

DATA STRUCTURE REPORT: DIUBAIG CARETAKERS COTTAGE, ISLE OF SKYE

Client: RDS Forestry Ltd

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Planning Ref. No.: 15/01422/PIP



The development area

0. NON TECHNICAL SUMMARY

- 0.1 A walkover survey of the redline planning area and the immediate environs was undertaken; two other adjacent areas were also walked but as these are subject to separate planning permissions the results are reported elsewhere. A low earthen and stone bank lies on the edge of the redline area (Fig. 1). This bank was marked with hazard tape and canes so that it will be avoided and protected during subsequent construction works. No other features or structures of archaeological significance were recorded and it is the recommendation of this report that no further archaeological works are required with respect to this current planning permission.

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The development site (Fig. 1) lies within Highland Council Administrative Area, within a forestry plantation on the Diubaig Estate, on the Isle of Skye.

2. OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The archaeological objectives are:
- a. to determine the presence or absence of archaeological features within the confines of the proposed development
 - b. to propose further stages of work as required

3. METHOD

- 3.1 A walkover survey was conducted over the whole of the property. Features were recorded by sketch plan and short description, handheld GPS and photography.

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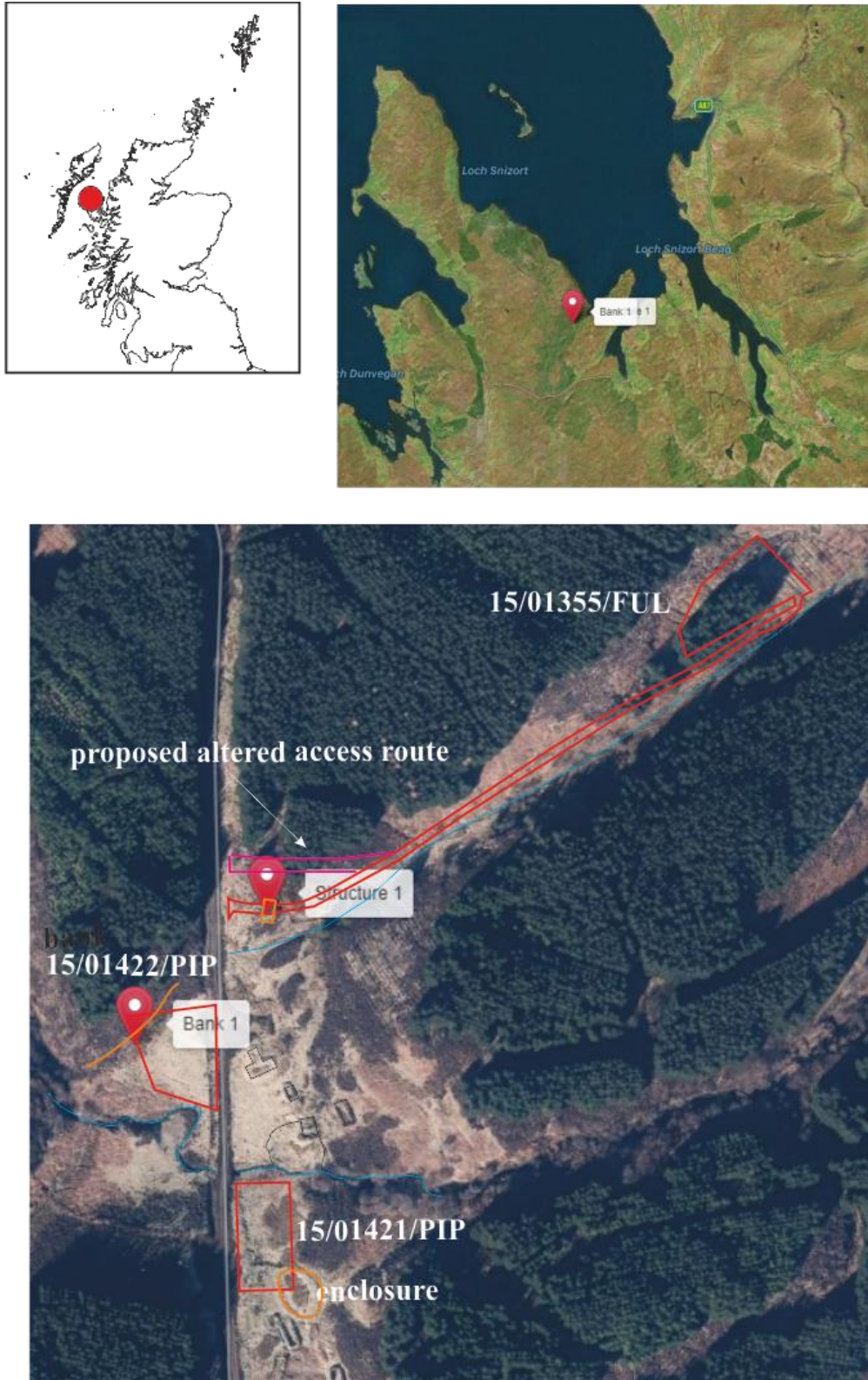


Fig. 1. Location of the development area (15/01422/PIP) and archaeological features noted during the walkover.

4.0 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

- 4.1 A single earthen and stone bank was recorded partially within the development area (Fig. 1 & 2); no other surface features of archaeological or historical significance were visible. The bank was 0.30m high and up to 1.5m wide and ran around the side of the low hill that overlooks the development area. The bank was roughly orientated NE/SW. The bank lies on the edge of the development area and will not be affected by the development. No other features or structures of archaeological significance were recorded and it is the recommendation of this report that no further archaeological works are required with respect to this current planning permission.



Fig. 2. Photograph of the bank, looking northeast.

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Appendices

Appendix 1: DES Entry

LOCAL AUTHORITY:	Highland Council
PROJECT TITLE/SITE NAME:	Diubaig caretakers cottage
PROJECT CODE:	519
PARISH:	Duirinish
NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR:	Clare Ellis
NAME OF ORGANISATION:	Argyll Archaeology
TYPE(S) OF PROJECT:	Walkover
NMRS NO(S):	NG3SW5
SITE/MONUMENT TYPE(S):	Bank
SIGNIFICANT FINDS:	None
NGR (2 letters, 8 or 10 figures)	NG 31929 53838
START DATE (this season)	March 2019
END DATE (this season)	March 2019
PREVIOUS WORK (incl. <i>DES</i> ref.)	None
MAIN (NARRATIVE) DESCRIPTION: (May include information from other fields)	A walkover survey of the redline planning area and the immediate environs was undertaken. A low bank was located on the edge of the redline planning area. The bank is part of the dispersed settlement of Diubaig. The bank was marked with hazard tape and canes so that it will be avoided and protected during subsequent construction works. No other features or structures of archaeological significance were recorded.
PROPOSED FUTURE WORK:	None
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ARCHIVE LOCATION (intended/deposited)	NA