

**Flatt Farm, Largs, Ayrshire:  
Archaeological Monitoring**

Data Structure Report

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## Introduction

1. This Data Structure Report has been prepared for HBS Construction Ltd in respect of the development at Flatt Farm, Largs. The archaeological works are designed to mitigate the impact on the archaeological remains within their development area to the agreement of the West of Scotland Archaeology Service and North Ayrshire Council.
2. The West of Scotland Archaeology Service who advises North Ayrshire Council on archaeological matters has requested an archaeological mitigation be undertaken to manage the potential impact on archaeological remains. They have provided guidance on the structure of archaeological works required on this site during development works. North Ayrshire Council have conditioned the granted consent with a negative suspensive condition for archaeology.
3. Rathmell Archaeology Limited has been appointed by HBS Construction Ltd to undertake the development and implementation of archaeological mitigation works for the build at the Flatt Farm, Largs in support of their contractors. This was agreed through a Written Scheme of Investigation (Rees 2010).

### *Historical Background*

4. Early maps of Largs show it to be somewhat dispersed in terms of its settlement character, with two main focuses of occupation evident. The earliest viable mapping is Roy's Military Survey of Scotland, surveyed between 1747 and 1755, that shows a cluster of houses lying immediately to the north of the Gogo Water and a second cluster lying further to the north (Figure 1a).
5. Assuming that the cruciform-shaped structure is Largs Parish Church (built in 1812 on the site of an earlier structure, and now represented by only the Skelmorlie Aisle), then it can be argued that the northern cluster of settlement at this time was located along the thoroughfare now known as Gateside Street.
6. Roy's map identifies three structures and enclosures at Flet, the location of which is further east of Largs on the north side of Gogo Water. The literal matching of locations shown on Roy to modern mapping is challenging, but 'Flet' does seem a good match for the Flatt Farm shown on the 1st edition Ordnance Survey of 1857 (Figure 1b).
7. The Ordnance Survey show two ranges of buildings, one with a circular horse engine attached, and a freestanding smaller building – possibly a farmhouse. The form of this layout is strongly suggestive of early to mid 19th century farm buildings. As such these are unlikely to be the same structures as those shown in the late 18th century, but they may reuse and overlie this earlier farming community.

## Project Works

8. The programme of works comprised the archaeological monitoring of the removal of any surviving paved surface or floor slab and all groundbreaking works undertaken within the development area and during the demolition phase of the project. Prior to the commencement of archaeological monitoring most of the upstanding remains on the site had already been removed and only the main house remained (Figure 2a).
9. Typically reduction involved the removal of upstanding remains followed by lifting the floor slab and then the progressive reduction of the area to a depth of between 1 to 1.5m. Work was carried out using a 25t 360° excavator.
10. In compliance with the Written Scheme of Investigation (Rees 2010) all ground breaking works were monitored and any potential archaeological features were investigated and recorded, with the on-site works carried out on 6<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of September 2010.
11. All works complied with the Institute for Archaeologists' Standards and Policy Statements and Code of Conduct and Historic Scotland Policy Statements.

