

**Mill of Kelly Sawmill, Tarves, Aberdeenshire, AB41 7EN
Report on Level 1 Standing Building Survey**



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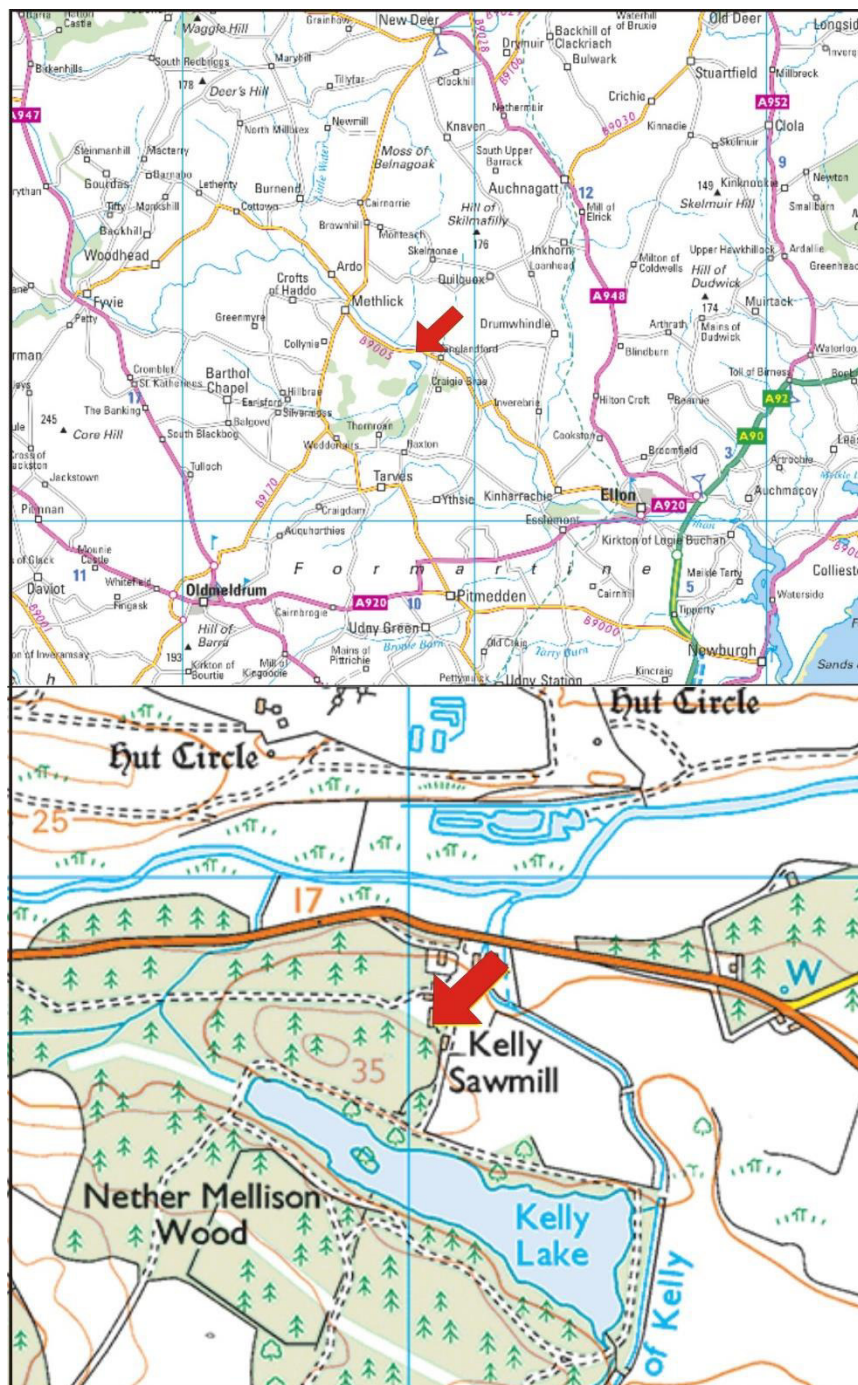
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SUMMARY

A Level 1 standing building survey was carried out on 6 October 2016. Two wooden buildings were recorded. Building 1 had a concrete foundation recorded and Building 2 a stone foundation at the north end. The buildings had been repaired many times after their construction prior to the 2nd Edition OS map and Building 2 extended to the N using asbestos cement roofing material for the walls and roof. It is recommended that no further archaeological work is required during the current planning application.

