

**An archaeological and historical survey
of the Knowles Farm & St. Catherine's
Hill and Down estates, Isle of Wight**

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Volume 2: the archaeological inventory

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How to use this volume

This volume lists an inventory of the archaeological and historical sites, from SMR number 122900 onwards, to be found on the Knowles Farm/St Catherine's Hill & Down Estates. These listings are given according to the formula designated by the Cirencester Office Sites and Monuments database. Selected sites are illustrated by colour plates.

The reader should note:

1. Archives or information files on specific archaeological events (eg watching briefs) or find spots are filed at the Isle of Wight County Archaeological Centre (hereafter IOWCAC) under the Isle of Wight SMR number. They do not have separate archive numbers as a rule.
2. The read-out supplied from the IOWCAC is often non-specific about the current location of some finds. Where it is specifically mentioned the information is given in this report, otherwise the reader might assume the location is unknown. Many of the finds are either with the IOWCAC or the Isle of Wight Museum Service, although this may not be specifically noted on the IOWCAC SMR printout. Some finds are given as part of an antiquarian collection. Many of these collections went to Carisbrooke Castle Museum. About 1980 the collections of the Carisbrooke Museum were transferred to the Isle of Wight Museum Service. One might also assume that many more recent artefact scatters were observed but not collected, where it is not specifically stated.
3. General management recommendations for all vernacular buildings on the estate owned by the National Trust are given at the beginning of this report (pages 3-4). To avoid repetition they are not repeated for each individual feature.

Abbreviations used

AONB Area of Natural Beauty

CA Conservation Area

HC Heritage Coast

HRO Hampshire Record Office

IOWCAC Isle of Wight (County) Archaeological Centre

IOWCC Isle of Wight (County) Council

JBAA Journal of the British Archaeological Association

LB Listed Building

PHFCAS Proceedings of the Hampshire Field Club & Archaeological Society

PIWNHAS Proceedings of the Isle of Wight Natural History & Archaeological Society

NMR National Monuments Record (Swindon, Wiltshire)

NNR National Nature Reserve

NT National Trust

OS Ordnance Survey

SM/SAM Scheduled Monument/Scheduled Ancient Monument

SMR Sites and Monuments Record

SSSI Site of Special Scientific Interest

National Trust SMR: Record Summary A4 List

SMR no	Site Name	NGR	Monument Type	Period
122850	midden to north of Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight	SZ4968075720	MIDDEN	Medieval - 1200 AD to 1300 AD
122851	Gore Cliff, Neolithic pottery	SZ4942076050	FINDSPOT	Neolithic - 4000 BC to 2500 BC
122852	ruined building to north of Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight	SZ4966075600	BUILDING	Post Medieval - 1851 AD to 1863 AD
122853	St Catherine's Point, midden (pottery, bone etc) eroding from cliff near	SZ4990075270	MIDDEN	Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD
122854	Gore Cliff, bronze brooch	SZ4942076050	FIND SPOT	Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD
122855	St Catherine's Point, possible ridge & furrow and other earthworks near	SZ4990075270	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW PLATFORM	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
			WALL	Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD
122856	midden 300m E of St Catherine's Point	SZ5010075300	MIDDEN	Bronze Age to Roman - 2350 BC to 409 AD
122857	St Catherine's Point, sherd of flint tempered pot found near lighthouse on	SZ4990075300	FIND SPOT	Medieval - 1066 AD to 1540 AD?
122858	Gore Cliff, colluvium deposit	SZ4930076100	SITE	Unknown
122859	Watershot Bay, site of boat house	SZ4928075490	BOAT HOUSE	Post Medieval to Modern - 1862 AD to 1930 AD
122860	Knowles Farm, site of wireless mast	SZ4968075370	TRANSMITTER SITE	Post Medieval to Modern - 1900 AD to 1902 AD
122861	Knowles Farmhouse	SZ4969075410	FARMHOUSE	Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD
122862	Knowles Farm Cottage	SZ4970075430	FARM LABOURERS COTTAGE	Post Medieval - 1800 AD to 1850 AD
122863	Knowles Farmhouse, memorial plaque	SZ4967075410	PLAQUE	Modern - 1901 AD to 2050 AD
122864	Knowles Farm, ridge & furrow?	SZ4942075420	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122865	Knowles Farm, ridge & furrow?	SZ4944075480	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122866	Knowles Farm, ridge & furrow?	SZ4956075370	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122867	Knowles Farm, ridge & furrow?	SZ4944075380	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122868	Knowles Farm, ridge & furrow?	SZ4942075480	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122869	Knowles Farm, ridge & furrow?	SZ4971075330	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122870	Knowles Farm, ridge & furrow?	SZ4998075350	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD

122871	Knowles Farm, ridge & furrow?	SZ5005075470	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122872	Knowles Farm, ridge & furrow?	SZ4959075500	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122873	Knowles Farm, ridge & furrow?	SZ4961075800	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122874	Knowles Farm, ridge & furrow?	SZ4982075850	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122875	Knowles Farm, ridge & furrow?	SZ4970075500	NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122876	St Catherine's Road, gate piers	SZ4991075530	GATE	Post Medieval - 1842 AD to 1862 AD
122877	St Catherine's Point, midden (pot, bone etc) eroding from cliff east of	SZ4990075200	MIDDEN	Early Iron Age to Roman - 800 BC to 409 AD
122878	St Catherine's Point, human remains	SZ5010075310	INHUMATION	Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD
122879	St Catherine's Point, midden eroding from cliff at	SZ4974075280	MIDDEN	Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD
122880	St Catherine's Point, environmental material in cliff to west of	SZ4952075330	SITE	Unknown
122881	Rocken End, midden eroding from cliff	SZ4920075500	MIDDEN DESERTED SETTLEMENT	Medieval - 1100 AD to 1500 AD Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1799 AD
122882	Sandrock Road, stone gate piers	SZ4988075860	GATE	Post Medieval - 1842 AD to 1862 AD
122883	Sandrock Road, earthwork banks	SZ4951075750	BANK (EARTHWORK)	Unknown
122884	St Catherine's Point, anti-aircraft battery	SZ4980075300	ANTI AIRCRAFT BATTERY	Modern - 1939 AD to 1945 AD
122885	Knowles Farm, drystone walling	SZ49507560	WALL	Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD
122886	Rocken End, pottery sherd	SZ4910075500	FIND SPOT	Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD
122887	Rocken End, enclosure	SZ4925075590	ROCKERY GARDEN	Post Medieval - 1799 AD to 1862 AD Post Medieval - 1799 AD to 1862 AD
122888	Rocken End, site of Pitlands Farm	SZ4938075500	DESERTED SETTLEMENT	Post Medieval
122889	Knowles Farm	SZ4969075400	HOMESTEAD	Medieval to Modern - 1300 AD to 2000 AD
122890	Knowles Farm, Marconi Cottage	SZ4969075400	SEMI DETACHED HOUSE	Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD
122891	Knowles Farm, barn	SZ4969075420	BARN	Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD
122892	Knowles Farm, cowshed	SZ4972075420	COW HOUSE	Post Medieval - 1700 AD to 1800 AD
122893	Gore Cliff, remains of old Niton-Chale Road	SZ4935076030	ROAD	Post Medieval to Modern - 1800 AD to 1928 AD
122894	St Catherine's Point, lighthouse	SZ4982075340	LIGHTHOUSE	Post Medieval - 1838 AD

122895	St Catherine's Point, ruins of buildings within lighthouse enclosure	SZ4978075290	BUILDING	Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD
122896	Castle Haven, mound	SZ5042075440	MOUND	Unknown
122910	St Catherine's Hill, foundations of dry stone wall	SZ4923077270	FIELD BOUNDARY	Post Medieval - 1570 AD
122911	St Catherine's Hill, earthwork mound	SZ4929077350	MOUND	Unknown
122912	St Catherine's Hill, beacon site	SZ4939077300	BEACON	Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122913	St Catherine's Hill, oratory tower	SZ4936077280	CHANTRY CHAPEL	Medieval to Post Medieval - 1300 AD to 1540 AD
			LIGHTHOUSE	Medieval to Post Medieval - 1300 AD to 1540 AD
122914	St Catherine's Hill, barrow	SZ4938077260	BOWL BARROW	Bronze Age - 2350 BC to 701 BC
122915	St Catherine's Hill, site of lime kiln	SZ4938077260	LIME KILN	Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD
122916	St Catherine's Hill, site of chapel	SZ4936077280	CHANTRY CHAPEL	Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD
122917	St Catherine's Hill, earthwork enclosure	SZ4932077350	RECTANGULAR ENCLOSURE	Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD
122918	St Catherine's Hill, quarry	SZ4920077430	MARL PIT	Medieval to Post Medieval - 1250 AD to 1800 AD
122919	St Catherine's Hill, linear earthworks	SZ4928077320	LINEAR EARTHWORK	Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
122930	St Catherine's Down, Hoy's Monument	SZ4960078800	COMMEMORATIVE MONUMENT	Post Medieval - 1814 AD
122931	St Catherine's Down, field system	SZ4942078360	RECTANGULAR ENCLOSURE	Post Medieval - 1840 AD to 1862 AD
122932	St Catherine's Down, round barrow	SZ4931077840	ROUND BARROW	Bronze Age - 2350 BC to 701 BC
122933	St Catherine's Down, linear bank/parish boundary	SZ4934777947	PARISH BOUNDARY	Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD
122934	St Catherine's Down, linear bank	SZ4937078100	BOUNDARY BANK	Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD
122935	Down Court Farm	SZ4970078220	FARMHOUSE	Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD
122936	Wydcombe	SZ5070078560	FARMHOUSE	Medieval - 1066 AD to 1540 AD

Archaeological inventory: detailed listing

NTSMR no: 122850

County SMR no: 231

Name: midden to north of Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4968075720

Site Type and Period: MIDDEN Medieval - 1200 AD to 1300 AD

Description:

A 13th-century midden excavated in 1928 by local lady; reported on by G C Dunning. Quantities of bone, shell and medieval pottery recovered from relatively small area. Finds included rare medieval push saw. No evidence on ground now visible. Location of finds not known.

Management Recommendations:

Should any disturbance be proposed in this area, an archaeological evaluation should be undertaken in advance.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY2: Article in serial: A thirteenth-century midden at Windcliff, near Niton, Vol. No, 3.2, Edition No., , G C Dunning, 1939

NTSMR no: 122851

County SMR no: 234

Name: Neolithic pottery, Gore Cliff, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4942076050

Site Type and Period:

FINDSPOT

Neolithic - 4000 BC to 2500 BC

Description:

Two sherds of Neolithic pottery found by G F Mew in May 1932; retained by finder.

Management Recommendations:

Cliff eroding and requires regular monitoring

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY24: Article in serial: Proceedings of the Isle of Wight Natural History & Archaeological Society, Vol. No, 2.6, Edition No., , S H Reynolds & J F Jackson, 1935

NTSMR no: 122852

County SMR no: none

Name: ruined building to north of Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4966075600

Site Type and Period: BUILDING Post Medieval - 1851 AD to 1863 AD

Description:

About 250m north of Knowles Farm are the foundations of a stone building. It is situated in the NW corner of a pasture field. It is first shown on the 1st edition OS map of 1862, but is not shown on any earlier maps. In particular, it is not shown on the sale maps of the mid 1840s. It would seem, therefore, that it was made as a field barn after R S Holford sold this part of the estate circa 1851. The ruins stand to about 1m high in places. The building covers an area approximately 10m by 3m. It is now much overgrown by scrub elder and nettles. Tony Tutton, the Property Manager, reports seeing an old photograph of a building near this location that appears to be a cottage. Local tradition says it was a lodge for a house not built.

