THE ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979 3463
ENTRY IN THE SCHEDULE OF MONUMENTS

The monument known as Muckle Head, cairn 160m N of Scaur comprises a cairn of the Neolithic period or Bronze Age, dating probably to sometime between 4000 and 1000 BC. It is visible as a low, circular turf-covered mound, 10m in diameter and up to 0.75m high, with a shallow depression towards the centre. Several large stones protrude through the turf. The cairn stands at about 25m above sea level on the summit of a low hill some 175m from the tip of Muckle Head on the east coast of Mainland. It offers views along the coast and over the low-lying ground surrounding Lax Firth to the west. The area to be scheduled is circular on plan, measuring 30m in diameter, centred on the centre of the cairn. The scheduling includes the remains described above and an area around them within which evidence relating to the monument's construction, use and abandonment may survive. The monument, which lies in the Parish of Nesting 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.

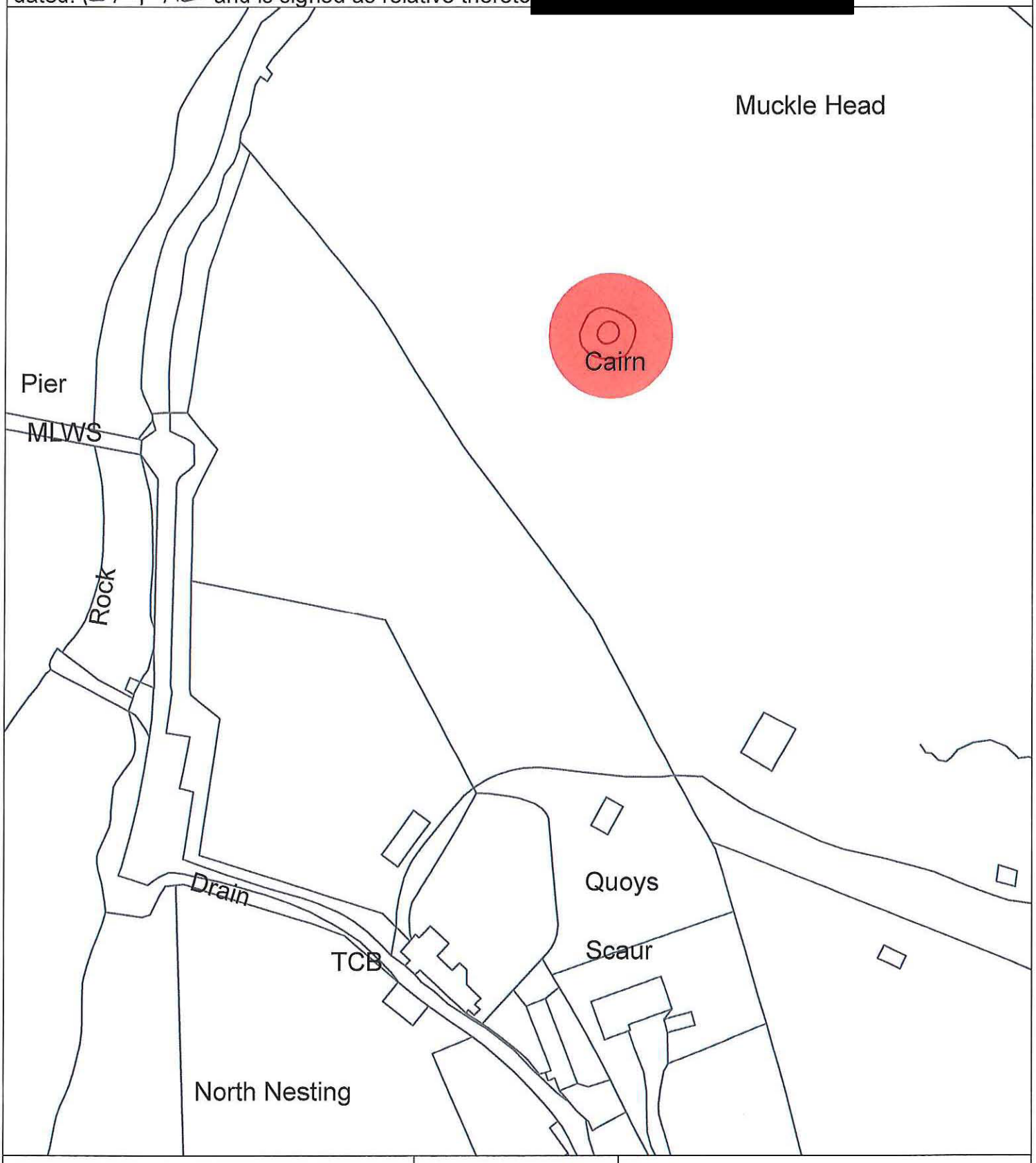
Subscribed by Barbara Cummins, Director of Heritage Management with Historic Scotland, being an officer of the Scottish Ministers at Edinburgh on the 12th day of July Two thousand and twelve, before this witness Victoria Murray, of Longmore House, Salisbury Place, Edinburgh.

[redacted] Witness [redacted] Director of Heritage Management

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This is the plan referred to in the entry in the Schedule affecting:
Muckle Head, cairn 160m N of Scaur

dated: 12 / 7 /12 and is signed as relative thereto [redacted]



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Muckle Head, cairn 160m
N of Scaur

Nesting Parish

Scheduled Area

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Mapsheet(s):
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2012

Re: The Monument known as
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in the Parish of Nesting and
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