1 INTRODUCTION

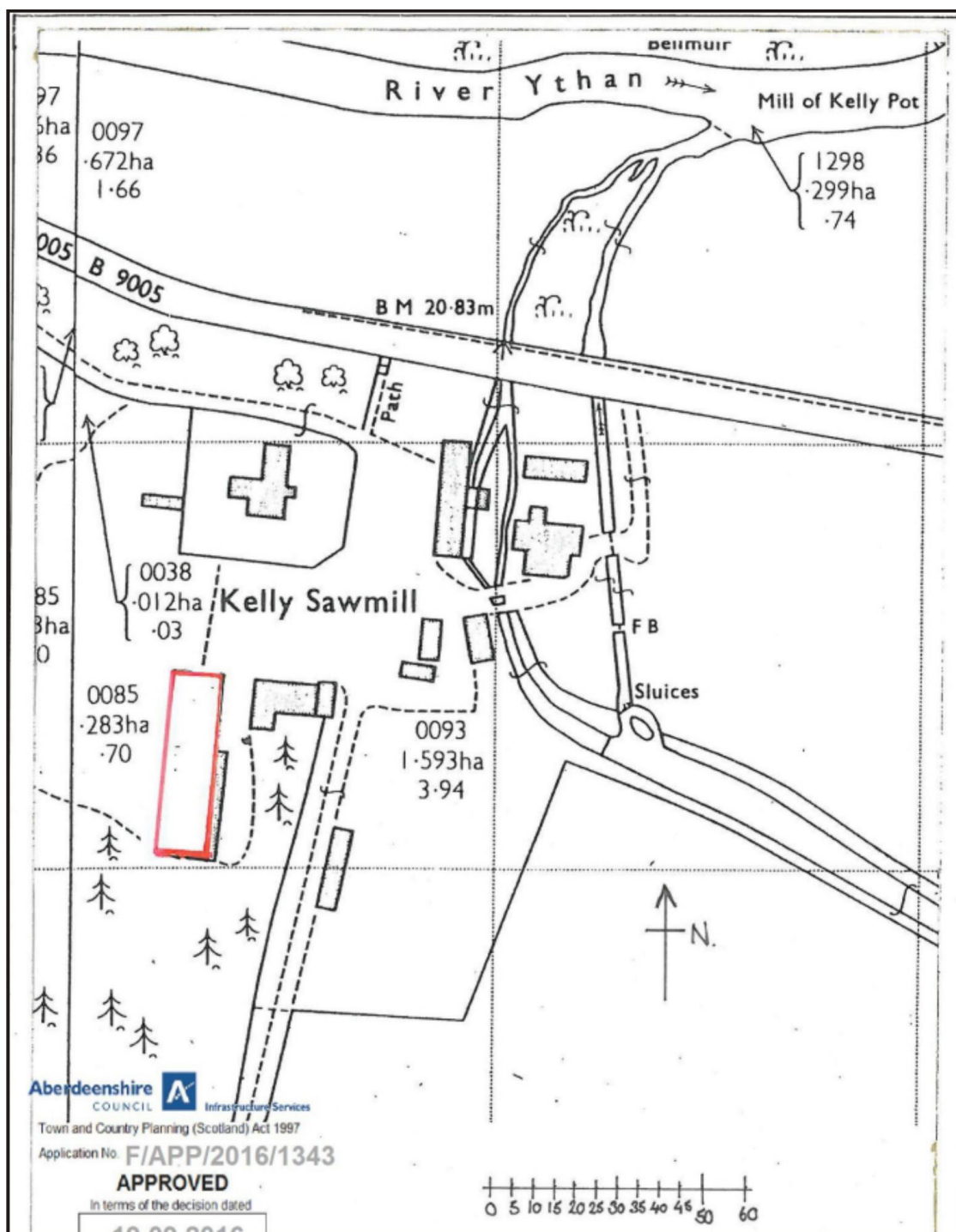
- 1.1 The site (Illus 1) is located on the S side of the B9005 SE of Methlick. It is centred on NGR NJ88026 35833, at 25-30m OD (Illus 1) and in the parish of Methlick.
- 1.2 The work was commissioned by Mark Andrew, Haddo Estate. An Aberdeenshire Council planning application APP/2016/1343 Full Planning Permission for Demolition of Sheds and Erection of General Purpose Forestry Building a is a requirement for a Level 1 standing building survey (condition 1).
- 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 2016)

2 BACKGROUND

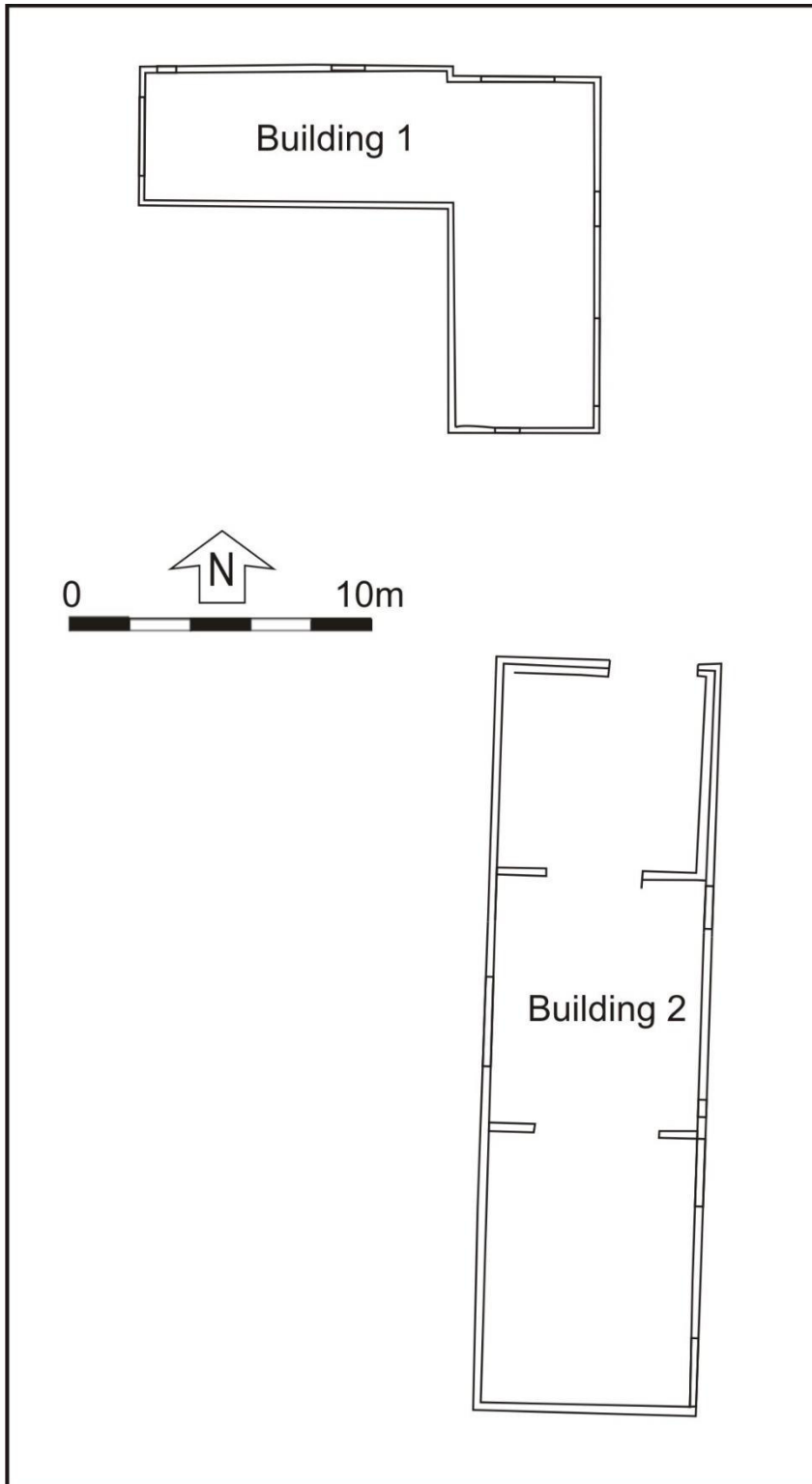
Mill of Kelly is not on Pont's map of 1583-96 but appears on Gordon 1632-52, Blaeu 1652 (Illus 21-23) and Kellye marked on Moll map of 1745. Kelly in the grounds of Haddo House is recorded on Thomson 1826 and Robertson 1822 and Mill of Kelly on Gibb 1858 (Illus 24-26). By the First edition OS map (1868, Illus 28) The Mill of Kelly (Saw) is a cluster of two stone buildings with wooden buildings to the S including Building 1 which is in the same location but a different configuration. By the Second Edition OS map (1900; Illus 28) Buildings 1 and 2 are present although Building 2 is shorter as an extension was built on at the N end after this date.



