

# TECHNICAL APPENDIX 11.2: APPRAISAL OF DESIGNATED HERITAGE ASSETS

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| Designation Reference | Designation Name                                             | Category                                                | Distance (km) | ZTV 0-10 Turbines | Direction from Proposed Development | Appraisal Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| SM7929                | Struanmore, chambered cairn 800m SW of Struan Primary School | Prehistoric ritual and funerary: chambered cairn        | 0             | 8.1               | South                               | Due to the surrounding topography, the asset falls outwith the ZTV. In addition, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact on the ability to understand or appreciate the shared intervisibility between contemporary assets (e.g., SM7930, SM2139) in the factors which contribute to their significance. It is therefore scoped out of assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| SM7930                | Dun Beag, cairn 100m SSW of, Struan                          | Prehistoric ritual and funerary: cairn (type uncertain) | 0             | 7.2               | South                               | Due to the surrounding topography, the asset falls outwith the ZTV. In addition, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact on the ability to understand or appreciate the shared intervisibility between contemporary assets (e.g., SM7929, SM903) in the factors which contribute to their significance. It is therefore scoped out of assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| SM3485                | Sornaichean Coir Fhinn, standing stones, Eyre                | Prehistoric ritual and funerary: standing stone         | 3             | 8.6               | North east                          | The asset is located on the eastern bank of Loch Eyre. Standing stones often acted as markers, with several other contemporary standing stones and cairns also along the bank of the loch (e.g., SM3512, SM3507, SM3511, SM3514). Whilst three of the proposed turbines are anticipated to be visible from the asset, they would not be visible from the asset along the loch or visible when approaching the asset due to the lochs north west-south east orientation. Furthermore, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact the intervisibility between the aforementioned contemporary assets. As such, the proposed development would not impact the ability to appreciate, understand or experience the asset. It is therefore scoped out of assessment. |

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| SM3511                | Kensaleyre Church, two cairns 320m & 180m SW of          | Prehistoric ritual and funerary: cairn (type uncertain) | 0             | 8.5               | North east                          | Due to the surrounding topography, the asset falls outwith the ZTV. In addition, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact on the ability to understand or appreciate the shared intervisibility between contemporary assets (SM3507, SM3514, SM3417) in the factors which contribute to their significance. It is therefore scoped out of assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| SM3512                | Romesdal Bridge, cairn 460m SW of                        | Prehistoric ritual and funerary: cairn (type uncertain) | 4             | 8.5               | North east                          | The asset is located on the eastern bank of Loch Eyre. Cairns often acted as markers, with several other contemporary cairns and standing stones also along the bank of the loch (e.g., SM3485, SM3507, SM3511, SM3514). Whilst four of the proposed turbines are anticipated to be visible from the asset, they would not be visible from the asset along the loch or visible when approaching the asset due to the lochs northwest-southeast orientation. Furthermore, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact the intervisibility between the aforementioned contemporary assets. As such, the proposed development would not impact the ability to appreciate, understand or experience the asset. It is therefore scoped out of assessment. |
| SM3514                | Carn Liath, chambered cairn 380m SW of Kensaleyre Church | Prehistoric ritual and funerary: chambered cairn        | 0             | 8.5               | North east                          | Due to the surrounding topography, the asset falls outwith the ZTV. In addition, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact on the ability to understand or appreciate the shared intervisibility between contemporary assets (SM3511, SM3417, SM3507) in the factors which contribute to their significance. It is therefore scoped out of assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| SM3494                | Dun Feorlig, broch 230m NNE of Feorlig Farm | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: broch                                    | 10            | 4.9               | South west                          | Included in assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| SM3884                | Ardmore, chapel & burial ground 230m SW of  | Ecclesiastical: burial ground, cemetery, graveyard                           | 10            | 7.1               | South west                          | The assets setting comprises the settlement of Ardmore, located to the immediate northeast, from which the parishioners of the church would have originated. Whilst all ten proposed turbines are anticipated to be visible from the asset, the proposed development is not predicted to impact the ability to understand, appreciate and experience the connection between the asset and the settlement. It is therefore scoped out of assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| SM3885                | Dun Neill, dun 420m SW of Ardmore           | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: dun                                      | 0             | 7.3               | South west                          | Included in assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| SM3493                | Dun Osdale, broch 850m N of Osdale          | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: broch                                    | 10            | 9.2               | North east                          | Included in assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| SM910                 | Dun Cruinn, fort, Kensaleyre                | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: fort (includes hill and promontory fort) | 8             | 7.9               | North west                          | The asset's setting comprises a north facing slope of Dun Fada, overlooking Loch Eyre to the north. The asset's setting contributes to its significance, commanding and monitoring the loch. Whilst 8 proposed turbines are anticipated to be visible from the asset, they would not be visible in views to the north along the loch. Furthermore, due to its orientation, the proposed development is predicted to be peripheral to any key views approaching the asset from along the loch. As such, the proposed development is not predicted to impact the ability to understand, appreciate, and experience the asset. It is excluded from assessment. |
| SM935                 | Clach Ard, symbol stone, Tote, Carbost      | Crosses and carved stones: symbol stone                                      | 7             | 7.7               | East                                | The asset is no longer within its original setting, which cannot be identified as there is no                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

