



Case information

Case ID	300018251
File Reference	HGH/B/GD/127
Name of Site	Old St. Peter's Church

Local Authority	Aberdeenshire		
National Grid Reference	NK 12647 46055		
Designation No. (if any)	LB39668		
Designation Type	Listed building	Current Category of Listing	A
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

Old St. Peter's Church is a category A building and was listed on 16/04/1971. It is in Peterhead burgh.

St Peter's Church, old parish church, Peterhead is also a scheduled monument (SM5661). The current entry in the Schedule is dated 19/03/1993.

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 the remains of St Peter's church, the original parish church of Peterhead, which is first recorded in 1218. The remains consist of elements of the chancel including the side walls and the chancel arch dating from the 12th century, and the north west gable which is probably late medieval and incorporates a square, pyramidal-roofed, bell-tower of mid-18th century date. As a church site dating to the 12th century with the potential for associated archaeology, this site 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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