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Discovery and Excavation in Scotland.

LOCAL AUTHORITY.....Highland..

SITE NAME .....Eyre Point, Raasay.

PARISH .....Portree.

CONTRIBUTORS .....J.S. Wood & J. Macdonald.

TYPE OF SITE OR FIND.....Funerary site.

NGR .....NG 5805 3426.

REPORT.

Eyre Point has the potential for being a significant funerary site probably spanning several millennia. The prominent remains of a chambered cairn (RCAHMS NG53 SE1) has been known for many years. In 1988 R. Miket reported a further six small cairns close by (NG53 SE5) and the contributors reported a chambered cairn at Pairc nan Each, overlooking Eyre last year (D&E 1999).

In February and April 2000 the area was looked at in detail and at least seventeen cairns are now thought to be present, mostly round and many with stone kerbs. All are quite small with diameters varying from 3.0m to 7.0m, but significantly several are rectangular, almost square in plan.

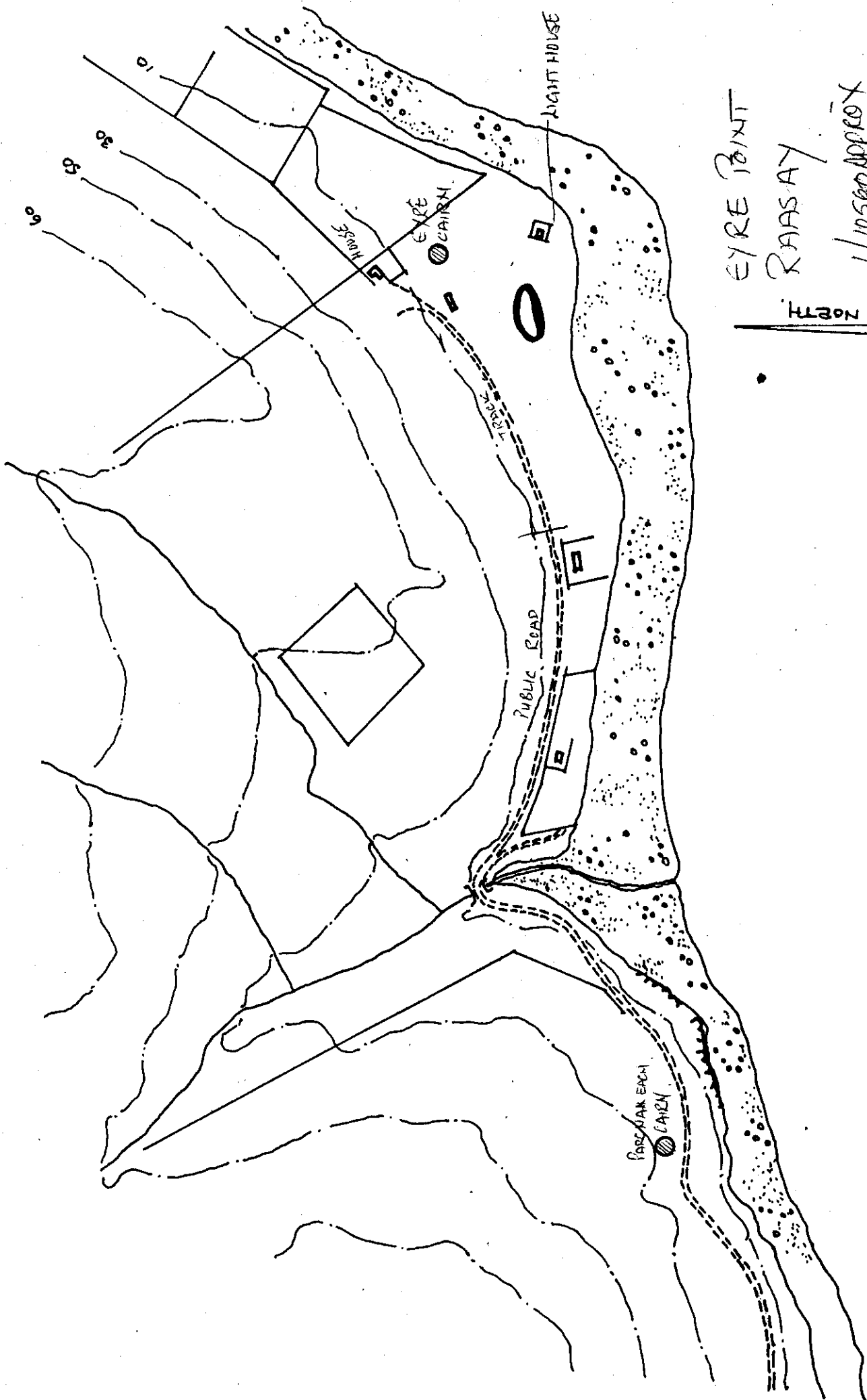
A further very disturbed patch of land, closer to the sea, some 35m long by 15m wide may contain five small kerbed cairns, two rectangular cairns, an unidentified mound and several possible boat burials. The whole area is critically awaiting detailed survey and planning to ascertain its full contents. Sadly, despite the consent of the land owners (Scottish Office AE & F), the tenant crofter is unwilling to allow permission to survey.

