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SUMMARY

Oxford Archaeology North (OA North) undertook a rapid identification survey, on behalf of West Coast Energy Ltd and Renewable Development Company Ltd (RDC - Scotland) during February 2003. The survey covered a 200m wide development corridor around twenty seven wind turbines and cable routes on Brotherdale Ridge between the Borrowdale and Bretherdale valleys. The development area ran for over 6km along the ridge line from north of Crookdale Crag (NY 5559 0613) in the north-west to Casterfell Hill (NY 5970 0205) in the south-east.

Following the first rapid identification survey, the clients identified additional areas of potential development within the assessment area, where additional access routes could be placed. OA North conducted an additional phase of rapid identification survey within these areas in August 2003 and the results were incorporated into a second version of the current report below.

The rapid identification walkover surveys identified nine new sites (Sites **31-39**) that complemented the previous work of the Phase 1 desk-based assessment (LUAU 2000). The sites include a prehistoric cairn (Site **37**), a marker cairn (Site **36**) and parliamentary enclosure boundaries (Sites **23**, **33** and **35**).

The proposed wind farm will have only a limited impact on the identified archaeological resource. The siting of wind turbine 6 directly threatens the peat cutting area (Site **31**) and the footprint of wind turbine 26 is directly over the marker cairn (Site **36**). The cable route between wind turbines 23 and 24 may destroy the prehistoric cairn (Site **37**) and the enclosure wall/quarries (Sites **32**, **33** and **35**) lie close to the cable route near wind turbines 10 and 11.

It is recommended that wind turbines 6 and 26 be moved slightly along their respective hills to avoid sites **31** and **36**, but if this is not possible additional more detailed survey work and evaluation trenching should be undertaken. The development corridor should also be narrowed or diverted slightly between wind turbines 10 and 11 on Borrowdale Edge in order to avoid sites **32**, **33** and **35**, and more importantly be moved to the south of the prehistoric cairn (Site **37**) between wind turbines 23 and 24. Further to the avoidance options it is recommended that evaluation trenching should take place beneath the footprint of all wind turbines in order to assess the nature of sub-surface archaeological features. Likewise a permanent watching brief should be undertaken for the topsoil stripping of access roads and cable routes within the development corridor.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE PROJECT

- 1.1.1 A rapid identification walkover survey was undertaken for the proposed Whinash wind farm site, to the east of Tebay, Cumbria (centred at NY 571 036) (Fig 1) by Oxford Archaeology North (OA North), on behalf of West Coast Energy Ltd and RDC (Scotland) Ltd. The survey was undertaken in February 2003 and examined the development corridor on Bretherdale Bank, Bretherdale Common and Roundthwaite Common, within the larger study area already investigated in the desk-based assessment (LUAU 2000).
- 1.1.2 An additional rapid identification survey was undertaken in August 2003 on new areas of proposed development within the assessment area, outlined as potential access areas.
- 1.1.3 The rapid identification walkover survey involved a systematic examination of the ground surface within a defined 200m wide corridor centred on the lines of proposed wind turbines and cable routes. The survey recorded the character and extent of the earthworks and features within the development corridor.
- 1.1.4 This document sets out the results of the survey in the form of a short report which outlines the findings, followed by a statement of the archaeological potential of the area, an evaluation of the impact of the proposed development and recommendations for further work. The results of the walkover survey are collated within the project gazetteer (*Appendix 2*) in addition to the results of the desk-based study (LUAU 2000).

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2. METHODOLOGY

2.1 **PROJECT DESIGN**

- 2.1.1 A project design (*Appendix 1*) was submitted in January 2003 by Oxford Archaeology North (OA North) in response to a verbal brief from West Coast Energy Ltd for an archaeological assessment to inform an Environmental Impact Assessment in advance of the construction of the proposed wind farm at Whinash, Cumbria.
- 2.1.2 The project design was to provide for a rapid identification survey of the development area (Fig 2). The assessment area had already been subject to a desk-based assessment (LUAU 2000) and the new survey formed the second phase of the archaeological assessment. The final written report describes the nature of the data discovered during the project within a local and regional context, and assesses the implications of the development.

2.2 RAPID IDENTIFICATION SURVEY

2.2.1 The survey was conducted by walking 20m wide transects within the defined 200m corridor of the development area. The survey was undertaken as an enhanced Level 1 type survey (details of OA North's survey levels are contained in *Appendix 1*). The survey aimed to identify, locate and record archaeological sites and features on the ground and involved four elements: reconnaissance, mapping, description and photography. The sites were located by means of differential GPS Survey which is accurate to ± 0.25 m.

2.3 GAZETTEER OF SITES

2.3.1 All of the information concerning archaeological sites within the assessed area and from the previous desk-based assessment (LUAU 2000) has been collated into a gazetteer (*Appendix 2*), which provides details of their location, period, and character. Locations are given as eight-figure National Grid References where possible and the sites have been marked onto a digital map (Fig 2).

2.4 ARCHIVE

2.4.1 A full archive of the desk-based study has been produced to a professional standard in accordance with current English Heritage guidelines (English Heritage 1991). The archive will be deposited in the Cumbria Record Office in Kendal (CRO(K)) with a copy to the Cumbria Sites and Monuments Record and a copy will be available for deposition at the National Monuments Record.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 LOCATION

- 3.1.1 The extent of the assessment area includes Bretherdale Bank, Bretherdale Common and Roundthwaite Common, and is centred around a series of peaks along a relatively flat-topped ridge (centred on NY 571036). This ridge runs from Crookdale Crag, through Lancey Hill, Dennison Hill, Whinash, Winterscleugh to Summer Howe, and the peaks range in height from 485m through to 347m, and the study area extends in the height range 270m to 485m AOD. This area of fell is sandwiched between the glacial valleys of Bretherdale to the north-east and Borrowdale to the south-west. The area comprises open moorland and was categorised as a mix of '*pasture,...rough heathy pasture, paths and rocks*' in 1863 (James 1863), and is still an area of essentially rough moorland pasture.
- 3.1.2 The study area is an upland region to the east of Tebay, Cumbria, that is geographically a component of the Lake District hills but is just outside the Lake District National Park. Despite its natural beauty it is not within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), and it also not in any conservation area. The defined area does not include any Scheduled Monuments, Listed Buildings or Sites of Special Scientific Interest.

