

Standing Building Survey
Tullymorán Farm, Harrietfield



Bird holes in steading wall (Building 3)



26th February 2010

Introduction

Rural Relocation propose to demolish the existing buildings at Tullymoran Farm (NN 9800 2950) and build four new dwellings. The planning consent for this development (Perth and Kinross Planning Application 09/01370/FLL) included an archaeological condition which specified the need for a full photographic record of the farmhouse and steadings prior to their demolition. The photographic survey was carried out by the author on Friday 12th February 2010 (Site Code HAR01); weather conditions were cold with bright sunlight.

Historical Background (Illustrations 2-4)

A settlement named 'Tillimoran' is marked at this location on General Roy's military survey of Scotland which dates to between 1747-55 and James Stobie's map of the late 18th century shows 'Tillymoran', thus indicating the presence of a settlement on this site at that date. The 1st Edition Ordnance Survey map of c 1860 shows a group of four buildings arranged around a courtyard. The 1858-59 Valuation Rolls for Perthshire indicate that at that time Tullymoran and Mountherriot were occupied by Thomas Allan and the properties were valued at £149 1s 1d. Although the farm buildings have been altered in more recent times it seemed likely that elements of the earlier layout may survive in the standing remains.

Description of buildings (Illustration 1)

Location

The group of buildings at Tullymorán stand on the south side of the B8063 between Luncarty and Buchanty just outside the village of Harrietfield in Perth and Kinross. The site overlooks Glenalmond College to the South West and enjoys excellent views of the Sidlaw Hills to the South East. For the purpose of this report the buildings at Tullymorán have been numbered 1-4 (Illus 1).

Building 1 (Small steading) (Illustrations 6-9 and 22)

This single storey building is aligned N-S and is constructed of mortar bonded random rubble with shaped quoin stones at its corners and has a slate roof and a single chimney half way down the building.

Northern Elevation

This gable elevation contains a doorway into the building.

Eastern Elevation

This elevation is blank except for a doorway towards its Southern end. Its North Eastern corner contains a reused shaped stone with a small socket in its middle.

Southern Elevation

This gable elevation contains a window.

Western Elevation

This elevation contains a doorway towards its Southern end and a single window towards its Northern end. A visible straight joint in the stonework 4.30 m from the northern end of this elevation would seem to suggest that the building may have been extended at some stage.

Interior

This building comprises two rooms internally, the room at the Northern end is wood panelled and has a fireplace in its Southern wall. The room at the southern end has bare stone walls and has been latterly used for storage.

Summary

This simple single storey building may retain evidence for an earlier structure in its Western elevation, it contains a reused shaped stone at its North Eastern corner.

Building 2 (Farmhouse) (Illustration 10-12)

This two storey building faces South and is constructed of mortar bonded random shaped stone and rubble and has a concrete tile roof. A porch and kitchen has been tacked on to its North Eastern corner. It was not possible to gain access to this building.

Northern Elevation

This elevation has small windows at ground and first floor level and the attached kitchen extension at its eastern end.

Eastern Elevation

This elevation has a chimney at its gable and a blank wall face, a blocked doorway is visible at its southern end. There is a pile of shaped building stone sitting against this elevation, nothing decorative could be discerned.

Southern Elevation

This elevation has three windows at first floor level and a porch with windows either side at ground floor level.

Western Elevation

This elevation has a chimney at its gable and a blank wall face.

Porch/Kitchen Extension

This single storey stone built structure is harled and painted white, its stands on a concrete raft foundation.

Northern Elevation

This elevation contains a single small window and has a blank wall face otherwise.

Eastern Elevation

This elevation is blank aside from a doorway into the extension.

Southern Elevation

This elevation contains a single large window.

Western Elevation

This elevation contains a single large window overlooking the courtyard area.

Summary

This structure has all the elements of a typical 19th century farmhouse and contains no evidence for any earlier structures. The kitchen/porch extension is more recent and reflects its conversion into holiday accommodation.

