

**APPENDIX I
CULTURAL HERITAGE – KNOWN
SITES**

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Cultural Heritage - Known sites

Known archaeological sites in the vicinity show that the area has evidence of early exploitation and habitation from the Mesolithic down to post-Mediaeval times. There are few Historic Buildings: the area has been extensively developed as suburbs of Belfast since 1800 and more particularly in the 20th century, and some early buildings have evidently been demolished.

The area has one Historic Park but few industrial archaeology sites and few Defence Heritage sites.

Background

The area is one which clearly had many more sites before 1800 than it does at present, particularly of the Early Christian period. The OS Memoirs note the presence of raths in the 1830s and before, reporting that there were only 13 raths in the whole parish of Carrickfergus, but that over 60 had within living memory been destroyed because they “interfered with the progress of agriculture”. The Memoirs also reported that the raths seem to have produced much more in the way of artifacts than has usually been the case in recent excavations of raths, implying perhaps that the area was prosperous in Early Christian times.

Study of early maps and estate records in the Public Record Office (NI) was carried out for this assessment and shows that the proposed development will be taking place in a potentially rich historic environment which has been in use for transportation and other purposes since early medieval times.

Archaeological SMR

Roughly 28 sites in the vicinity appear in the EHS Sites and Monuments Record:

In the case of 4 of these, it is possible that archaeological remains would be affected by the development. These 4 sites comprise: a late-Medieval tower house (Castle Lug, ANT 52/49); a cropmark ring of light colour, 35 m in diameter (ANT 52/87), perhaps a rath bank; an enclosure some 90 m by 75 m (Lettice Lands, ANT 52/90); and also Ant 52/84, a possible enclosure perhaps in the general area of Ant 52/87 but of which the location is only very imprecisely established.

Two further sites are near the road, but are outside the area on which there will be direct impact. A Mesolithic kitchen midden (at Greenisland, ANT 52/65) seems unlikely to be affected, being off the coast; and an Early Christian souterrain (Oakfield Farm, ANT 52/86) seems unlikely to be affected, being too far inland.

Information recorded in the EHS SMR is as follows.

Ant 52/49. Castle Lug

- SMR no: ANT 052:049
- Castle Lug: in State Care
- Fortification: Late-Medieval; Medieval tower house
- Grid Ref: J37398440
- Sitename: Castle Lug, Clogh-na-Larty, Clogh-na-Hearty, Clogh-na-Harty, Clogh-na-Herty, Cloghlougherty, Castle Lugg, Castle Lugge, Castle Log, Clough-na-Harty
- Townland: West Division; District Council: Carrickfergus; Parish: Carrick; Barony: None

- Condition: some remains
- Bibliography: Brannon, N.F. UJA 44 & 45, 1981-2, 202-3; McSkimmin, S. 1909, 371; O.S. Field Report No. 374; O.S. Memoirs Carrickfergus: Boyle, 1839, 24-5; O'Lavery, J. Vol. III, 1884, 78; UJA 3 (1st Ser.) 1855, 83.

Description

On an area of ground raised above the shoreline of Belfast Lough, with excellent views. The tower was described in the OS memoirs as "a square tower... nothing now remains but a portion of the N wall 27 ft long & 25 ft high - with a very small portion of the E side attached to it...There is no tradition or local record to throw any light on the origin, history or destruction of this castle". A small excavation was carried out at the site in 1980, but failed to establish a precise date or layout of the structure; documentary evidence suggest it existed by 1570. It is still much as it was when described in 1839, with the remains of the N wall, 8m long x 1.2m thick x c.5 m high & a fragment of the E wall surviving at the NE corner. Two modern walls extend S from the E & W sides of the N wall & formed part of a forge.

The OS Memoirs give two descriptions of Castle Lug. The descriptions differ only slightly, and both of them seem to describe a ruin in much the same condition as today, though not surrounded by such a built-up area.

See photos, Figs. 24-28 in Appendix H.

Ant 52/65. Kitchen midden

- SMR no: ANT 052:065
- Occupation site: Mesolithic kitchen midden
- Grid Ref: J38778520
- Site name: Greenisland
- Townland: West Division; District Council: Carrickfergus; Parish: Carrickfergus or St. Nicholas; Barony: none
- Condition: no visible remains
- Bibliography: McMillan, N.F. UJA 1, 1938, 226-7.