3.2 GEOLOGY AND TOPOGRAPHY

- 3.2.1 The landscape is typical of the Cumbria High Fells Character Area as defined by the Countryside Agency's *Countryside Character Programme* (Countryside Commission 1998). The defining characteristics of this landscape are the deep U-shaped valleys which radiate out from the centre of the Lake District and provide natural sub-divisions of the terrain; these produce a pattern of settlement of localised farming communities occupying the lower ground of the valleys. The land use has been largely determined by the extreme character of the topography with predominantly pastoral farming, augmented by limited arable farming on the better land of the valley bottoms for a considerable period. The upper moorland has been used for seasonal grazing and the density of grazing sheep has limited the natural regeneration of woodland on the fells (*ibid*).
- 3.2.2 The geology of the study area was for the most part formed during the Silurian period with the deposition of Wenlow and Ludlow shales. However, there is a relatively localised area of carboniferous limestone at the eastern side of the study area (Institute of Geological Sciences 1971). The geology of the valleys was largely a product of fluvio-glacial activity with alluvium and gravels filling the adjacent Tebay valley bottom. Boulder clay, deposited by the glaciers flowing southwards from Scotland and the Lake District in the Devensian stage of the Quaternary era (Taylor *et al* 1971, 83-87), extends up the long tributary valleys of Borrowdale and Bretherdale (Lambert 1996, 47).

3.3 HISTORIC BACKGROUND

- 3.3.1 For the sake of completeness the results of the desk-based assessment (LUAU 2000) have been included in this report along with the gazetteer sites.
- 3.3.2 *Place names:* Bretherdale is a derivation of *Brere* (ie Brier) *dale* (Nicholson and Burn, 1777, 493-494). The name Roundthwaite is believed to come from *Runethweyt* meaning 'the clearing among the rowan trees' recorded in 1256 (Smith, 1967, 2, 51) and the settlement here may result from secondary colonisation of this area by Norse settlers (Gelling 1984, 210). Scalehowe, at the head of Bretherdale is derived from the Old Norse *Skali*, meaning 'settlement used for Summer Grazing' (Whyte 1985 105-8).
- 3.3.3 Manorial History: the assessment area falls within the Manor of Tebay and within the Parish of Orton in the historic county of Westmorland. A series of deeds from Levens Hall shows that lands in Bretherdale, Bannisdale, Borrowdale, and other land in Fawcett Forest were held by the monks of Byland Abbey, from the mid twelfth century until the suppression of the monastery in 1539 (Coppack et al, 1998, 81). Byland Abbey, near Thirsk, North Yorkshire, was a Cistercian house and this order was renowned as sheep farmers on the first truly commercial scale (Satchell 1989, 138). It appears that the abbot of Byland Abbey held the grange and pasture of Bretherdale in 'fee farm' (Lambert 1996, 56), there being numerous references to rents received (Nicholson and Burn 1777, 493-494). After the Dissolution, the lands of Byland Abbey were split up and the Whartons purchased this manor, which was subsequently acquired by the Lowther family (Nicholson and Burn 1777, 493-494); the exact date of transfer of ownership from the Wharton family to the Lowther family is not known. Whilst the records of the Lowther estate were examined in the Carlisle Record Office, the information discovered was ambiguous. There was a 'Survey and Valuation' in 1560 (CRO(C) D/LONS/L5/2/24/1) of the Wharton manors, so called because they were purchased from the trustees of the Duke of Wharton. However, a deed dated 8th September 1613 (CRO(C) D/LONS/L5/2/26/8) refers to agreements between Philip, Lord Wharton and Thomas Wharton and Wilson and other tenants, suggesting that the land was still in the ownership of the Wharton family.
- 3.3.4 *Prehistoric:* there is little evidence of known prehistoric activity within the environs of the study area. Perhaps the most significant find locally, although outside the assessment area, is the discovery of a Bronze Age spearhead discovered at Tebay Fell (Clough 1969, 14).
- 3.3.5 **Roman:** there is considerable recorded evidence for Roman activity on the Tebay side of the study area. Low Borrowbridge Roman fort (Site 29) with its associated *vicus* and cremation cemetery lies in the centre of the Tebay Gorge. This was accessed by a road (Site 04) along the south side of Borrowdale, leading south to the fort at Watercrook, near Kendal; this survives as a broad terraced trackway extending at least up to the summit of Whinfell (*op cit*, 48). The main north/south road ran along the bottom of the Tebay Gorge between Brougham to the north and Lancaster to the south. Both roads continued in use into the medieval period and provided a focus for settlement. There is also evidence for a Romano-British civilian settlement, and associated field system, at High Carlingill, at the southern end of the Tebay gorge. While these monuments demonstrate considerable activity in the environs of the

development site during the Roman period, none have been identified within the extent of the study area.

- Medieval: documentary evidence for the medieval period in Westmorland is 3.3.6 notably sparse (Lambert 1996, 45), and the majority of what exists relates to enclosed land and not the common land within the study area. The SMR includes a number of sites (Sites 02, 05-08 and 30) which are of uncertain date but which may potentially be from the medieval period. Site 02 is a ruined rectangular structure, associated with the place name 'Scalehowe', and is in a fairly isolated location at the head of Bretherdale. The 'scale' element implies that there was a former shieling on the site or in the environs and could therefore indicate that there was medieval transhumance practised from this site. While it is possible that the present structure incorporates medieval fabric, this can not be established from a purely documentary study. A similar rectangular structure (Site 30) was identified in the Tebay Gorge during the North West Ethylene Pipeline project (Lambert 1996) and was subject to excavation. It was revealed as a 4.4m x 8.5m building and was tentatively interpreted as a shieling, on the basis of its relatively small size and isolated, upland location. However, such structures are inherently basic in form and typologically are not obviously distinct from post-medieval shepherds' huts, for example. Consequently, in the absence of documentary or place name evidence, it is difficult to establish reliably if transhumance was practised from the site. Numerous other such sites are found scattered throughout the hills surrounding the Tebay Gorge and at least one has been associated with the grange of Cockersand Abbey (Hair and Newman 1999), 156).
- 3.3.7 Site 05 was a decayed rectangular platform spatially associated with similar sub-rectangular and less well-defined platforms. A further platform (Site 06), albeit sub-circular in shape, was possibly divided into two cells and was fairly close to Site 05 on unimproved moorland at the western end of Ashstead Fell. With the apparent absence of any associated field system this would appear to reflect a small unintensively exploited pastoral settlement; it may again reflect seasonal occupation but this cannot be confirmed on the present evidence. The level of decay would imply some antiquity, and the sites may therefore date back to the medieval period or even earlier.
- 3.3.8 Site 07 is clearly a post-medieval building which incorporates the remains of an earlier farmstead, whilst Site 08 is a decayed rectangular, single-celled structure within an upland context. As such, it is likely to have been a shieling but can not be confirmed on the present evidence. With the exception of Site 07 none of these sites are shown on the Ordnance Survey (OS) 1st edition map (1863) and were, therefore, out of use and sufficiently decayed not to have been noted when the map was created. With the exception of Site 02, all of these sites are on the western side of Borrowdale and lay outside the assessment area.
- 3.3.9 The area appears to have been occupied throughout the medieval period due to the discovery of the 'Bretherdale Wool weight' found in a farm wall near the head of Bretherdale (Site 26). It is believed to be date from 1359 to 1389 (Satchell 1989, 131-140). Although the precise position of the find is uncertain, it is likely to have been from outside the study area.
- 3.3.10 *Post-Medieval:* the survey identified a number of demonstrable post-medieval sites (Sites 1, 2, 3, 9, 10, 11 and 12), which include quarries (Sites 1, 3, 9 and

