

The monument known as **St Boniface's Church, church and hog-backed stone, Papa Westray** comprises the below-ground remains of St Boniface's Church, part of the surrounding burial ground, and a hog-backed tombstone. The upstanding church originally dates from the 12th century, but was remodelled in the 17th century and restored in 1993; it remains in occasional use and is a listed building. The area beneath and around the upstanding church is likely to contain buried archaeological remains relating to the various building phases and there is high potential for the presence of structures and other evidence relating to an earlier chapel or ecclesiastical site. There are also likely to be burials and gravemarkers spanning a considerable time-depth in the area around the church. The hog-backed stone is situated immediately to the E of the church. It is carved from red sandstone and measures approximately 1.5m long by 0.4m wide and is aligned E-W. Three rows of characteristic 'shingle' pattern are carved into the sloping sides of the stone. The monument is situated on the W coast of Papa Westray, overlooking Papa Sound, at around 5m above sea level. The scheduled area is rectangular on plan, extending to 5m beyond the exterior walls of the church, except on the E side where it extends to approximately 10m beyond the church, to include the hog-backed stone. The scheduling includes 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 all parts of the present church building, extending down to the base of the floor slabs, and all fittings and fixtures within the church. The scheduling also excludes all burial lairs where rights of burial still exist and the above-ground elements of all burial monuments of 19th-century or later date. The monument, which lies in the Parish of Papa Westray and the County of Orkney and Zetland as shown in red on the Plan annexed and executed as relative hereto (the present owner

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 1) the Entry in the Schedule of Monuments for the monument known then as **St. Boniface Church** as referred to in the Certificate of Service of Notice by the Minister of Works in respect of the monument dated 6 October 1959 and recorded in the General Register of Sasines for the County of Orkney and Zetland on 21 October 1959 and 2) the Entry in the Schedule of Monuments for the monument known then as **Hog Backed Stone, St. Boniface Graveyard** as referred to in the Certificate of Service of Notice by the Minister of Works in respect of the monument dated 29 December 1958 and recorded in the General Register of Sasines for the County of Orkney and Zetland on 26 January 1959.

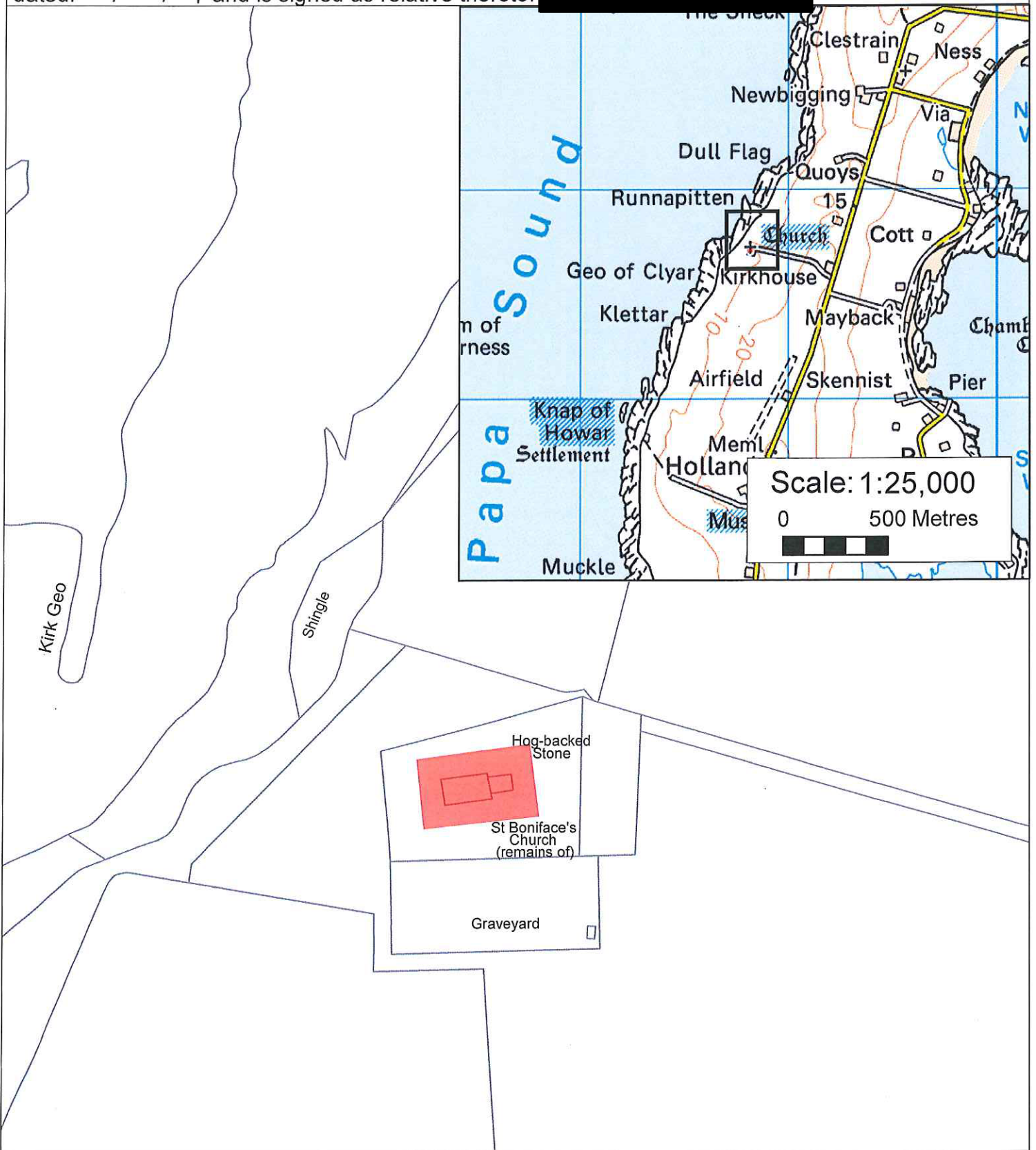
Subscribed by Olwyn A Owen, Head of Scheduling, Marine and Battlefields with Historic Scotland, being an officer of the Scottish Ministers at Edinburgh on the 20th day of November
Two thousand and fourteen, before this witness Christine Kelly, of Longmore House, Salisbury Place, Edinburgh.

Head of Scheduling, Marine and Battlefields

Witness

This is the plan referred to in the entry in the Schedule affecting:
St Boniface's Church, church and hog-backed stone, Papa Westray

dated: 20/11/14 and is signed as relative thereto. [REDACTED]



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Papa Westray Parish

Scheduled Area



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THE ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND
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Entry in the Schedule of Monuments

2014

Re: The Monument known as
**St Boniface's Church, church and
hog-backed stone, Papa Westray**

in the Parish of Papa Westray and
County of Orkney and Zetland

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