

# PRE-RESTOCKING WALKOVER SURVEY: RAEMORE JULY 2015



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Figure 1 Map of Raemore forestry block OS Open Data

# **Raemore** 31206/31208

#### Site 1 NC 54810 04652

The possible hut circle 1 is c.6m across with walls c,3m wide and up to c.1m high. There is a SE entrance. This feature may be a hut circle but given the other features in this area it may be a large hollowed out clearance cairn. There is visible stone within the possible walls but no clear wall faces. The site was marked by gps and taped around the high stumps c.5m from the edge of the site. The site was photographed.



Figure 2 View of Hut circle 1 looking N

# Site 2 NC 54764 04691

The clearance cairn 1 is c.8m across and c.1m high. The site was marked by gps and taped around the high stumps c.5m from the edge of the site. The site was photographed



Figure 3 View of clearance cairn 1 looking S

## Site 3 NC 54710 04690

The clearance cairn 2 is c.8m across and c.1m high. The site was marked by gps and taped around the high stumps c.5m from the edge of the site. The site was photographed



Figure 4 View of clearance cairn 2 looking S

## Site 4 NC 54673 04685

The clearance cairn 3 is c.7m across and c.1m high with a deep hollow in the centre. The site was marked by gps and taped around the high stumps c.5m from the edge of the site. The site was photographed



Figure 5 View of clearance cairn 3 looking N

## Site 5 NC 54781 04619

The clearance cairn 4 is c.8m across and c.1m high with a deep hollow in the centre. The site was marked by gps and taped around the high stumps c.5m from the edge of the site. The site was photographed



Figure 6 View of clearance cairn 4 looking NE

# Site 6 Dyke NC 54884 04587, NC 54880 04590 NC 54870 04567, NC 54883 04563

The stone and turf dyke appears to be part of a sub-rectangular enclosure but was not followed to its full extent. The dyke does not appear on any maps so it may have gone out of use by the time of the 1<sup>st</sup> Edition OS map of 1843-82. The majority of the visible dyke was marked by gps and taped around the high stumps c.5m from the edge of the site. The site was photographed



Figure 7 View of dyke looking NE



Figure 8 View of dyke looking SW

## Site 7 NC 54831 04436

The clearance cairn 5 is c.8m across and c.1m high with a slight hollow in the top. The site was marked by gps and taped around the high stumps c.5m from the edge of the site. The site was photographed



Figure 9 View of clearance cairn 5 looking E

#### Site 8 NC 54914 04378

The bloomery takes the form of a dense scatter of iron slag, c.15m in diameter, lying on top of the upturned soil of the mounds on the N edge of the planted ground. The site may not have been visible in any way prior to the mounding other than as a very slight green mound.

The site was marked by gps and taped around the area where spread of slag was visible. The site was photographed



Figure 10 View of bloomery looking WNW

#### Site 9 NC 54894 04442

The hut circle 2 is c.8m across internally with walls c.2m across and c.0.75m high. The entrance was not clear but may lie in the SE arc. There is visible stone around the walls. The site was marked by gps and taped around the high stumps c.5m from the edge of the site. The site was photographed



Figure 11 View of Hut circle 2 looking W



Figure 12 View of Hut circle 2 looking E

## Site 10 NC 55027 04486

The hut circle 3 is c.10m across internally with walls c.1.5m wide and c.0.5m high. There is lots of visible stone in the walls and the entrance appears to be SE facing. Site 11 lies immediately to the SE of this hut circle giving the appearance of a double hut circle but there does seem to be a gap of c.4-5m between the walls. The site was marked by gps and taped around the high stumps c.5m from the edge of the site. The site was photographed



Figure 13 View of Hut circle 3 looking N

## Site 11 NC 55020 04495

The hut circle 4 is c.10m across internally with walls c.1.5m wide and c.0.5m high. There is lots of visible stone in the walls and the entrance appears to be SE facing. The site was marked by gps and taped around the high stumps c.5m from the edge of the site. The site was photographed



Figure 14 View of Hut circle 4 looking NW

## Site 12 Dyke NC 55024 04472, NC 55014 04479

A line intermittent stones form a short dyke on the break of slope below the 2 hut circles Sites 10 and 11 which suggests that the dyke is likely to date form the same period as the hut circles. The site was marked by gps and taped around the high stumps c.5m from the edge of the site. The site was photographed



Figure 15 View of dyke beside Hut circles 3 and 4 looking

#### Site 13

This site is described on the HER variously as a burial or a cist with no further description or indication as to where this information is from. As a cist generally consists of flat slabs forming a rectangular box and is used for a burial. The cist is often set into the ground and about 1-2m long by about 1m. Given that the site grid reference is a general one and the cist lies within a large area that has been ploughed and planted, suffered from windblow and has now been harvested it is possible that any remains have been lost. The grid square was searched for any remains but the cist not found.

HER ID MHG42102 also MHG24743 Grid Ref NC 5500 0500 Monument Type <u>BURIAL</u> (Undated) also <u>CIST</u> (Undated)