25) and bridges (Sites 10-12). Of these, only Sites 1 and 3 lie within the study area. Evidence from the OS 1st edition of 1863 includes numerous sheepfolds (Sites 16 - 22) and a bield (Site 23). Two historic boundaries extend across the area, defined either by deliberately constructed markers, such as 'piles of stones', or by natural landscape elements such as large glacial erratic stones (Sites 13-15 and 24). Along the peaks of the fells, a line of stone *piles* and mounds stretched from Borrow Beck (NY 559036) to Lancey Hill, Dennison Hill, Whinash, Winterscleugh, Summer Howe and beyond. This corresponds to the parish boundary between Tebay and Orton and includes one natural erratic marker described as a 'Thunder Stone' (Site 13). A further boundary is shown on the OS 1st edition map (1863) extending across Round Hills via Thorny Bank, Eskew Head, Scalegill, to Ewelock Bank, which is also marked by natural erratics described as 'Cloven Stone' (Site 15) and 'Thunder Stone' (Site 16). This does not correspond to any surviving boundary, although it was probably a township boundary (not clearly marked as such on the map) extending as it does between the Bretherdale and Bakew valleys (Winchester 1990).

4. WALKOVER SURVEY RESULTS

4.1 RAPID IDENTIFICATION SURVEY

- 4.1.1 *Introduction:* the walkover field survey was undertaken along the proposed route of the 200m corridor between the twenty-seven wind turbines and communication routes along the ridge line and spurs overlooking Borrowdale and Bretherdale. The development area ran for over 6km along the ridge line from north of Crookdale Crag (NY 5559 0613), in the north-west, to Casterfell Hill (NY 5970 0205) in the south-east. The proposed area also has four small offshoots running along the edge of spurs overlooking the Bretherdale valley, at Bretherdale Bank (NY 5662 0537), Bretherdale Common (NY 5744 0429), Summer How (NY 5913 0371) and Birk Knott (NY 5932 0265). Additonal areas of proposed development for access were identified and field survey was undertaken on these sections, where the corridor has been widened/extended.
- 4.1.2 **Documentary:** following the assessment process from the desk-based study report (LUAU 2000 Section 3.3), the current proposed distribution of wind turbines and communication routes within the 200m development corridor do not directly affect any of the documentary gazetteer sites (Sites 01-30).

4.2 **IDENTIFIED SITES**

- 4.2.1 A total of nine new sites were identified during the rapid identification surveys within the development corridor (Fig 2). These new sites include a possible prehistoric funerary cairn (Site 37), a marker cairn (Site 36), two areas of peat cutting (Sites 31 and 38) and post-medieval enclosure quarries and walls (Sites 32, 33, 35 and 39). There was also a small section of linear bank of unknown date and function (Site 34).
- 4.2.2 **Prehistory:** the only evidence for this period was the cairn located to the west of Casterfell Hill (Site **37**). The cairn is a medium sized (5m by 3.5m) sub-oval earthfast stone mound located on the saddle between Casterfell Hill and Belt How. It commands extensive views down both Borrowdale and Brotherdale, in a prominent location and isolated, and has the potential to be a funerary monument.
- 4.2.3 **Parliamentary Enclosure**: the upper break of slope on the ridge line facing out to the Borrowdale valley, to the south west of the development corridor, has an extensive line of well-constructed enclosure walls. These walls demarcate the upper limits of the enclosed lands and form enclosures that run straight downslope to the valley bottom. The enclosure boundary wall on Borrowdale Edge (Site **33**) is shown on the current OS mapping but has become heavily denuded (up to two courses high) in places. The wall runs along the top edge of the valley for approximately 450m before turning a right-angle and running downslope into the valley. The wall is drystone and is constructed of angular stone slabs that have been quarried from within the immediate environs of the wall. There are two small quarries (Sites **32** and **35**) located immediately to the north of the enclosure wall, which are small simple extractions with a single working face and spoil heaps within. To the north of the development corridor there is an additional proposed development area near Red Crag, Within this is

an already identified quarry (Site 9), to the north of this is an additional quarry area (Site 39) that is probably associated with the construction and maintenance of the road and enclosure boundaries.

4.2.4 Other Features: all three of the remaining features are of unknown date. There are areas of peat cutting on Greenside Crag (Site 31) and Pipers Hill (Site 38) and these are well-defined sunken cut features. There are other areas of possible peat cutting within the development corridor but the peat is heavily cut through by streams and gullies. There is a small marker cairn shown on the current OS mapping and located on the summit of Winterscleugh (Site 36) at a junction on the parish boundary. The cairn is a small sub-circular mound of angular scree slabs on the top of the crag, there is little lichen growth and is possibly relatively recent. The final feature is a section of linear bank at Whinash (Site 34) which is not shown on any of the mapping. It is a low earthen bank in two sections and is overall 160m long by 2.5m high. There are areas of disturbed ground and similar but low lying banks to the east side. The bank is of unknown date and function.

5. IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 IMPACT

- 5.1.1 This assessment has highlighted the archaeological resource within and around the development corridor at Whinash. In general, the archaeological material has the potential to be of local importance comprising typical examples of post-medieval agricultural features and also quarrying. The more significant resource is contained within the adjacent valleys of Bretherdale and Borrowdale. The evidence for archaeological features within the study area is sparse, especially from any period earlier than the post-medieval era. There are, however, the remains of the two cairns (Sites **36** and **37**) and the linear bank (Site **34**) that fall within the development corridor.
- 5.1.2 The generalised impact of the construction of the turbines can be assessed, albeit in broad terms. The individual turbines will have a relatively small footprint, but it is anticipated that the site preparation and clearance of the ground cover will involve disturbance of the ground over an area of about 16-20m diameter. The largest impact along the development corridor will result from the construction of access roads linking the turbines. Similarly, the excavation of trenches for power cables may have a direct impact upon archaeological monuments. The siting of wind turbine 6 directly threatens the peat cutting area (Site **31**) and the footprint of wind turbine 26 is directly over the marker cairn (Site **36**). The access route between wind turbines 23 and 24 may destroy the prehistoric cairn (Site **37**) and the enclosure wall/quarries (Sites **32**, **33** and **35**) lie close to the cable route near wind turbines 10 and 11.
- 5.1.3 The additional proposed development areas for access roads impact upon the linear bank (Site **34**), an area of peat cutting (Site **38**) and two quarries (Sites **9** and **39**).

5.2 **Recommendations**

- 5.2.1 Given the sparse nature of the archaeological sites identified within the development corridor and the flexibility in siting the wind turbines and cable routes within the development, the emphasis in the first instance should be in preserving archaeological features *in situ*.
- 5.2.2 Avoidance Options: it is recommended that if engineering constraints allow, wind turbines 6 and 26 should be moved along the crests of their respective hills for c20m in order to avoid Sites **31** and **36**. Also, if possible, the development corridor should be narrowed in order to avoid the remaining archaeological sites that may be directly affected. The corridor should be narrowed along the south-west side of the route between wind turbines 10 and 11 on Borrowdale Edge in order to avoid the enclosure wall and quarries (Sites **32**, **33** and **35**). More importantly the development corridor should be narrowed and moved to the south of the prehistoric cairn (Site **37**) along the saddle between Belt How and Casterfell Hill. Within the additional proposed development areas for access roads, the development corridor should be narrowed to avoid the linear bank on the east side of Whinash (Site **34**), the

peat cutting on Pipers Hill (Site **38**) and the quarries near Red Crag (Sites **9** and **39**).

- 5.2.3 *Mitigation:* if it proves impossible to avoid any of the archaeological features already identified it is recommended that some sites will require a detailed survey and evaluation trenching in order that they may be recorded prior to their destruction.
- 5.2.4 *Evaluation and Watching Brief:* it is recommended that, in addition to the avoidance and mitigation options, there should be a phase of targeted evaluation trenching placed within the footprint of each of the twenty seven wind turbines. Although the archaeological surface remains are scarce within the area, there is the potential that prehistoric sites may survive as sub-surface features sealed beneath overlying peat formations (OANorth 2003). Consequently, it is recommended that a permanent watching brief be undertaken for the topsoil stripping of access roads and cable routes within the development corridor.

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APPENDIX 1: PROJECT DESIGN

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WHINASH WIND FARM SITE, nr TEBAY, CUMBRIA

ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT

Proposals

The following project design is offered in response to a request from West Coast Energy Ltd, for the walk-over survey element of an archaeological assessment of a proposed wind farm site at Whinash, near Tebay, Cumbria.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 CONTRACT BACKGROUND

- 1.1.1 The construction of a wind farm at Whinash, Cumbria, is proposed and OA North have been requested by West Coast Energy Ltd to submit a project proposal for an archaeological assessment of the site to inform an Environmental Impact Assessment. The first stage of this assessment, a desk-based study, has been completed (LUAU 2000), and the present proposal is for the second stage, which will be a walk-over survey targeted on the proposed layout of the turbines.
- 1.1.2 The desk-based study identified only a limited archaeological resource within a broad study area extending along the Brotherdale ridge. While there were extensive remains within the adjacent valleys, few sites have been documented on the higher moorland areas. No prehistoric or Roman remains were documented, but a number of medieval, possible shieling, sites were discovered around the edge of the study area. The most significant of these is a ruined building (Site 02) at the northern edge of the study area, which is called Scalehowe, and on the basis of place name evidence is likely to have been a medieval shieling.
- 1.3 **Oxford Archaeology North (OA North):** OA North has considerable experience of the assessment of sites of all periods, having undertaken a great number of small and large scale projects during the past 18 years. Assessments and evaluations have taken place within the planning process, to fulfil the requirements of clients and planning authorities, to very rigorous timetables. In particular OA North has much experience of undertaking assessments for windfarm schemes and has considerable knowledge of the Cumbrian uplands having undertaken extensive surveys of over 250sqkm of these uplands within the last seventeen years. OA North has also considerable experience of undertaking assessments to inform proposed windfarm developments from throughout the UK. OA North has the professional expertise and resource to undertake the project detailed below to a high level of quality and efficiency. OA North and all its members of staff operate subject to the Institute of Field Archaeologists (IFA) Code of Conduct, and is an IFA registered organisation (No 17).

2. OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The following programme has been designed in accordance with a request from West Coast Energy Ltd to provide an accurate archaeological assessment of the designated area, and is in accordance with a verbal brief by the Assistant Archaeologist, Cumbria County Council. The purpose of the present programme of work is to undertake the walk-over survey element of an archaeological assessment. This would examine the surface evidence for archaeological sites, it would determine the significance of the identified archaeological resource, it would assess the impact of the proposed development upon the identified archaeological resource and would provide recommendations for any further archaeological investigation. The required stages to achieve these ends are as follows:
- 2.2 *Identification Survey:* to record the character of the extant earthworks within the study area, which would be defined as a 200m corridor centred on the lines of proposed turbines and communication routes. This would provide an assessment of the archaeological significance of any earthwork remains.
- 2.4 **Assessment Report:** a written assessment report will be generated for the site, which will follow on from the earlier assessment report (LUAU 2000) and will assess the significance of the data generated by this programme within a local and regional context. This will advise on the requirements for further evaluation or recording measures as necessary.

3. METHODS STATEMENT

3.1 The following work programme is submitted in line with the stages and objectives of the archaeological work summarised above.

3.2 IDENTIFICATION SURVEY

- 3.2.1 Access: liaison for basic site access will be undertaken through West Coast Energy Ltd.
- 3.2.2 It is proposed to undertake an OA North 'level 1' survey (*Appendix 1*) of the study area. This is a rapid survey undertaken as part of a site assessment. It is an initial site inspection

intended to consider fully the archaeological implications of a development; it also serves as the basis for undertaking and planning further archaeological work on the site. It represents the minimum standard of record and is appropriate to exploratory survey aimed at the discovery of previously unrecorded sites. Its aim is to record the existence, location and extent of any such site. The emphasis for the recording is on the written description which will record type and period and would not normally exceed c50 words. Sites or features greater than 50m in size and smaller sites are shown with a cross.