Description.

This kitchen midden, containing Mesolithic material - worked/utilised flints, shellfish & food debris - was found on Greenisland in 1932, appearing as a layer of dark coloured soil. There are now no visible remains of the midden.

Ant 52/84. Enclosure

- SMR no: Ant 052:084
- Enclosure (unlocated): period unknown
- Grid Ref: J3885
- Townland: West Division; District Council: Carrickfergus; Parish: Carrickfergus or St. Nicholas; Barony: None
- Condition: Unknown
- Not precisely located. [As a result, the location plotted on the maps is not exact: the site presumably lies within 500 metres or so of the location marked].

Ant 52/86. Souterrain

- SMR no: ANT 052:086

- Souterrain: Early Christian
- Grid Ref: J373845
- Site name: Oakfield Farm, Neill's Lane, Greenisland
- Townland: West Division; District Council: Carrickfergus; Parish: Carrickfergus or St. Nicholas; Barony: none
- Condition: no visible remains
- Bibliography: none

Description.

A souterrain, opened in 1936 was reported to the dept. by phone. It was located, from the description given, to a field N of Castle Lug. The presumed location is a small field with some rushes growing, on a very slight incline to N. The land rises gradually in this direction towards Knockagh Hill. Views would seem to have generally been quite good. No trace of the souterrain is now visible.

Ant 52/87. AP rath?

- SMR no: ANT 052:087
- light cropmark ring, 35 m diam, on air photo
- Type of site uncertain, perhaps Early Christian rath
- Grid Ref: J38038512
- Townland: West Division; District Council: Carrickfergus; Parish: Carrickfergus or St. Nicholas; Barony: None
- Condition: no visible remains
- Bibliography: none

Description

This site was picked up on an aerial photograph as a light cropmark ring 35m diam., best preserved at NW & invisible at SE. Dark lines marked the inside & outside of the ring. The site is in heavy arable land sloping gently down to Belfast Lough at SE.

[The EHS records state that "There are no visible remains of the site on the ground" but in summer 2006 traces were seen in the field of what may possibly be the site (see Fig. 22 of Appendix H). The air photograph used by EHS has not been identified. The site was perhaps visible on one of the air photos used in the present study: see Appendix L and Figs, 18 and 19 of Appendix H.]

Ant 52/90. Enclosure

- SMR no: ANT 052:090
- Enclosure: period uncertain
- Grid Ref: J38498563
- Site name: Lettice Lands, Letticeland
- Townland: West Division; District Council: Carrickfergus; Parish: Carrickfergus or St. Nicholas; Barony: none
- Condition: some remains
- Bibliography: none

Description.

In an undulating field sloping up gradually to NW, with good views. APs showed an old field system with one upstanding bank running NW-SE & an irregular triangular

enclosure defined by a bank & outer ditch, 90m NW-SE x 75m NE-SW. Inside this was a rectangular earthwork, open at the SE end, 20m long. The site was visited in 1981 & consisted of an enclosing bank & ditch SE-N-W, defined by a stream elsewhere. The remains of the building stood within. A rectangular structure formed by grass covered banks still stands, open at SE end & 16m wide. The banks are 0.6m high & 3.7m wide. The ground around the structure has been much disturbed by drainage work.

See Figs. 14 to 17 and Fig. 21 of Appendix H.

Historic Buildings

Only about seven buildings in the vicinity of this stretch of the Shore Road are mentioned in the Historic Buildings Record of EHS. Three are directly adjacent to the proposed new road and may be affected by the proposed development.

B.3.1. Gradings

The Historic Buildings on the EHS list are all graded into the following categories. Grades A and B are listed buildings.

Grade A

Buildings of national importance including both outstanding grand buildings and the fine, little altered example of some important style or date.

Grade B+

Buildings that might have merited A status but for relatively minor detracting features such as impurities of design, or lower quality additions or alterations. Also buildings that stand out above the general mass of grade B1 buildings because of exceptional interiors or some other features.

Grade B1 and B2

Buildings of local importance or good examples of some period of style. Some degree of alteration or imperfection may be acceptable.