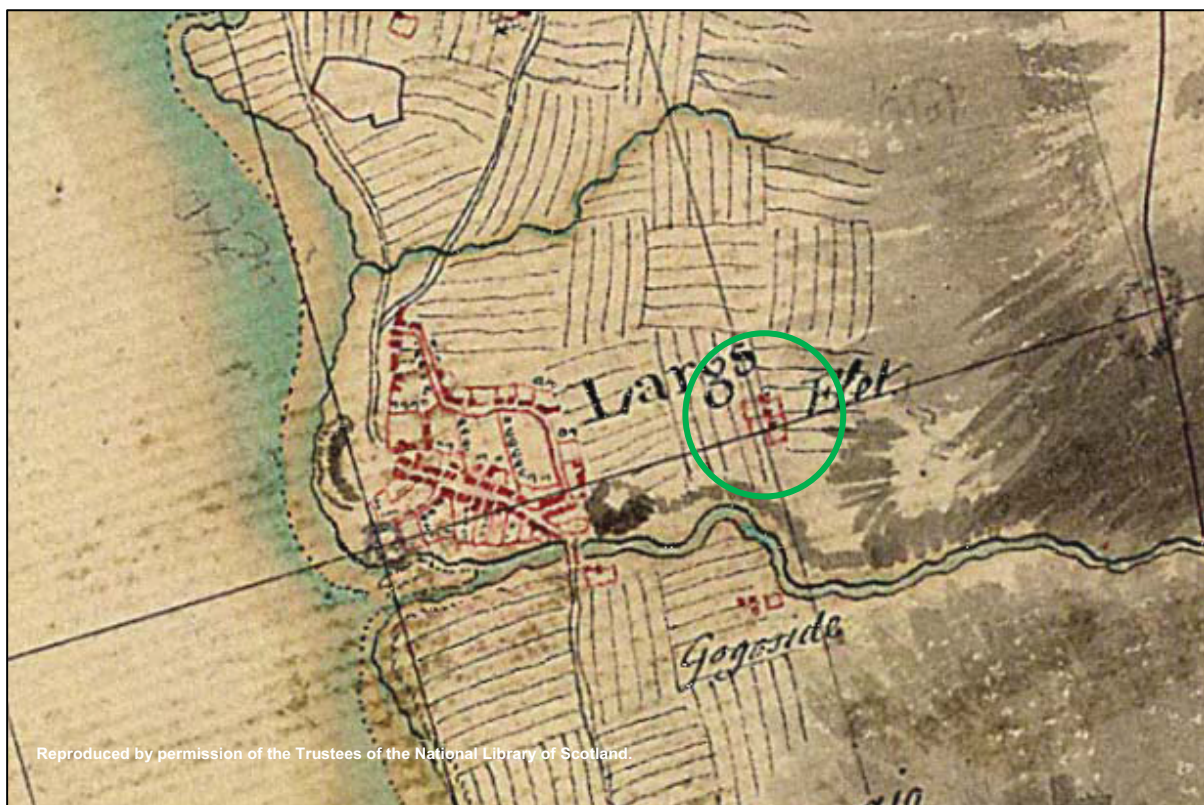


Figure 1a: Detail from Roy's Military Survey of Scotland (1747-55)