- 3.2.3 The survey will examine specifically the areas that are likely to be affected by the proposed development. This will entail the examination of 200m wide corridors centred along the lines of turbines, lines of roads / communications and power cables. The examination of such a wide corridor will enable some movement of the turbines or communication lines if necessary. The total area of investigation (see attached map) will cover an extent of c2.0 sqkm.
- 3.2.4 The reconnaissance will be undertaken in a systematic fashion, walking on approximately 20m wide transects, within the extent of the defined study area. It is proposed to use Global Positioning System (GPS) techniques to locate and record the features. GPS instrumentation uses electronic distance measurement along radio frequencies to satellites to enable a positional fix in latitude and longitude which can be converted mathematically to Ordnance Survey National Grid. The use of GPS techniques has proved to be an essential and extremely cost effective means of locating monuments, and can achieve accuracies of better than +- 0.3m. A photographic record will be undertaken simultaneously using black and white print, colour print/transparency and digital formats.
- 3.2.5 An early surface inspection such as this is highly recommended, as such work can frequently double the amount of archaeological information for an area. This fieldwork will result in the production of plans at a scale of 1:2,500 or any other appropriate scale required, recording the location of each of the sites listed in the gazetteer. All archaeological information collected in the course of field inspection will be recorded in standardised form, and will include accurate national grid references. This will form the basis of a gazetteer, to be submitted as part of the report.
- 3.2.6 OA North provides a Health and Safety Statement for all projects and maintains a Unit Safety policy. All site procedures are in accordance with the guidance set out in the Health and Safety Manual compiled by the Standing Conference of Archaeological Unit Managers (1997) and risk assessments are now being implemented for all projects.

3.3 Assessment Report

- 3.3.1 *Archive:* the results of Stage 3.2 will form the basis of a full archive to professional standards, in accordance with current English Heritage guidelines (*The Management of Archaeological Projects, 2nd edition, 1991*). The project archive represents the collation and indexing of all the data and material gathered during the course of the project. It will include summary processing and analysis of any features and finds recovered during fieldwork. The deposition of a properly ordered and indexed project archive in an appropriate repository is considered an essential and integral element of all archaeological projects by the IFA in that organisation's code of conduct.
- 3.3.2 This archive can be provided in the English Heritage Centre for Archaeology format, both as a printed document and on computer disks as ASCii files (as appropriate). A copy of the archive will also be available for deposition in the National Archaeological Record. OA North practice is to deposit the original record archive of projects (paper, magnetic, and plastic media) with the appropriate County Record Office, and a full copy of the record archive, should any material be recovered, with the material archive (artefacts, ecofacts, and samples, at this stage from surface collections) with an appropriate museum.
- 3.3.3 **Collation of data:** the data generated by 3.2 (above) will be collated and analysed in order to provide an assessment of the nature and significance of the known surface and subsurface remains within the designated area. It will also serve as a guide to the archaeological potential of the area to be investigated, and the basis for the formulation of any detailed field programme and associated sampling strategy, should these be required in the future.

- 3.3.4 Assessment Report: one bound and one unbound copy of the report will be submitted to the Client. The report will include a copy of this project design, and indications of any agreed departure from that design. It will present, summarise, and interpret the results of the programme detailed above and will include a full index of archaeological features identified in the course of the project, together with appropriate illustrations, including maps and gazetteers of known or suspected sites identified within or immediately adjacent to the study area. It will also include a complete bibliography of sources from which the data has been derived, and a list of further sources identified during the programme of work, but not examined in detail. The report will also include a complete bibliography of sources from which data has been derived, and a list of further sources identified during the programme of work, but not examined in detail.
- 3.3.5 The report will identify areas of defined archaeology, an assessment and statement of the actual and potential archaeological significance of any features within the broader context of regional and national archaeological priorities will be made. Illustrative material will include a location map, which can be tailored to the specific requests of the client (eg particular scales etc.), subject to discussion.
- 3.3.6 **Proposals:** the report will make a clear statement of the likely archaeological implications of the intended development. They will also make recommendations for any further investigation of the identified archaeological potential deemed necessary or desirable for individual sites. They will seek to achieve, as a first option, the preservation *in situ* of all significant archaeological features, and possible strategies for the mitigation of the development, including design modifications, will be considered. Where conservation is neither possible, nor practical, it may be appropriate to recommend a further stage of more intensive archaeological work in order to mitigate the effects of development.
- 3.3.7 **Confidentiality:** the assessment report is designed as a document for the specific use of the client, for the particular purpose as defined in the project brief and this project design, and should be treated as such; they are not suitable for publication as an academic report, or otherwise, without amendment or revision. Any requirement to revise or reorder the material for submission or presentation to third parties beyond the project brief and project design, or for any other explicit purpose, can be fulfilled, but will require separate discussion and funding.
- 4. WORK TIMETABLE

The phases of work will comprise:

4.1 Field Inspection

A 3 day period is required for the identification survey.

4.2 **Prepare Assessment Report**

A four day period would be required to complete this element.

- 4.3 OA North can execute projects at very short notice once an agreement has been signed with the client.
- 4.4 The project will be under the management of **Jamie Quartermaine**, **BA**, **Surv Dip**, **MIFA** (Unit Project Manager) to whom all correspondence should be addressed. All Unit staff are experienced, qualified archaeologists, each with several years professional expertise.