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|                       |                                                                     |                                           |               |                   |                                     | documentation stating where it was originally placed. As such, the current setting of the asset does not contribute to its significance, and it is scoped out of assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| SM947                 | Skeabost Island, St Columba's Church & other ecclesiastical remains | Ecclesiastical: church                    | 0             | 7.4               | East                                | Due to the surrounding topography, the asset falls outwith the ZTV. In addition, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact on the ability to understand or appreciate the shared intervisibility between contemporary assets in the factors which contribute to their significance. It is therefore scoped out of assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| SM911                 | Dun Flashader, broch, Skye                                          | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: broch | 10            | 6.0               | North                               | Included in assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| SM921                 | Dun Suladale, broch 800m SW of Suladale                             | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: broch | 2             | 5.9               | North east                          | The assets setting comprises higher ground on a north facing slope, approximately 2.5km south of the north coast of Skye. The asset is located within a wider prehistoric landscape, with proximity and potential intervisibility with nearby contemporary assets (e.g., SM911, SM910). The asset's setting contributes to its significance, commanding and monitoring the peninsular and having a potential defensive relationship with the associated assets. The proposed development is not anticipated to be visible in the key views to the north, nor impact the intervisibility between the contemporary assets. As such, the proposed development is not predicted to impact the ability to understand, appreciate, and experience the asset. It is excluded from assessment. |
| SM918                 | Dun Mor, fort, Struanmore                                           | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: fort  | 0             | 6.7               | South                               | Due to the surrounding topography, the asset falls outwith the ZTV. In addition, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact on the                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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|                       |                                                    | (includes hill and promontory fort)                                                         |               |                   |                                     | ability to understand or appreciate the shared intervisibility between contemporary assets (e.g., SM930) in the factors which contribute to their significance. It is therefore scoped out of assessment.                                                                                                                                                |
| SM930                 | Ullinish, fort, Bracadale                          | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: fort (includes hill and promontory fort)                | 10            | 8.7               | South                               | Included in assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| SM912                 | Dun Garsin, broch, Bracadale                       | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: broch                                                   | 0             | 7.2               | South east                          | Due to the surrounding topography, the asset falls outwith the ZTV. In addition, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact on the ability to understand or appreciate the shared intervisibility between contemporary assets (e.g., SM7930) in the factors which contribute to their significance. It is therefore scoped out of assessment. |
| SM942                 | Annait, monastic settlement on W bank of Bay River | Ecclesiastical: monastic settlement                                                         | 0             | 8.6               | North east                          | Due to the surrounding topography, the asset falls outwith the ZTV. In addition, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact on the ability to understand or appreciate the shared intervisibility between contemporary assets in the factors which contribute to their significance. It is therefore scoped out of assessment.                |
| SM893                 | Barpannan, two chambered cairns, Vatten Duirinish  | Prehistoric ritual and funerary: chambered cairn                                            | 8             | 4.0               | East                                | Included in assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| SM2139                | Knock Ullinish, souterrain                         | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: souterrain, earth-house; Secular: settlement, including | 0             | 7.3               | South                               | Due to the surrounding topography, the asset falls outwith the ZTV. In addition, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact on the ability to understand or appreciate the shared intervisibility between contemporary assets (e.g.,                                                                                                          |

