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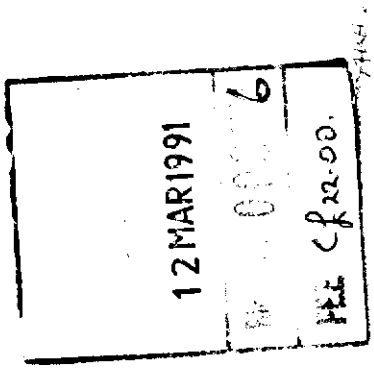
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Re: The Monument known as High Auchneel, forts 1000m SW of

in the Parish of Leswalt and County of Wigtown

File Ref:



RAS 7247

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The monument known as High Auchneel, forts 1000m SW of comprises comprises three forts of the Iron Age situated on coastal promontories to the W of Rough Hill. The S fort, called Juniper Face in the RCAHMS List, is situated on the end of a promontory which is cut off on all sides by cliffs. The easier approaches to the site, from the E and N have been defended by a wall mostly reduced to short lengths of outer face. Immediately inside the wall was a lower fort level. Access from this to the flat upper level was by way of a narrow cleft in a 3.5m high rock face. The defended area measures 32m by up to 19.5m; the upper level measures 18m by 14m. About 70m NNW of the S fort is a second, similar fort, called Mare Rock 1 by RCAHMS. A steep sided promontory has been defended by a wall surviving as lengths of outer face up to 5 courses high. The interior measures 67m by 25m. The entrance was on the SE side. A broad, deep gully separates this fort from the third, higher fort, about 50m to the E. Called Mare Rock 2 by RCAHMS, this is a diamond-shaped promontory defended by a ditch and internal rampart and an external rampart and possible external ditch. The entrance causeway is on the S side of the approach from the E. Between the entrance, the internal line of defence, and the outer line of defence is an elliptical scoop which probably represents a house site. The interior of the fort measures 66m by 29m. The area to be scheduled includes the forts and an area around them within which traces of activity associated with their use may be found. It measures 150m N-S by a maximum of 180m transversely. The monument, which lies in the Parish of Leswalt and the County of Wigtown as shown outlined in red on the Plan annexed and executed as relative hereto and which forms part of the subjects [redacted] is hereby included in the Schedule of Monuments appearing to the Secretary of State for Scotland to be of national importance compiled and maintained by him under section 1(1) of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979.

Given under the Seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland.

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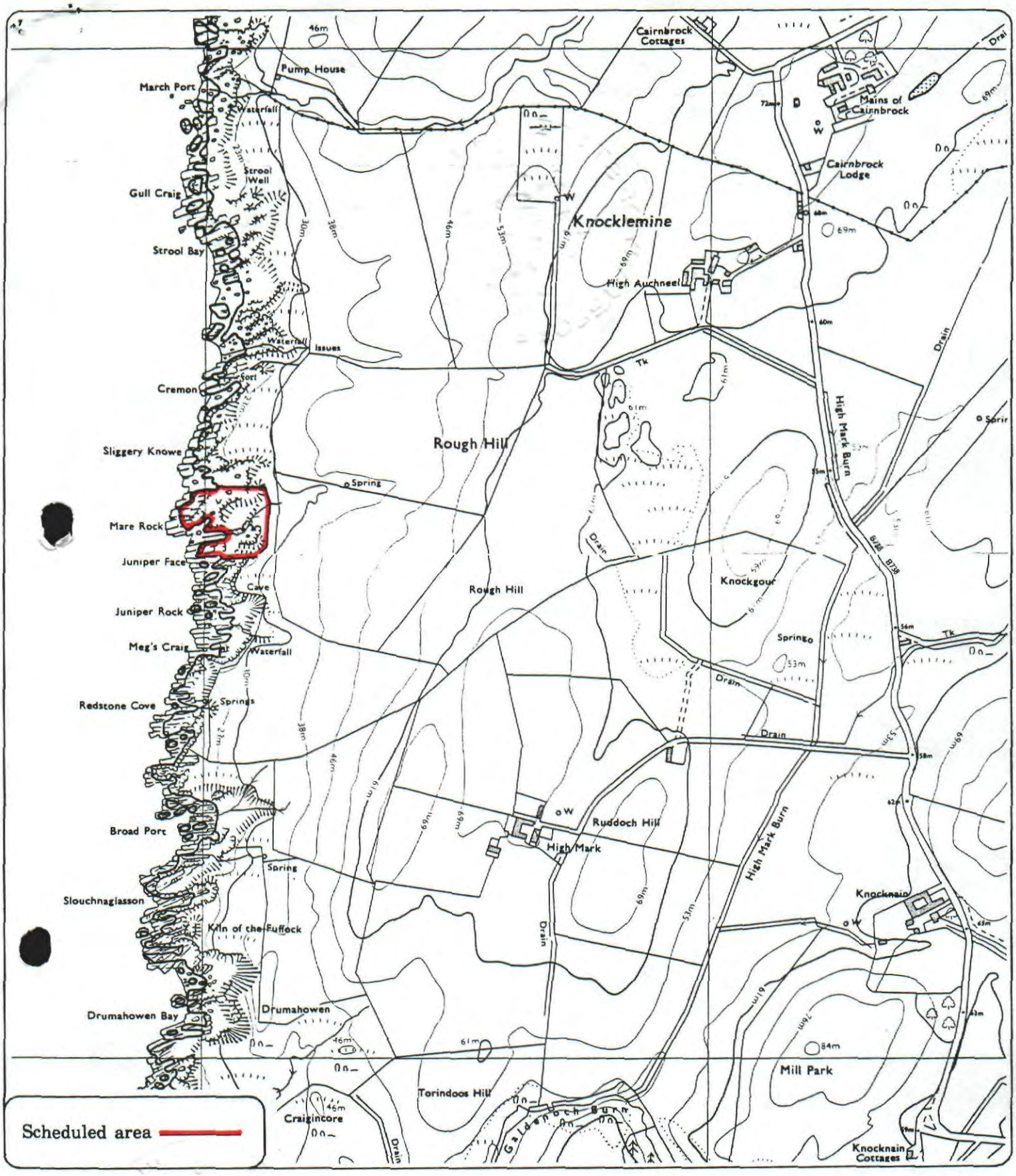
Register on behalf of the Secretary of State for Scotland in the Register of the County of Wigtown [redacted]

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High Auchneel, forts 1000m SW of

Leswalt Parish

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Sheets : NW 96 NE & NW 96 SE

Scale : 1/10,000

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