Management Recommendations:

Should any disturbance be proposed here, archaeological recording (survey and evaluation excavation) should be carried out. Although the building appears to date to the mid-19th century on documentary grounds, it would be useful to test this idea.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY3: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1862), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1862

ZY45: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., 31 1141, Aerofilms, 1993

ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

ZY83: Black and White Photograph: Ruined building north of Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/13, C K Currie, 2000

ZY111: Slide: Knowles Farm, remains of possible field barn?, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/13, C K Currie, 2000

NTSMR no: 122853

County SMR no: 2063

Name: midden, St Catherine's Point, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4990075270

Site Type and Period: MIDDEN Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD

Description:

Roman pottery, bone and other material eroding from cliff near St Catherine's Point. County SMR states that it is probably the same site as found by J F Jackson in 1927 (see SMR 122877). The present material was reported by Mr K Trott, a local archaeologist, in July 1995. Further pottery etc noted by Frank Basford of IOW Archaeology Section on coastal audit of November 1998.

Management Recommendations:

The rapidity with which the coast is currently eroding makes it very difficult to carry out effective monitoring along this stretch of coast. There has clearly been much archaeological activity along here. It would be very difficult to monitor this work effectively in the present circumstances on a professional basis. Either the Trust employ an archaeologist to monitor coastal erosion activities such as these, or (better) they set up a system whereby local amateurs monitor the area on a voluntary basis for them. There is much amateur expertise on the island. Attempts should be made to utilise this. They will then report discoveries to the Property Manager, who can choose to inform the County Archaeology Section and call in help from the Archaeological Advisers.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY21: Unpublished document: Isle of Wight shoreline management plan, 2 vols, Vol. No. , Edition No., 1st, Sir William Halcrow & partners, 1995

ZY47: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Lighthouse, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XX-4, Isle of Wight Archaeology Centre, 1981

NTSMR no: 122854

County SMR no: 1305

Name: brooch, Gore Cliff, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4942076050

Site Type and Period: FIND Roman – 43 AD to 409 AD

Description:

Roman bronze brooch of trapeze shape found in chalky hillwash on top of Gore Cliff in May 1932. Associated with two sherds of Neolithic pottery. The County SMR states the finds were made nine feet below surface of ground in the cliff face, but this makes no sense if you know the area. The cliff is 500 feet high, sheer and incredibly unstable. Mr Mew retained the brooch.

Management Recommendations:

The cliff may founder here at any time. It looked very unstable at the time of the visit, conditions being similar to those before the landslip of 1928 (recent very heavy rain, and cracks appearing in the ground at the brow of the cliff). The area needs to be monitored regularly because its high instability could threaten unseen archaeological

Source:

ZY24: Article in serial: Proceedings of the Isle of Wight Natural History & Archaeological Society, Vol. No, 2.6, Edition No., , S H Reynolds & J F Jackson, 1935

Plate: The remains of a drystone wall to the east of the St. Catherine's Point lighthouse, from the south

NTSMR no: 122855

County SMR no: 2063

Name: ridge & furrow, St Catherine's Point, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4990075270

Site Type and Period:

NARROW RIDGE AND FURROW Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD

PLATFORM Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD

WALL Post Medieval - 1540 to 1900 AD

Description:

Ridge & furrow earthworks are recorded in the County SMR in the field to the E of the lighthouse. They are said to run N-S. These earthworks are extremely faint, and might be questioned. There is also a low platform 20m by 10m in the same area. There are footings of two old N-S drystone walls in the same area. These field divisions existed until quite recently, but the field pattern was slightly different in the 1840s, so they may not be of great antiquity.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY107: Slide: St Catherine's Point, old field walls, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/7-8, C K Currie, 2000

ZY47: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Lighthouse, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XX-4, Isle of Wight Archaeology Centre, 1981

ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

ZY78: Black and White Photograph: Remains of drystone field walls, Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame

No., CKC/KF/M/7, C K Currie, 2000

NTSMR no: 122856

County SMR no: 2442

Name: midden, between St Catherines Point & Castle Haven, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ5010075300

Site Type and Period: MIDDEN Lower Palaeolithic to Roman - 500000 BC to 409 AD

Description:

A dark feature resembling a pit filled with dark material was observed by Mr Kevin Trott in the cliff edge in July 1996. It contained Roman pottery and prehistoric flint.

Management Recommendations:

The coastline here needs to be monitored regularly because of speed with which cliff is currently eroding. Archaeological material is constantly being exposed and eroded.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY35: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975/1, , 1925

ZY39: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., 152664, Archaeology Section, IOWCC, 1971

NTSMR no: 122857

County SMR no: 2533

Name: pot sherd, St Catherine's Point, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4990075300

Site Type and Period: UNKNOWN

Description:

Flint-tempered pot sherd found by Kevin Trott on 29-7-1994 near the south wall of the lighthouse (inside) enclosure. It was next to a drain in land recently disturbed by digging around that drain. No further finds noted in area during coastal audit in December 1998.

Management Recommendations:

This site is technically outside NT property because it was inside the lighthouse compound, but its significance relates to the whole area of the eroding cliff. No recommendations required. It was probably a part of the midden site eroding from the cliff (see SMR no 122853).

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

NTSMR no: 122858

County SMR no: 2859

Name: colluvium deposit, Gore Cliff, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4930076100

Site Type and Period: SITE Unknown

Description:

Inspection of eroding face of chalk colluvium at Gore Cliff by Frank Basford in November 1998 revealed large quantities of land snails in deposit otherwise devoid of archaeological material. Classed as Palaeoenvironmental site in County SMR.

Management Recommendations:

This is a site that indicates potential archaeological significance in terms of palaeo-environmental material. It needs monitoring as part of a wider strategy for this coastal property.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

NTSMR no: 122859

County SMR no: 2891

Name: site of boat house, Watershoot Bay, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4928075490

Site Type and Period: BOAT HOUSE Post Medieval to Modern - 1862 to 1930 AD

Description:

A boat house is shown near the shore in Watershoot Bay, 0.5km to the west of Knowles Farm. This building has apparently been moved back to a new site by 1907, and has disappeared by 1939. Erosion of the shoreline here is particularly rapid, and the first site is probably now lost to sea. A building appears to be shown here on Andrews map of 1769, although this is given as the boat house in the county SMR, this is unlikely as there was a farm hereabouts called Pitlands Farm at this time. This was destroyed by a landslip in 1799, and it is possible that the ruins or an outbuilding was later used as the 1862 boathouse.

Management Recommendations:

All sites on this shoreline are prone to rapid erosion and require regular monitoring.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY4: Map: Ordnance Survey 25" map, 1862 (sheet 100.5), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1862

ZY5: Map: Ordnance Survey 25" map (sheet 100.5), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 3rd, Ordnance Survey, 1907

ZY6: Map: Ordnance Survey 25" map (sheet 100.5), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 4th, OS, 1939

ZY7: Map: Andrew's map of the Isle of Wight, 1769, Scale, c. 1:50000, Edition No., 1st, Isle of Wight Record Office, 1769

ZY23: Article in serial: Proceedings of the Isle of Wight Natural History & Archaeological Society, Vol. No, 1.9, Edition No., , G W Colenutt, 1928

ZY24: Article in serial: Proceedings of the Isle of Wight Natural History & Archaeological Society, Vol. No, 2.6, Edition No., , S H Reynolds & J F Jackson, 1935

NTSMR no: 122860

County SMR no: none

Name: site of wireless mast, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4968075370

Site Type and Period: TRANSMITTER Post Medieval to Modern - 1900 to 1902 AD
SITE

Description:

The radio mast that Marconi used to make his pioneering transmissions from Knowles Farm was situated in the field to the south of the farmhouse, about 30m from the nearest building. This has long been removed, but the small concrete base on which it stood, about a meter square can still be found in the long grass of the field.

Management Recommendations:

This feature was associated with an important historic event, and should be preserved. There is scope here for more to be made of this important historic link in terms of national and international communications history. There are other NT properties with links to Marconi in Cornwall and Kent. More should be made of these links in terms of interpretation.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY9: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1907), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 3rd, Ordnance Survey, 1907

ZY10: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1939), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 4th, OS, 1939

ZY28: National Trust Report: Vernacular Buildings Survey (Isle of Wight), Vol. No. , , , National Trust (Southern Region), 1994

ZY29: National Trust Report: St Catherine's Point & Knowles Farm Management Plan, Vol. No. , , , National Trust, 1985

ZY35: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975/1, , 1925

ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

Plate: Knowles Farmhouse from the south, with Marconi Cottage to the right

NTSMR no: 122861

County SMR buildings no: 12168

Name: farmhouse, Knowles Farmhouse, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4969075410

Site Type and Period: FARMHOUSE Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD

Description:

The farm house is generally considered to be the stone building facing north (rather than the rendered house attached to the east side). This is described in the Vernacular Building Survey as a 'very good detached 3 bay house with a number of original features which mostly date to the 18th Century, although the house appears to have an earlier core. Two storeys. Rubblestone walls and a slate roof with a continuous rear outshot.' Gable end brick stacks. It is thought that the original house may have been thatched. A building plan similar to that today can be found on maps from the late 18th century onwards. The building was used by Marconi as an experimental wireless station around 1900, and is hence famous for this reason for being the home of some of this pioneering work.

Management Recommendations:

Should any ground disturbance be proposed in the vicinity of the farmhouse or its outbuildings, archaeological recording exercise (to be determined by the Archaeological Advisers) to be undertaken. The Property Management should ensure that plenty of notice is given to the Archaeological Advisers in event of such disturbance so that an appropriate response can be arranged. Also building recording should be undertaken if any alterations to the structure are proposed.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY3: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1862), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1862

ZY9: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1907), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 3rd, Ordnance Survey, 1907

ZY10: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1939), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 4th, OS, 1939

ZY12: Unpublished document: Sale Particulars & map for Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , Edition No., , Isle

of Wight Record Office, 1845

ZY15: Map: Ordnance Survey surveyor's 6" drawing, 1793-1810, Scale, 1:10000, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1793-1810

ZY105: Slide: Knowles Farmhouse, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/5, C K Currie, 2000

ZY110: Slide: Knowles Farm complex, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/12, C K Currie, 2000

ZY17: Unpublished document: Survey book, Worsley Estates, 1774, Vol. No. , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1774

ZY19: Unpublished document: Survey of Niton parish, 1791, Vol. No. , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1791

ZY28: National Trust Report: Vernacular Buildings Survey (Isle of Wight), Vol. No. , , , National Trust (Southern Region), 1994

ZY29: National Trust Report: St Catherine's Point & Knowles Farm Management Plan, Vol. No. , , , National Trust, 1985

ZY30: Microform: Land Tax Assessments, Isle of Wight, from 1800, Part No. , Edition No., , Hampshire Record Office, 1800 onwards

ZY31: Bibliographic reference: The place-names of the Isle of Wight, Vol. No. , Edition No., 1st, H H Kokeritz, 1940

ZY32: Bibliographic reference: Victoria history of the county of Hampshire & the Isle of Wight, Vol. No. 5, Edition No., 1st, W Page (ed), 1912

ZY35: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975/1, , 1925

ZY39: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., 152664, Archaeology Section, IOWCC, 1971

ZY43: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., RC8-IT 287-8, University of Cambridge, 1986

ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

ZY76: Black and White Photograph: Knowle Farmhouse, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/5, C K Currie, 2000

ZY82: Black and White Photograph: Knowles Farm complex from hill above, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/12, C K Currie, 2000

ZY131: Collection: Kirkpatrick deeds, , , , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1766-1900

Plate: Knowles Farm Cottage and adjoining barn from NE on a dull winter's day

NTSMR no: 122862

County SMR buildings no: 12170

Name: farm cottage, Knowles Farm Cottage, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4970075430

Site Type and Period:

FARM Post Medieval - 1800 AD to 1850 AD
LABOURERS
COTTAGE

Description:

Rubblestone cottage. One and a half storeys, with slate roof. Attached to rubblestone barn to east of Knowles Farmhouse. Given in VBS as 19th-century cottage, but it appears to be shown on all 19th-century maps, and therefore may be earlier.

