



Case information

Case ID	300018250
File Reference	HGH/B/GD/126
Name of Site	St John's Church and Burial Ground

Local Authority	Aberdeenshire		
National Grid Reference	NJ 79109 64464		
Designation No. (if any)	LB10583		
Designation Type	Listed building	Current Category of Listing	B
Case Type	Removal		

Received/Start Date	Project started in 2014
Decision Date	20/10/2016

1. Decision

Remove: Remove building from the List.

2. Designation Background and Development Proposals

2.1 Designation Background

St John's Church and Burial Ground is a category B building and was listed on 22/02/1972. It is in Gamrie parish.

St John's Church, old parish church and burial ground, Gamrie is also a scheduled monument (SM5678). The current entry in the Schedule is dated 04/05/1993.

2.2 Development Proposals

Not checked as part of this project.

3. Assessment

3.1 Assessment information

The monument was considered for removal as part of the Dual Designation project. This is a nationwide project to review structures which are both listed as buildings of

special architectural or historic interest and scheduled as monuments of national importance. Where appropriate the 'dual designation' of structures is being removed and they are being listed or scheduled depending on their individual circumstances. Removing dual designations will help to provide clarity for the future management of sites.

The site was not visited and the present assessment is desk-based, using available information and has included reference to recent photographs.

The site consists of a late medieval church which is the last of a probable series of churches built on a site which has been in use as a focus of Christian worship since the twelfth century and possibly earlier. As such it is more appropriately designated as a scheduled monument rather than a listed building.

3.2 Assessment against designation criteria

An assessment against the Listing criteria was not carried out as the importance of the structure will continue to be recognised through its designation as a scheduled monument.

The designation criteria are published in the Historic Environment Scotland policy statement June 2016, Annex 1 (Scheduling), pp. 48-50 and Annex 2 (Listing), pp. 51-53. <https://www.historicenvironment.scot/advice-and-support/planning-and-guidance/legislation-and-guidance/historic-environment-scotland-policy-statement/>

3.3 Other considerations

As part of the Dual Designation project, we have reviewed the structures at this site and concluded that scheduling is the most appropriate mechanism to secure the preservation of this structure as a monument of national importance.

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