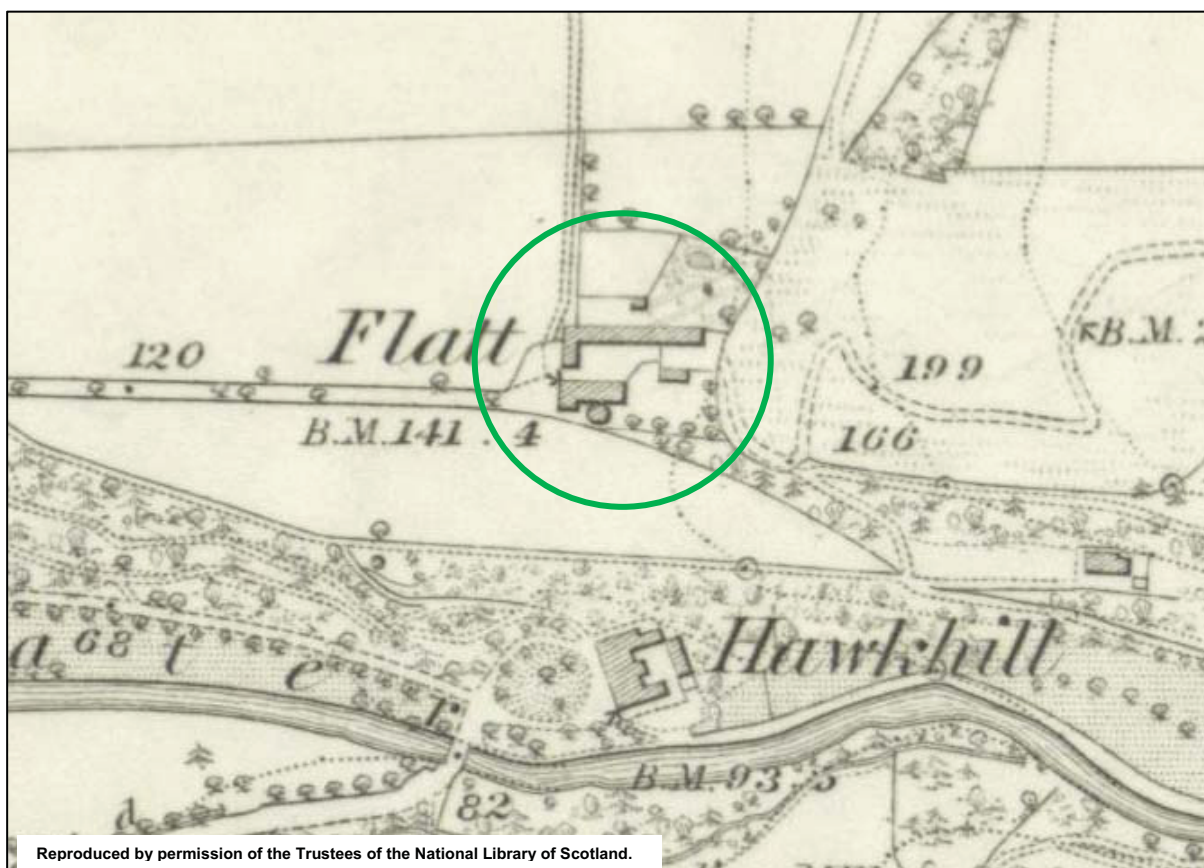


Figure 1b: Detail from 1<sup>st</sup> edition Ordnance Survey (surv. 1855 pub. 1857)