Building 3 (Large Steading) (Illustrations 13-18 and 23)

This long one and a half storey building is aligned East to West and is constructed of mortar bonded random stone rubble, its walls are 0.50m thick and it has a slate roof.

Northern Elevation

This elevation has a doorway/loading bay at first floor level with three small windows on its eastern side, there are two doorways at its western end.

Eastern elevation

This gable elevation has a single window at first floor level.

Southern Elevation

This elevation contains the remains of the blocked gable end of a building which formerly ran South off its western end. The roof raggles of this structure are still visible in the stonework and the gap has been filled in with mortar bonded rubble and occasional brick (Pitfour Brick Company). A window at first floor level and a ground floor doorway have been inserted into this blocking. The remainder of this elevation contains four small windows at first floor level, one of which contains dove/pigeon holes (see Illus 23). At ground floor level there are two large doorways/entrances at its Eastern end which have a long iron lintel, and a window and doorway lie to the West of these entrances. There is a building platform visible running for 11m south of the blocking in this elevation which represents the former footprint of the demolished range.

Western Elevation

This elevation has building 4 butted against it and there is a single doorway leading from building 3 into building 4. The external part of this elevation contains a single narrow window which may have originally been part of the demolished southern range (see above).

Interior

It was only possible to gain entry to the western end of this building which was being used for storage, wall thickness was seen to be c 0.50m. A wooden staircase affords access to the first floor level which can also be accessed from the loading bay in the north elevation, the wooden floor at this level is rotten and unsafe.

Summary

This building contains the remains of the blocked gable end of a former southern range. There are visible raggles of at least two roof lines in the face of the southern elevation of the standing building and the core of the demolished structures West wall. A building platform is still visible running 11m south of the Western end of the steading (Illus 1 and 17).

Building 4 (Animal Sheds) (Illustrations 19-21)

This building comprises two ranges one on an east to west alignment, which is built against the west end of building 3 and the other running north to south. Both are roofless.

East to West aligned range

North elevation

This is a completely blank wall face.

East elevation

This is the gable end of building 3 and contains a single doorway

South elevation

There is a single wide entrance into this structure (2.25m high by 2.65m wide) which has a wooden lintel.

West elevation

There is a single wide entrance (2.35m high by 2.65m wide) leading into the neighbouring field.

Interior

This is now grassed over and contains a tree and shrubs, there is no trace of any original floor surface or any internal subdivisions.

North to South aligned range

North elevation

There is a single doorway leading into the East to West aligned range.

East elevation

There is a single doorway (1.06m wide by 2m high) into the building.

South elevation

There is a single doorway into the building (1.05m wide by 2.05m high).

West elevation

This is a completely blank wall face.

Interior

The interior of this range has four animal pens built against the inside face of the west wall and a drain in the floor running from North to South.

Summary

These two single storey animal sheds have been built against the Western end of building 3.

Conclusions

Two of the four buildings at Tullymoran appear to preserve evidence for earlier structures on the site (Buildings 1 and 3). For this reason full elevations of these two buildings (apart from the western elevation of building 3) were drawn to complement the photographic survey (Illus 22 and 23).

Recommendations

The author feels that the photographic survey, written notes and drawn elevations of the buildings are an adequate record of them prior to their demolition. The survival of a visible building platform for one of the earlier structures means that consideration may need to be given to recommending the need for a watching brief on all ground breaking works in that area that are part of the redevelopment. However the final decision on the need for any further work rests with Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust.

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Discovery & Excavation in Scotland Entry

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Report Illustration List

Illus 1 Numbered location plan of surveyed buildings (1:1250) (based on supplied architects survey drawing)

Illus 2 Tillimoran on General Roy's Military Survey 1747-1755 (© Trustees of National Library of Scotland)

Illus 3 Tillymorán on James Stobie's map of 1783 (© Trustees of National Library of Scotland)

Illus 4 Tullymorán on 1st Edition Ordnance Survey map of c 1860 (© Trustees of National Library of Scotland)