Management Recommendations:

Should any ground disturbance be proposed in the vicinity of the farmhouse or its outbuildings, archaeological recording exercise (to be determined by the Archaeological Advisers) to be undertaken. The Property Management should ensure that plenty of notice is given to the Archaeological Advisers in event of such disturbance so that an appropriate response can be arranged. Also building recording should be undertaken if any alterations to the structure are proposed.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY3: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1862), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1862

ZY7: Map: Andrew's map of the Isle of Wight, 1769, Scale, c. 1:50000, Edition No., 1st, Isle of Wight Record Office, 1769

ZY9: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1907), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 3rd, Ordnance Survey, 1907

ZY10: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1939), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 4th, OS, 1939

ZY12: Unpublished document: Sale Particulars & map for Knowles Farm, Vol. No., , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1845

ZY15: Map: Ordnance Survey surveyor's 6" drawing, 1793-1810, Scale, 1:10000, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1793-1810

ZY101: Slide: Knowle Farm Cottage & barn, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/1, C K Currie, 2000

ZY103: Slide: Knowles Farm Cottage & barn, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/3, C K Currie, 2000

ZY28: National Trust Report: Vernacular Buildings Survey (Isle of Wight), Vol. No., , , National Trust (Southern Region), 1994

ZY29: National Trust Report: St Catherine's Point & Knowles Farm Management Plan, Vol. No., , , National Trust, 1985

ZY35: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975/1, , 1925

ZY37: Black and White Photograph: Knowle Farm, Scale, , Frame No., AA53/4384, O G S Crawford, 1943

ZY43: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., RC8-IT 287-8, University of Cambridge, 1986

ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

ZY72: Black and White Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/1, C K Currie, 2000

ZY74: Black and White Photograph: Knowle Farm Cottage & barn, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/3, C K Currie, 2000

ZY82: Black and White Photograph: Knowles Farm complex from hill above, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/12, C K Currie, 2000

ZY131: Collection: Kirkpatrick deeds, , , , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1766-1900

NTSMR no: 122863

County SMR no: 3001

Name: memorial plaque, Knowles Farmhouse, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4967075410

Site Type and Period: PLAQUE Modern - 1901 AD to 2050 AD

Description:

Plaque on wall of farmhouse commemorating Marconi's pioneering radio work there around 1900.

Management Recommendations:

This plaque should not be removed. There is scope here for more to be made of this important historic link in terms of national and international communications history. There are other NT properties with links to Marconi in Cornwall and Kent. More should be made of these links in terms of interpretation.

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ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

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ZY10: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1939), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 4th, OS, 1939

Plate: ridge and furrow type earthworks are just visible to the right of the remains of a stone wall bordering the track from Knowles Farm to Watershoot Bay, from the west.

NTSMR no: 122864

County SMR no: 3370

Name: ridge & furrow, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4942075420

Site Type and Period: NARROW RIDGE Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD
AND FURROW

Description:

Ridge and furrow earthworks recorded throughout the lower coastal part of Knowles Farm by the County SMR. GPS references are given for overall area. Also claimed to be able to see them on air photographs. N-S alignment in field south of track west from Knowles Farm, 2.4m wide, 30cms high.

Visit by C K Currie in the company of the Property Manager, Tony Tutton, failed to locate any ridge and furrow earthworks here (although it can be seen on a photograph taken by the author on a later visit, despite not being seen on the ground). The ground here is very uneven due to land slippage. There are outcrops of rock and steep depressions all over this land. 19th-century surveys record it as 'arable and pasture' indicating that only the flatter areas may have been ploughed.

It is possible that this is very faint ridge and furrow that might only be visible in certain light conditions. This can be seen from the above photograph. The author took the photograph of the track and remains of the drystone wall, but did not notice the ridge and furrow until after the photograph was developed.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

Source:

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ZY39: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., 152664, Archaeology Section, IOWCC, 1971

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ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

NTSMR no: 122865

County SMR no: 3371

Name: ridge & furrow, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4944075480

Site Type and Period: RIDGE AND Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
FURROW
NARROW RIDGE
AND FURROW

Description:

Ridge and furrow earthworks recorded throughout the lower coastal part of Knowles Farm by the County SMR. GPS references are given for overall area. Also claimed to be able to see them on air photographs. E-W alignment on north side of path running from Knowles Farm.

Visit by C K Currie in the company of the Property Manager, Tony Tutton, failed to locate any ridge and furrow earthworks here. The ground here is very uneven due to land slippage. There are outcrops of rock and steep depressions all over this land. 19th-century surveys record it as 'arable and pasture' indicating that only the flatter areas may have been ploughed.

It is possible that this is very faint ridge and furrow that might only be visible in certain light conditions.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

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NTSMR no: 122866

County SMR no: 3374

Name: ridge & furrow, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4956075370

Site Type and Period: NARROW RIDGE Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD
AND FURROW

Description:

Ridge and furrow earthworks recorded throughout the lower coastal part of Knowles Farm by the County SMR. GPS references are given for overall area. Also claimed to be able to see them on air photographs. E-W alignment in field west of Knowles Farm, 2.5m wide, 20-30cms high.

Visit by C K Currie in the company of the Property Manager, Tony Tutton, failed to locate any ridge and furrow earthworks here. The ground here is very uneven due to land slippage. There are outcrops of rock and steep depressions all over this land. 19th-century surveys record it as 'arable and pasture' indicating that only the flatter areas may have been ploughed.

It is possible that this is very faint ridge and furrow that might only be visible in certain light conditions.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

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NTSMR no: 122867

County SMR no: 3375

Name: ridge & furrow, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4944075380

Site Type and Period: NARROW RIDGE Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD
AND FURROW

Description:

Ridge and furrow earthworks recorded throughout the lower coastal part of Knowles Farm by the County SMR. GPS references are given for overall area. Also claimed to be able to see them on air photographs. E-W alignment adjacent to cliff on east side of Watershot Bay, 2m wide, 20cms high.

Visit by C K Currie in the company of the Property Manager, Tony Tutton, failed to locate any ridge and furrow earthworks here. The ground here is very uneven due to land slippage. There are outcrops of rock and steep depressions all over this land. 19th-century surveys record it as 'arable and pasture' indicating that only the flatter areas may have been ploughed.

It is possible that this is very faint ridge and furrow that might only be visible in certain light conditions.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

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ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

NTSMR no: 122868

County SMR no: 3376

Name: ridge & furrow, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4942075480

Site Type and Period: NARROW RIDGE Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD
AND FURROW

Description:

Ridge and furrow earthworks recorded throughout the lower coastal part of Knowles Farm by the County SMR. GPS references are given for overall area. Also claimed to be able to see them on air photographs. N-S alignment adjacent to cliff on east side of Watershot Bay, 2.2m wide, 20cms high.

Visit by C K Currie in the company of the Property Manager, Tony Tutton, failed to locate any ridge and furrow earthworks here. The ground here is very uneven due to land slippage. There are outcrops of rock and steep depressions all over this land. 19th-century surveys record it as 'arable and pasture' indicating that only the flatter areas may have been ploughed.

It is possible that this is very faint ridge and furrow that might only be visible in certain light conditions.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

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NTSMR no: 122869

County SMR no: 3378

Name: ridge & furrow, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4971075330

Site Type and Period: NARROW RIDGE Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD
AND FURROW

Description:

Ridge and furrow earthworks recorded throughout the lower coastal part of Knowles Farm by the County SMR. GPS references are given for overall area. Also claimed to be able to see them on air photographs. N-S alignment in field to south of Knowles Farm, possibly two blocks, that on west side narrower than that on east.

Visit by C K Currie in the company of the Property Manager, Tony Tutton, failed to locate any ridge and furrow earthworks here. The ground here is very uneven due to land slippage. There are outcrops of rock and steep depressions all over this land. 19th-century surveys record it as 'arable and pasture' indicating that only the flatter areas may have been ploughed.

It is possible that this is very faint ridge and furrow that might only be visible in certain light conditions.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

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NTSMR no: 122870

County SMR no: 3380

Name: ridge & furrow, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4998075350

Site Type and Period: NARROW RIDGE Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD
AND FURROW

Description:

Ridge and furrow recorded here in County SMR. If they exist they are extremely faint. Some very vague ridges were observed on the visits. Of all the places designated as holding ridge and furrow, this area is the flattest and most likely to be able to sustain arable cultivation of this type.

This site seems to have been recorded twice in the County SMR. Here it is given no 2063, as well as 3380. The grid reference is slightly different however. See NT SMR site 122855 for possible duplication.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

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ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

NTSMR no: 122871

County SMR no: 3386

Name: ridge & furrow, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ5005075470

Site Type and Period: NARROW RIDGE Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD
AND FURROW

Description:

N-S running ridge and furrow noted on aerial photograph. Only very vague traces were seen by Frank Basford in November 1998.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

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ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

NTSMR no: 122872

County SMR no: 3387

Name: ridge & furrow, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4959075500

Site Type and Period: NARROW RIDGE Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD
AND FURROW

Description:

E-W ridge and furrow recorded in County SMR from air photograph. Only vague traces seen by Frank Basford in November 1998 in low sunlight. Nothing seen by this recorder during recent visit.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

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ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

NTSMR no: 122873

County SMR no: 3393

Name: ridge & furrow, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4961075800

Site Type and Period: NARROW RIDGE Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD
AND FURROW

Description:

County SMR records ridge and furrow on an E-W alignment on the north slope of this elongated rocky ridge. There are terraces on the west and south sides of the hill. The SMR reports these earthworks 1.7m from crest to crest and up to 10 cms high. They could not be seen when this recorder visited the site.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

Source:

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ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

NTSMR no: 122874

County SMR no: 3417

Name: ridge & furrow, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4982075850

Site Type and Period: NARROW RIDGE Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD
AND FURROW

Description:

Ridge and furrow earthworks recorded in the County SMR. It reputedly comprises a small area of E-W ridges on a hummock to the south of the old Sandrock Road.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

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NTSMR no: 122875

County SMR no: 3418

Name: ridge & furrow, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4970075500

Site Type and Period:

NARROW RIDGE Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1900 AD
AND FURROW

Description:

Ridge and furrow earthworks recorded on County SMR. Here they are recorded as 'Very slight traces of ridge and furrow observed in low sunlight'.

Management Recommendations:

The area is currently under grassland, and in view of its archaeological potential should remain so. These earthworks are possibly part of a larger overall spread of sites on or near St Catherine's Head. These need to be assessed as part of an overall research strategy for this property.

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Plate: Gate piers to an unbuilt villa on St Catherine's Road, from north

NTSMR no: 122876

County SMR no: 3383

Name: gate piers, St Catherine's Road, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4991075530

Site Type and Period: GATE Post Medieval - 1842 AD to 1862 AD

Description:

Stone gate piers constructed for proposed Windcliff House soon after 1842, but the site was reconsidered and the house not built here. The house was then built further up the hill to the NE in a more sheltered spot, but the piers remained on the original site. The stone piers are 1.1m square and about 2.5m high. Coursed hewn rubble surmounted by two courses of rounded beach boulders and further boulders made into a pyramidal shape. The northern gatepier was covered in ivy and leaning westwards before it was rebuilt soon after November 1998.

