

Historic Environment Scotland Àrainneachd Eachdraidheil Alba

AMENDED ENTRY

1835

The Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979

Amended entry in the schedule of monuments

Historic Environment Scotland in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 1(1) of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979 hereby amends the entry in the statutory schedule of monuments as set out below.

The monument known as **Backies, broch 300m N of Whitestone Croft** comprises a complex stone-built substantial roundhouse, dating from the Iron Age (between 600 BC and AD 400). It is visible as a large mound of stones set on a prominent knoll. The interior of the broch has been partly cleared of rubble and large areas of inner wall face are visible, incorporating openings leading to the entrance, intra-mural stair and a gallery. Beyond the broch tower are remains of an outer bank or wall, with parts of a further bank or wall beyond to the north-northwest and east-southeast. The monument occupies a knoll on a southwest facing slope overlooking the valley of the Golspie Burn standing 180m above sea level.

The scheduled area is circular on plan with a diameter of 100m, centred on the broch, to include the remains described above and an area around them within which evidence relating to the monument's construction, use and abandonment is expected to survive. The scheduling specifically excludes the above ground elements of post and wire fences.

The monument, which lies in the Parish of Golspie and the County of Sutherland as shown in red on the plan annexed and executed as relative hereto [REDACTED]

This entry supersedes the Entry in the Schedule of Monuments for the monument known then as **Broch north-east by east of Dutch Cottage** as referred to in the Certificate of Service of Notice by the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings in respect of the monument dated 29 June 1939 and recorded in the General Register of Sasines for the County of Sutherland on 27 April 1940.

Subscribed by Allan Rutherford, Deputy Head of Designations (Scheduling) with Historic Environment Scotland, at Edinburgh on the *24th* day of *January* Two thousand and Sixteen, before this witness Edwin Smith, of Longmore House, Salisbury Place, Edinburgh.

[REDACTED] Deputy Head of Designations (Scheduling)

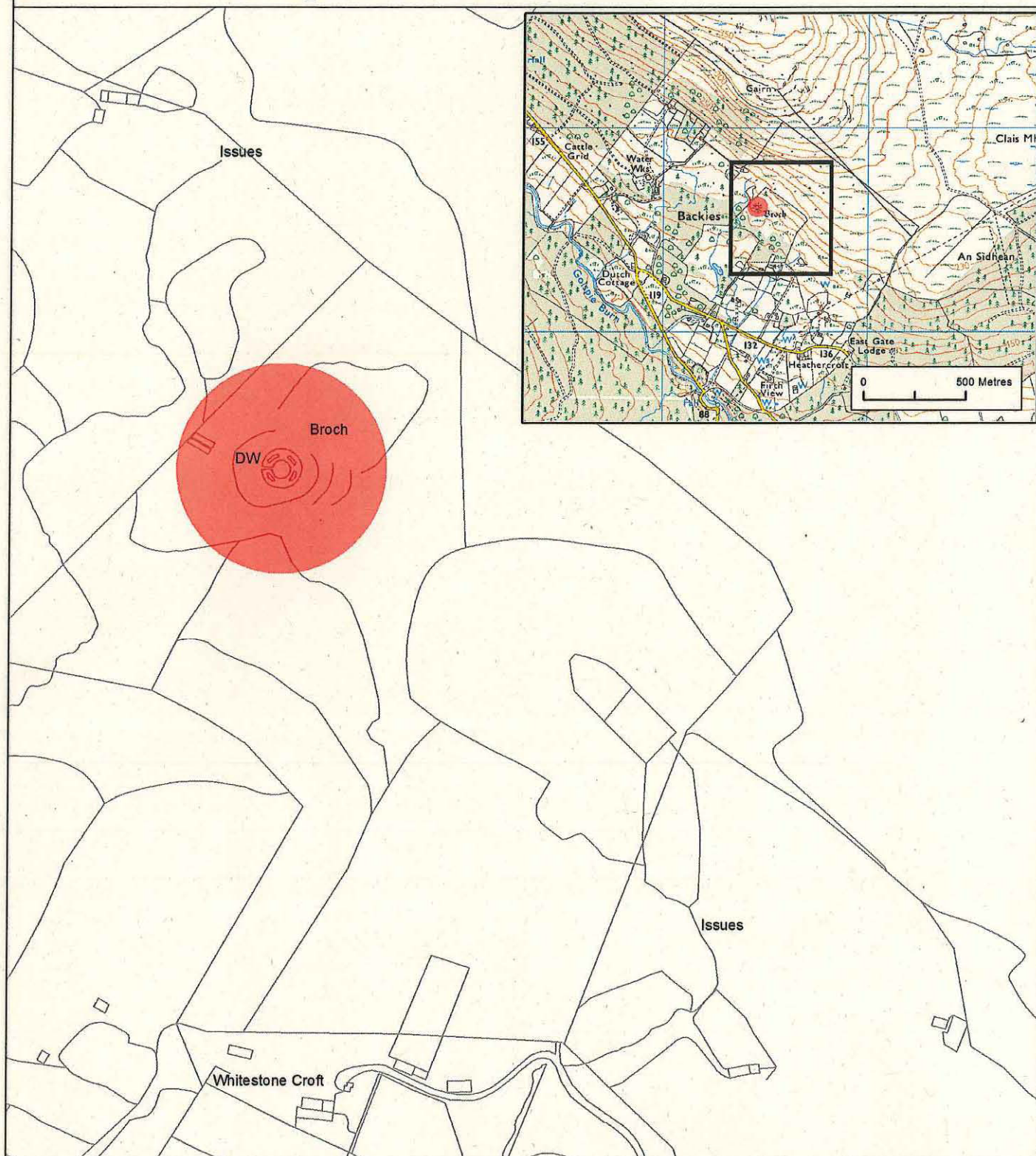
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This is the plan referred to in the entry in the Schedule affecting:

Backies, broch 300m N of Whitestone Croft

dated: 29/01/16 and is signed as relative thereto.



Designation Reference: SM1835

Backies, broch 300m N of Whitestone Croft

Parish: GOLSPIE

Scheduled Area



Map Sheet:
NC80SW

0 25 50 75 100 125 m Scale: 1:2,500

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