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Kilmichael Glassary parish Ederline underground power line

Watching brief

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NM 90780 04409 to NM 90260 04069 A watching brief was kept during the excavation of a 1m-deep trench for a new underground cable near Finchairn on the south-east shore of Loch Awe. The trench measured some 600m long and was cut through a farm track and across a pasture field, much of which was waterlogged. It passed close to outcrops of bedrock upon which groups of prehistoric rock carvings have been identified and terminated a short distance from Finchairn burial cairn.

Nothing of archaeological significance was uncovered in the trench although the remains of a hitherto unrecorded rectangular building were noted on the summit of one of the rock outcrops. This building measured approximately 11m by 4m internally. Nearby on the summit were several possible circular structures, each roughly 5m across, although vegetation cover made it difficult to interpret them with certainty.

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