Site number Site name NGR Site type Period SMR No Source Description Assessment	01 Whitestones Quarry SD 60880 01870 Quarry Post-medieval 14915 OS 1 st edition map of 1863, 25" sheet XXVIII A quarry is depicted on the OS 1 st edition map of 1863 The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period SMR No Source Description	02 Scalehowe NY 56500 05935 Ruined building Medieval/post-medieval 17047 OS 1 st edition map of 1899, 25" sheet XXVIII; Smith 1967 A ruined building at the head of Bretherdale. The name suggests the presence of a medieval shieling which may have been under the present structure or in the vicinity.
Assessment	The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period SMR No Source Description Assessment	03 Crookdale Side Quarry NY 55525 04875 Quarry Post-medieval 17079 1:10,000 OS map A quarry is shown on the modern mapping but not on the OS 1 St edition map of 1863. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period SMR No Source Description Assessment	04 Shap Fell NY 54850 05875 to 55100 06175 Road Roman / medieval / post-medieval 1942 Lambert 1996 The line of a road through the Borrowdale Valley, which extends out from Low Borrowbridge and in places survives as a terraced track up onto the summit of Whinfell. Part of it is of eighteenth century origin but in places there is survival of an earlier foundation. The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period SMP No	05 Ashstead Fell NY 55270 03120 Farmstead / Settlement Medieval / post-medieval

APPENDIX 2: SITE GAZETTEER

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SMR No

Source Description Assessment	Clare pers comm from SMR A sub-rectangular (possible house) platform. There is a possibility of an entrance in the centre of the western wall. There are further platforms in the vicinity. The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period	06 Ashstead Fell NY 55330 03130 Circular Platform Unknown
SMR No Source Description	3120Clare pers comm from SMRAn irregular circular platform set into a steep slope, dissected through the centre. It was possibly a platform for a simple structure.The site lies outside the boundary of the (dask based) assessment area.
Assessment	The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period	07 High Borrow Bridge NY 55110 04150 Farmstead Medieval / post-medieval
SMR No Source Description Assessment	5191 Clare pers comm from SMR Farm buildings incorporating the remains of an earlier farmstead. The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period SMR No Source Description	08 Crookdale NY 55050 04970 Ruined building Medieval / post-medieval 5192 Clare pers comm from SMR A ruined rectangular structure, which is in an isolated upland context and may have been a shieling.
Assessment	The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Bewind	09 Red Crag Quarry I NY 55405 05860 Quarry
Period SMR No Source	Post-medieval 17046 Field Survey, OS 1 st edition of 1863 map _t 6" Sheet XXI
Description	Red Crag quarry is depicted on the OS 1 St edition map of 1863. It lies to the west of Red Crag. The quarry has been filled in with builder's rubble and spare tarmac from road re-surfacing.
Assessment	The site lies within the proposed development corridor in the new access area to the west of wind turbines 1 and 2
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Site number	10
Site name	Crookdale Bridge
NGR	NY 55020 05540

Site type Period SMR No Source Description Assessment:	Bridge Post-medieval 17069 OS 1 st edition of 1863 map, 6" Sheet XXI; Smith 1967, 139 The bridge crosses Crookdale Beck at House Foot on the line of an old road which follows parish boundaries. The earliest reference to this bridge is from 1651 (Smith 1967). The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period SMR No	11 High Borrow Bridge NY 55010 04040 Bridge Post-medieval 17077,
Source Description Assessment	OS 1 st edition of 1863 map, 6" Sheet XXI A bridge described as 'High Borrow Old Bridge' on the OS 1st edition map. The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type	12 Hucks Bridge NY 55265 03960 Bridge
Period SMR No Source	Post-medieval 17078 OS 1st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI
Description Assessment	Hucks Bridge carries the new road over Shap and here over the Borrowdale Beck, thus replacing the Old High Borrow Bridge (Site 11). The SMR states that an 1824 document refers to the bridge. It is shown on the OS 1 St edition map of 1863. The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number	13
Site name	Thunder Stone
NGR	NY 5610 03950
Site type Period	Possible boundary stone Unknown
Source	OS 1 st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI
Description	A stone described as 'Thunder Stone' on the OS 1 st edition map (1863). It is on the line of the parish boundary between Orton and Tebay parishes and was probably a natural erratic which has served as a boundary marker.
Assessment	The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type	14 Thunder Stone NY 56825 06250 Possible boundary stone
Period	Unknown
Source	OS 1 st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI
Description	A stone described as 'Thunder Stone' on the OS 1 st edition map (1863). It is on the line of a boundary marked on the OS map, but this boundary does not correspond to the modern parish boundary. It was probably a natural erratic which has served as a boundary marker.
Assessment	The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.

Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	 15 Cloven Stone NY 56250 06850 Possible boundary stone Unknown OS 1st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A stone described as 'Cloven Stone' on the OS 1st edition map (1863). It is on the line of a boundary marked on the OS map, but this boundary does not correspond to the modern parish boundary. It was probably a natural erratic which has served as a boundary marker. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	 16 Parrocks NY 56475 06050 Sheepfold Post-medieval OS 1st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A sheepfold shown on the OS 1st edition map, adjacent to Bretherdale Beck. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	 17 Adam's Hill NY 57600 04300 Sheepfold Post-medieval OS 1st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A rectangular sheepfold shown on the OS 1st edition map. It is shown butting on to the unenclosed side of a parliamentary enclosure boundary. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	 18 Low Borrowdale NY 58125 02225 Sheepfold Post-medieval OS 1st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A rectangular sheepfold shown on the OS 1st edition map. It is shown butting on to the unenclosed side of a parliamentary enclosure boundary. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	 19 Gillsgrassing Wood NY 59850 01950 Sheepfold Post-medieval OS 1st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A rectangular sheepfold shown on the OS 1st edition map. It is shown butting on to the unenclosed side of a parliamentary enclosure boundary. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name	20 Casterfell Hill

NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	NY 59525 02400 Sheepfold Post-medieval OS 1 st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A sheepfold shown on the OS 1 st edition map adjacent to a tributary of Roundthwaite Beck. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	 21 High Borrowdale NY 57300 02725 Sheepfold Post-medieval OS 1st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A rectangular sheepfold shown on the OS 1st edition map. It is shown butting on to the enclosed side of a parliamentary enclosure boundary. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	22 Crowsdale Beck NY 59150 02950 Sheepfold Post-medieval OS 1 st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A two celled sheepfold shown on the OS 1 st edition map, within a bow of Roundthwaite Beck at the junction with Crowsdale Beck. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	23 Casterfell Hill NY 59625 02500 Bield Post-medieval OS 1 st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A bield shown on the OS 1 st edition map near to and slightly below the sheepfold Site 20. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	 24 White Stone NY 60925 02000 Natural Stone Unknown OS 1st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A site is shown as 'White Stone' on the OS 1st edition map. It is beside the main north/south 'A' road, and is near to an 'Old Quarry' which is also shown on the map. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR	25 Jeffrey's Mount NY 60925 01800