Figure 2a: Prior to demolition of main house



Figure 2b: Section in NE corner

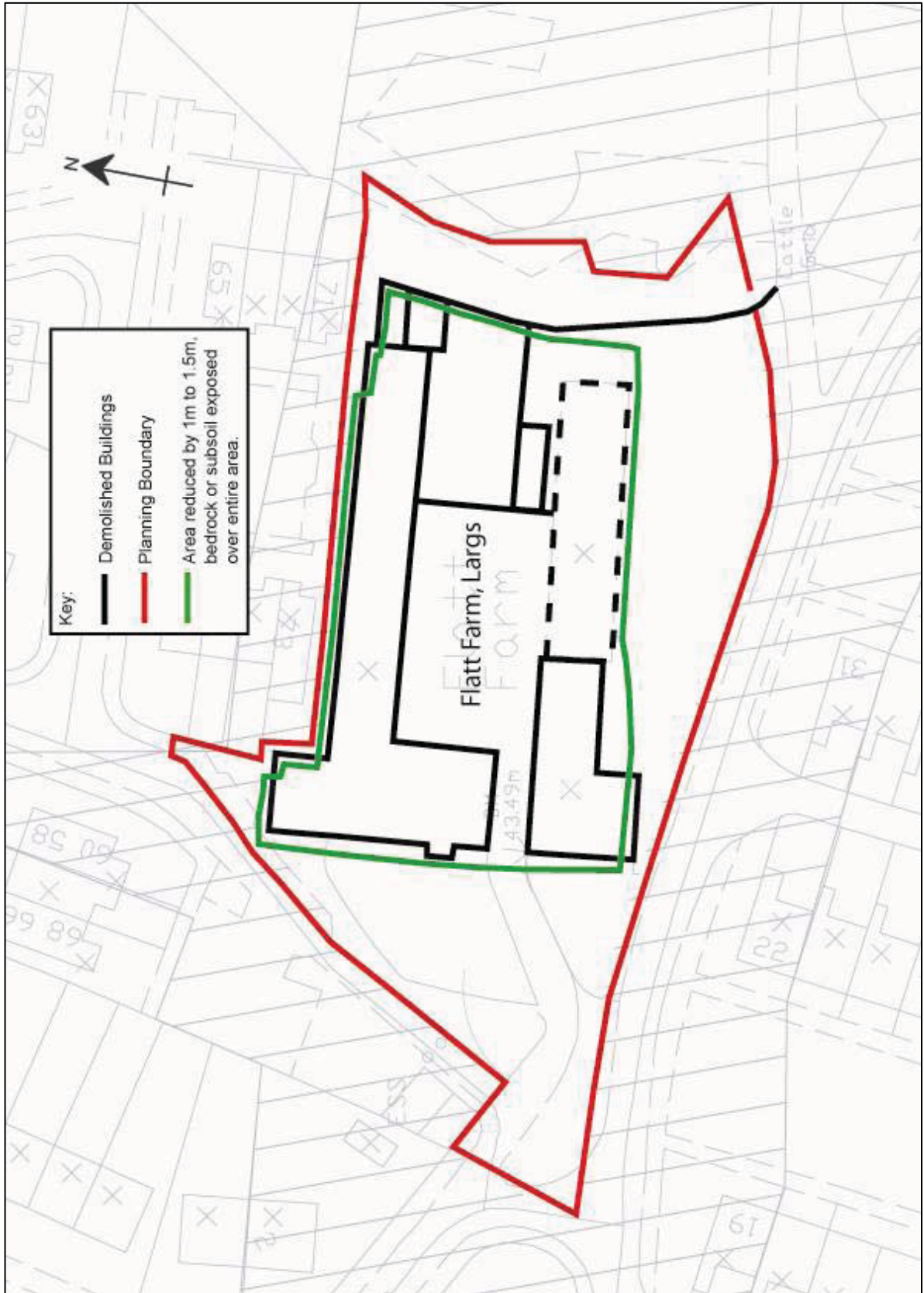


Figure 3: Plan of Excavated Area

## Findings

12. The development area was located to east of the town centre of Largs in an area into which the town has expanded in modern times. To the north, west and south of the development area are 20<sup>th</sup> century housing developments indicative of the modern expansion of Largs. To the east the ground is rough pasture rising steeply up from the development area and showing several near vertical rocky outcroppings. At the time of the demolition works this area was still being used for grazing sheep.
13. Prior to demolition work taking place the majority of the development area was occupied by the derelict farmhouse and outlying buildings. The floor levels for these buildings, and of course the foundations, appeared to cut into the natural slope of the surrounding landscape. This was especially true in the eastern half of the site where the natural topography rises. It was obvious therefore that the existing buildings on site had caused extensive disturbance to the underlying deposits even before archaeological monitoring had begun.
14. Archaeological monitoring of the demolition works was carried out as and where portions of the development area became safely available for ground reduction. Progress in this area was tempered by the progressive demolition of existing buildings and the removal of material from the site. Removal of floor slabs and grubbing out of foundations first took place in the north-eastern corner of the development area in an area previously occupied by a stone built barn. At this time the area was reduced by approximately 500mm from the original height of the floor level.
15. In addition to the ground reduction in the north-eastern corner on 6<sup>th</sup> of September 2010 the retaining wall along the northern boundary of the same area was partially removed (Figure 2b). Although, at this time, the removal of the floor slab was through made ground (002) and did not reach subsoil over the entire area it was possible to see the potential depth of disturbance by the removal of this wall. At the eastern end of the removed retaining wall the depth of disturbance was more than 1.1m into the natural slope. Examination of this section showed only a progressive build up of topsoil (001) and hill-wash with no occupation layers.
16. Archaeological monitoring resumed on the 8<sup>th</sup> of September 2010 covering the demolition and removal of the main farmhouse and remaining stone partitions off of the eastern boundary wall (Figure 5b). This was the final upstanding remains on the site. Subsequent to this ground reduction work included the removal of floor slabs and grubbing out of foundations for the main farmhouse along with all adjoining buildings to the east. The ground reduction involved excavation to a depth of between 1 and 1.5m covering the footprint of all buildings (Figure 3) removed from the northern half of the development area (Figure 5a).
17. Excavation to a depth of 1 to 1.5m exposed archaeologically sterile subsoil (004) over the entire excavated area and in most places exposed *in-situ* bedrock (005). The entire footprint of the demolished farm buildings was excavated in this way and this includes the central courtyard. In effect the entire footprint of the farm buildings was excavated to subsoil or bedrock (Figure 4b). The only exception to this was a small section of wall (2m) to the north-east and to the south-west (4m) which remained as retaining walls in order to preserve the stability of the surrounding landscape.
18. All potentially significant archaeological features were investigated according to the terms of the Written Scheme of Investigation (Rees 2010). Dumps of pottery and glass were uncovered on the southern boundary of the excavated area (003) (Figure 4a). All of this material could be identified as of late 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> century origin and as levelling material for flooring the large open barn in the south-eastern corner of the site. This is indicative of the fact that those sediments exposed in the western two thirds of the site were made ground and levelling deposits containing late 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> century material.