Illus 5 General views of Tullymorán from South East and South West

Illus 6 Building 1 Northern and Eastern elevations

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Illus 16 Building 3 narrow window in Western elevation

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Illus 21 Building 4 Western and Northern elevation of North range

Illus 22 Drawn elevations of Building 1 at scale of 1:50

Illus 23 Drawn elevations of Building 3 at scale of 1:50

Roy Map - zoom out to display Roy Map Index

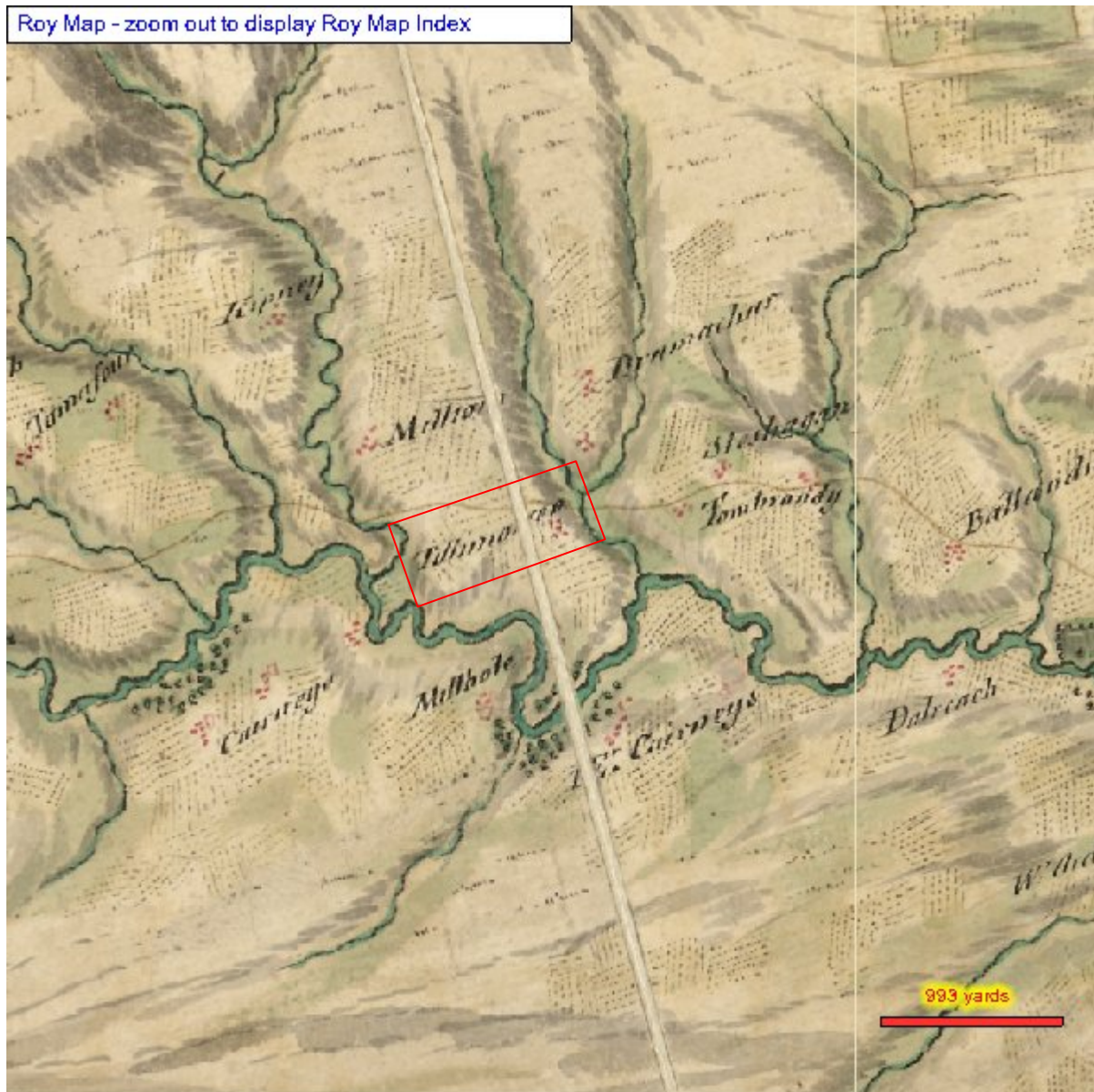


Illustration 2 Tillimoran on General Roy's Military Survey 1747-55 (© Trustees of National Library of Scotland)

