

THE ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979 4385
ENTRY IN THE SCHEDULE OF MONUMENTS

The monument known as Boyken Burn, township 695m W of Westerhall comprises the remains of a pre-Improvement township that was occupied from at least 1376 until the later 18th century. About 30 platforms, some with low wall foundations on top, represent the positions of the buildings. The platforms form four distinct settlement clusters that lie along the line of a dyke that climbs diagonally up a steep E-facing slope at the mouth of the valley of the Boyken Burn. Below the dyke to the south-east are the remains of ridged fields, representing part of the township's arable land. On the steep slopes above the dyke are several superimposed fields bounded by turf banks, some containing cultivation ridges. The site is located in rough pasture between 120m and 260m above sea level, overlooking the junction of the Boyken Burn with the River Esk. The area to be scheduled is irregular on plan to include the remains described and an area around within which evidence relating to the monument's construction, use and abandonment may survive. The scheduled area extends up to but specifically excludes the dykes that bound most of the area. The scheduled area also specifically excludes the above-ground elements of the electric fences sited inside the dykes to allow for their maintenance. The monument, which lies in the Parish of Westerkirk and the County of Dumfries 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.

Subscribed by Malcolm Cooper, Chief Inspector with Historic Scotland, being an officer of the Scottish Ministers at Edinburgh on the 16 day of May Two thousand and ten, before this witness Mairi H Davies, of Longmore House, Salisbury Place, Edinburgh.

[REDACTED] Witness

[REDACTED] Chief Inspector

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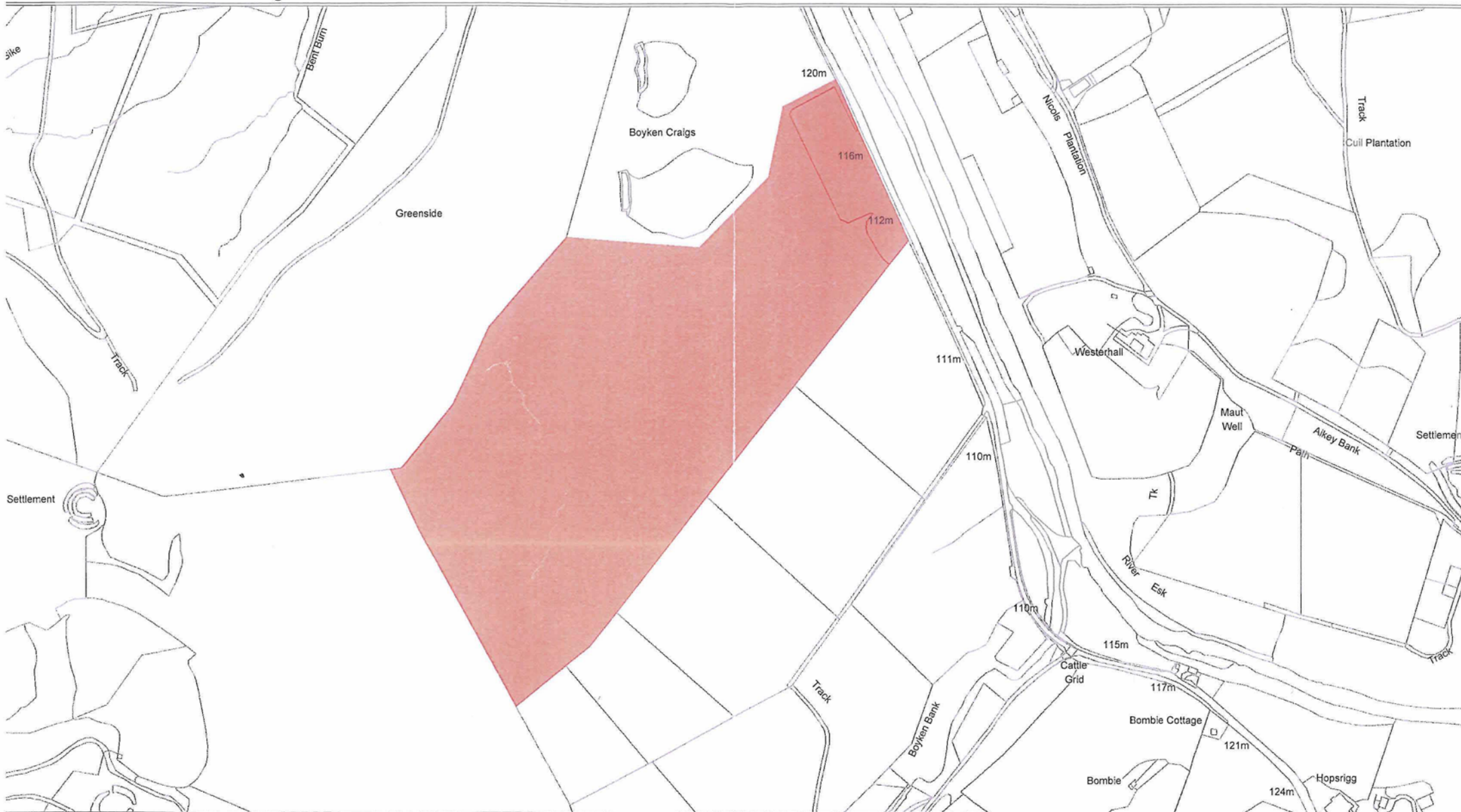
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This is the plan referred to in the entry in the Schedule affecting:

Boyken Burn, township 695m W of Westerhall

dated: 16/3/10 and is signed as relative thereto.



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Boyken Burn, township 695m W of Westerhall

Westerkirk Parish

Scheduled Area



Mapsheet(s):
NY38NW

Scale: 1:5,000

0 50 100 150 200 250 Metres

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Re: The Monument known as
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Westerhall

in the Parish of Westerkirk and
County of Dumfries

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