Management Recommendations:

Should any further work be required on these piers, archaeological recording should be undertaken of the structure beforehand.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY3: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1862), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1862

ZY9: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1907), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 3rd, Ordnance Survey, 1907

ZY10: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1939), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 4th, OS, 1939

ZY11: Map: Tithe survey for Niton, c. 1840, Scale, , Edition No., 1st, Isle of Wight Record Office, c. 1840

ZY39: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., 152664, Archaeology Section, IOWCC, 1971

ZY45: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., 31 1141, Aerofilms, 1993

ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

ZY88: Black and White Photograph: ST catherine's Road, gate piers, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/18, C K Currie, 2000

ZY116: Slide: St Catherine's Road, gate piers, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/18, C K Currie, 2000

ZY131: Collection: Kirkpatrick deeds, , , , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1766-1900

NTSMR no: 122877

County SMR no: 3388

Name: midden, St Catherine's Point, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4990075200

Site Type and Period: MIDDEN Early Iron Age to Roman - 800 BC to 409 AD

Description:

A midden was noted to the east of the lighthouse in the early 20th century. It comprised mainly Belgic pottery with a little Iron Age A2, with some Roman ware. In 1927 a Mr J F Jackson recorded further midden materials about 150m east of the lighthouse. The pottery was reduced Roman type, with bone and shells. It is possible that this was IOWCC SMR site 2063, noted by Kevin Trott in 1996. A visit by Frank Basford in November 1998 recorded dark soil of possible pits eroding from the cliff, containing pottery, shell and bone.

Management Recommendations:

The cliffs here are eroding rapidly, and require regular monitoring to record archaeological material that becomes exposed. It was reported to the management in February 2001 that unofficial recording is ongoing by local archaeologist, Kevin Trott. A summary report on the findings to date and a list of artefactual material has been requested by the Archaeological Adviser. This is in preparation. The finds will be returned to the NT. A full research and recovery strategy with support funding is needed.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

NTSMR no: 122878

County SMR no: none

Name: human remains, St Catherine's Point, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ5010075310

Site Type and Period: INHUMATION Post-Medieval? 1540 to 1900 AD

Description:

A skull was seen eroding from the cliff at this point by C K Currie on the afternoon of 30-11-2000. Two sherds of flint tempered pottery were found nearby. The find was reported, and shortly after the site was excavated by Frank Basford of the Isle of Wight CC Archaeology Section. The results are still provisional, but FB found that the body did not appear to be in a formal grave, but merely dumped in a hollow. Finds from the backfill included Roman pottery and post-medieval pipe stem. The date of this mysterious burial remains to be determined.

It will be noted that there has been a number of finds from Iron Age onwards in the strip of coast from the lighthouse eastwards. This site, and its associated pottery sherds, probably belong to this activity, now being rapidly eroded by the sea.

Management Recommendations:

This site should be monitored regularly for further finds. A long term strategy is required for this and other sites on the cliffs within this property. This should include a research design for further investigation and systematic recording of eroding sites and material. Funding should be sought for this.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY90: Black and White Photograph: St Catherine's Point, human skull in side of Cliff, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/20, C K Currie, 2000

ZY118: Slide: St Catherine's Point, human skull in eroding cliff edge, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/20, C K Currie, 2000

NTSMR no: 122879

County SMR no: 3390

Name: midden, St Catherine's Point, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4974075280

Site Type and Period: MIDDEN Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD

Description:

Midden containing medieval pottery and shell seen eroding from cliff face near SW corner of lighthouse enclosure in 1998. This site may be just outside NT property. It is possible the site has since eroded into the sea, as the winter of 2000-1 was exceptionally wet and stormy.

Management Recommendations:

The cliffs on this stretch of coast clearly have high quantities of archaeological material in them that is being rapidly eroded. It should be monitored as regularly as possible; at least once every winter. This site should be monitored regularly for further finds. A long term strategy is required for this and other sites on the cliffs within this property. This should include a research design for further investigation and systematic recording of eroding sites and material. Funding should be sought for this.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY21: Unpublished document: Isle of Wight shoreline management plan, 2 vols, Vol. No. , Edition No., 1st, Sir William Halcrow & partners, 1995

NTSMR no: 122880

County SMR no: 3394

Name: environmental material, St Catherine's Point, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4952075330

Site Type and Period: SITE Late Mesolithic to Early Neolithic - 7000 to 3001 BC

Description:

The County SMR records a palaeoenvironmental site at this point eroding from cliffs. It comprises roundwood debris in the cliff. The SMR notes that similar material found nearby (SZ 49527533 & SZ 49537532) was dated to around 4490 +/- 40 years bp and 3960 +/- 500 years bp respectively. These were found between 3.3 and 3.8m AOD. One of the samples was yew.

Management Recommendations:

The cliffs here are eroding rapidly, and require regular monitoring to record archaeological material that becomes exposed. This site should be monitored regularly for further finds. A long term strategy is required for this and other sites on the cliffs within this property. This should include a research design for further investigation and systematic recording of eroding sites and material. Funding should be sought for this.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

Plate: the site of the eroding medieval midden at Rocken End, from the east

NTSMR no: 122881

County SMR no: 712

Name: midden, Rocken End, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4920075500

Site Type and Period:

MIDDEN Medieval - 1100 AD to 1500 AD

DESERTED Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 to 1799 AD
SETTLEMENT

Description:

Very large amounts of pottery is eroding out of the cliff just to the west of where the boundary stream (marking the Chale/Niton boundary) falls into Watershot Bay. G C Dunning recorded medieval pottery from the 13th century here in 1965, and very large amounts have been found since. These include about 20 sherds in November 1988, about 40 sherds by Kevin Trott, a member of the Isle of Wight Natural History and Archaeological Society, between 1992 and 1994, 26 sherds collected by Frank Basford of the Isle of Wight County Archaeological Unit in 1998, with a further 20 or so sherds in June 2000, also by FB. When visited by the author over 40 sherds were seen, and more were seen a few days later in the company of Property Manager, Tony Tutton. This is clearly a site of some importance. Most of the dated sherds mentioned in the SMR were 13th-14th century, but the material collected by this author was mainly flint tempered and could have been earlier (11th-12th century), some may even have been late prehistoric.

It must have been very close to this site that Pitlands Farm stood. This farm is recorded in the 17th and 18th centuries as farming the lands on the Niton/Chale boundary now largely abandoned to land slippage. It might seem that the area was relatively stable in the medieval and early post-medieval period, for a regular settlement to form here. In February 1799 the farm and its lands were destroyed in a spectacular landslide, and the land has been abandoned ever since.

Management Recommendations:

This appears to be an exceptional site, judging from the very large quantities of pottery eroding from the cliff. It is highly recommended that this site is used as a test site for the property to determine the quality of archaeology that might be recovered. This site is being rapidly destroyed, and should be rescued if possible. There are a number of possibilities. Perhaps the Trust should encourage one of

the University Archaeology Departments to run a student training dig here or the Trust might consider a similar feature themselves, either directly or through a contractor with experience of running training digs for clients.

A long term strategy is required for this and other sites on the cliffs within this property. This should include a research design for further investigation and systematic recording of eroding sites and material. Funding should be sought for this.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY7: Map: Andrew's map of the Isle of Wight, 1769, Scale, c. 1:50000, Edition No., 1st, Isle of Wight Record Office, 1769

ZY8: Bibliographic reference: A companion to the Isle of Wight, Vol. No. , Edition No., 3rd, John Albin, 1802

ZY13: Map: Tithe map & award for Chale, Scale, , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1841-44

ZY15: Map: Ordnance Survey surveyor's 6" drawing, 1793-1810, Scale, 1:10000, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1793-1810

ZY109: Slide: Rocken End, medieval site eroding from cliff, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/10-11, C K Currie, 2000

ZY21: Unpublished document: Isle of Wight shoreline management plan, 2 vols, Vol. No. , Edition No., 1st, Sir William Halcrow & partners, 1995

ZY23: Article in serial: Proceedings of the Isle of Wight Natural History & Archaeological Society, Vol. No, 1.9, Edition No., , G W Colenutt, 1928

ZY49: Aerial Photograph: Gore Cliff landslip, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-3, David Tomalin, 1980

ZY81: Black and White Photograph: Rocken End site eroding from cliff, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/10-11, C K Currie, 2000

NTSMR no: 122882

County SMR no: 3412

Name: stone gate piers, Sandroock Road, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4988075860

Site Type and Period: GATE Post Medieval - 1842 AD to 1862 AD

Description:

Stone gate piers, similar but shorter than those described under SMR no 1228. They are about 0.8m square and about 1.7m tall with cornice and shaped stone on top. The capping has been knocked off the eastern pier. Their similarity to the other gate piers, known to have been made after 1842, and their position fairly close to Windcliff House, suggests a similar date.

Management Recommendations:

These piers should be preserved. If they are to be repaired they should be recorded in their present condition, and the nature and extent of the repair should also be recorded.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY11: Map: Tithe survey for Niton, c. 1840, Scale, , Edition No., 1st, Isle of Wight Record Office, c. 1840

ZY100: Black and White Photograph: Sandroock Road, gate piers, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/30, C K Currie, 2000

ZY128: Slide: Sandroock Road, stone gate piers, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/30, C K Currie, 2000

NTSMR no: 122883

County SMR no: 3416

Name: banks, Sandroek Road, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4951075750

Site Type and Period:

BANK
(EARTHWORK)

Unknown

Description:

Five low banks running parallel to one another recorded on County SMR. They are on a N-S alignment on the steep north slope of the high ridge south of Sandroek Road. Four banks visible on 1946 RAF photograph.

Management Recommendations:

Should any disturbance be proposed in this area, archaeological recording will be required in advance.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY11: Map: Tithe survey for Niton, c. 1840, Scale, , Edition No., 1st, Isle of Wight Record Office, c. 1840

NTSMR no: 122884

County SMR no: 3507

Name: anti-aircraft battery, St Catherine's Point, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4980075300

Site Type and Period: ANTI AIRCRAFT Modern - 1939 AD to 1945 AD
BATTERY

Description:

Anti-aircraft sites on the island were under command of the 35th Anti-Aircraft brigade by June 1943, with ten sites listed as operational. There was supposed to have been a battery of 3.7 inch guns at St Catherine's Point, but no signs are now visible.

Management Recommendations:

Site not located. May be outside NT property in lighthouse compound.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

ZY130: Bibliographic reference: The Isle of Wight at War 1939-1945, Vol. No. , Edition No., 1st, A Searle, 1989

Plate: Knowles Farm from Gore Cliff, showing the layout of some of the drystone walls, from north

NTSMR no: 122885

County SMR no: 3420

Name: drystone walls, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4950075600

Site Type and Period: WALL Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD

Description:

Knowles Farm is virtually unique on the Isle of Wight for using drystone walls as field boundaries. This is clearly a consequence of the abundant stone available in the locality, particularly from the limestone Gore Cliff and other outcrops in the Undercliff. Most of these walls have now been abandoned, and stock range through the ever increasing gaps in them. Some of the walls can be shown to be relatively recent, such as the foundations that can be seen east of the lighthouse. These must have been erected after 1840 as the tithe map shows a different layout from that surviving until recently. Others, such as in the landslip area were clearly once part of Pitlands Farm, and abandoned in the landslip of 1799.

