THE ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979 2884
ENTRY IN THE SCHEDULE OF MONUMENTS

The monument known as **Marwick, Norse settlement 500m NNW of West Howe** comprises the remains of an extensive settlement containing buildings that can be dated to the Norse period (about AD 800-1300). The remains of the settlement are visible in the eroding coastline and archaeological recording of the exposed deposits has revealed several structural phases, plus occupation surfaces and layers indicating levelling and abandonment. In addition, geophysical survey has provided evidence for buried archaeological features in fields E of the track. The monument lies on the SE shore of Mar Wick Bay at about 5m above sea level, overlooking the foreshore. The scheduled area is irregular on plan 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 all post-and-wire fences and drystone boundary walls, as well as the top 200mm of the deposits forming the track along the shore. The monument, which lies in the Parish of Birsay and Harray and the County of Orkney and Zetland as shown in red on the Plan annexed and executed as relative hereto [redacted], 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 **Viking houses, Mar Wick** as referred to in the Certificate of Service of Notice by the Secretary of State for Scotland in respect of the monument dated 29 July 1970 and recorded in the General Register of Sasines for the County of Orkney and Zetland on 28 August 1970.

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 19th day of December Two thousand and fourteen, before this witness Christine Kelly, of Longmore House, Salisbury Place, Edinburgh.

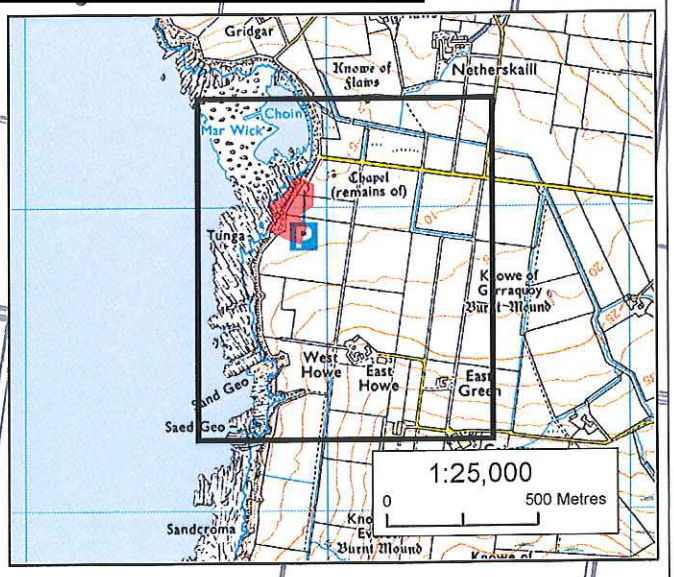
[redacted] Head of Scheduling, Marine and Battlefields

[redacted] Witness

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This is the plan referred to in the entry in the Schedule affecting:
Marwick, Norse settlement 500m NNW of West Howe

dated: 17/12/14 and is signed as relative thereto. [redacted]



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Mar Wick
DW
Tunga
Smaa Geo
Braid Geo
Deolie Trunnie
Sand Geo
The Kirn
Fae Geo
Lithan
Saed Geo
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West Howe
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Marwick, Norse settlement 500m NNW of West Howe
Birsay and Harray Parish
Scheduled Area

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2014

Re: The Monument known as
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in the Parish of Birsay and Harray and
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