Illus 2 Plan showing approved building (in red) (copyright Haddo Estate)

3 THE LEVEL 1 STANDING BUILDING SURVEY

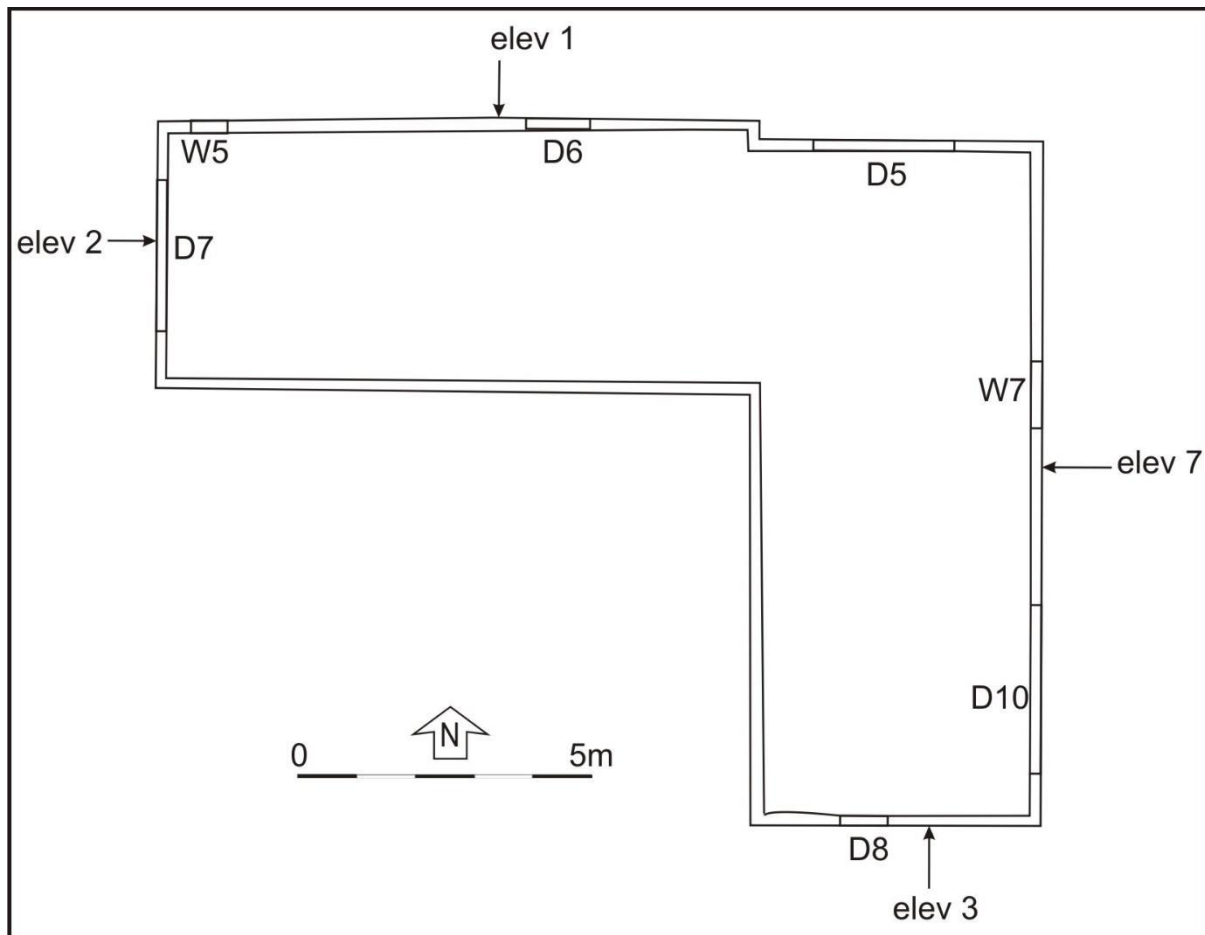
A Level 1 standing building survey was carried out on 6 October 2016. Two buildings are to be demolished and a new shed constructed. A full photographic survey was carried out and plans and elevations drawn. There was little access to the W side of the buildings as the area was very overgrown and the buildings were in a poor condition and full of equipment and rubbish. There was no access to the interior of Building 1 or the south area of Building 2 and no access to the upper floor of Building 2 which is constructed of wood (now in poor condition).



Illus 3 Plan showing Buildings 1 and 2

Building 1

Building 1 is L-shaped, 15m W-E and 11.5m N-S (Illus 4-7). There are large doors in the W and N gables and the S end of the E wall and smaller doors and windows in other walls. The W end has been slightly extended since the Second Edition OS map. There is a concrete foundation (F1, Illus 8) 0.5m deep under the E wall which is not visible on the N wall; access to the W wall was not possible to determine whether there was a similar foundation on other walls. The walls are of wooden planks which have been repaired many times (Illus 9). The roof appears in moderate condition (Illus 10) suggesting this has been replaced since the original construction.



