

Archaeological Assessment
Proposed new livery barn
Land 140m East of Hill Cottage,
Aberfoyle, Stirling Council



General view of site location looking South East (Flanders Moss in background)



7th March 2012

Introduction

This archaeological assessment of the excavated footprint of the proposed new barn was carried out for Ms Alice MacFarlane to satisfy the archaeological condition on the planning consent for this development, as noted by Stirling Council Archaeology Service in the condition attached to Planning Application 12/00015/FUL dated 22nd February 2012. It was undertaken by the author on Wednesday 7th March 2012 (Site Code GART01); weather conditions were bright with occasional showers.

Archaeological Background (Illus 1 and 2)

The proposed development area lies in an area of greenfield which has not been subject to previous development and therefore has the potential to contain previously undiscovered archaeological remains that have survived beneath the active plough-zone from a variety of periods in Scotland's history and prehistory. On the first edition Ordnance Survey map of 1862 the farm of Easterhill is shown as being located further to the West of its modern site at the top of the field that contains the site under discussion.

Site Assessment (Illus 3 to 7)

The footprint of the new barn had been stripped of grey brown silty clay and stones on to the top of red brown gravel and stones (natural). The silty clay was at its deepest (0.90m) on the South side of the opened area and got progressively shallower to a depth of 0.30m at the stripped areas Northern side. There was no sign of any archaeological deposits or features.

Conclusions

The assessment of the excavated footprint of the proposed livery barn located no archaeological deposits or features. The results of this exercise would suggest that there is no need for any further work on the site prior to redevelopment.

Cartographic Sources (<http://www.nls.uk/maps>)

Ordnance Survey Maps - Six-inch 1st edition, Scotland, 1843-1882

Acknowledgements

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Illustration List

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Illus 2 site as shown as shown on 1st Edition Ordnance Survey map of 1862 (© Trustees of National Library of Scotland)

Illus 3 Location of stripped footprint for livery barn (black rectangle) based on location plan submitted with planning application

Illus 4 Site location looking South East

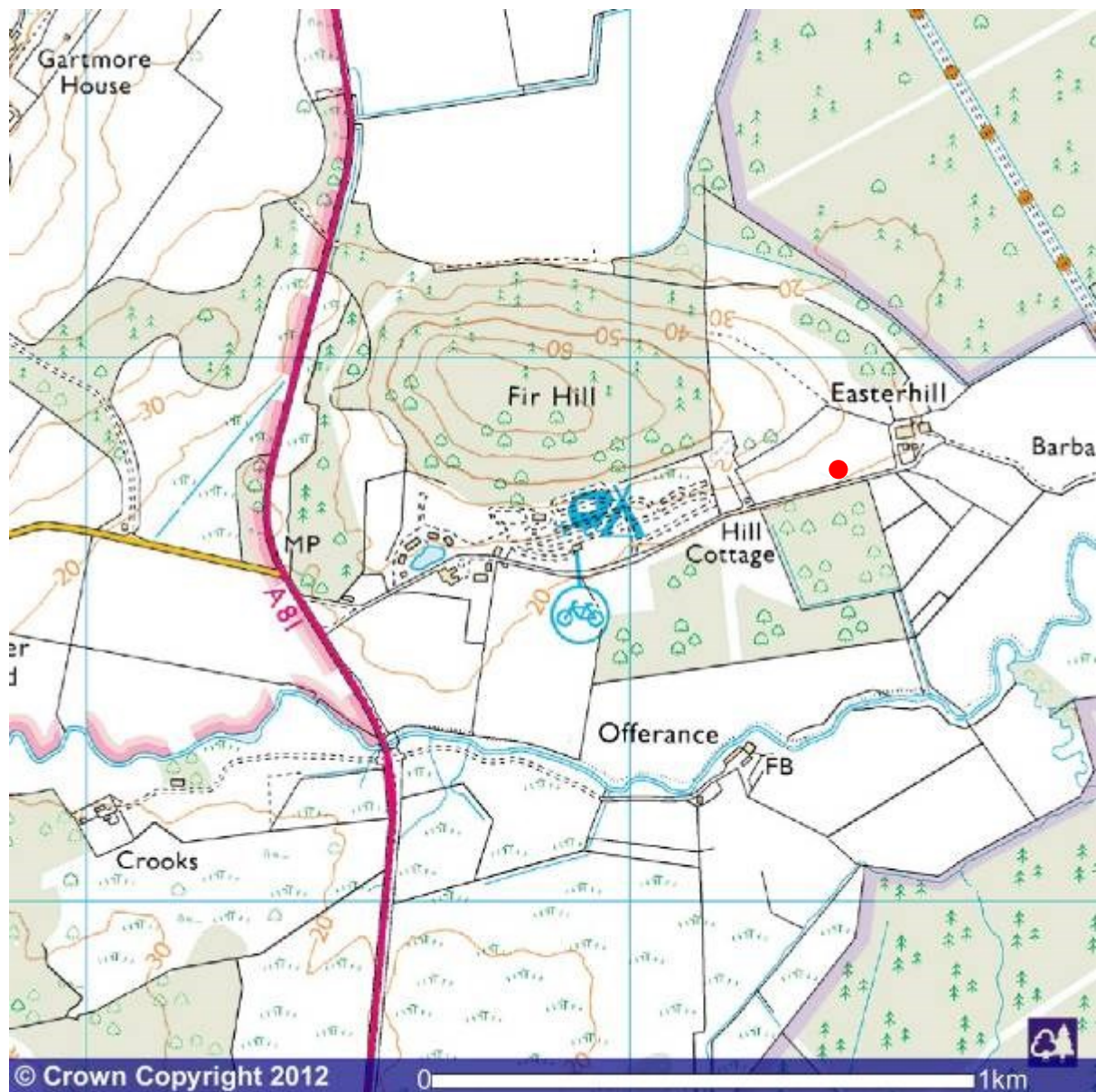
Illus 5 Stripped footprint for livery barn looking West