Site type Period Source Description Assessment	Old Quarry Post-medieval OS 1 st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A quarry site shown as 'Old Quarry' on the OS 1 st edition map. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	26 Breast High Road NY 55450 03800 to 57500 04900 Old Road Post-medieval OS 1 st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A road extending over the top of Bretherdale Common linking Bretherdale to Borrowdale. It is shown on the OS 1 st edition map. The site lies within the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	27 Head of Bretherdale NY 569 058 Wool Weight Medieval Satchell 1989 A wool weight was found at the head of Bretherdale incorporated into a field wall but has an imprecise provenance. It dates to between 1359 and 1389. The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	28 Round Hills NY 5667 0640 Well Post-medieval OS 1 st edition map (1863), 6" Sheet XXI A well is shown on the OS 1 st edition map (1863). It is on the line of a boundary defined in part by Sites 14 and 15. The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description	29 Low Borrowbridge NY 6094 1259 Roman Fort Roman Lambert 1996; Ferguson 1886; Hildyard and Gillam 1951 The Low Borrowbridge Roman fort controlled communications through the Tebay Gorge, on the road between Lancaster and Brougham. The earthwork remains of the fort survive intact, extending over less than three acres. It was the subject of excavations in 1883 (Ferguson 1886), which demonstrated that the fort was a parallelogram and revealed a putative bathhouse outside the fort's south-east corner. Further excavation was undertaken in 1950 (Hildyard and Gillam 1951, 49) which demonstrated the presence of a ditch within the western rampart which was probably the surviving element of an earlier fort. The fill of this ditch contained pottery of Flavian date. The same excavation also revealed ceramics of the later fourth century which demonstrate that the fort was occupied for a considerable period.
Assessment	The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.

Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description	30 Powsons NY 61368 02310 Rectangular structure Medieval Lambert 1996 A group of trackways, platforms and a rectangular structure on the eastern slope of the Gorge. The rectangular structure was subject to excavation in 1990 (Lambert 1996). It was 8.5m x 4.8m in size and constructed of roughly coursed dry-stone construction. The small assemblage of ceramics was generally undiagnostic and from the topsoil, spanning the Bronze Age to the post-medieval periods, and as such provides little indication as to the date of the building. It was interpreted as a shieling, although there is no documentary evidence to support transhumance. The site lies outside the boundary of the (desk-based) assessment area.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description	31 Greenside Crag NY 55851 04454 Peat cutting Unknown Field Survey A possible small area of peat cutting located at the top of the slope on the south-east edge of Greenside Crag. The area is unlike the frequent erosion scars that cut away the peat along the craggy peaks and is a roughly rectangular depression with exposed peat sides. The cutting is approximately 35m long from north-east to south- west by 15m wide and up to 0.3m deep. The site lies within the proposed development corridor directly to the west of wind
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description	32 Breasthigh Road NY 56356 04065 Quarry Post-medieval Field Survey A small sub-square quarry scoop located to the south of Breasthigh Road and directly adjacent to the north side of the enclosure boundary wall, (Site 3). The quarry is approximately 5m square with a single quarry face at the south end that is 4m wide by up to 2m in height. The quarry is presumably a localised quarry for the construction of the boundary wall. The site lies within the proposed development corridor directly to the south-west of wind turbines 10 and 11.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description	33 Borrowdale Edge NY 56451 03942 Enclosure Boundary Wall Post-medieval Field Survey, OS current mapping A denuded enclosure boundary wall running along the upper limits of enclosure on the top of Borrowdale Edge and just to the south of Dennison Hill. The wall runs along the contour of the valley from north-west to south-east and survives as two sections of drystone wall that turns and runs downslope at the south-east end. The wall is shown on the current OS mapping but is much denuded and is rarely over two courses high. The wall is approximately 450m long by 0.7m-1m wide and up to

Assessment	0.3m in height and is constructed of flat, angular locally quarried stone slabs from nearby quarries (Sites 32 and 35). The wall could possibly be from an enclosure that is earlier than the enclosure walls on Greenside Crag to the west. It could be of a similar date, however, has not been subject to repais. The site lies within the proposed development corridor directly to the west of wind turbine 10.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description	 34 Whinash NY 57317 03752 Linear bank Unknown Field Survey A linear earthen bank located to the north east of Whinash crag. The bank survives as two stretches of bank running roughly north-west to south-east. The overall length is approximately 160m long and the bank is about 2.5m wide and 0.4m high on the downslope side (to the north east). The bank does not look geological and is probably anthropogenic. At the south eastern end on the east side, there are several possible low earthfast banks running to the east and a flattened circular feature up to 16m diameter. The features in this area problematic as they were only seen in low slanting light conditions and could easily be natural erosion. The site lies within the proposed development corridor approximately 100m to the north of wind turbine 14.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description	 35 Dennison Hill NY 56548 03817 Quarry Post-medieval Field Survey As small sub-rectangular quarry located on Dennison Hill and directly to the north east of the enclosure boundary wall (Site 33). It is similar in size and function as to the quarry at Site 32 and was also probably used for the construction of the wall. It is roughly 4m², cut into a craggy outcrop with a working face to the north end. The working face is approximately 4m long by up to 1.5m high and there is a small pile of spoil stones to the centre of the scoop. The site lies within the proposed development corridor directly to the south of wind turbine 11.
Site number Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description	 36 Winterscleugh NY 57649 02853 Cairn Unknown Field Survey, OS current mapping A small cairn located on the top of Winterscleugh Crag. It is sub-circular, <i>c</i>3m in diameter by up to 0.4m high and is constructed of small-medium sized sub-angular bedrock slabs. The cairn could possibly be prehistoric and funerary in nature due to its prominent position but there is little lichen growth on the stone surfaces. The cairn is located at a corner of a local parish boundary and could therefore be a more recent marker cairn. The site lies within the proposed development corridor directly beneath wind turbine 26.
Site number	37

Site name NGR Site type Period Source Description Assessment	Casterfell Hill NY 59407 02083 Cairn Prehistoric Field Survey A medium sized earthfast stone cairn located on a saddle between Belt How to the west and Casterfell Hill to the east and is immediately to the north of a small flat plateau on the edge of the valley side. The cairn stands out against the surrounding topography as it has green grass covering a stone construction in an area where other than outcropping stone there is no loose stone on the ground. The cairn is a sub-oval mound of earthfast stones that is approximately 5m long east-west by 3.5m wide and up to 0.7m high. The cairn is possibly prehistoric as it commands extensive views into both Borrowdale and Bretherdale and is very prominent. The site lies within the proposed development corridor between wind turbines 23 and 24.
Site number	38
Site name	Pipers Hill
NGR	NY 56379 05319
Site type	Peat Cutting Unknown
Period Source	Field Survey
Description	Distinct area of peat cutting located on the east side of Pipers Hill on the slope of the valley side of Brotherdale Bank. The site consists of three sub-square areas of peat cutting, each measuring approximately 15m square. The two westernmost are banked up to the east, downslope side, the easternmost is banked up to the west on the upslope side. The cuttings are only 0.3m deep but are distinct and unlike the
Assessment	natural erosion within the study area. The site lies partially within the proposed development corridor in the new access area to the west of wind turbine 8
Site number	39
Site name	Red Crag Quarry II
NGR Site type	NY 55420 05977
Site type Period	Quarry Post-Medieval
Source	Field Survey
Description	A small sub-circular quarry scoop located directly to the north of Red Crag Quarry I (Site 9). Unlike the first quarry this has not been filled-in. It measures approximately 18m diameter by up to 0.6m deep. The site is a localised quarry possibly associated with road building and enclosure walling.
Assessment	The site lies within the proposed development corridor in the new access area to the west of wind turbines 1 and 2

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Plate 4: Casterfell Hill, cairn (Site 37), facing north.