Illus 4 Building 1 plan



Illus 5 Building 1 N wall showing wood plank construction; facing SSE



Illus 6 Building 1 from NW showing D7 (right); facing ESE



Illus 7 Building 1 from the SE; facing NW



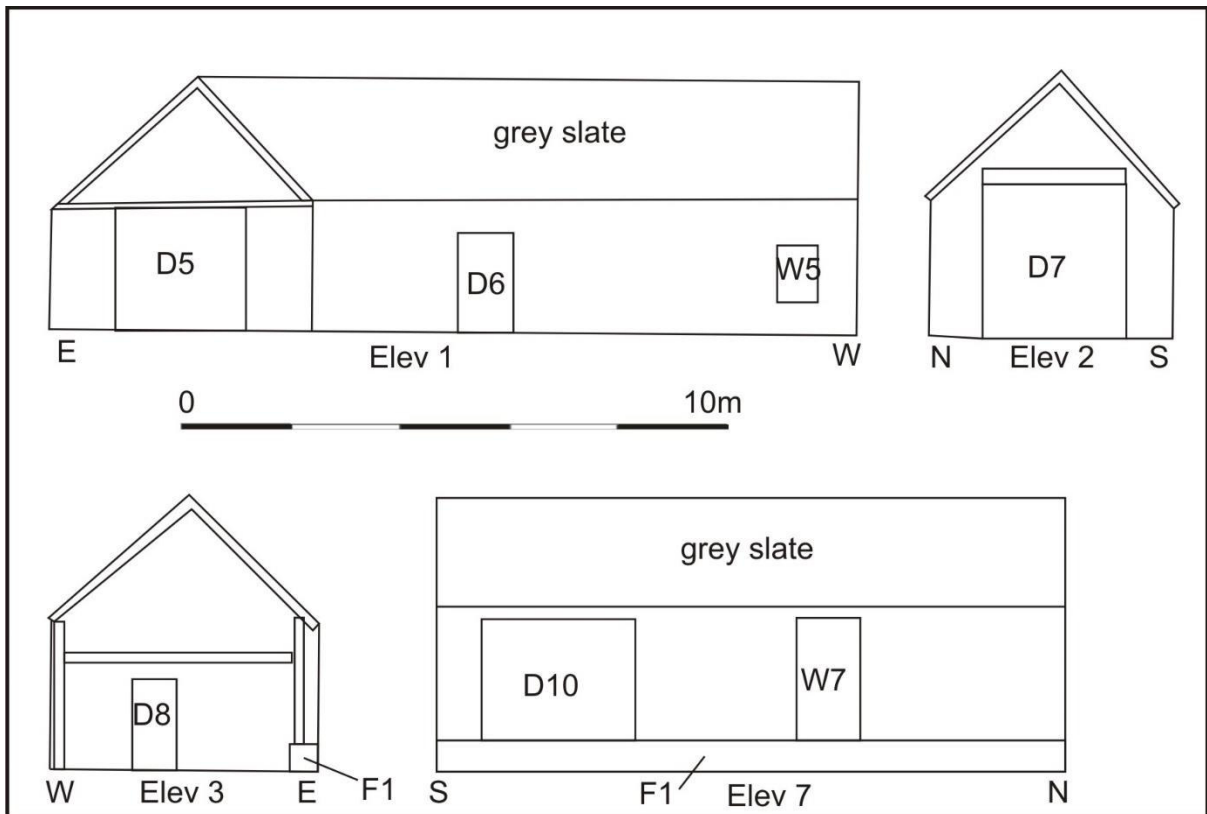
Illus 8 Building 1 E wall showing concrete foundation F1; facing W



Illus 9 Building 1 interior S wall of W room from D7 showing repairs and alterations; facing SE