Figure 4a: Dumped ceramic in section (003)



Figure 4b: Foundation removal in NW corner



Figure 5a: Ground reduction on N boundary



Figure 5b: Removing wall in NE corner

19. Excavation of the site during the demolition works was so extensive that, after consultation with West of Scotland Archaeology Service, it was agreed that there was no remaining archaeological potential within the area excavated during the demolition works and that potential of the entire development area had been sufficiently assessed that no further monitoring would be required.

## Discussion

20. No significant archaeological features were uncovered in the course of the monitoring works and no anthropic material was recovered other than that which related to the late 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> century use of the site. Any potentially significant archaeological features or deposits were investigated. There was no indication of survival of medieval features anywhere on the site. Any deposits uncovered in the western two thirds of the development area were made ground or levelling deposits probably relating to the construction or refurbishment of the now demolished buildings.
21. Deposits in the eastern third of the site, when seen in section, appeared to be a build up of hillwash and topsoil. No occupation layers were observed within these deposits. Within the excavated area these deposits had been truncated by the placement of farm buildings. Throughout the entire area those deposits which related to the modern use of the site were situated immediately above the archaeologically sterile subsoil suggesting that any previous occupation or archaeological material has been removed by subsequent use of the site.
22. The entire footprint of the farm buildings was reduced to archaeologically sterile subsoil or more commonly bedrock (Figure 6a). Within the area of excavation for the demolition works, therefore, the potential for survival of significant archaeological deposits has been thoroughly investigated (Figure 6b). The remaining portions of the development area include two narrow boundary areas to the north and south, the area occupied by the driveway to the west and the edge of the steep grazing land to the east. Given the established sequence of sediments from the excavated area there is no reasonable chance of significant archaeological features surviving in the remaining portions of the development area.
23. The archaeological monitoring works failed to identify any significant archaeological deposits or material within the development area. However, due to the extensive excavation carried out during the demolition works it has been possible to establish that the modern occupation of the site has removed any traces of previous occupation.

## Recommendations

24. The archaeological monitoring failed to identify any significant archaeological features or artefacts within the development area. The entire footprint of the farm buildings including the central courtyard of the site was reduced to archaeologically sterile drift geology or bedrock and there is no reasonable chance of significant archaeology surviving in the remaining portion. After consultation with West of Scotland Archaeology Service we recommend that no further archaeological works are appropriate with regard to this site.
25. The appropriateness and acceptability of our recommendations rest with North Ayrshire Council and their advisors, West of Scotland Archaeology Service.



Figure 6a: Ground reduction in E half



Figure 6b: Site after demolition work

## Conclusion

26. Archaeological monitoring was carried out during the final stages of demolition work and subsequent excavation work required for the removal of existing farm buildings at Flatt Farm, Largs. The archaeological works were designed to mitigate the impact on the archaeological remains within the development area.
27. The entire footprint of the farm buildings including the central courtyard was reduced to archaeological sterile subsoil or bedrock. No significant archaeological material was observed during the course of the archaeological works and the only anthropic material observed was that relating to late 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> century use of the site.
28. After consultation with West of Scotland Archaeology Service it was agreed that no further monitoring works were required and that the archaeological potential of the development area had been sufficiently investigated to fulfil the terms of the Written Scheme of Investigation (Rees 2010).

## References

### *Documentary*

- |         |      |   |
|---------|------|---|
| Rees, T | 2010 | <i>Flatt Farm, Largs, Ayrshire: Archaeological Watching Brief, Written Scheme of Investigation</i> , Rathmell Archaeology Ltd |
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### *Cartographic*

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|-----------|-----------------|---|
| 1747-1755 | Roy             | Military Survey of Scotland                       |
| 1775      | Armstrong       | A new map of Ayrshire                             |
| 1858      | Ordnance Survey | 1 <sup>st</sup> edition Ordnance Survey, Ayrshire |
| 1897      | Ordnance Survey | 2 <sup>nd</sup> edition Ordnance Survey, Ayrshire |
| 1911      | Ordnance Survey | 3 <sup>rd</sup> edition Ordnance Survey, Ayrshire |
| 1938      | Ordnance Survey | 4 <sup>th</sup> edition Ordnance Survey, Ayrshire |

## Appendix 1: Registers

Within this appendix are all registers pertaining to works on-site regardless of the process by which that information was gathered (e.g. evaluation or strip, map & sample).

