



## Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979 Scheduled Monument Consent Decision Notice

<b>Case ID</b>	<b>201600366</b>	<b>Index No</b>	<b>M10403</b>
<b>Scheduled Monument</b>	<b>Balnagask motte, Baxter Place, Aberdeen</b>		
<b>Location/Address</b>	<b>City of Aberdeen</b>		
<b>Proposed Works</b>	<b>Upgrading work to existing path and introduction of steps to protect monument from erosion damage</b>		

Historic Environment Scotland hereby **grants** scheduled monument consent for the works detailed below, subject to the attached conditions.

### Consented Works:

- a) Upgrading of the existing spiral path and the formation of a new section of path linking the western end of the spiral path to the roadside, installation of steps on desire lines, and the installation of benches on the summit.

as described in your application dated 19 April and the following supporting documents:

- 1) Site location plan – H1135.01 rev A
- 2) Proposed bench, path and stair details – H1135.06
- 3) Proposed plan – H1135.06 rev A 16/03/16 at scale 1:100
- 4) Photo survey – H1135.07
- 5) Steps section – H1135.09
- 6) Email from Bruce Mann of Aberdeenshire Archaeology Service to Oliver Lewis of HES dated 02 June 2016 providing details of the proposed archaeological mitigation.

### Conditions referred to above

1. No works shall take place within the scheduled area until the applicant has secured the initiation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) and has had this WSI approved in writing by Historic Environment Scotland. This WSI shall include a timetable and shall be fully implemented during the course of the approved development.

*Reason: to ensure that archaeological information is recovered and recorded to a satisfactory standard.*

2. No works for the upgrading of the existing spiral path, the formation of the new path and steps, and the installation of the benches requiring scheduled monument consent (other than the archaeological works covered by the WSI) shall commence on site until an updated specification of works has been approved in



writing by Historic Environment Scotland. This updated specification of works should take into account any changes that might be required in order to minimise the impact of the works on buried archaeological deposits

*Reason: to ensure that work will be carried out to a standard acceptable to Historic Environment Scotland and impacts on the monument are minimised.*

### **Reasons for the Decision:**

Subject to compliance with the schedule of conditions, the works proposed are considered acceptable in meeting the terms of national policy for scheduled monuments, and also accounting for other material considerations.

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