Illus 10 Building 1 wooden roof timbers from D7; facing E

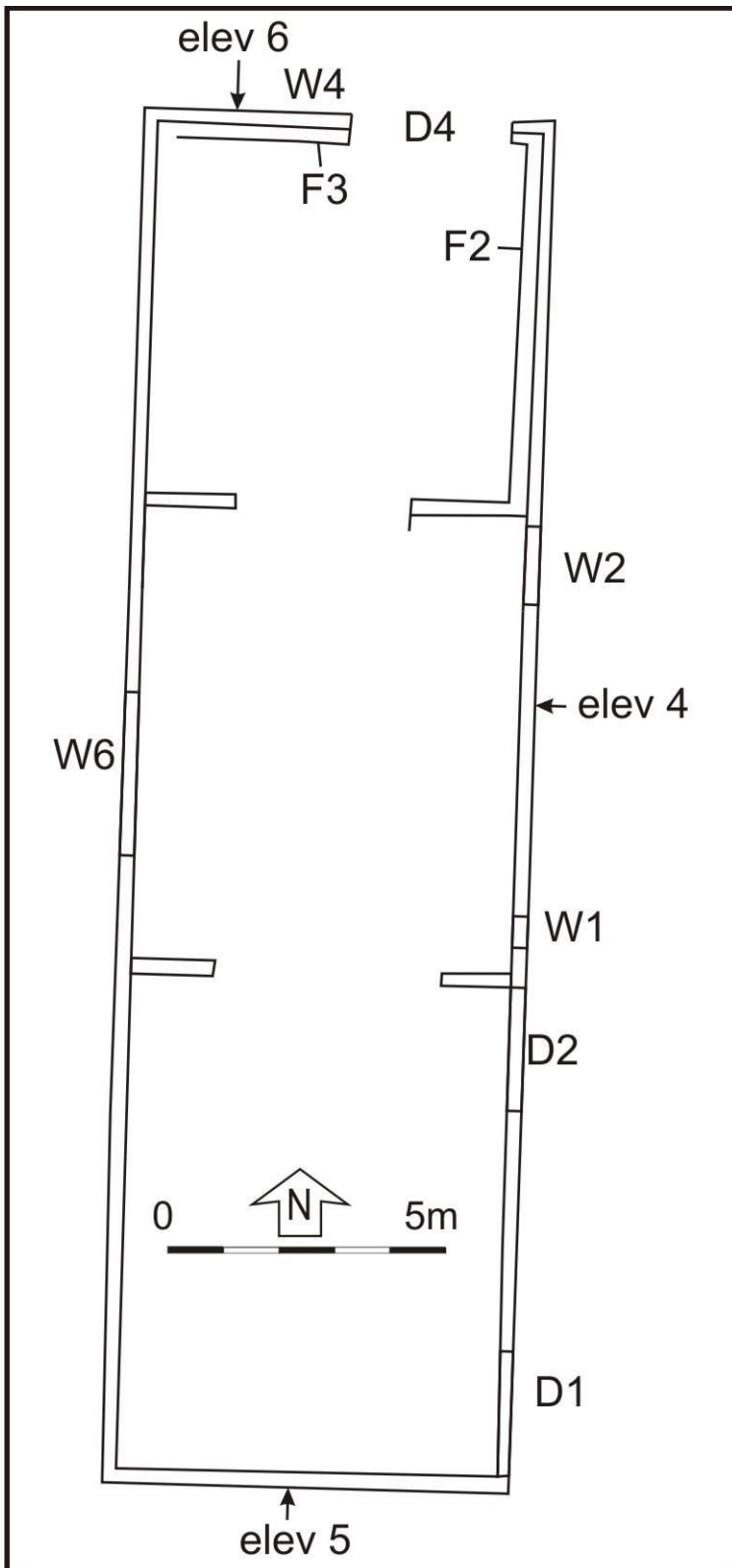


Illus 11 Building 1 elevations

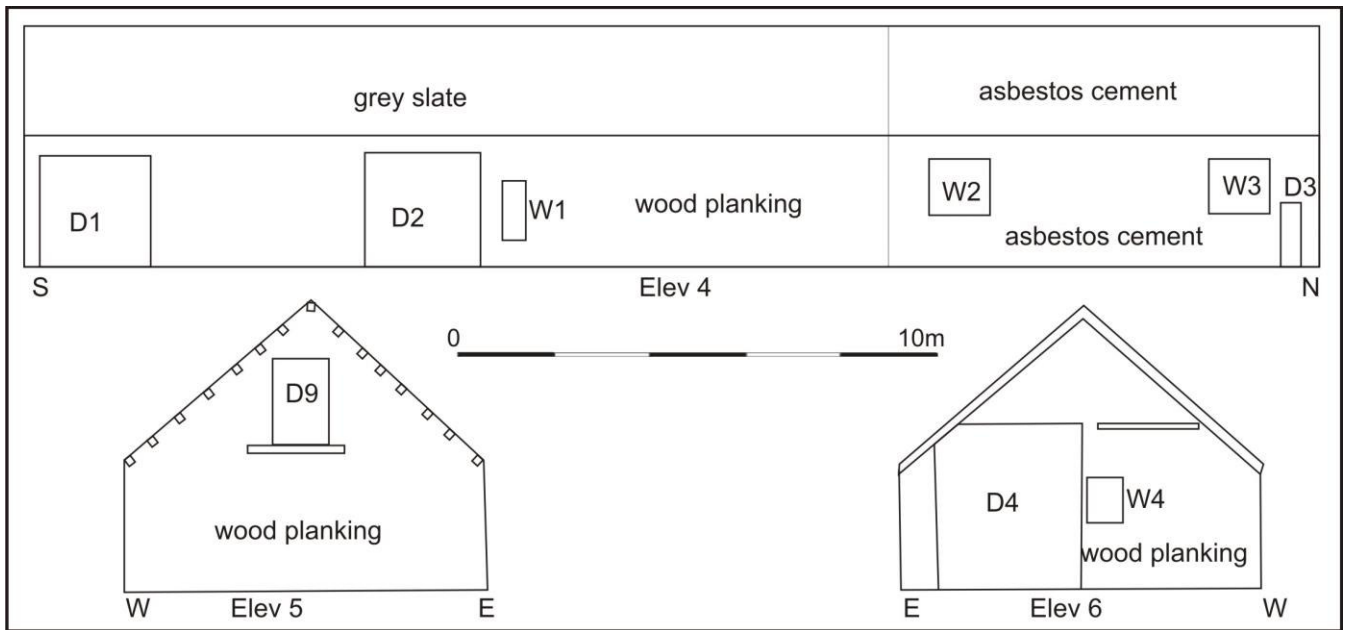
Building 2

Building 2 is rectangular, 25m N-S and 7.5m W-E. There are 3 rooms (N, centre and S). The centre and S rooms are constructed from wood planking with grey slate roof (Illus 12-13) and wood planking floor (Illus 15). There are large doors in the E wall and windows in the W wall (not accessible). There is a first floor window in the S gable with the remains of a wooden platform (Illus 14).

The N room has been added later and the W and E walls and roof are constructed from asbestos cement roofing panels on a wooden frame (Illus 19), the N gable is constructed from short wooden panels secured with iron nails (Illus 16) and the floor is earthen (Illus 17-19). There are stone foundations under the E wall (F2; Illus 17) and the N wall (F3, Illus 18).



Illus 12 Building 2 plan



Illus 13 Building 2 elevations



Illus 14 Building 2 S gable with first floor D9; facing N



Illus 15 Building 2 wood planking floor in central room; facing S



Illus 16 Building 2 N gable D4 and W4; facing S



Illus 17 Building 2 stone foundation F2 under E wall; facing E



Illus 18 Building 2 stone foundation under N wall, F3



Illus 19 Building 2 extension constructed from asbestos cement roofing panels; facing NNW

4 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A Level 1 standing building survey was carried out on 6 October 2016. The wooden buildings were recorded and concrete foundation recorded in Building 1 and stone foundation in Building 2. The buildings had been repaired many times after their construction prior to the 2nd Edition OS map and Building 2 extended to the N using asbestos cement roofing material for the walls and roof. It is recommended that no further archaeological work is required during the current planning application.