### *Context Register*

Context No.	Area/ Trench	Type	Description	Interpretation
001	S and E of Site	Deposit	Light brown silty sand with inclusions of small stones and roots. Some 20 <sup>th</sup> century material recovered.	Topsoil
002	Centre of Site	Deposit	Dark brown to black sandy silt. Inclusions of ceramic material. Buildings and demolition debris. Fragments of mortar. All material seems to be 19 <sup>th</sup> or 20 <sup>th</sup> century.	Made ground and levelling material.
003	S of Centre	Deposit	Sand and silt with a high concentration of modern ceramic and glass. All late 19 <sup>th</sup> or 20 <sup>th</sup> century material.	Concentrated dump of ceramics and glass
004	Site	Deposit	Light to mid brown silty sand with small to medium angular stones.	Natural subsoil
005	Site	Bedrock	Bedrock	Bedrock

### *Photographic Register*

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6	-	-	-	-	382	Site pre-excavation southern retaining wall	NW	6/9/10

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14	-	-	-	-	390	Site pre-excavation	E	6/9/10
15	-	-	-	-	391	Site pre-excavation	E	6/9/10
16	-	-	-	-	392	Site pre-excavation	S	6/9/10
17	-	-	-	-	393	Site pre-excavation	S	6/9/10
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21	-	-	-	-	397	Foundations removal in NE corner	E	6/9/10
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41	-	-	-	-	417	Made ground N boundary	E	6/9/10
42	-	-	-	-	418	Made ground N boundary	E	6/9/10
43	-	-	-	-	419	Removing spoil centre	SE	8/9/10
44	-	-	-	-	420	Removing spoil centre	SE	8/9/10
45	-	-	-	-	421	Demolition main house	SE	8/9/10
46	-	-	-	-	422	Demolition main house	SE	8/9/10
47	-	-	-	-	423	Demolition main house	SE	8/9/10
48	-	-	-	-	424	Demolition main house	SE	8/9/10
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127	-	-	-	-	503	Ground reduction E boundary	S	8/9/10
128	-	-	-	-	504	Ground reduction E boundary	E	8/9/10
129	-	-	-	-	505	Ground reduction E boundary	E	8/9/10
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134	-	-	-	-	510	Section SE corner	NE	8/9/10
135	-	-	-	-	511	Section SE corner	NE	8/9/10
136	-	-	-	-	512	Section SE corner	E	8/9/10
137	-	-	-	-	513	Section SE corner	E	8/9/10
138	-	-	-	-	514	Ground reduction E boundary	SE	8/9/10
139	-	-	-	-	515	Ground reduction E boundary	SE	8/9/10
140	-	-	-	-	516	Ground reduction E boundary	SE	8/9/10
141	-	-	-	-	517	Ground reduction E boundary	W	8/9/10
142	-	-	-	-	518	Ground reduction E boundary	W	8/9/10
143	-	-	-	-	519	General site	W	9/9/10
144	-	-	-	-	520	General site	W	9/9/10

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147	-	-	-	-	523	Dumped material S centre	E	9/9/10
148	-	-	-	-	524	Foundation removal centre of site	E	9/9/10
149	-	-	-	-	525	Foundation removal centre of site	E	9/9/10
150	-	-	-	-	526	Foundation removal centre of site	E	9/9/10
151	-	-	-	-	527	Dumped material S centre	W	9/9/10
152	-	-	-	-	528	Dumped material S centre	W	9/9/10
153	-	-	-	-	529	Foundation removal centre of site	W	9/9/10
154	-	-	-	-	530	Foundation removal centre of site	W	9/9/10
155	-	-	-	-	531	Foundation removal centre of site	E	9/9/10
156	-	-	-	-	532	Foundation removal centre of site	E	9/9/10
157	-	-	-	-	533	Ground reduction E of centre	E	9/9/10
158	-	-	-	-	534	Ground reduction E of centre	E	9/9/10
159	-	-	-	-	535	Ground reduction E of centre	E	9/9/10
160	-	-	-	-	536	Ground reduction E of centre	S	9/9/10
161	-	-	-	-	537	Ground reduction E of centre	S	9/9/10
162	-	-	-	-	538	Ground reduction E of centre	S	9/9/10
163	-	-	-	-	539	Ground reduction E of centre	S	9/9/10
164	-	-	-	-	540	Ground reduction E of centre	S	9/9/10
165	-	-	-	-	541	Ground reduction E of centre	S	9/9/10
166	-	-	-	-	542	Ground reduction E of centre	SE	9/9/10
167	-	-	-	-	543	Ground reduction E of centre	SE	9/9/10