Plate 5: General view looking south-east into Borrowdale from Winterscleugh

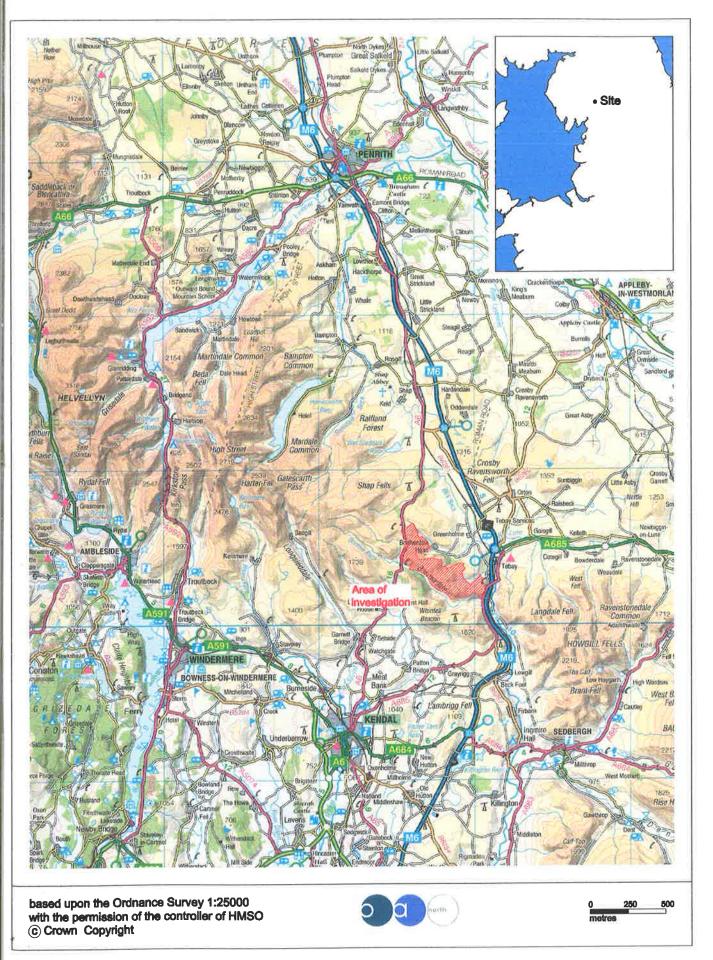


Figure 1: Location Map

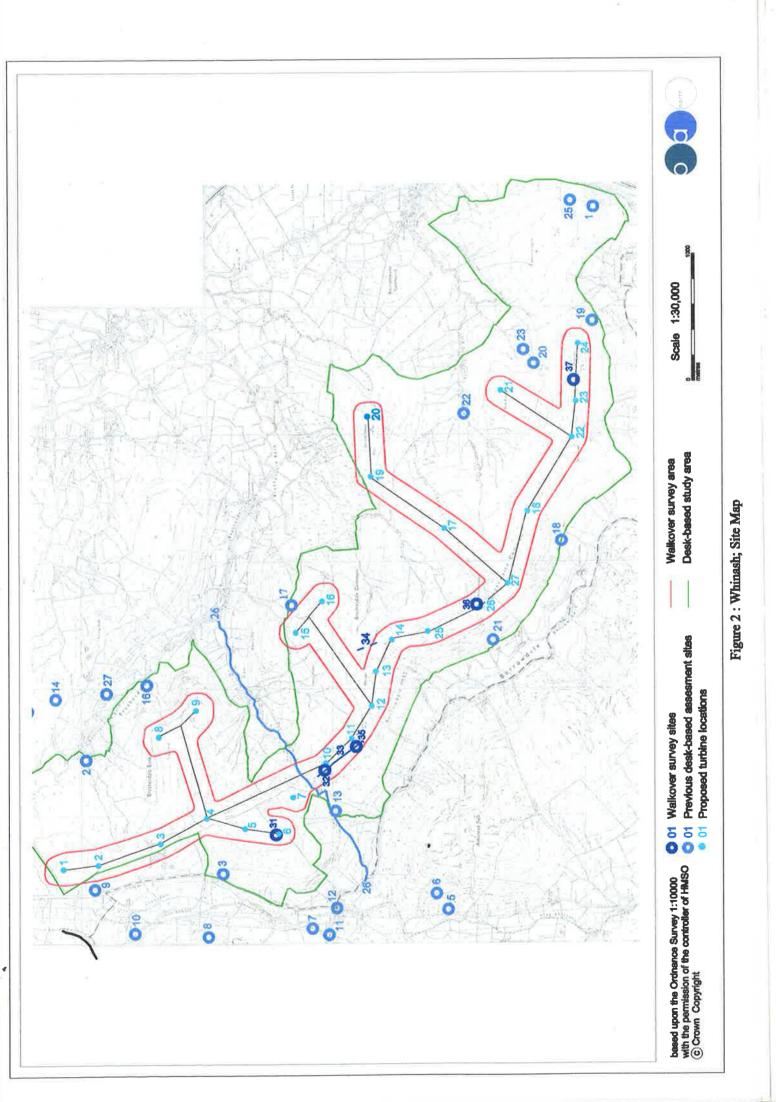




Plate 1: Borrowdale Edge, boundary wall (Site **33**), facing north-east.



Plate 2: Dennison Hill, quarry (Site 35), facing north-east.



Plate 3: Winterscleugh, cairn (Site 36), facing north.



Plate 4: Casterfell Hill, cairn (Site 37), facing north.



Plate 5: General view looking south-east into Borrowdale from Winterscleugh.