

THE ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979 3030
ENTRY IN THE SCHEDULE OF MONUMENTS

The monument known as **St John's Church, church, burial ground and carved stones, Killean** comprises the remains of the old parish church of Killean and its burial ground, which contains a variety of carved gravestones. A simple, unicameral church was erected here probably in the second half of the 12th century. It was extended by the addition of a chancel to the E in the early 13th century with an elaborate E window, and a N aisle was added during the 15th century. The church was abandoned in 1770, but the N aisle was reused in the 19th century as the burial aisle of the MacDonaldis of Largie. Evidence for this development sequence survives in the upstanding fabric of the building and further information is likely to be preserved beneath the ground. The church is approximately 25m long (E-W) by 13m wide (N-S). The burial aisle contains several fine 14th- to 15th-century tombstones of the Kintyre and Iona schools, as well as an early Christian cross-shaped stone. The burial ground contains a range of interesting 18th-to 19th-century gravestones, such as that commemorating Donald MacKinnon, who died in 1810, which depicts a man ploughing with a two-horse team. There is high potential for the presence of further archaeological remains and carved stones within the burial ground, possibly including evidence for the early phases of the church. The church is located on the W coast of Kintyre overlooking the Sound of Gigha at a height of around 10m above sea level. 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 extends up to but does not include the stone boundary wall. The scheduling excludes all burial lairs where rights of burial still exist. The monument, which lies in the Parish of Killean and Kilchenzie and the County of Argyll as shown in red on the Plan annexed and executed as relative hereto [REDACTED]

[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 **Church and Sculptured Stones, Killean and Kilchenzie, Argyll** as referred to in the Certificate of Service of Notice by the Secretary of State for Scotland in respect of the monument dated 27 May 1971 and recorded in the General Register of Sasines for the County of Argyll on 9 June 1971.

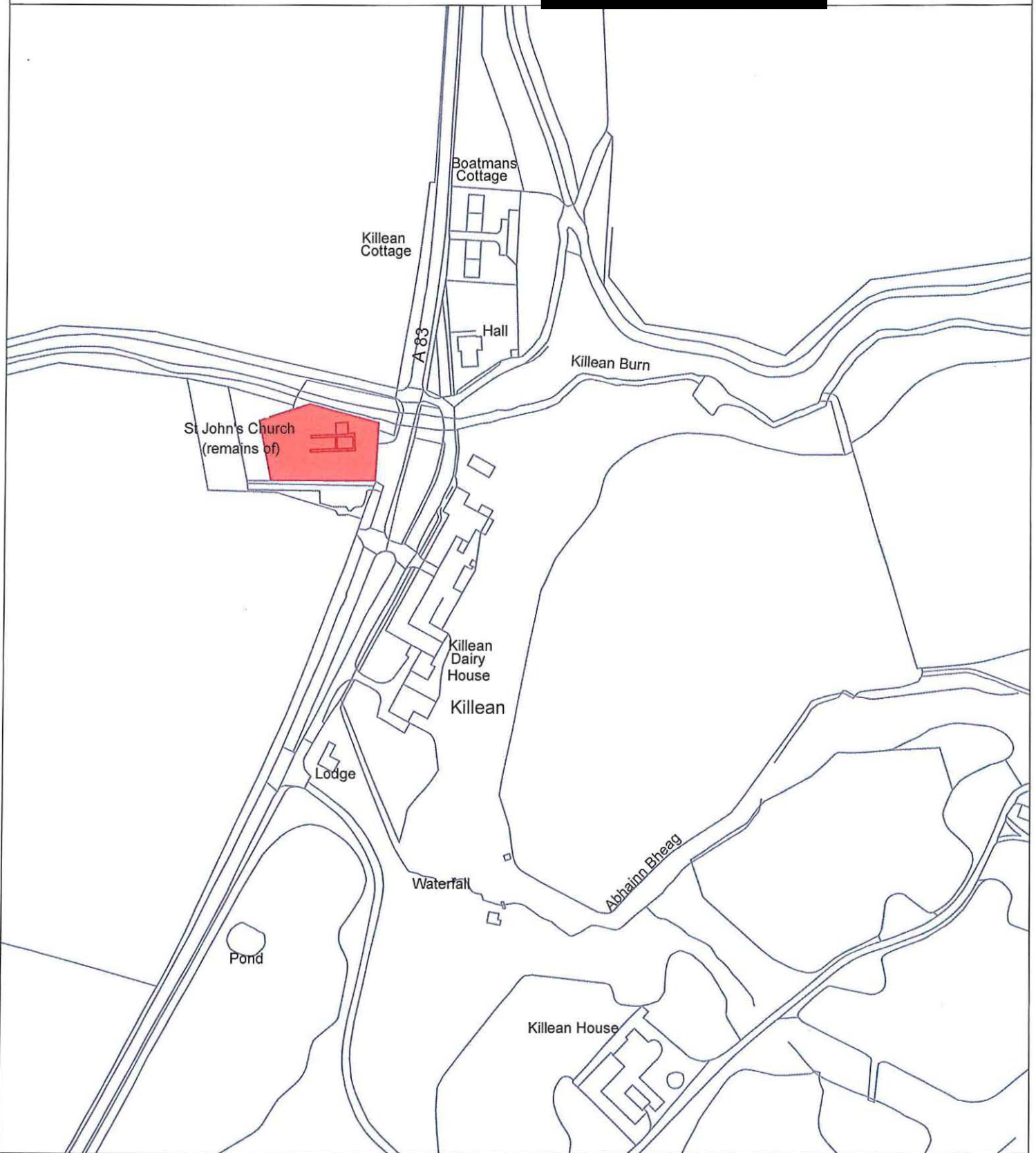
Subscribed by Olwyn Owen, Head of Scheduling, Marine and Battlefields with Historic Scotland, being an officer of the Scottish Ministers at Edinburgh on the 15th day of August Two thousand and thirteen, before this witness Christine Kelly, of Longmore House, Salisbury Place, Edinburgh.


[REDACTED] _____ Head of Scheduling, Marine and Battlefields

[REDACTED] _____ Witness

This is the plan referred to in the entry in the Schedule affecting:
St John's Church, church, burial ground and carved stones, Killean


dated: 15/ 8 / 13 and is signed as relative thereto. [REDACTED]



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St John's Church, church,
burial ground and carved stones, Killean
Killean and Kilchenzie Parish
Scheduled Area 

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2013

Re: The Monument known as
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in the Parish of Killean and Kilchenzie
and
County of Argyll

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