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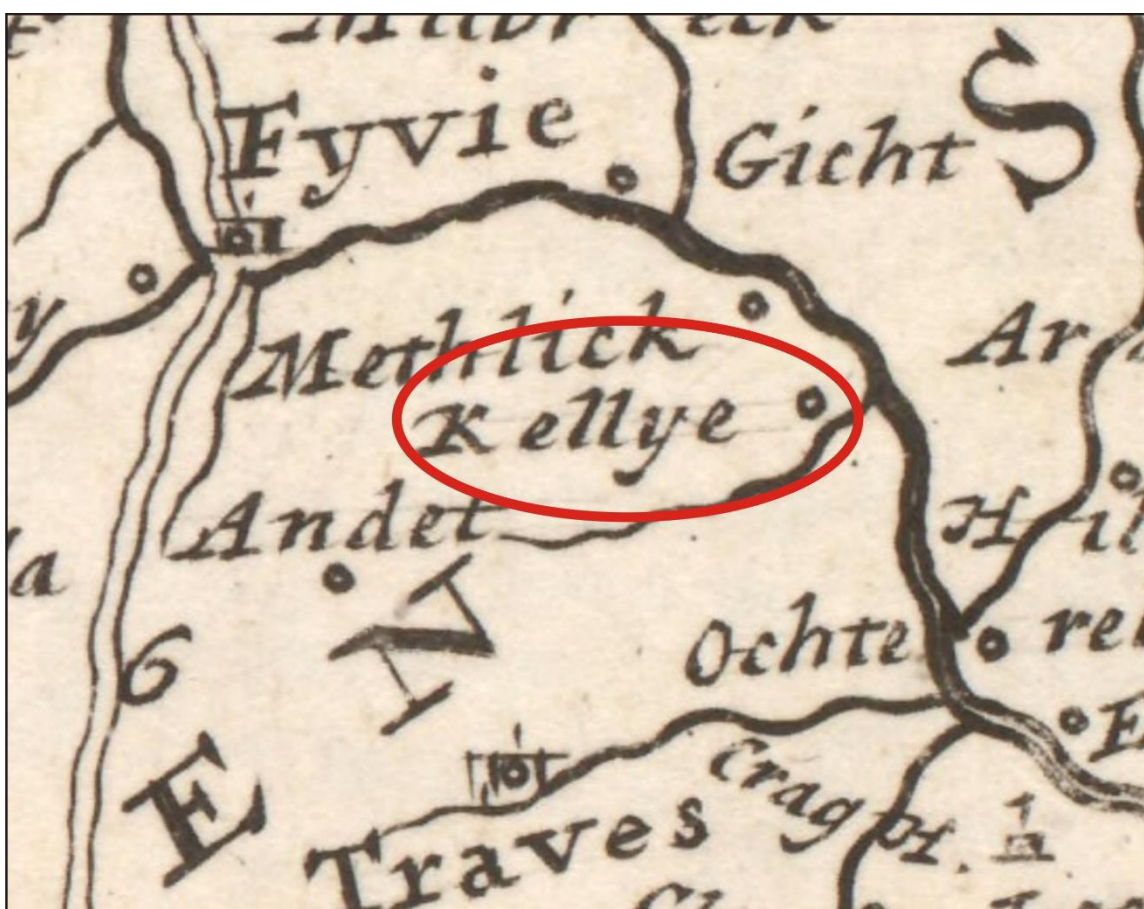
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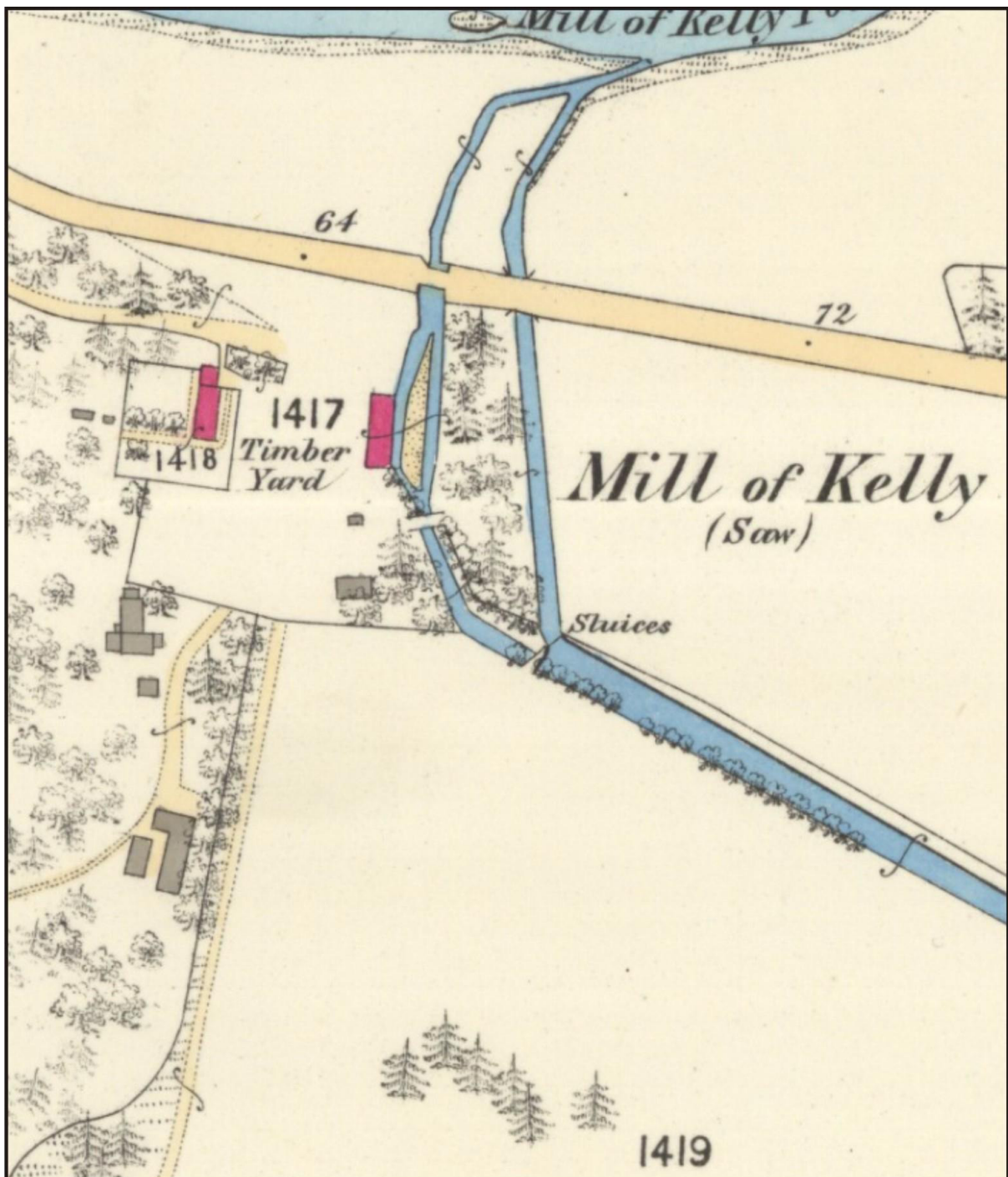