Record only

Some buildings which are not listed buildings are on the EHS list as 'record only'. These buildings did not meet listing criteria but many nevertheless make a valuable contribution to the built heritage.

B.3.2. Buildings on Shore Road

The following three buildings all open directly off the Shore Road: all are Listed Buildings, graded B1.

HB21/08/005: Dalriada gate lodge

- 684 Shore Road, Newtownabbey, Co. Antrim
- Survey 1: B1
- Date of Listing: 05/05/1989
- Current Building Use: Gates/Screens/Lodges
- Principal Former Use: Lodge

This is also listed on the Buildings at Risk in Northern Ireland (BARNI) database. It is an extended single storey, three-bay stuccoed lodge, dated circa 1855 and is contemporary with the main house, Dalriada, which is located near-by within the University grounds. Its current condition is described as fair. The house is currently unoccupied and is boarded up.

This building is on the inland side of Shore Road: see photo, Fig. 29 of Appendix H.

HB22/01/001: Ballynascreen House

- Ballynascreen House, 39 Shore Road, Greenisland, Co. Antrim
- Survey 1: B1
- Date of Listing: 10/21/1988
- Current Building Use: House
- Principal Former Use: House
- This house is in occupation and appears in good condition.

This house is on the seaward side of Shore Road, with a view over Belfast Lough: see photo, Fig. 30 of Appendix H.

HB22/07/010: Seapark gate lodge

- The Lodge, Seapark House, Greenisland, Carrickfergus, Co. Antrim
- Survey 1: B1
- Date of Listing: 07/24/1989
- Current Building Use: Gates/ Screens/Lodges
- Principal Former Use: Lodge
- This building appears unoccupied and in deteriorating condition.

This building is on the seaward side of Shore Road, where it lies between Shore Road and the Historic Garden of Sea Park House: see photo, Fig. 31 of Appendix H.

Buildings nearby

Other Historic Buildings in the area, upon which there will be no impact, include the following.

- HB 21/08/004: Dalriada, University of Ulster, Jordanstown. Graded B1 (Survey 1).
- HB 22/07/011: Seapark House, 109 Shore Road, Greenisland. Graded B1 (Survey 1).
- HB 22/07/012: boathouse of Seapark House, Shore Road, Greenisland. Graded B1 (Survey 1).
- HB 22/07/013: bathing house of Seapark House, Shore Road, Greenisland. Graded B1 (Survey 1).

Other EHS Records

In the general area are some four sites in the Industrial Heritage Record, one site in the Heritage Gardens Inventory and one possible site listed by the Defence Heritage Project. None will be adversely affected by the proposed road.

Industrial Heritage

No Industrial Heritage Record site will be directly affected by the proposals. Sites in the general vicinity include one quarry and railway stations at Greenisland and Jordanstown.

- 10259: Quarry, at J 3551 8344
- 5585:044:- Jordanstown Station of NR, Belfast-Carrickfergus-Larne railway, at J 3580 8416
- 1339:228:- Greenisland Station and Junction of Belfast and Northern Counties Railway (BNCR) Belfast-Londonderry railway, at J3719 8570

- 5585:034:-Greenisland Junction and Station of NR, Belfast-Carrickfergus-Larne railway, at J3719 8570

Defence Heritage

The only Defence Heritage site in the general vicinity is a Heavy Anti-Aircraft Battery, which is now destroyed. Its exact location is uncertain: it is interpreted by EHS as being near J369 845, probably somewhere in the area of the grounds of Belfast High School. The proposed road will presumably have no impact.

Historic Parks

Sea Park or Seapark House, Co. Antrim is recorded in the Heritage Gardens Inventory as a Supplementary Site (Area Plan Carrickfergus 22). The extent of the Gardens is shown on Fig. 1 of Appendix H. The proposed road will have no direct impact.

The Inventory records Seapark as follows (An-016): "Sea Park is a lough shore house dating from 1804 (listed as HB 22/7/11) with lawns sweeping down to the water with a very good aspect. There is a boat house and a bathing house at the shore. Mature trees give the house necessary shelter, though no ornamental planting remains. The *Ordnance Survey Memoirs* of 1839 commented on 16 acres of "... prettily ornamented grounds..." and planting. The walled garden is cultivated and at present is used by Carrickfergus Borough Council. It contains the remains of a glazed grotto, which was photographed by R J Welch (date unknown). Recently institutional, the site is now privately owned."