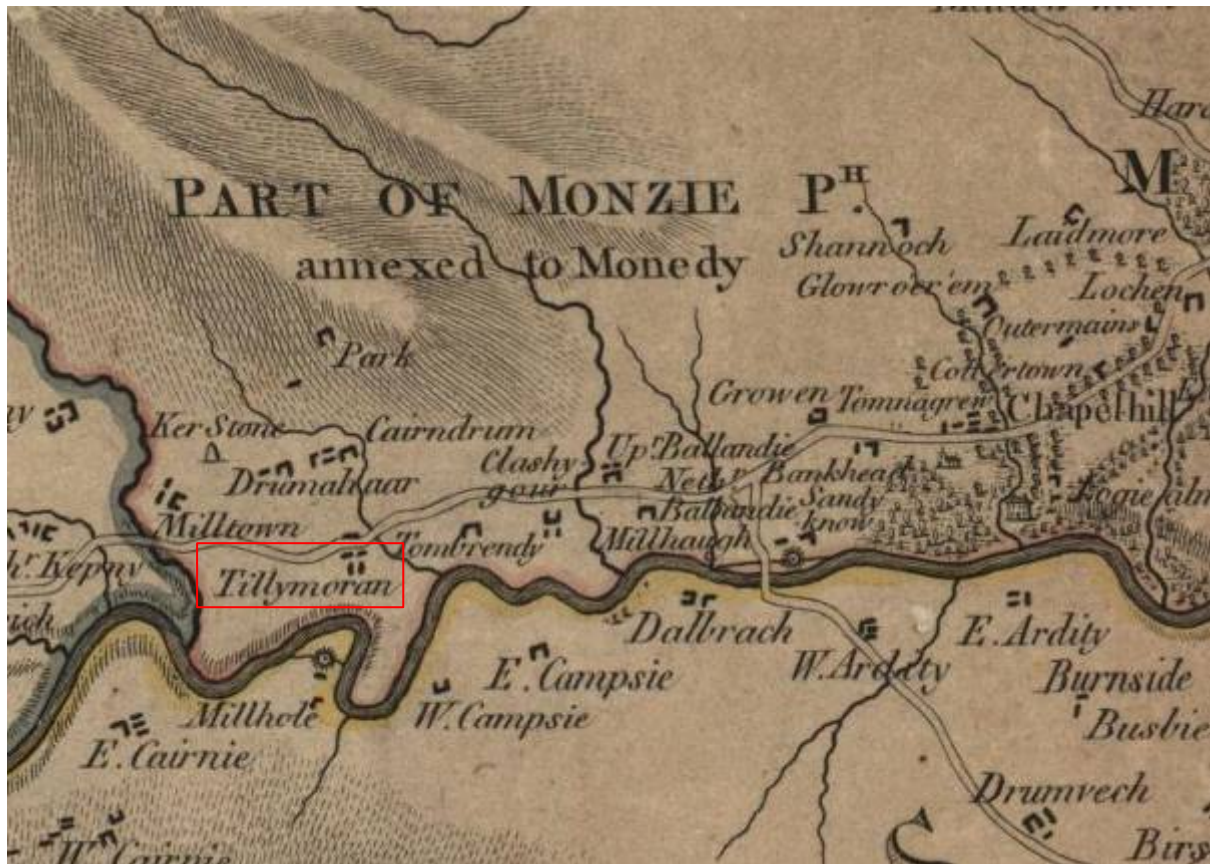


Illustration 3 Tillymoran on James Stobie's map of 1783 (© Trustees of National Library of Scotland)

