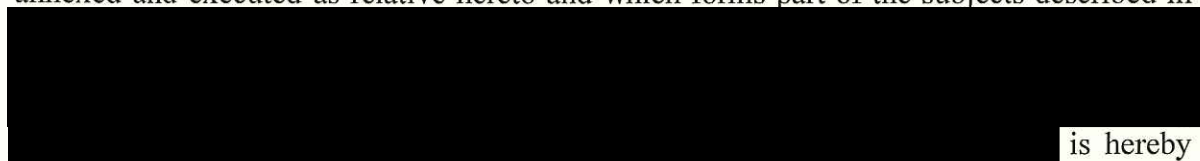


THE ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979 1256
ENTRY IN THE SCHEDULE OF MONUMENTS

The monument known as **Cummi Howe, broch** comprises a broch mound dating probably from the Iron Age (between about 600 BC and AD 400). It is visible as a large turf-covered mound with some protruding masonry. The broch mound would originally have been circular in plan, but it has suffered some coastal erosion along its W side and is now amorphous in shape. The surviving mound measures approximately 25m N-S by 18m E-W and stands up to 1.75m high. The outer wall-face of the broch tower is partly visible on the S side, standing some six courses high. Traces of a possible defensive ditch and bank are visible to the NE of the mound. The uneven ground around the broch mound may indicate the presence of a 'broch village' or later Iron Age buildings around the broch tower. The broch mound is located on the coast, on relatively level, unimproved ground. It has extensive views in all directions and was well-placed to control access from the Bay of Ireland to the Loch of Stenness. The scheduled area is irregular on plan and includes the remains described above and an area around them within which evidence relating to the monument's construction and use is expected to survive. The scheduling specifically excludes the above-ground elements of the post-and-wire fence erected to protect the site, and the remains of a circular plantigrub, 5m in diameter. The monument, which lies in the Parish of Stenness and the County of Orkney and Zetland as shown in red on the Plan annexed and executed as relative hereto and which forms part of the subjects described in



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.

This entry supersedes the Entry in the Schedule of Monuments for the monument known then as **Cummi Howe** as referred to in the Certificate of Service of Notice by the Minister of Works in respect of the monument dated 31 August 1956 and recorded in the General Register of Sasines for the County of Orkney and Zetland on 25 October 1956.

Subscribed by Olwyn A Owen, Head of Scheduling, Marine and Battlefields with Historic Scotland, being an officer of the Scottish Ministers at Edinburgh on the *24th* day of *February* Two thousand and Fourteen, before this witness Christine Kelly, of Longmore House, Salisbury Place, Edinburgh.

A black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Olwyn A Owen.

Head of Scheduling, Marine and Battlefields

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Witness

This is the plan referred to in the entry in the Schedule affecting:
Cummi Howe, broch

dated: 24/2/2014 and is signed as relative thereto.



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Cummi Howe, broch

Stenness Parish

Scheduled Area



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2014

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