Management Recommendations:

The condition of the drystone walls requires monitoring as some walls are in need of repair. Where walls have fallen out of use, they should be preserved in their present condition, but with regular monitoring to check that cattle are not damaging them by forcing a way through weak points. Walls still in use should be monitored and repaired. Wholesale restoration of the wall system is not recommended as this will needlessly damage the archaeological date obtainable from the remains of walls which have been reduced to foundation level etc. A photographic record before and after any repairs is recommended.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY3: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1862), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1862

ZY6: Map: Ordnance Survey 25" map (sheet 100.5), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 4th, OS, 1939

ZY8: Bibliographic reference: A companion to the Isle of Wight, Vol. No. , Edition No., 3rd, John Albin, 1802

ZY11: Map: Tithe survey for Niton, c. 1840, Scale, , Edition No., 1st, Isle of Wight Record Office, c. 1840

ZY12: Unpublished document: Sale Particulars & map for Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1845

ZY107: Slide: St Catherine's Point, old field walls, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/7-8, C K Currie, 2000

ZY108: Slide: Knowles Farm, remains of drystone walls, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/9, C K Currie, 2000

ZY17: Unpublished document: Survey book, Worsley Estates, 1774, Vol. No. , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1774

ZY19: Unpublished document: Survey of Niton parish, 1791, Vol. No. , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1791

ZY20: Unpublished document: Survey of Niton, 1803, Vol. No. , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1803

ZY26: Map: Ordnance Survey 6" map, sheet 100 (1862), Scale, 1:10000, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1862

ZY29: National Trust Report: St Catherine's Point & Knowles Farm Management Plan, Vol. No. , , , National Trust, 1985

ZY33: Bibliographic reference: Winchester College Muniments, Vol. No. 2, Edition No., 1st, S Himsworth (ed), 1984

ZY35: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975/1, , 1925

ZY39: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., 152664, Archaeology Section, IOWCC, 1971

ZY43: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., RC8-IT 287-8, University of Cambridge, 1986

ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

ZY50: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-1, David Tomalin, 1979

ZY78: Black and White Photograph: Remains of drystone field walls, Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/7, C K Currie, 2000

ZY79: Black and White Photograph: Remains of drystone field walls, Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/8, C K Currie, 2000

ZY80: Black and White Photograph: Remains of drystone field walls, Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/9, C K Currie, 2000

ZY84: Black and White Photograph: Sandroek Road looking towards point of collapse, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/14, C K Currie, 2000

ZY112: Slide: Sandroek Road, looking towards site of 1928 cliff fall, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/14, C K Currie, 2000

ZY131: Collection: Kirkpatrick deeds, , , , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1766-1900

ZY132: Bibliographic reference: A tour of the Isle of Wight, Vol. No. , Edition No., 1st, Charles Tomkins, 1796

NTSMR no: 122886

County SMR no: 1579

Name: pottery sherd, Rocken End, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4910075500

Site Type and Period: POTTERY SHERD Roman - 43 AD to 409 AD

Description:

One rim sherd of red coated ware of Roman date was found at this spot, now in the Haynes Collection. No further finds have been made at this site, which is now highly unstable because of massive slippage of mud due to heavy rainfall in winter of 2000-1.

Management Recommendations:

This area should be monitored regularly because of the regular large-scale movements of earth here. A long term strategy is required for this and other sites on the cliffs within this property. This should include a research design for further investigation and systematic recording of eroding sites and material. Funding should be sought for this.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No, , , C K Currie, 2001

Plate: The remains of a drystone wall within the enclosure at Rocken End, from SSW

NTSMR no: 122887

County SMR no: none

Name: enclosure, Rocken End, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4925075590

Site Type and Period:

ENCLOSURE

Medieval/Post Medieval - 1066 to 1862 AD

GARDEN

Post Medieval - 1799 AD to 1862 AD

Description:

The description of the landslip of 1799 records how the waterfall that could be seen from Pitlands Farms was buried by mud only to force itself to the surface soon after. The present waterfall is probably in a similar position. The sale documents of 1845 talk of this area as being Picturesque and romantic, suggesting that these attributes had already been recognised. In the description of the landslip of 1799 it is recorded that the landowner had a 'seat' built to view the waterfall. The area below the waterfall is enclosed by a stone wall. There is evidence of a deliberate rockery having been created alongside the stream, plus a mounded island in the stream. There is also a large earth terrace, over 2m high, overlooking the sea from near this spot. It looks as if it is at least partly artificial, although this should be viewed with caution because of the large-scale natural movement of earth here.

Just below the waterfall is an area of stone foundations forming two sides of a L-shape. The area to the immediate west has been covered in slippage. This may therefore be the site of a building (although a turn in the enclosure wall is possible). As this enclosure is the only one of any substance to survive below the waterfall, the possibility that it was connected to the lost Pitlands Farm, or may even have been the site of that farm, needs to be considered.

There seem to have been efforts here to make a small designed landscape of some sort. The enclosure wall is shown by the 1840s, and so one might assume it pre-dated this time. R S Holford the owner from 1837 to 1845 was a keen amateur landscape designer, creating a renown Victorian 'Elysium' at Westonbirt, in Gloucestershire. Prior to this his father held the property from around 1818. It is possible they at least began this minor landscaping. It is now very derelict and difficult to work out which was made and which is natural.

Management Recommendations:

The land hereabouts is highly unstable due to land slippage. It is difficult to say what is natural and what has been made in this picturesque spot below the waterfall. As far as nature allows this area should be preserved. There is a strong case for this site to be drawn into the proposals for research and rescue operations looking into the lost settlement site represented by the eroding material at Rocken End, and the documentary references to the lost Pitlands Farm. As this is a potential site of the latter farm, the site should be visited by a professional archaeological surveyor to assess the site for potential survey.

Source:

ZY4: Map: Ordnance Survey 25" map, 1862 (sheet 100.5), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1862

ZY5: Map: Ordnance Survey 25" map (sheet 100.5), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 3rd, Ordnance Survey, 1907

ZY6: Map: Ordnance Survey 25" map (sheet 100.5), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 4th, OS, 1939

ZY7: Map: Andrew's map of the Isle of Wight, 1769, Scale, c. 1:50000, Edition No., 1st, Isle of Wight Record Office, 1769

ZY8: Bibliographic reference: A companion to the Isle of Wight, Vol. No. , Edition No., 3rd, John Albin, 1802

ZY11: Map: Tithe survey for Niton, c. 1840, Scale, , Edition No., 1st, Isle of Wight Record Office, c. 1840

ZY12: Unpublished document: Sale Particulars & map for Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1845

ZY13: Map: Tithe map & award for Chale, Scale, , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1841-44

ZY36: Aerial Photograph: Gore Cliff landslip, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975/2, , no date

ZY85: Black and White Photograph: Rocken End, remains of drystone wall, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/15, C K Currie, 2000

ZY86: Black and White Photograph: Rocken End, possible rockery?, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/16, C K Currie, 2000

ZY87: Black and White Photograph: Rocken End, terraced bank?, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/17, C K Currie, 2000

ZY113: Slide: Rocken End, remains of stone wall, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/15, C K Currie, 2000

ZY114: Slide: Rocken End, possible rockery?, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/16, C K Currie, 2000

ZY115: Slide: Rocken End, possible terrace bank?, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/17, C K Currie, 2000

Plate: the area destroyed by the landslips of 1799 and 1928, thought to have once been covered partly by Pitlands Farm, from Gore Cliff, from north

NTSMR no: 122888

County SMR no: none

Name: settlement site, Rocken End, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4938075500

Site Type and Period:

DESERTED
SETTLEMENT

Post Medieval – 1540 to 1900 AD

Description:

Pitlands Farm is recorded from the early 17th century in Worsley rentals. It managed much of the land now abandoned to landslip on the Chale/Niton boundary. Extensive medieval pottery eroding from the cliff near its conjectured site suggest that this was an important farm. It appears to be better documented than Knowles Farm in the 17th and 18th century. It was held by the Blyth family during this period, but around 1774 the farm was sold, and the tenant changed to Mr Harvey soon after. From hereon it appears to have become attached to Knowles Farm, and was shortly after subsumed into it. It is not known for certain if this occurred before the spectacular landslip of 1799. An eye-witness account describes how the west wall of the farmhouse was swallowed up by the shifting ground. The farm was abandoned hereafter, and subsequent landslips in 1818 and 1928 have led to the land here being abandoned to scrub.

The 1799 description of the landslip refers to the farmhouse looking north to a waterfall. This suggests that it was near the shore of Watershoot Bay, close to where the stream exits at Rocken End.

Management Recommendations:

This appears to be part of an exceptional site, judging from the very large quantities of pottery eroding from the cliff nearby. It is highly recommended that this site is used as a test site for the property to determine the quality of archaeology that might be recovered. This site is being rapidly destroyed, and should be rescued if possible. There are a number of possibilities. Perhaps the Trust should encourage one of the University Archaeology Departments to run a student training dig here or the Trust might consider a similar feature themselves, either directly or through a contractor with experience of running training digs for clients

Regardless of whether any of these options are taken up, a long term strategy is required for this and other sites on the cliffs within this property. This should include a research design for further investigation and systematic recording of eroding sites and material. Funding should be sought for this.

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ZY4: Map: Ordnance Survey 25" map, 1862 (sheet 100.5), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1862

ZY7: Map: Andrew's map of the Isle of Wight, 1769, Scale, c. 1:50000, Edition No., 1st, Isle of Wight Record Office, 1769

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ZY13: Map: Tithe map & award for Chale, Scale, , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1841-44

ZY109: Slide: Rocken End, medieval site eroding from cliff, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/10-11, C K Currie, 2000

ZY17: Unpublished document: Survey book, Worsley Estates, 1774, Vol. No., , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1774

ZY18: Unpublished document: Rental of Worsley lands, 1646, Vol. No., , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1646

ZY30: Microform: Land Tax Assessments, Isle of Wight, from 1800, Part No., , Edition No., , Hampshire Record Office, 1800 onwards

ZY36: Aerial Photograph: Gore Cliff landslip, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975/2, , no date

ZY46: Aerial Photograph: Gore Cliff landslip area, Scale, , Frame No., 31 1139, Aerofilms, 1993

ZY49: Aerial Photograph: Gore Cliff landslip, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-3, David Tomalin, 1980

ZY81: Black and White Photograph: Rocken End site eroding from cliff, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/10-11, C K Currie, 2000

ZY89: Black and White Photograph: The landslip from top of Gore Cliff, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/19, C K Currie, 2000

ZY117: Slide: The landslip from Gore Cliff, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/19, C K Currie, 2000

ZY131: Collection: Kirkpatrick deeds, , , , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1766-1900

Plate: the Knowles Farm complex from the north, the farmhouse is the building to the right

NTSMR no: 122889

County SMR no: none

Name: place-name, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4969075400

Site Type and Period: HOMESTEAD Medieval to Modern - 1300 AD to 2000 AD

Description:

The date of settlement at Knowles Farm is unknown, although a former tenant reports finding medieval material on the site. The name is first mentioned in the 13th century, but this is possibly as a district called 'Knowles'. The name first occurs in documents in 1608. Mentions before 1800 seem to suggest that it was only a small farmstead, possibly less than 30 acres. After 1799, a landslip at Pitlands Farm allows Knowles to take over its lands. By the 1840s it has become a more substantial estate of around 100 acres.

Management Recommendations:

Should any ground disturbance be proposed in the vicinity of the farmhouse or its outbuildings, archaeological recording exercise (to be determined by Estates Department) to be undertaken. The Property Management should ensure that plenty of notice is given to Estates Department in event of such disturbance so that an appropriate response can be arranged. Also building recording should be undertaken if any alterations to the structure are made.