Six-inch 1840s-1880s maps - zoom out to display small-scale 1920s maps

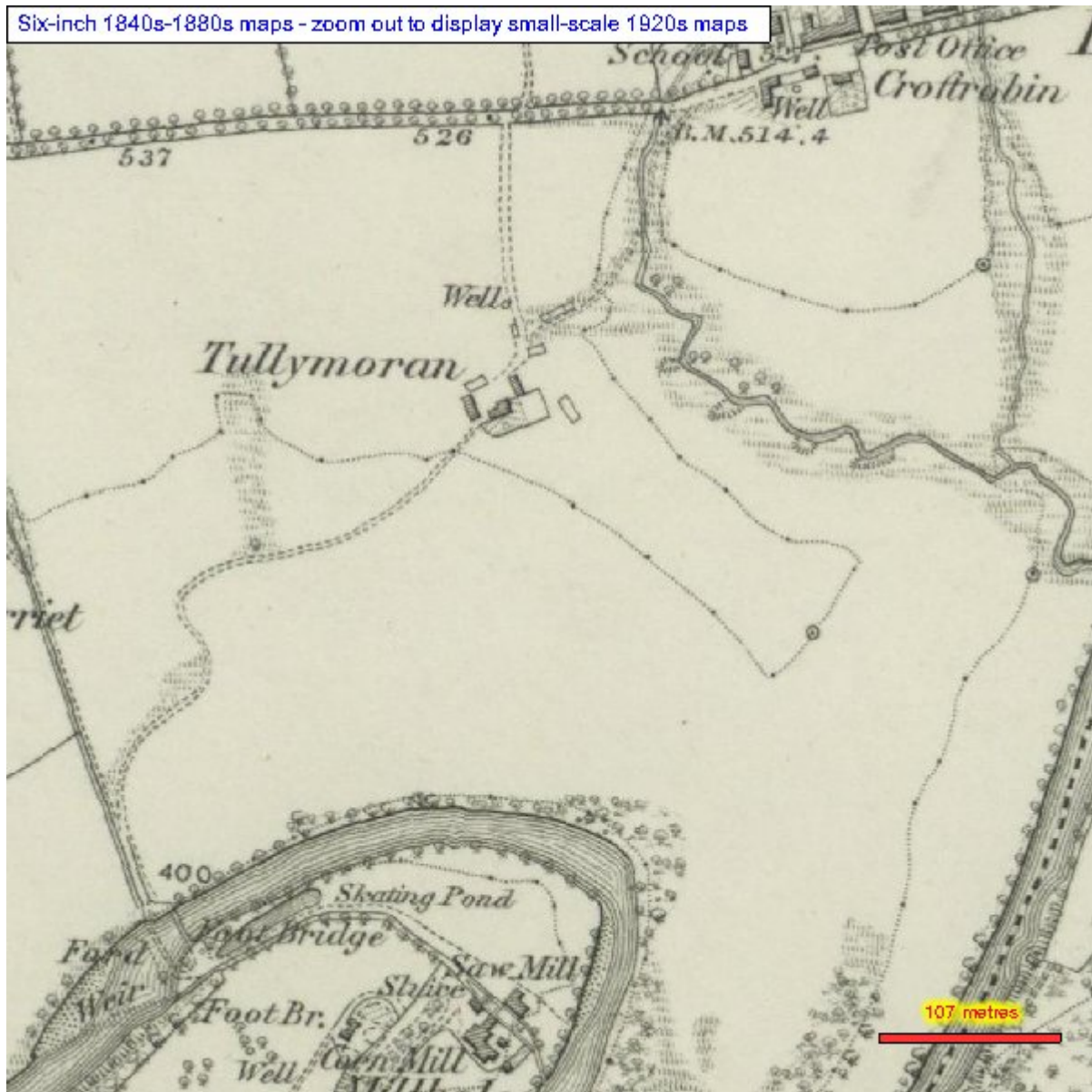


Illustration 4 Tullymorán on 1st Edition Ordnance Survey map of c 1860 (© Trustees of National Library of Scotland)



