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THE ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND
ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979

Entry in the Schedule of Monuments

2002

Re: The Monument known as
Castle Semple Collegiate Church

in the Parish of Lochwinnoch and
County of Renfrew

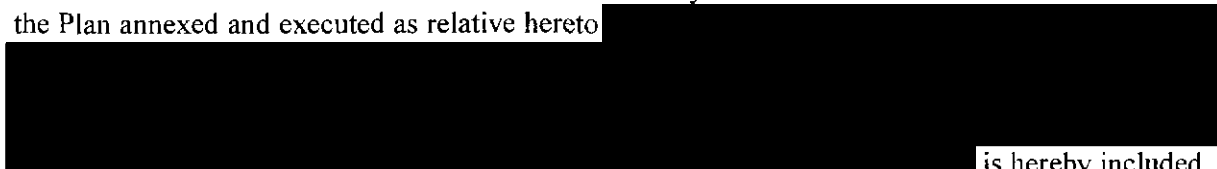
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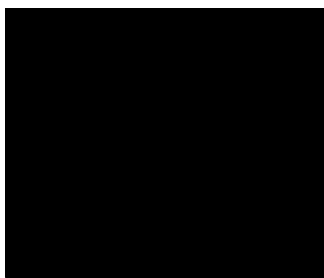
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ENTRY IN THE SCHEDULE OF MONUMENTS

The monument known as Castle Semple Collegiate Church comprises the roofless remains of the collegiate church; with rubble walls standing to the height of the gables and wallhead, together with the land around the church. John, Lord Sempill, founded the church in 1504, in the grounds of his castle. The church was served by a college of priests whose function was to pray for the souls of the founder and his family. The original building was a plain rectangle with a tower at the W end and a revestry projecting from the N side. Internally the choir was divided from the nave by a screen and rood loft supported on corbels. A second loft rested on corbels at the W end of the nave. A number of original openings survive, including a pair of large traceried windows in the south elevation. Lord John was killed at Flodden in 1513 and following this event, the church was extended to the E to contain a burial monument for him and his wife. The polygonal apse was added at this time. The plainness of much of the building is in sharp contrast to the flamboyant decoration seen in the tomb and the late Gothic tracery in the windows of the apse. The area to be scheduled comprises the remains described, together with an area around the church within which related remains may be expected to survive. The area is irregular with maximum dimensions of c.42m N-S by 62m E-W. The modern fence is excluded from the scheduling. The monument, which lies in the Parish of Lochwinnoch and the County of Renfrew as shown outlined in red on the Plan annexed and executed as relative hereto

 is hereby included in the Schedule of Monuments appearing to the Scottish Ministers to be of national importance compiled and maintained by them under section 1(1) of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979.

Subscribed by Owen Kelly, Director, Properties in Care with Historic Scotland, being an officer of the Scottish Ministers at Edinburgh on the 20th day of June Two thousand and two, before this witness Lesley Macdonald, of Longmore House, Salisbury Place, Edinburgh.

 Witness

 Director, Properties in Care

Register on behalf of the Scottish Ministers in the Register of the County of Renfrew.

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COUNTY OF RENFREW
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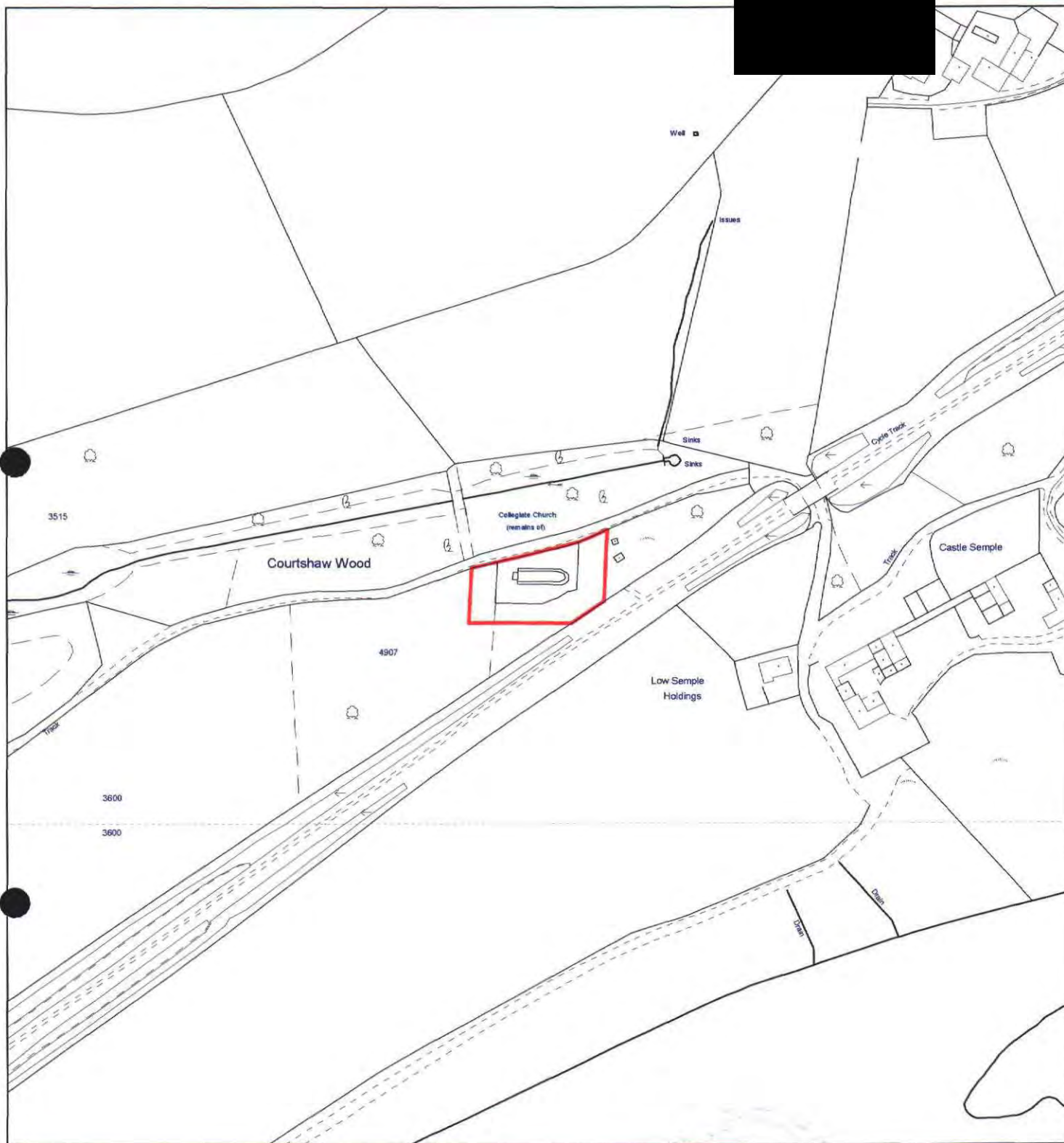
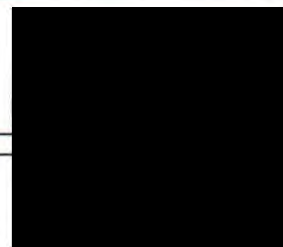
 An Officer of the Scottish Ministers

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This is the plan referred to in the entry in the Schedule affecting
Castle Semple Collegiate Church,
dated: 20/6/02 and is signed as relative thereto.



Castle Semple Collegiate Church

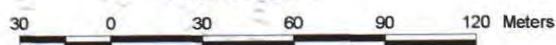
Lochwinnoch Parish

Scheduled Area



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