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170	-	-	-	-	546	Ground reduction W of centre	N	9/9/10
171	-	-	-	-	547	Ground reduction W of centre	N	9/9/10
172	-	-	-	-	548	Ground reduction W of centre	NW	9/9/10
173	-	-	-	-	549	Ground reduction W of centre	NW	9/9/10
174	-	-	-	-	550	Ground reduction W of centre	NW	9/9/10
175	-	-	-	-	551	Ground reduction W of centre	NW	9/9/10
176	-	-	-	-	552	Ground reduction W of centre	NW	9/9/10
177	-	-	-	-	553	Test excavation to depth	NW	9/9/10
178	-	-	-	-	554	Test excavation to depth	NW	9/9/10
179	-	-	-	-	555	Test excavation to depth	NW	9/9/10
180	-	-	-	-	556	Test excavation to depth	NW	9/9/10
181	-	-	-	-	557	Ground reduction W of centre	W	9/9/10
182	-	-	-	-	558	Ground reduction W of centre	W	9/9/10
183	-	-	-	-	559	Ground reduction W of centre	W	9/9/10
184	-	-	-	-	560	Ground reduction W of centre	W	9/9/10
185	-	-	-	-	561	Site after demolition work	SW	9/9/10
186	-	-	-	-	562	Site after demolition work	SW	9/9/10
187	-	-	-	-	563	Site after demolition work	NW	9/9/10
188	-	-	-	-	564	Site after demolition work	NW	9/9/10
189	-	-	-	-	565	Road	W	9/9/10
190	-	-	-	-	566	Road	W	9/9/10

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192	-	-	-	-	568	Site	W	9/9/10

## Appendix 2: Discovery & Excavation in Scotland

<b>LOCAL AUTHORITY:</b>	North Ayrshire
<b>PROJECT TITLE/SITE NAME:</b>	Flatt Farm, Largs
<b>PROJECT CODE:</b>	10053
<b>PARISH:</b>	Largs
<b>NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR:</b>	Alan Matthews
<b>NAME OF ORGANISATION:</b>	Rathmell Archaeology Limited
<b>TYPE(S) OF PROJECT:</b>	Monitoring
<b>NMRS NO(S):</b>	None
<b>SITE/MONUMENT TYPE(S):</b>	None
<b>SIGNIFICANT FINDS:</b>	None
<b>NGR (2 letters, 6 figures)</b>	NS 213 594
<b>START DATE (this season)</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> September 2010
<b>END DATE (this season)</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> September 2010
<b>PREVIOUS WORK (incl. DES ref.)</b>	None
<b>MAIN (NARRATIVE) DESCRIPTION:</b> (may include information from other fields)	Archaeological monitoring was carried out during the final stages of demolition work and subsequent excavation work required for the removal of existing farm buildings at Flatt Farm, Largs. The entire footprint of the farm buildings including the central courtyard was reduced to archaeological sterile subsoil or bedrock. No significant archaeological material was observed during the course of the archaeological works and the only anthropic material observed was that relating to late 19 <sup>th</sup> or 20 <sup>th</sup> century use of the site.
<b>PROPOSED FUTURE WORK:</b>	None
<b>CAPTION(S) FOR ILLUSTRS:</b>	None
<b>SPONSOR OR FUNDING BODY:</b>	HBS Construction Ltd
<b>ADDRESS OF MAIN CONTRIBUTOR:</b>	Unit 8 Ashgrove Workshops, Kilwinning, Ayrshire KA13 6PU
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<b>ARCHIVE LOCATION (intended/deposited)</b>	Report to West of Scotland Archaeology Service and archive to National Monuments Record of Scotland.



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