Illustration 5 Tullymoran from the South East (top) Tullymoran from the South West (bottom)

Building 1



Northern elevation



Eastern elevation

Illustration 6 Building 1 Northern and Eastern elevations



Southern elevation



Western elevation (South end)

Illustration 7 Building 1 Southern and Western elevations



West elevation (North end) straight joint to left of scale



Wood panelled interior of room at Northern end of building

Illustration 8 Building 1 Western elevation showing visible straight joint in wall face and wooden panelled interior



Illustration 9 Building 1 reused worked stone in North Eastern corner of Eastern elevation

Building 2



Northern elevation



Eastern elevation

Illustration 10 Building 2 Northern and Eastern elevations (note pile of worked stone)



Southern elevation (East end)



Southern elevation (West end)

Illustration 11 Southern elevation eastern and western ends



Western elevation

Illustration 12 Building 2 Western elevation

Building 3



Northern elevation (East end)



Northern elevation (West end)

Illustration 13 Building 3 Northern elevation eastern and western ends



Eastern elevation



Southern elevation (East end)

Illustration 14 Building 3 Eastern elevation and Southern elevation (Eastern end)



Southern elevation (West end)



South elevation (blocked gable end of demolished range)

Illustration 15 Southern elevation (Western end) and detail of blocked gable end of earlier structure



West elevation (external face)



Detail of window in west elevation

Illustration 16 Building 3 narrow window opening in Western elevation



Illustration 17 Building platform running South from West end of Building 3 looking North (top) and West (bottom)



West elevation (internal at junction of bldgs 3 and 4)



Wooden stairs to first floor level

Illustration 18 Building 3 Western elevation (at junction of bldgs 3 and 4) and internal staircase to first floor

Building 4



Southern elevation of North range



Eastern elevation of South range

Illustration 19 Building 4 Southern elevation of north range and Eastern elevation of South range