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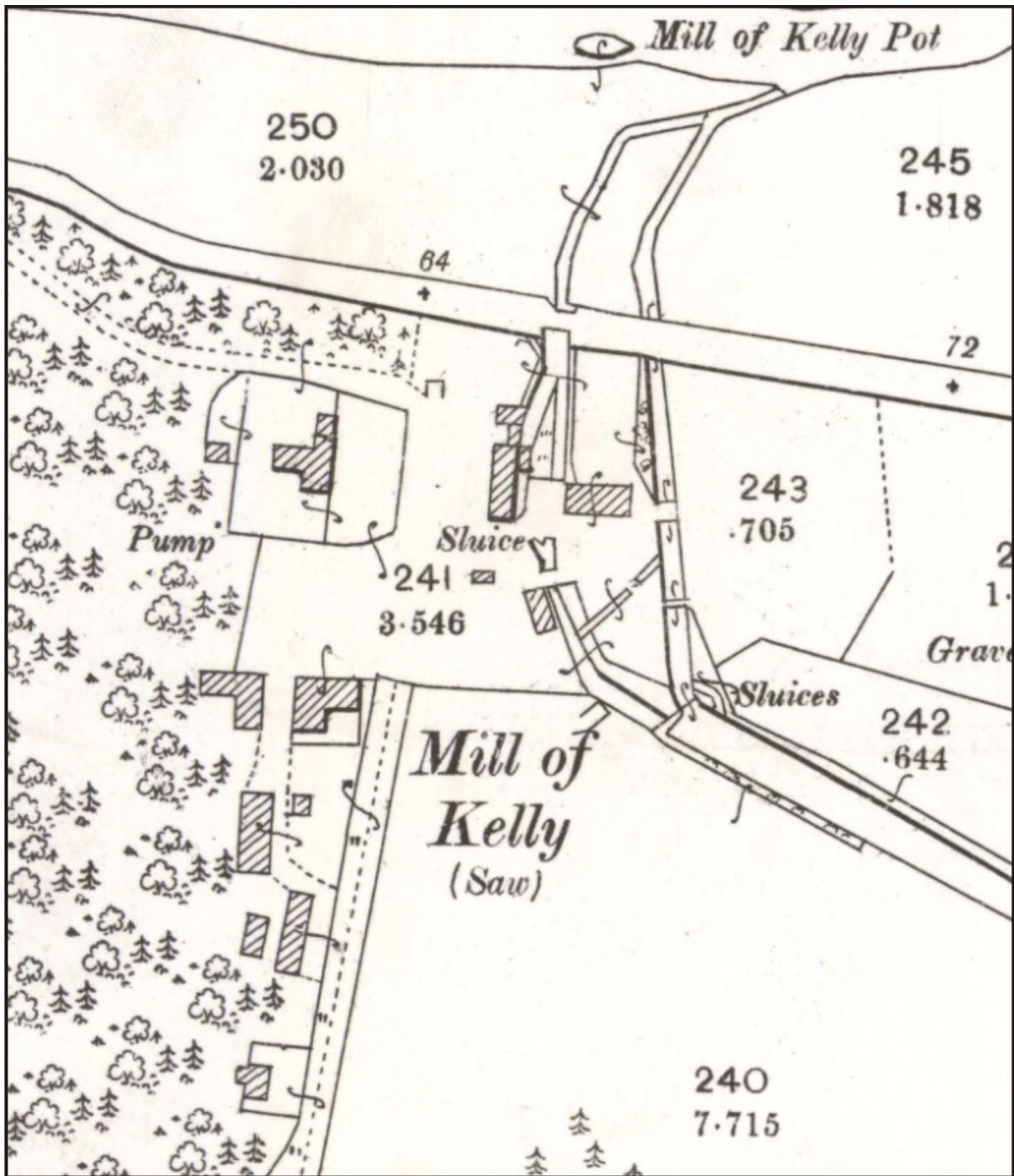
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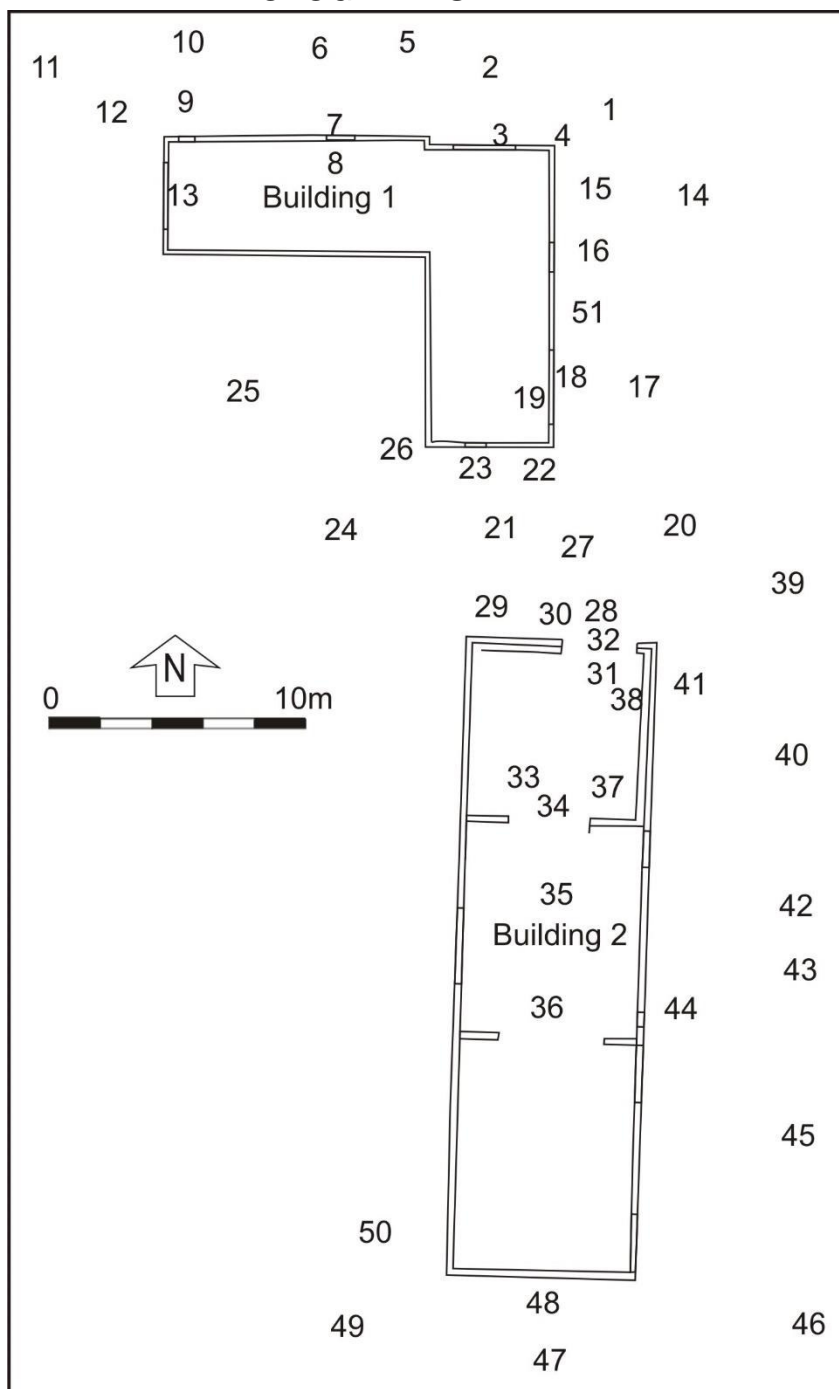