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ZY10: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1939), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 4th, OS, 1939

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ZY15: Map: Ordnance Survey surveyor's 6" drawing, 1793-1810, Scale, 1:10000, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1793-1810

ZY110: Slide: Knowles Farm complex, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/12, C K Currie, 2000

ZY17: Unpublished document: Survey book, Worsley Estates, 1774, Vol. No. , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1774

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ZY48: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-2, David Tomalin, 1979

ZY71: Bibliographic reference: The Cartulary of Carisbrooke Priory, Vol. No. , Edition No., 1st, S F Hockey (ed), 1981

ZY72: Black and White Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/1, C K Currie, 2000

ZY82: Black and White Photograph: Knowles Farm complex from hill above, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/12, C K Currie, 2000

NTSMR no: 122890

County SMR no: 3270

County SMR buildings no: 12167

Name: house, Marconi Cottage, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4969075400

Site Type and Period:

SEMI DETACHED
HOUSE

Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD

Description:

Marconi Cottage is the name given to the house to the east of the Farmhouse. It is shown on early maps back to 1793. The name is a misnomer, as Marconi lived in the adjoining farmhouse. This building is of rubblestone, coursed with quoins side alternate. It is gabled with a thick slate roof, 2 storeys with casement windows. It won a Conservation Award in 1974 for carrying out modernisation in keeping with its historic nature. Modern flat roofed extension of stone. The building is generally considered to be of mid-18th-century date.

Management Recommendations:

Should any ground disturbance be proposed in the vicinity of any of the buildings making up Knowles Farm, an archaeological recording exercise (to be determined by Estates Department) is to be undertaken. The Property Management should ensure that plenty of notice is given to Estates Department in event of such disturbance so that an appropriate response can be arranged. Also building recording should be undertaken if any alterations to the structure are made.

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ZY104: Slide: Marconi Cottage, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/4, C K Currie, 2000

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ZY75: Black and White Photograph: Marconi Cottage, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/4, C K Currie, 2000

ZY82: Black and White Photograph: Knowles Farm complex from hill above, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/12, C K Currie, 2000

ZY131: Collection: Kirkpatrick deeds, , , , , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1766-1900

NTSMR no: 122891

County SMR buildings no: 12169

Name: barn, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4969075420

Site Type and Period: BARN Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD

Description:

Stone barn attached to west side of Knowles Farm Cottage, making single E-W range. Rubble coursed stone, quoins side alternate, gabled west end, single storey, thick slate roof. Rectangular ventilation slits. Thought to be date to 18th century. Shown on 1793 OS map.

Management Recommendations:

Should any ground disturbance be proposed in the vicinity of any of the buildings making up Knowles Farm, an archaeological recording exercise (to be determined by Estates Department) is to be undertaken. The Property Management should ensure that plenty of notice is given to Estates Department in event of such disturbance so that an appropriate response can be arranged. Also building recording should be undertaken if any alterations to the structure are made.

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ZY101: Slide: Knowle Farm Cottage & barn, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/1, C K Currie, 2000

ZY103: Slide: Knowles Farm Cottage & barn, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/3, C K Currie, 2000

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ZY74: Black and White Photograph: Knowle Farm Cottage & barn, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/3, C K Currie, 2000

ZY82: Black and White Photograph: Knowles Farm complex from hill above, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/12, C K Currie, 2000

ZY131: Collection: Kirkpatrick deeds, , , , , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1766-1900

NTSMR no: 122892

County SMR buildings no: 12171

Name: cowshed, Knowles Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4972075420

Site Type and Period: COW HOUSE Post Medieval - 1700 AD to 1800 AD

Description:

Stone cowshed, most easterly of buildings in Knowles Farm complex. Appears to be shown on 1793 OS map. Rubble coursed, side alternate quoins, gable ends, single storey, thick slate roof, aligned N-S. Brick chimney at south end.

Management Recommendations:

Should any ground disturbance be proposed in the vicinity of any of the buildings making up Knowles Farm, an archaeological recording exercise (to be determined by Estates Department) is to be undertaken. The Property Management should ensure that plenty of notice is given to Estates Department in event of such disturbance so that an appropriate response can be arranged. Also building recording should be undertaken if any alterations to the structure are made.

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ZY15: Map: Ordnance Survey surveyor's 6" drawing, 1793-1810, Scale, 1:10000, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1793-1810

ZY102: Slide: Knowles Farm, cowshed, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/2, C K Currie, 2000

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ZY73: Black and White Photograph: Knowles Farm, cowshed, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/2, C K Currie, 2000

ZY82: Black and White Photograph: Knowles Farm complex from hill above, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/12, C K Currie, 2000

ZY131: Collection: Kirkpatrick deeds, , , , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1766-1900

Plate: the remains of the old Niton-Chale Road, destroyed by the 1928 landslip; note the ivy-covered drystone walls on either side

NTSMR no: 122893

County SMR no: none

Name: remains of old road, Gore Cliff, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4935076030

Site Type and Period: ROAD Post Medieval to Modern - 1800 AD to 1928 AD

Description:

A few days before the cliff founder of July 1928, the local Council closed this road to traffic. The subsequent cliff fall and landslip carried most of this road below Gore Cliff away in a most spectacular fashion. The central portion, about 100m in length survived, no longer attached to the rest of the road. This phenomenon was so exceptional that it was decided to abandon the road entirely. The new road, running about 200m back from the top of the cliff was begun in the early 1930s.

This undercliff road is not shown on the 1793 OS surveyor's drawing, and seems to have come into being afterwards. One would expect this was after the landslip of 1799. There was another slip in 1818, but little is known about this event. The road was in place by the 1840s, and served as the main road between Niton and Chale during that time. The road was considered one of the most picturesque on the island, but inherent in its beauty is its danger.

Coming across this section of road, hidden amongst recent woodland is an eerie experience. Trees have broken through the tarmac, which is largely hidden from view by moss and other vegetation. The old drystone walls on either side of the road still partly stand, and there are large moss-covered boulders in the road where they fell in 1928. Once within this stretch of road, the visitor is hidden from all other sign of human existence, with the towering Gore Cliff almost immediately above. Some children have made a swing in the road from an overhanging tree. This spot has an aura of being not of this earth. The NT Management Plan describes the landscape here as 'timeless almost prehistoric'. Discovering this remnant of civilisation in this landscape makes one feel like a visitor to a distant planet that was considered uninhabited. The landscape has transformed the mundane (a tarmac road) into an experience not to be missed.

Management Recommendations:

This stretch of road should be preserved as it is. A photographic record should be made at intervals at fixed points, say every 5 or 10 years, provided that it survives future cliff falls and landslips.

Source:

ZY7: Map: Andrew's map of the Isle of Wight, 1769, Scale, c. 1:50000, Edition No., 1st, Isle of Wight Record Office, 1769

ZY8: Bibliographic reference: A companion to the Isle of Wight, Vol. No. , Edition No., 3rd, John Albin, 1802

ZY11: Map: Tithe survey for Niton, c. 1840, Scale, , Edition No., 1st, Isle of Wight Record Office, c. 1840

ZY12: Unpublished document: Sale Particulars & map for Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1845

ZY13: Map: Tithe map & award for Chale, Scale, , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1841-44

ZY99: Black and White Photograph: Old Sandrock Road, remains in landslip, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/29, C K Currie, 2000

ZY23: Article in serial: Proceedings of the Isle of Wight Natural History & Archaeological Society, Vol. No, 1.9, Edition No., , G W Colenutt, 1928

ZY24: Article in serial: Proceedings of the Isle of Wight Natural History & Archaeological Society, Vol. No, 2.6, Edition No., , S H Reynolds & J F Jackson, 1935

ZY26: Map: Ordnance Survey 6" map, sheet 100 (1862), Scale, 1:10000, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1862

ZY29: National Trust Report: St Catherine's Point & Knowles Farm Management Plan, Vol. No. , , , National Trust, 1985

ZY36: Aerial Photograph: Gore Cliff landslip, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975/2, , no date

ZY46: Aerial Photograph: Gore Cliff landslip area, Scale, , Frame No., 31 1139, Aerofilms, 1993

ZY49: Aerial Photograph: Gore Cliff landslip, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-3, David Tomalin, 1980

ZY127: Slide: Old Sandrock Road, remains in landslip, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/29, C K Currie, 2000

ZY131: Collection: Kirkpatrick deeds, , , , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1766-1900

Plate: St. Catherine's Lighthouse from the SSE

NTSMR no: 122894

County SMR no: not known

Name: lighthouse, St Catherine's Point, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4982075340

Site Type and Period: LIGHTHOUSE Post Medieval - 1838 AD

Description:

St Catherine's Lighthouse is not on NT property, but is completely surrounded by it, making it appropriate to include it in this survey. Previous lighthouses on St Catherine's Hill had proved too high in foggy weather, and in 1838 a new lighthouse was begun on the present site. Completed in 1840, this was originally much higher, being 120 feet high with a castellated top. This also proved too high in bad weather, and in 1875 it was reduced by 43 feet to its current height. It was one of the first lighthouses to use electricity, having arc lamps installed in 1888, visible for 18 miles. Cliff erosion made the original fog signal house, near the cliff edge, unsafe by 1930, and a second shorter tower was built alongside the light tower in 1932. Both the lighthouse and the adjoining lighthouse keepers quarters are Listed Buildings Grade II

Management Recommendations:

Not NT property, owned by Trinity House. No direct recommendations can be made. However, the lighthouse site is likely to be lost to cliff erosion at some time in the future. There is already a large crack in the lighthouse curtilage wall, and the original fog horn building has had to be abandoned (see SMR no 122895). It is suggested that the NT talk to Trinity House to ascertain the state of the historic record of the present structure, and put in place means by which the erosion can be monitored and recorded.

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ZY10: Map: Ordnance Survey sheet 100.6 (1939), Scale, 1:2500, Edition No., 4th, OS, 1939

ZY106: Slide: St Catherine's Lighthouse, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/6, C K Currie, 2000

ZY25: Pamphlet: The history of Niton, Isle of Wight, , , , G C Dunning, 1953

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ZY50: Aerial Photograph: Knowles Farm, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4975-XY-1, David Tomalin, 1979

ZY77: Black and White Photograph: St Catherine's Lighthouse, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/6, C K Currie, 2000

NTSMR no: 122895

County SMR no: 3377

Name: ruined buildings, St Catherine's Point, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4978075290

Site Type and Period: BUILDING Post Medieval - 1540 AD to 1900 AD

Description:

Buildings shown on map in SW corner of St Catherine's Lighthouse. They remain today as low roofless buildings, mainly of concrete, by the coastal path. Shown from 1862 onwards. The County SMR states that an elderly passer-by said that these had been used as pigsties. This may well be true, but this is probably a secondary use. Until 1930 the fog signal station had been by the cliff, and these buildings may be the remnants of this building. A serious cliff fall in 1930 caused the station to be abandoned and replaced by the second tower by the main lighthouse. It is possible that the ruins were subsequently used to house pigs.

Management Recommendations:

No recommendations as not on NT property. Just outside boundary. However, it is suggested that the NT talk to Trinity House to ascertain the state of the historic record of the present structure, and put in place means by which the erosion can be monitored and recorded.

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NTSMR no: 122896

County SMR no: 640

Name: mound, Castle Haven, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ5042075440

Site Type and Period:

MOUND

Unknown date

Description:

Large mound at Castle Haven, shown on OS maps from 1862. In the 1939 edition (25") it is marked 'Castle Mound', possibly as a result of designation by O G S Crawford. Earlier antiquarian works had ascribed it as 'Celtic' and as a castle mound. It is possible that the place-name 'Castle Haven' derives from the resemblance of the mound to a motte, although one is not recorded here in any medieval documents. In the late 1980s the mound was cut into to allow caravans to be resited. In 1991 some bones were found eroding from the side of the mound, but these proved to be of a large animal (cow or horse?). It is possible it is a spoil mound of some sort. The county SMR records it as a 'probable non-antiquity'. Included here because it is right on the eastern NT boundary of the study area, although outside NT property.

Management Recommendations:

No recommendations as not on NT property, just outside eastern boundary.

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ZY134: Article in serial: Proceedings of Isle of Wight Natural History & Archaeological Society, Vol. No, 1.8, Edition No., , Sir Frederick W Black, 1927

NTSMR no: 122910

County SMR no: none

Name: remains of drystone wall, St Catherine's Hill, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4923077270

Site Type and Period: FIELD BOUNDARY Post Medieval – circa 1570 AD?