Illus 6 Stripped footprint at its Western end, ranging rod lying on natural gravel

Illus 7 Section of Northern side of stripped footprint showing shallow soil depth above natural gravel

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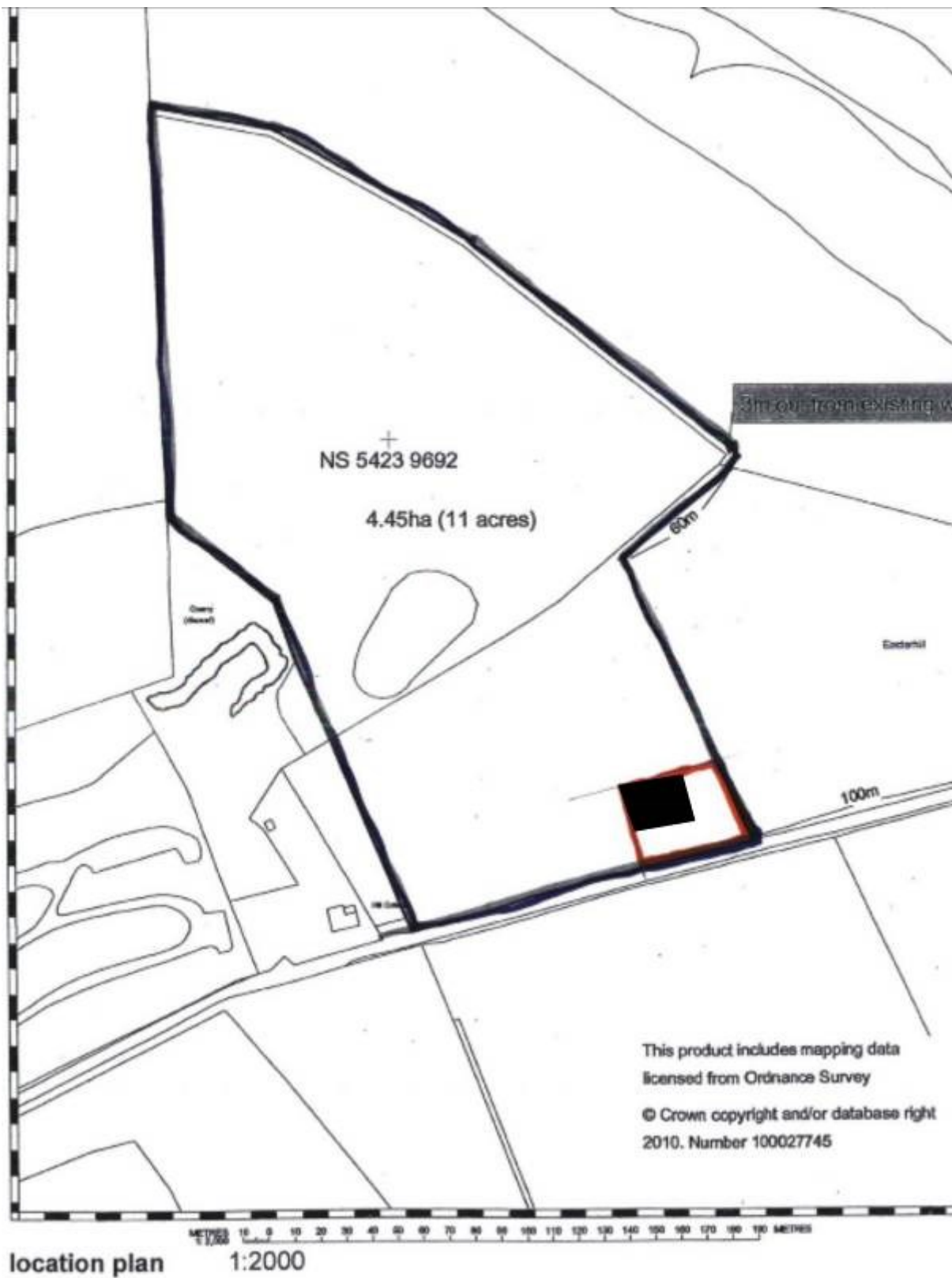
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