The Woodland Trust wishes an area of woodland near Seapark to be included within the Ancient Woodland Inventory.

SMR background sites

In the general area through which the road will pass are about 28 known sites recorded in the EHS Sites and Monuments Record. All are in the townland of West Division.

All 28 are listed below, and fuller details of those few upon which the road may have a direct impact are given above: Ant 52/49, 52/87, 52/90 and 52/84. Details are also given there of Ant 52/65 and Ant 52/86, as these are close to the road.

The 28 sites range in date from the earliest times (Mesolithic) to very recent (an artillery fort), and include: 1 Mesolithic kitchen midden, 3 Neolithic megalithic tombs, 1 site with cist burials (possibly prehistoric), 1 possible standing stone (again possibly prehistoric), 4 Early Christian raths, 7 or 8 Early Christian souterrains, 4 enclosures (some of which are probably raths), as well as 1 tower house, 1 artillery fort, 1 settlement, and about 5 air photo cropmarks and mounds of uncertain date and character.

SMR no	Edited Type	Period(s)	Site name(s)	Grid Ref	Condition	Statutory Protection
Ant 052:032	Rath	Early Christian	-	J38628651	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:033	Souterrain	Early Christian	-	J38778653	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:034	Enclosure & Souterrain	Early Christian/Uncertain	-	J38588615	Destroyed	
Ant 052:035	Artillery Fort	Late-Med/post-Med	Scout Bush, Scout Guard, Lettice Land	J38498631	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:036	Mound? Or Enclosure?	Uncertain	Breezemo unt, Troopers' Land	J37988661	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:047	Raised rath & souterrain	Early Christian	-	J36198506	Excavated	
Ant 052:048	Platform rath & possible souterrain	Early Christian	-	J37108476	Well Preserved	
Ant 052:049	Tower-House	Late-Med/medieval	Castle Lug, etc	J37398440	Some Remains	State Care
Ant 052:065	Mesolithic Kitchen Midden	Mesolithic/prehistoric	Greenisland	J38778520	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:072	Cist Burials	Prehistoric/uncertain	The Burial Ground, Troopersland, Burial Ground	J3786	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:073	Settlement Site	Uncertain	The Burial Ground, Burial Ground	J3886	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:074	Megalithic Tomb?	Prehistoric	Burial Ground, The Burial Ground, Troopersland	J3886	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:075	Souterrain	Early Christian	Troopersland	J3886	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:076	Megalithic Tomb?	Prehistoric	Troopersland	J3886	Unknown	
Ant 052:077	Megalithic Tomb?	Prehistoric	Troopersland	J3886	Unknown	

SMR no	Edited Type	Period(s)	Site name(s)	Grid Ref	Condition	Statutory Protection
Ant 052:078	Souterrain	Early Christian	Troopersland	J3886	Unknown	
Ant 052:079	Standing Stone? - Possibly Natural	Prehistoric/uncertain	-	J3686	Well Preserved	
Ant 052:084	Enclosure (Unlocated)	Uncertain	-	J3885	Unknown	x
Ant 052:086	Souterrain	Early Christian	Oakfield Farm, Neill's Lane, Greenisland	J373845	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:087	A.P. site - Circular Cropmark	Early Christian/Uncertain	-	J38038512	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:090	Enclosure	Uncertain	Lettice Lands, Letticeland	J38498563	Some Remains	
Ant 052:091	Platform Rath	Early Christian	-	J37778547	Substantial Remains	
Ant 052:092	A.P. site - Elliptical Cropmark	Uncertain	-	J37458560	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:093	A.P. site - Elliptical Cropmark	Uncertain	-	J36758547	Traces Only	
Ant 052:141	Souterrain	Early Christian	-	J36048527	Substantial Remains	
Ant 052:142	Souterrain	Early Christian	-	J36998476	No Visible Remains	
Ant 052:143	Mound	Uncertain	Fairy Mound	J36288617	Substantial Remains	Scheduled
Ant 052:144	Cairn?	Uncertain	-	J36188662	Some Remains	