


**Peel Ring of Lumphanan**  
**New interpretation panels info for SMC**  
**21 September 2016**



**1.0 Background**




- 1.1 The Interpretation Unit wishes to install new interpretation panels at the Peel Ring of Lumphanan, to replace outdated / faded signage and address gaps in the existing interpretation.
- 1.2 The principal objective of the new interpretation is to allow visitors intellectual access to the site, communicating the many stories we have to tell. We aim to orientate and guide visitors around the motte, encouraging a full exploration of the site, and fostering an understanding of the different phases in its history.
- 1.3 Historic Scotland Cultural Resources Team (CRT) have been fully consulted in the development of the signage schedule for the Peel Ring of Lumphanan, balancing the need for increased and improved interpretation with the sensitivities of the site and the setting. CRT has assessed the scheme, sign by sign, in relation to the cultural significance of the monument, advising of constraints and sensitivities.
- 1.4 The new panels will be developed in line with the Historic Scotland Signage Design Manual, which aims to achieve uniformity across the estate to create the best possible first impression, meet Access requirements and achieve a uniformity in design and installation which will assist with the replacement and maintenance of signage and interpretation in the future.

**2.0 Details of panels**

- 2.1 The Interpretation Unit has been advised that one of the four new panels at the Peel Ring of Lumphanan will require Scheduled Monument Consent before installation, and that SMC may also be required for the removal of an existing panel. Full details are provided below.

Panel Code	Position	Type fixings	Dimensions	Content	Rationale and notes	Photograph of current sign/location	SMC need anticipated?
PRLI	Replace existing directional arrow sign, re-using existing post	Clamp fixings to be provided for post-mount	V2E portrait (300w x 400h)	Parking for Peel Arrow Keep left	Clarifying route to take on approach to site.		No

PRL2	Fixed to timber fence in car park.	Fixed to timber fence in car park. Fixed through acrylic backing plate (painted black)	W2E landscape (400w x 300h)	To welcome visitors to the site and to give a brief introduction.	Back to be painted black.  Positioned close to vertical support to reduce chance of being obscured by cars.		No
PRL3	Within site, replacing previous plinth-mounted panel.	New low-lying cairn to be constructed. Cairn should be about 500mm high at its tallest point with panel to sit at 30 degree angle for ease of viewing. Edges of panel to be flush with mount to minimise visual impact.  Panel to be fixed through acrylic fixing plate.	Panel dimensions: A1, W2H, 840 x 594mm with a 10mm chamfered edge	The motte as it looked when in use.	To fill a gap in the on-site interpretation.  The existing plinth is too low to meet access standards. Angle needs to be increased.		Yes

PRL4	Fix to existing plinth on top of mound	W2 custom plinth mounted panel – acrylic fixing plate	540w x 210h with 10mm chamfered edge.	Ha'aton House	Straight replacement of existing cast metal plate but with size increased to cover full front face of plinth. Font to be large because of low position.		No
Panel removal	Remove curling pond panel.			This content will be covered on PRL3	Sign skylines impacting on view of mound on approach	 	Yes

### **3.0 Appendices**

List of Appendices attached:

Relevant Signage Schedule pages:

Page 84 – Wall fixing intent

Page 87 – W2 and W3 non-framed wall-mounted sign family

Page 115 – Type LT4-5, fixed lectern signs, non-tray options