Southern elevation of South range



West elevation of South range

Illustration 20 Southern and Western elevations of south range

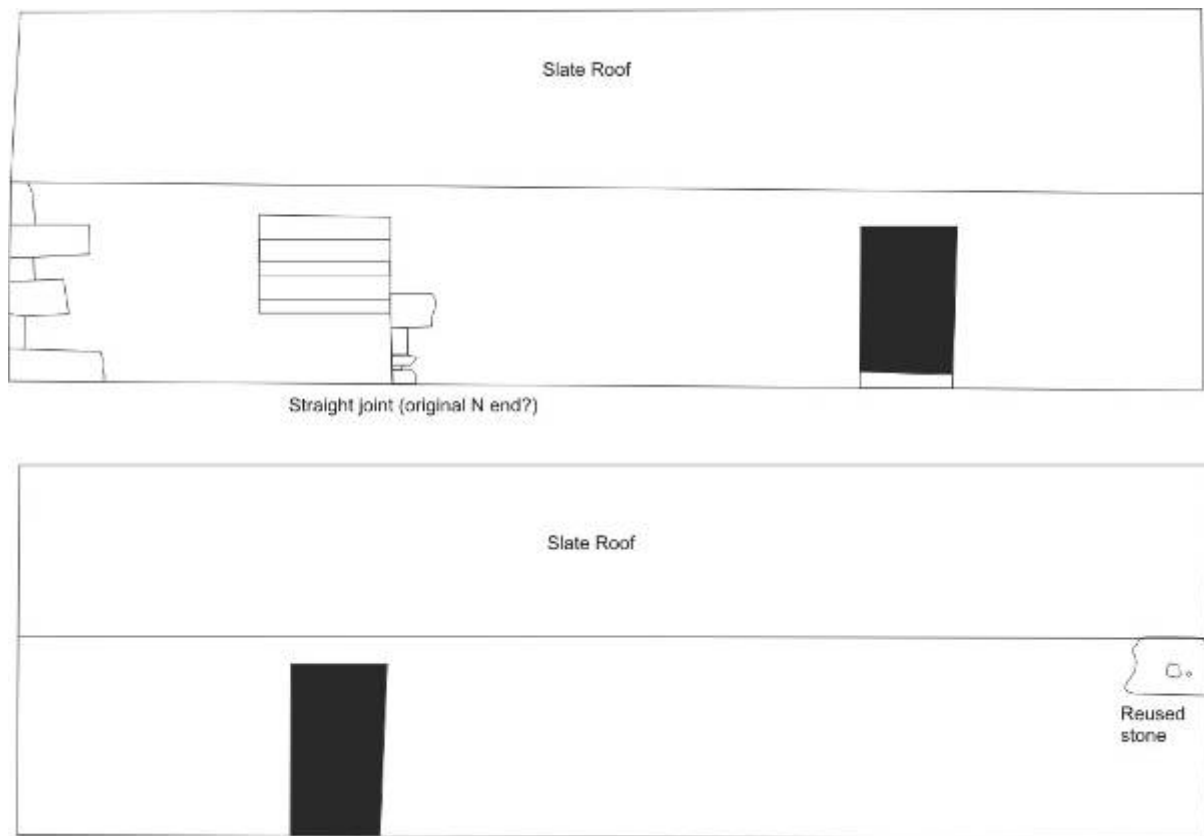


West elevation of North range

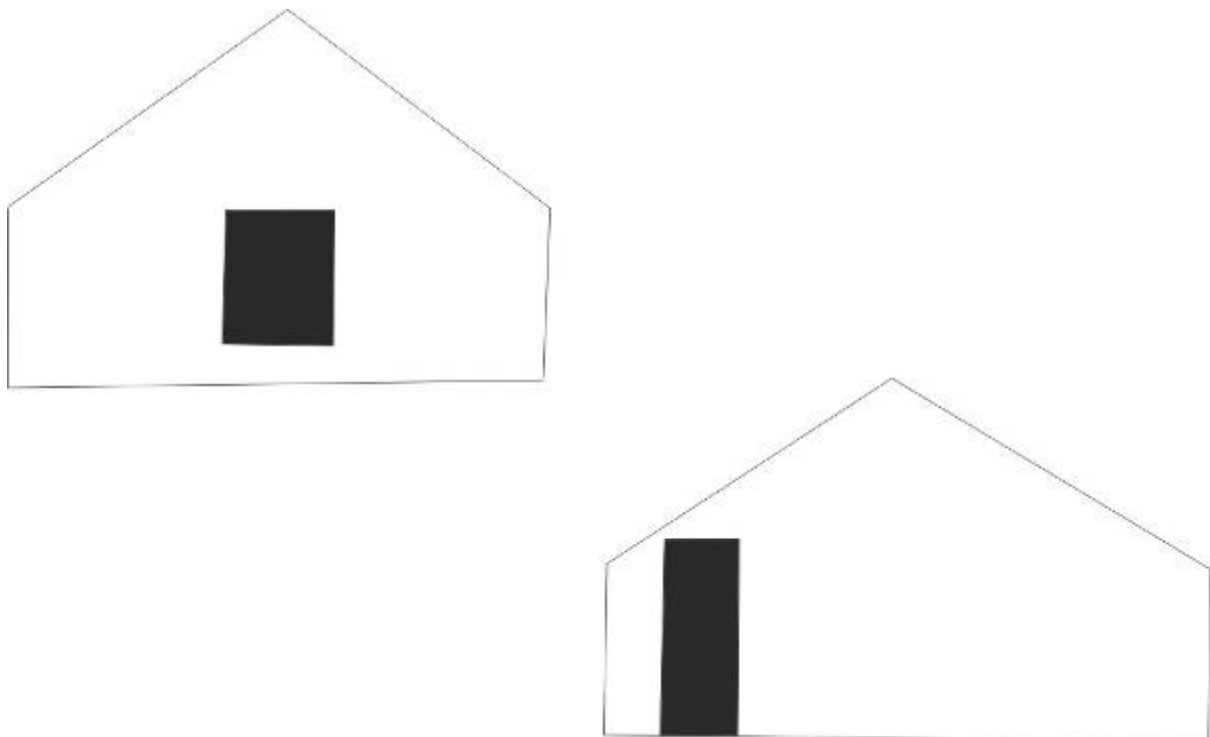


Northern elevation of North range

Illustration 21 Western and Northern elevations of North range

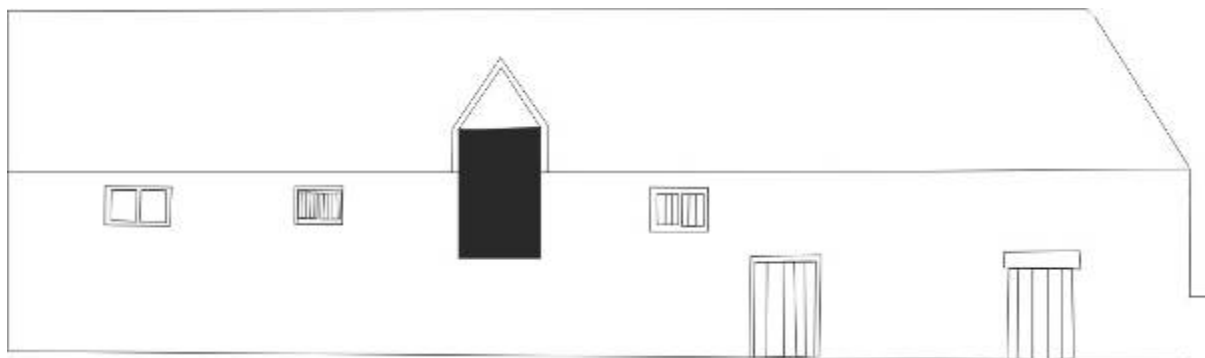


Building 1 Western elevation (top) and Eastern elevation (bottom) scale 1:50