Illus 27 First Edition Ordnance Survey map. Aberdeen Sheet XXXVII.4 (Methlick)
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Illus 28 Second Edition Ordnance Survey map. Aberdeenshire 037.04 (includes: Methlick)
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Illus 29 Camera points used in this survey

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DSC_3712	Building 1 NE corner showing 50cm deep poutred concrete base/foundation	S	4
DSC_3713	Building 1 N wall E end with D7 (bottom) showing roofline	S	3
DSC_3714	Building 1 N wall E end with D7 (left) D6 (right)	S	5

DSC_3715	Building 1 N wall D6	S	6
DSC_3716	Building 1 N wall D6 (left) W5 (right)	SSW	6
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DSC_3719	Building 1 slate roof and roof ventilation	SSE	7
DSC_3720	Building 1 slate roof and roof ventilation	SSW	7
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DSC_3723	Building 1 interior through partially blocked D6	S	8
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DSC_3770	Building 1 interior through door D11	N	19
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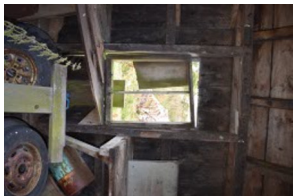
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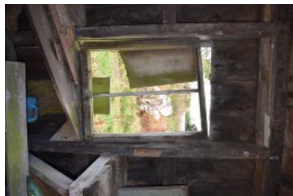
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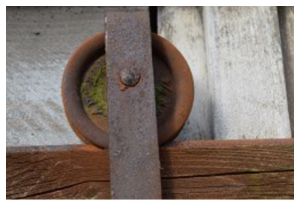
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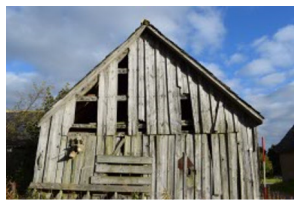
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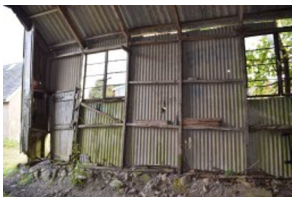
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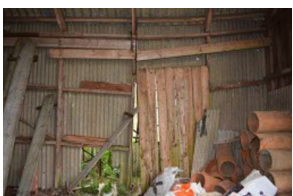
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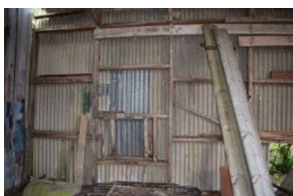
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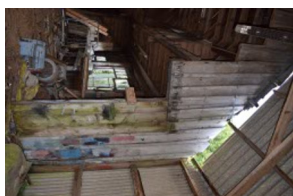
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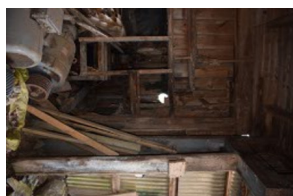
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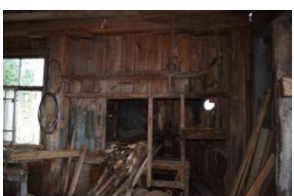
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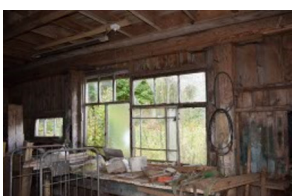
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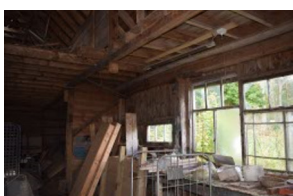
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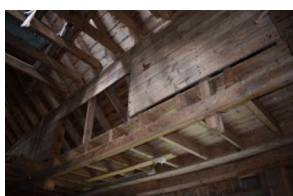
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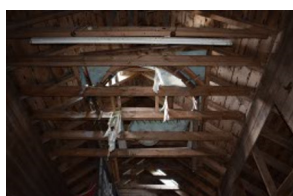
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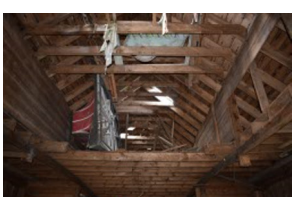
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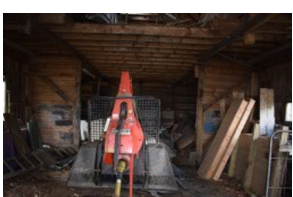
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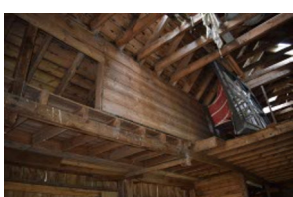
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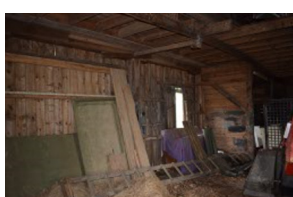
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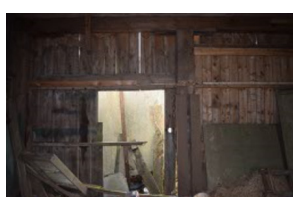
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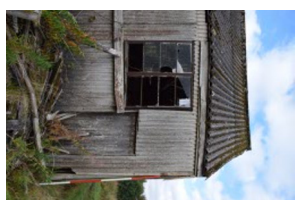
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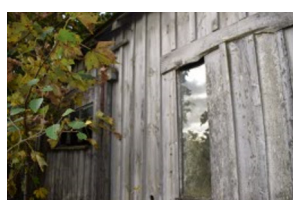
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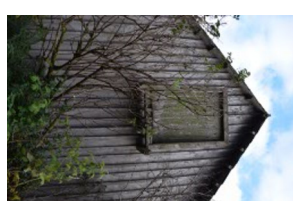
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