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|                       |                                                                             | deserted, depopulated and townships                                                        |               |                   |                                     | SM918, SM930) in the factors which contribute to their significance. It is therefore scoped out of assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| SM9249                | St Mary's Church and Burial Ground, Dunvegan                                | Crosses and carved stones: tombstone; Ecclesiastical: church                               | 9             | 8.1               | East                                | The assets setting comprises the village of Dunvegan, from which the parishioners of the church would have originated. Whilst nine proposed turbines are anticipated to be visible from the asset, the proposed development is not predicted to impact the ability to understand, appreciate and experience the connection between the asset and the village. It is therefore scoped out of assessment. |
| SM90325               | Dun Beag, broch and surrounding structures, Struan, Skye                    | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: broch; Secular: farmstead                              | 0             | 7.1               | South                               | Due to the surrounding topography, the asset falls outwith the ZTV. In addition, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact on the ability to understand or appreciate the shared intervisibility between contemporary assets (e.g., SM912) in the factors which contribute to their significance. It is therefore scoped out of assessment.                                                 |
| SM13662               | Dun Arkaig, broch                                                           | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: broch                                                  | 10            | 3.2               | South east                          | Included in assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| SM13664               | Abhainn Bhaile Mheadhonaich, broch and standing stone 145m SE of An Cairidh | Prehistoric domestic and defensive: broch; Prehistoric ritual and funerary: standing stone | 10            | 4.1               | South west                          | Included in assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| SM3507                | Eyre Manse, two cairns 490m W & WSW of                                      | Prehistoric ritual and funerary: cairn (type uncertain)                                    | 1             | 8.5               | North east                          | The asset is located on the eastern bank of Loch Eyre. Standing stones often acted as markers, with several other contemporary cairns and standing stones also along the bank of the loch (e.g., SM3485, SM3512, SM3511, SM3514). Whilst one                                                                                                                                                            |



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|                       |                                                            |                                                         |               |                   |                                     | proposed turbine is anticipated to be visible from the asset, the proposed development would not be visible from the asset along the loch or visible when approaching the asset due to the lochs north west-south east orientation. Furthermore, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact the intervisibility between the aforementioned contemporary assets. As such, the proposed development would not impact the ability to appreciate, understand or experience the asset. It is therefore scoped out of assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| SM3417                | Kensaleyre Church, cairns and standing stones 1200m SSE of | Prehistoric ritual and funerary: cairn (type uncertain) | 1             | 8.7               | North east                          | The asset is located to the south of Loch Eyre, approximately 0.5km south of the River Haultin. Standing stones and cairns often acted as markers along watercourses, with several other contemporary cairns and standing stones also along the bank of the loch and the associated river (e.g., SM3485, SM3512, SM3511, SM3514). Whilst one proposed turbine is anticipated to be visible from the asset, the proposed development would not be visible from the asset along the river or visible when approaching the asset. Furthermore, the proposed development is not anticipated to impact the intervisibility between the aforementioned contemporary assets. As such, the proposed development would not impact the ability to appreciate, understand or experience the asset. It is therefore scoped out of assessment. |
| SM903                 | Ullinish Lodge, chambered cairn, Bracadale                 | Prehistoric ritual and funerary: chambered cairn        | 10            | 8.0               | South                               | Included in assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Category A LB498      | Dunvegan Parish Church (Church of Scotland)                |                                                         | 8.5           | 0                 | West                                | The asset is situated to the east of the A850, within the village of Dunvegan. The setting of the asset is                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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|                       |                                                             |          |               |                   |                                     | the village, utilising views to the church. As the asset, nor its approaches fall within the ZTV it has been scoped out of assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Category A LB501      | Dunvegan Castle, approach causeway and bridges              |          | 9.1           | 0                 | West                                | The asset is situated on an elevated outcrop overlooking Loch Dunvegan to the west. The approach towards the castle from land is towards the west, away from the proposed development. There is significant forestry to the east of the castle. The ZTV indicates that the topography would screen the proposed turbines from the view of the castle and its approach, and as such it has been scoped out of assessment. |
| Category A LB503      | Dunvegan Castle                                             |          | 9.2           | 0                 | West                                | The setting of the asset is the wider castle compound within which it is situated. The ZTV indicates that the proposed turbines would not be visible from this location, and the placement of the proposed development would not cause intervisibility issues with the rest of the castle buildings. As such, the asset has been excluded from assessment.                                                               |
| GDL00164              | Dunvegan Castle – Inventoried Garden and Designed Landscape |          | 9             | 0                 | West                                | Due to the surrounding topography, the asset falls outwith the ZTV. The proposed development is not anticipated to be visible within any key views, such as in the Woodland Garden or the approach towards the castle. It is therefore scoped out of assessment.                                                                                                                                                         |

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