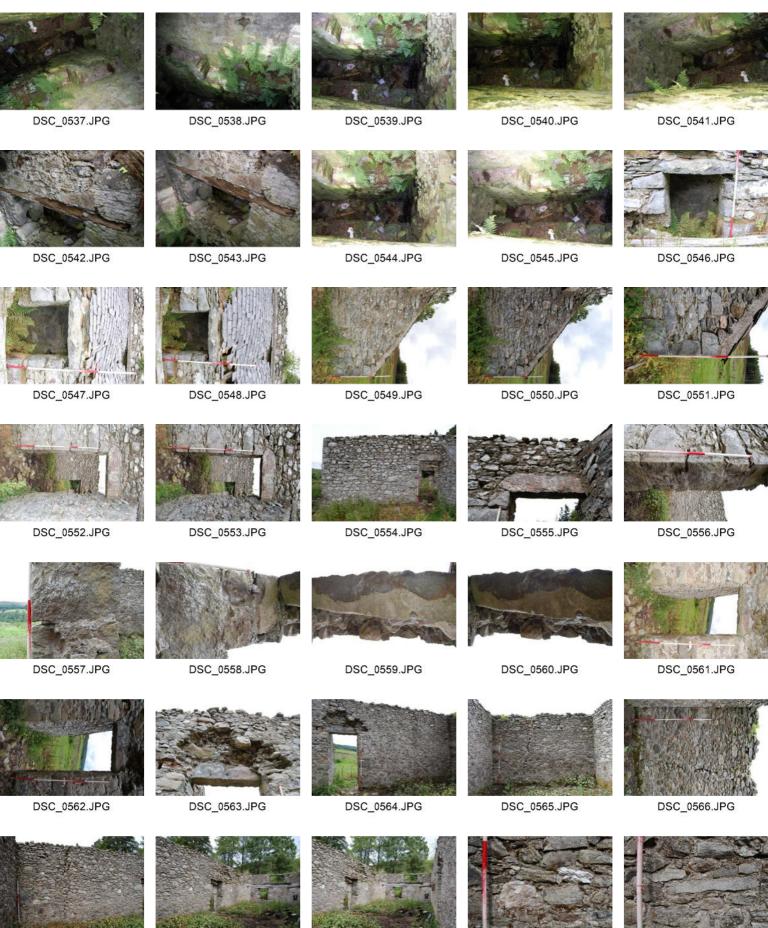
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