A preliminary list of features at Eyre includes, 2 chambered cairns, 3 round cairns, 8 kerbed cairns, 4 rectangular cairns, 3 boat burials, 1 unidentified mound, together with a probable fisherman's bothy and some small shallow pits.

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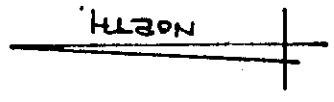
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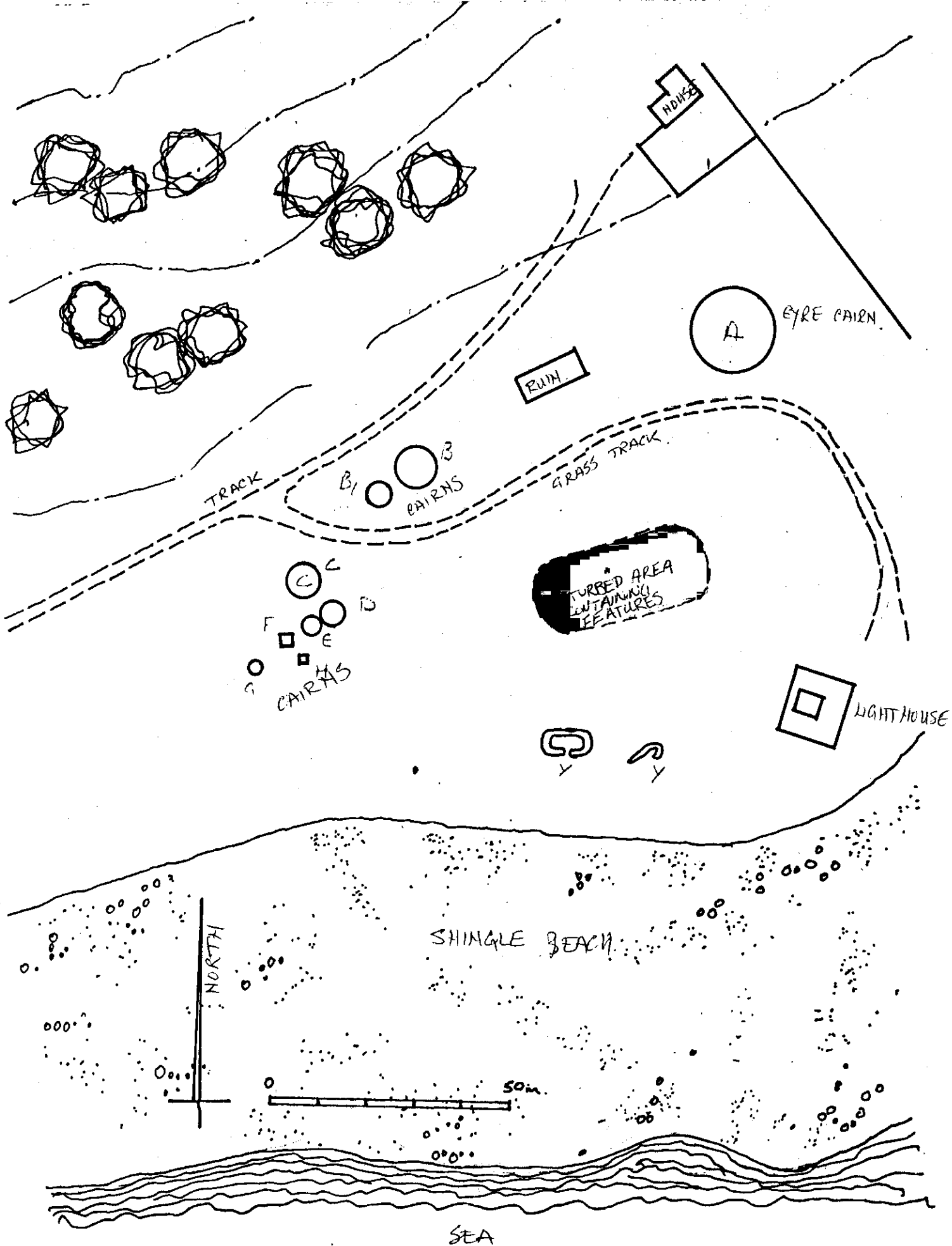
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