Description:

Along the southern boundary of the NT property there are the foundations of a drystone field wall. There is some evidence of reuse of worked stone, possibly from the chapel ruins. In the late 16th century, one of the local farmers petitioned Winchester College to collect stone from the ruins to use in his farm buildings. The reply is not known, but it seems possible that some of this stone was used in this wall. Stone walling on the island is extremely rare outside of Knowles Farm, and there may be special circumstances that led to the formation of this wall. Walling does not appear to be used on any of the other boundaries around the hill. The boundary itself is old being shown on the 1566 map.

Management Recommendations:

Drystone walls are rare on the island outside Knowles Farm. Efforts should be taken to preserve the remains of this feature. However, it is not recommended that it is rebuilt, as this may introduce alien stone to the site that might confuse future study (that is, it is conjectured that some of the stone might have come from the oratory, and a study of the composition of the wall might make for interesting research in the future). It is merely recommended that its present condition is maintained.

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NTSMR no: 122911

County SMR no: 212

Name: mound, St Catherine's Hill, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4929077350

Site Type and Period: MOUND Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD

Description:

A low mound a short distance NW of St Catherine's Oratory. It is about 16m in diameter and about 0.6m high. It is within an area of much uneven ground, causing an OS field investigator in 1955 to state that this 'precludes any positive identification of it as a barrow' (IOWCC SMR). There is also a large quarry a short distance to the west, with frequent spoil mounds therein. Although it was suggested earlier in the 20th century that this might be a barrow, this is unlikely. The mound is barely noticeable amongst the other uneven ground, and it is thought this is the result of the area being common land for many years, hence being a source of quarried material for local farmers.

Management Recommendations:

This is not thought to be an antiquity, but the site should be monitored because of its proximity to scheduled sites.

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NTSMR no: 122912

County SMR no: 213

Name: beacon site, St Catherine's Hill, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4939077300

Site Type and Period:

BEACON Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD

Description:

There has been a beacon site on St Catherine's Hill since at least the 14th century. The precise location is unknown. One is mentioned in 1324. A sketch map of 1566 shows two piles of wood just over the Niton boundary near the Oratory. A reference in 1638 seems to refer to two stations, one on St Catherine's, the other on Chale Down. The latter was often used as a historicName for the hill. There is no evidence on the ground for this site.

Until excavations were carried out on the nearby bowl barrow (SMR no 122914) in the 1920s, the barrow was thought to be the site of the beacon. This discovered the remains of a lime kiln (SMR no 122915) cut into the side. It is possible burning from this kiln had previously been interpreted as caused by the beacon.

Management Recommendations:

This site should be monitored at regular intervals alongside the Oratory and other monuments on the hill.

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Plate: the oratory tower overlooking Chale Bay on a stormy winter's day

NTSMR no: 122913

County SMR no: SAM 22014

Name: oratory tower, St Catherine's Hill, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4936077280

Site Type and Period: CHANTRY Medieval to Post Medieval - 1300 AD to 1540 AD
CHAPEL
LIGHTHOUSE Medieval to Post Medieval - 1300 AD to 1540 AD

Description:

Stone tower, dating from the early 14th century, with lantern on top for a light to warn sailors. There is much controversy over how a private oratory or chantry chapel came to be made on St Catherine's Hill. Popular tradition has it that Walter de Godeton was obliged to found it as a penance for profiting from the wreck of a Gascon ship in Chale Bay around 1324. However, there appears to be an earlier reference to the chapel in 1312. Godeton's foundation might therefore be a refoundation of an existing chantry. Later the chapel became subject to Barton Oratory, but on its suppression in the 15th century, the Barton estate passed to Winchester College, who held the land until recently. There is no record of the chantry's suppression in the 1540s, but the 1566 sketch map of the area shows the tower with an adjoining chapel attached.

It is thought that shortly after this the chapel was taken down but the tower remained because of its use as a landmark for sailors. Records over a dispute over common rights in the later 16th century mentions that a farmer offers to remove stone from the site to repair his farm buildings. This suggests that the building was ruinous soon after 1566.

The tower consists of an octagonal building outside but a small square within, originally of four storeys. There is evidence of two doors on the lowest storey, one above the other, suggesting the tower was entered from the adjoining chapel. The lighthouse, which formed the western tower, is all that survives of the larger building, but marks of the roof can be seen on the east side of the tower. Historically the building is shown within a small enclosure, the remains of which survive as earth banks. The lighthouse component to the tower is said to make it the finest medieval building of its type in Britain, and possibly the world. The Scheduled Monument was originally SAM IW19a, but has now been renumbered 22014. The schedule includes the earth enclosure, the site of a lime kiln and a

barrow.

The chapel foundations are reputed to have been found by antiquarian excavations about a hundred years ago.

The structure is known locally as the 'pepperpot' with the ruins of the 18th-century lighthouse nearby (not on NT property) being known as the 'saltpot' due to their similarity (in shape) to these household items.

Management Recommendations:

Any alterations to this building or ground disturbance would require Scheduled Monument consent. Should repairs be required, the same criteria applies. Archaeological recording would be a statutory requirement of any such works. The site is in the Guardianship of English heritage but subject to a management agreement with the NT. This is thought to be due for renewal soon. Some doubts have been expressed as to the accuracy of antiquarian plans of the structure. This suggests that there is a need for an up-to-date measured survey plan being made. This should include a ground plan, with elevations inside and out, plus a plan showing the relationships between the other monuments adjoining (the bowl barrow and the earthwork enclosure).

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Plate: the bowl barrow and the site of the medieval lime kiln from the NW

NTSMR no: 122914

County SMR no: SAM 22014

Name: bowl barrow, St Catherine's Hill, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4938077260

Site Type and Period: BOWL BARROW Bronze Age - 2350 BC to 701 BC

Description:

Bowl barrow in SE part of enclosure surrounding St Catherine's Oratory. This mound is only about 15m away from the tower. It is about 20m diameter, and about 1.3m high. The surface of the barrow is somewhat uneven, the result of past disturbance. On the west side of the mound a lime kiln was found during excavations in the 1920s (see Dunning 1953). The barrow was once thought to be the beacon site, but this has been questioned. Excavations into the barrow in 1925 revealed two small pieces of bone near the centre, and a few Bronze Age flakes. One might assumed, however, that the barrow had been disturbed long before this. There is documented evidence of treasure hunting in island barrows as early as the 13th century.

Management Recommendations:

Any ground disturbance would require Scheduled Monument consent. Archaeological recording would be a statutory requirement of any such works. Cattle are currently pastured on the site, and are causing some damage. Restricting stock access within the Guardianship area ought to be considered, but this should be discussed with the English heritage Field Monument Warden as some grazing is still needed. See SMR no 122913 for recommendations for up-to-date measured survey.

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NTSMR no: 122915

County SMR no: SAM 22014

Name: site of lime kiln, St Catherine's Hill, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4938077260

Site Type and Period:

LIME KILN

Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD

Description:

When the barrow to the SE of the oratory tower was excavated in 1925 (see Dunning 1953), a little to the west of the barrow's centre, the remains of a medieval lime kiln was discovered. This was a greensand block structure with two flue openings. Its clay floor showed signs of great heat with oak charcoal upon it. The remains were associated with medieval pottery and tile. What was earlier thought to be a beacon site can now be seen to have been a lime kiln, probably erected during the construction of St Catherine's Oratory.

Scheduled 1st November 1994 with new number 22014. The scheduling incorporates the Oratory tower, barrow and earthwork enclosure around these monuments. Site assessment carried out in March 1997 by Lancaster University Archaeological Unit for English Heritage recommended continued statutory protection.

Management Recommendations:

Any ground disturbance would require Scheduled Monument consent. Archaeological recording would be a statutory requirement of any such works. Cattle are currently pastured on the site, and are causing some damage. Restricting stock access within the Guardianship area ought to be considered, but this should be discussed with the English heritage Field Monument Warden as some grazing is still needed. See SMR no 122913 for recommendations for up-to-date measured survey.

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NTSMR no: 122916

County SMR no: SAM 22014

Name: site of chapel, St Catherine's Hill, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4936077280

Site Type and Period:

CHANTRY
CHAPEL

Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD

Description:

A chapel is mentioned on this site in 1312, but tradition attributes the foundation of the oratory to Walter Godeton in 1324. The chapel was still standing in 1566, but seems to have fallen in ruins soon after. The tower was preserved because of its usefulness as a local landmark and lighthouse. Foundations of the chapel were traced by P G Stone in 1891.

Management Recommendations:

Any ground disturbance would require Scheduled Monument consent. Archaeological recording would be a statutory requirement of any such works. Cattle are currently pastured on the site, and are causing some damage. Restricting stock access within the Guardianship area ought to be considered, but this should be discussed with the English heritage Field Monument Warden as some grazing is still needed. See SMR no 122913 for recommendations for up-to-date measured survey.

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NTSMR no: 122917

County SMR no: SAM 22014

Name: earthwork enclosure, St Catherine's Hill, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4932077350

Site Type and Period: RECTANGULAR Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD
ENCLOSURE

Description:

Earthwork enclosure, about 50m E-W, 100m N-S, bank up to 0.5m high forming more of a platform than an embanked area. Surrounds oratory site and barrow. Part of Scheduled Monument 22014.

Management Recommendations:

Any ground disturbance would require Scheduled Monument consent. Archaeological recording would be a statutory requirement of any such works. Cattle are currently pastured on the site, and are causing some damage. Restricting stock access within the Guardianship area ought to be considered, but this should be discussed with the English heritage Field Monument Warden as some grazing is still needed. See SMR no 122913 for recommendations for up-to-date measured survey.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

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ZY25: Pamphlet: The history of Niton, Isle of Wight, , , , G C Dunning, 1953

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ZY33: Bibliographic reference: Winchester College Muniments, Vol. No, 2, Edition No., 1st, S Himsworth (ed), 1984

ZY34: Bibliographic reference: Insula Vecta, Vol. No. , Edition No., 1st, S F Hockey, 1982

ZY40: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Hill, Scale, , Frame No., 152665-6, BKS Surveys, 1971

ZY41: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Hill, Scale, , Frame No., RC8-IT 272-3, University of Cambridge, 1986

ZY42: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Hill & Down, Scale, , Frame No., RC8-IT 263-4, University of Cambridge, 1986

ZY53: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Hill, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4977-XO-7, Isle of Wight Archaeology Centre, no date

ZY54: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Hill & Oratory, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4977-XO-2, David Tomalin, 1979

ZY55: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Hill & Oratory, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4977-XO-1, David Tomalin, not dated

ZY56: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Oratory, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4977-XO-3 & 4, David Tomalin, 1980

ZY57: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Oratory, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4977-XO-12, Isle of Wight Archaeology Centre, 1981?

ZY62: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Oratory, Scale, , Frame No., SZ495785 89F1-21, Isle of Wight Archaeological Centre, 1989

ZY63: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Hill, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4977/1, O G S Crawford?, 1924

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ZY65: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Oratory, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4977/3, NMRC, 1989

ZY69: Sketch Map: Sketch map of St Catherine's Hill, 1566, Scale, , , , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1566

Plate: the quarried western side of St. Catherine's Hill, with St. Catherine's Down beyond; the Hoy Monument can just be seen projecting from the end of the ridge

NTSMR no: 122918

County SMR no: none

Name: quarries, St Catherine's Hill, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4920077430

Site Type and Period:

MARL PIT Medieval to Post Medieval - 1250 AD to 1800 AD

Description:

Large quarry on west side of hill with subsidiary quarried areas into north side of hill. The quarry is mentioned in the 13th century as a marl pit, and is shown on the map of 1566. However, this appears to be on the north side of the hill. This might suggest a sequence in the quarrying, possibly making the western quarry later? It appears that the local farmers have quarried the common land on the hill for many centuries. The area is now entirely grassed over, indicating that quarrying ceased a long time ago. There is evidence of a track leading into the western quarry from the north.