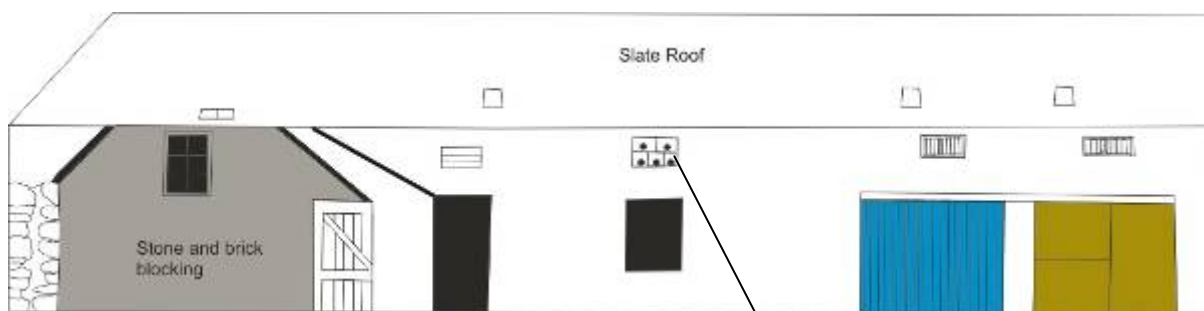


Building 1 Southern elevation (top) and Northern elevation (bottom) scale 1:50

Illustration 22 Elevations of Building 1 at 1:50

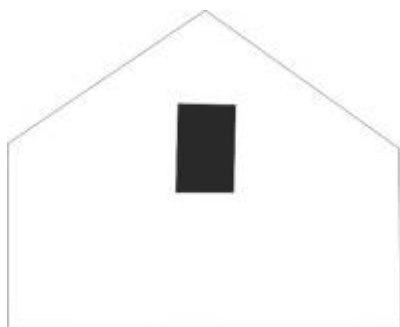


Northern elevation Building 3 scale 1:50



Southern elevation Building 3 scale 1:50

(thick black lines indicate roof raggles)



Eastern elevation Building 3 scale 1:50



Illustration 23 Elevations of Building 3 at 1:50 (inset photo of bird holes)