Management Recommendations:

Extensive areas of former quarrying. Cattle are causing some damage in winter. Site should be monitored with the oratory and other monuments on the hill.

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ZY13: Map: Tithe map & award for Chale, Scale, , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1841-44

ZY94: Black and White Photograph: St Catherine's Hill, quarry, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/24, C K Currie, 2000

ZY16: Map: Map of Chale & Whitewell, 1774, Scale, , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1774

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ZY65: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Oratory, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4977/3, NMRC, 1989

ZY69: Sketch Map: Sketch map of St Catherine's Hill, 1566, Scale, , , , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1566

ZY122: Slide: St Catherine's Hill, quarry, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/24, C K Currie, 2000

NTSMR no: 122919

County SMR no: 1649

Name: linear earthworks, St Catherine's Hill, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4928077320

Site Type and Period: LINEAR Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 AD to 1900 AD
EARTHWORK

Description:

The County SMR records two linear earthworks 'perpendicular' (at right angles?) to one another. They were recognised by Jo Bailey, formerly of the Isle of Wight County Archaeological Unit, from air photographic evidence in 1986. There are no other comments, and the site does not seem to have been looked at since. The area concerned is covered in quarry earthworks, and these features may be part of this activity. No other earthworks were seen in this area, and one might assumed the air photo gave a false impression of something associated with the extensive quarrying here.

Management Recommendations:

These features are possibly part of the quarry earthworks in this area, and should be monitored with them when the oratory site is monitored.

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ZY69: Sketch Map: Sketch map of St Catherine's Hill, 1566, Scale, , , , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1566

NTSMR no: 122930

County SMR no: 195

Name: commemorative monument, Hoy's Monument, St Catherine's Down, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4960078800

Site Type and Period:

COMMEMORATIVE
MONUMENT

Post Medieval - 1814 AD

Description:

Monument erected by Michael Hoy (1758-1828), a former English merchant operating in Russia, to commemorate the visit of Tsar Alexander I to England in 1814, following victory of Napoleon in Europe. Prominent local landmark at the north end of St Catherine's Down. It comprises a large tapering tooled ashlar column surmounted by a cornice and large ball finial. It stands on a large tooled ashlar plinth with moulded cornice and base. The inscription states: 'In commemoration of the visit of His Majesty Alexander I Emperor of all the Russias to Great Britain in 1814. In remembrance of many happy years residence in his dominions, this pillar was erected by Michael Hoy'.

Hoy lived in the Hermitage, a house about 0.5km east of the monument. Little survives of his original residence.

On the opposite side a second inscription was inserted at a later date to commemorate the Crimean War. This states:

'This tablet was erected by William Henry Dawes Late Lieutenant of HM 22nd Regiment in honour of those brave men of the allied armies who fell on the Alma and at the siege of Sebastepol AD 1857'.

Management Recommendations:

Should any alterations or repairs be carried out to the monument, archaeological recording should be undertaken in advance. Please note that it is a Listed Building and statutory regulations pertaining apply. Any repairs should also form part of this future record.

Source:

ZY1: National Trust Report: An archaeological and historic landscape survey of St Catherine's Hill and Down and Knowles Farm, Vol. No. , , , C K Currie, 2001

ZY98: Black and White Photograph: Hoy's Monument, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/28, C K Currie, 2000

ZY22: Bibliographic reference: The Vectis Report, Vol. No. , Edition No., , H V Basford & D Tomalin, 1980

ZY27: Map: Ordnance Survey 6" map, sheet 98 (1862-3), Scale, 1:10000, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1862-3

ZY32: Bibliographic reference: Victoria history of the county of Hampshire & the Isle of Wight, Vol. No, 5, Edition No., 1st, W Page (ed), 1912

ZY44: Aerial Photograph: St Catherines Down, Scale, , Frame No., 29 1111, Aerofilms, 1993

ZY60: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Down, Scale, , Frame No., SZ495785 89F1-20, Isle of Wight Archaeology Centre, 1989

ZY61: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Down, Scale, , Frame No., SZ496788 89B1-14, Isle of Wight Archaeological Centre, 1989

ZY66: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Down, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4978/1-2, Isle of Wight Archaeology Centre?, 1989

ZY68: Article in serial: Proceedings of Hampshire Field Club & Archaeological Society (PHFCAS), Vol. No, 47, Edition No., , Dorothy Wright, 1992

ZY93: Black and White Photograph: St Catherine's Down, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/23, C K Currie, 2000

ZY121: Slide: St Catherine's Down, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/23, C K Currie, 2000

ZY126: Slide: Hoy's Monument, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/28, C K Currie, 2000

NTSMR no: 122931

County SMR no: 1648

Name: field system, St Catherine's Down, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4942078360

Site Type and Period: RECTANGULAR Post Medieval - 1840 AD to 1870 AD
ENCLOSURE

Description:

Two embanked field on the crest of the Down. The southern field is about 60m N-S by 30m E-W. The northern field is smaller 20m by 30m. The County SMR records a second small field seen in air photos in 1986. There was no sign of this second field on the present visit. The banks are 1m high, 3m across and have well-defined profiles. These suggest they might not be that old. The area was largely common land until the early 19th century. These enclosures may have been made following informal enclosure between 1840 and 1862.

Management Recommendations:

Old banks on the down should be preserved. Care should be taken not to drive vehicles over the banks, and to avoid damage from over-grazing. No planting of trees should take place on these banks.

Sources:

ZY13: Map: Tithe map & award for Chale, Scale, , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1841-44

ZY14: Map: Tithe survey for Whitwell, Scale, , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1838-43

ZY15: Map: Ordnance Survey surveyor's 6" drawing, 1793-1810, Scale, 1:10000, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1793-1810

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ZY44: Aerial Photograph: St Catherines Down, Scale, , Frame No., 29 1111, Aerofilms, 1993

ZY58: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Down, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4978-XJ-1, David Tomalin?, unknown

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ZY66: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Down, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4978/1-2, Isle of Wight Archaeology Centre?, 1989

ZY67: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Down, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4978/3, NMRC, 1999

ZY125: Slide: St Catherine's Down, field system, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/27, C K Currie, 2000

Plate: the recently discovered barrow on St Catherine's Down from the NE; note Chale Bay beyond

NTSMR no: 122932

County SMR no: SAM 26846

Name: round barrow, St Catherine's Down, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4931077840

Site Type and Period:

ROUND BARROW

Bronze Age - 2350 BC to 701 BC

Description:

A mound was discovered during scrub clearance in December 1992. It was surveyed by Frank Basford of the Isle of Wight County Archaeological Unit. The mound is 17m diameter and 1.5m high, with evidence of rabbit disturbance. A slight earthwork was also seen extending in a straight line from the SE edge of the mound. There were other slight mounds to the south. The mound was scheduled as a round barrow in 1997.

All along the west edge of the down, just below the crest, is evidence of quarrying in the past. Although the mound looks reasonably convincing as a barrow, the other earthworks are possibly quarry spoil, and the mound itself needs to be considered in this light at least.

Management Recommendations:

No disturbance of this mound can be undertaken with Scheduled Monument consent. The mound has been damaged by rabbit disturbance, and measures should be taken to prevent this from continuing.

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ZY15: Map: Ordnance Survey surveyor's 6" drawing, 1793-1810, Scale, 1:10000, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1793-1810

ZY95: Black and White Photograph: St Catherine's Down, barrow?, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/25, C K Currie, 2000

ZY27: Map: Ordnance Survey 6" map, sheet 98 (1862-3), Scale, 1:10000, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1862-3

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ZY66: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Down, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4978/1-2, Isle of Wight Archaeology Centre?, 1989

ZY123: Slide: St Catherine's Down, barrow?, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/25, C K Currie, 2000

NTSMR no: 122933

County SMR no: none

Name: linear bank/parish boundary, St Catherine's Down, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4934777947

Site Type and Period: PARISH Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD
BOUNDARY

Description:

The parish boundary between Niton and Chale runs just below the crest of the Down. For stretches it appears as a low bank, 0.5m high and 2m across. It does not appear to be continuous, and may exist only where enclosures butted against it from the east or west as for example a bank does from the east at SZ 49371 78052.

Management Recommendations:

Old banks on the down should be preserved. They are important physical evidence of past land use. Sometimes this is the only evidence when documentary sources are absent. Stock damage should be avoided from over-grazing. A low turf sward is best to maintain good condition. Burrowing animals, the growth of scrub and self-seeding trees should be controlled. Care should be taken not to drive vehicles over banks.

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ZY15: Map: Ordnance Survey surveyor's 6" drawing, 1793-1810, Scale, 1:10000, Edition No., 1st, Ordnance Survey, 1793-1810

ZY96: Black and White Photograph: St Catherine's Down, parish boundary, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/M/26, C K Currie, 2000

ZY16: Map: Map of Chale & Whitwell, 1774, Scale, , Edition No., , Isle of Wight Record Office, 1774

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ZY121: Slide: St Catherine's Down, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/23, C K Currie, 2000

ZY124: Slide: St Catherine's Down, parish boundary, Scale, , Frame No., CKC/KF/S/26, C K Currie, 2000

NTSMR no: 122934

County SMR no: none

Name: linear bank, St Catherine's Down, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4937078100

Site Type and Period:

BOUNDARY BANK

Medieval to Post Medieval - 1066 AD

to 1900 AD

Description:

A linear bank descends the down towards the east from the parish boundary. It is probably one of the divisions shown on the map of 1774 and the tithe map for Whitwell. These are not found elsewhere as a rule, and are thought to be notional divisions of common pasture. The creation of this bank, thus enclosing land that was once common may date to after the tithe survey when this land was informally enclosed.

Management Recommendations:

Old banks on the down should be preserved. They are important physical evidence of past land use. Sometimes this is the only evidence when documentary sources are absent. Stock damage should be avoided from over-grazing. A low turf sward is best to maintain good condition. Burrowing animals, the growth of scrub and self-seeding trees should be controlled. Care should be taken not to drive vehicles over banks.

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ZY60: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Down, Scale, , Frame No., SZ495785 89F1-20, Isle of Wight Archaeology Centre, 1989

NTSMR no: 122935

County SMR no: not known

Name: farmstead, Down Court Farm, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ4970078220

Site Type and Period: FARMHOUSE Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD

Description:

Not NT property, but possible future acquisition. Estates Office asked for documentary search to be made. The farm had common rights on the down in 1774, along with all the other old established farms in the parish of Whitwell. This suggests that it has medieval origins.

Management Recommendations:

Not NT property, no recommendations. Documentary search requested by estates office.

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ZY59: Aerial Photograph: St Catherine's Down, cross banks, Scale, , Frame No., SZ4978-XJ-2, David Tomalin, 1979

NTSMR no: 122936

County SMR no: not known

Name: farmstead, Wydcombe, Isle of Wight

NGR: SZ5070078560

Site Type and Period: FARMHOUSE Medieval - 1066 AD to 1539 AD

Description:

Historic farm within parish of Whitwell. Not NT property, but Estates Department have asked that it be included in documentary search in case of future purchase. Post-medieval surveys find it holding land on the common down, and this is suggestive of it being an ancient (probably medieval) land holding. The surroundings of the house were somewhat gentrified in the later post-medieval period. There is a small string of fishponds attached to the site of unknown age. They are shown on the 1862 OS map.

Management Recommendations:

Not NT property. No recommendations.

Source:

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