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### SUMMARY

A rapid photographic survey was made of most of the building exteriors and runways at Dale Airfield. A few of the buildings are in a poor and dangerous condition, although most are in a fair condition. The interior of the ablution blocks and a few other buildings are recorded in more detail.

### INTRODUCTION

The site of the former Dale Airfield is located on the coastal plateau between Dale and Marloes, centred on Ordnance Survey grid reference SM 79500 06900 (Fig 1). The runways and surviving buildings are all on the same level, whereas the former hangar area, to the east of the runways (Fig 2) is partly set on slightly lower ground. The airfield land is split between three farms: Little Marloes, Upper Dalehill and Crabhall.

Pembrokeshire Coast National Park commissioned this project to photograph the exterior of surviving buildings and the interior where possible. Buildings were also to be inspected for more graffiti than that which was known. Surviving features such as runways and building foundations were also to be recorded.

Little formal recording has been carried out on this airfield other than that by Roger Thomas during his survey of 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century military buildings in Pembrokeshire (Thomas 1994), and the database produced for survey in 1993. A summery of the results of his survey have been incorporated into the Regional Historic Environment Record (HER) as Primary Record Numbers (PRN) and are included in the PRN list for the area of this project (Appendix 1). A full version is held in the HER database by Cambria Archaeology.

The airfield buildings have received little or no maintenance since the Navy left the base. Although some buildings have been demolished over the years, the main accommodation blocks in the "Crabhall" complex remain intact. The majority of these consist of flat roofed ablution blocks with dormitory blocks on either side, forming a spider (Thomas pers. comm)

This project has been limited to the present physical remains. No attempt has been made in this report to incorporate the history or background of the airfield. The area surveyed was the main Crabhall complex, minus the former sick quarters (PRN 28574) and the adjacent Dale House (PRN 28575). The buildings and runways on Upper Dalehill Farm land were recorded. However, those on Little Marloes Farm land and the area of the former hangars and connecting roads, between the Crabhall complex and the surviving buildings at Upper Dalehill, were omitted.

## METHODOLOGY

A rapid reconnaissance was made of each building. External digital photographs and some black and white prints were taken for all meaningful elevations where possible. Access was gained to the inside of most of the buildings and photographed, where possible, in digital format only.

The Crabhall complex was photographed over two days in November 2005 when light conditions were not favourable, with either a lot of shadow or lack of light

near the end of the day. On the second day the conditions were very windy and some buildings were not entered due to the poor state of some roofs.

The buildings near Upper Dalehill farm were photographed during one day over New Year 2006 in clear conditions. A lower resolution digital camera was used on this occasion.

The direction and number of each photograph was marked on plan and transferred onto a "MapInfo" table. Copies of these and the report are on the accompanying disk.

Some building footings were visible, but did not lend themselves to ground-level photography.

### RESULTS

Results are given in PRN order, first for those around the Crabhall complex and secondly for those on Upper Dalehill land. Each entry includes part of the description from Roger Thomas's data of 1993. Additional comments or condition from this project are in italics. Site and building PRNs within the area and not listed below are in Appendix 1. For each building there is one external photograph, at the end of this report. Full lists of photographs taken are in Appendix 2 and are on the attached DVD (if no DVD is included, a copy may be obtained from the HER at Cambria Archaeology).

#### Crabhall Farm area (Fig 3)

28565, Military Building. (Fig 4, Photo 1). c1944, Derelict, semi-sunken, 'temporary brick' construction, small rectangular two bay, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof.. Not present on RAF Dale site plan 1364/44. *Gable roof has gone.* 

28566, Chapel (Fig 5, Photo 2). c1944, Chapel, now derelict. Single storey, type 'standard 24' pre-cast concrete frames, corrugated asbestos pitched gable roof. Two bay chancel with hollow brick walls, four bay nave, roof extended beyond wall posts to form aisles resting on brick walls. *Remains of altar base and pulpit?*. *Porch at west end has no roof.* 

28568, Quarters. (Fig 6, Photo 3). c1944, Quarters, present use low grade agricultural. Six single storey, 'standard 24 huts linked by two corridors, three either side of a central ablutions block. Concrete common rafters, bolted to concrete posts, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. *Roofs nearly all complete. Block northwest of ablution block contains aircraft cartoons (Fig 7, Photos 4-9) on walls at towards southern end. Access to boiler room blocked by debris.* 

28569, Quarters. (Fig 8, Photo 10). c1944, Quarters, present use low grade agricultural. Two single storey, 'standard 24 huts linked by two corridors, to a central rectangular plan, 'temporary brick' construction, flat concrete roofed ablutions block with a combined water tower and chimney. *Modern opening on south end of west building. No access to west block.* 

28570, Quarters. (Fig 9, Photo 11). c1944, Quarters, present use low grade agricultural. Three, 'standard 24 huts linked to an ablutions block by a single

corridor. Two huts 10 X 3 bays, one 13 X 3 bays. Concrete common rafters, bolted to concrete wall posts, clay brick wall noggin. *Mostly intact.* 

28571, Ablution block. (Fig 9, Photo 12). 1941-47, Sergeant's, Showers, Ablutions and Latrines, now derelict. Single storey, 'temporary brick' construction, /1/2--1/2--5--1/2--1/2 bay rectangular plan, combined water tower and chimney set at north east corner. Pitched gable corrugated asbestos. Both gable roofs mainly intact. Shower roof nearly all gone.

28572, Mess. (Fig 9, Photo 13). 1941-47, Sergeant's, Mess, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, 'temporary brick' construction, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. Three ranges. The main range is 14 bays long with a 5 bay return range (Dinning Hall and Kitchen). *Gable roofs mostly intact. Some interior divisions. Part of roof fallen in west of water tower, only NE part of roof very bad or gone.* 

28573, Institute. (Fig 10, Photo 14) 1941-47, NAAFI Institute, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, 'temporary brick' construction, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. 'T' plan with parallel return range to main range off west wall of the rear range. *Nearly all gable roofed and mostly intact except small par of NR block and western end of south extension. Contains fore places. North block has modern entrance. No access to adjacent block on northwest side used pr car and boat storage. Some windows blocked and doors in this later block and some of the main block.* 

28576, Quarters. (Fig 11, Photo 15). 1944-47, Quarters, present use low grade agricultural, six single storey, type 'standard 24' huts. Arranged one 6 bay, two 11 bay and one 9 bay to the south west of a large single storey, rectangular plan, flat roof, rendered brick ablutions block. *East block intact and used for storage. East but one block full of potato boxes no access. Ablution block divisions plus some fittings remain.* 

28577, Mess. (Fig 11, Photos 16 and 17). 1944-47, Dining Hall/Mess, now derelict. One 6 bay, one 9 bay and one 17 bay, type 'standard 24' huts adjoining a central, six bay kitchen block. Kitchen block, tall pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof on steel trusses and purlins, ridge ventilator. *Western part of gable roof all intact except north bay which has been removed. No internal access, used for storing boat and car. NE block gable roof 34 intact. Middle east section roof collapsed. SE block contains fireplace.* 

28578, Quarters. (Fig 12, Photo 18). 1944-47, Quarters, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, rectangular plan, flat roofed ablutions block with combined water tower and chimney. Linked by a corridor to four 11 bay type 'standard 24' huts to the south west and two 11 bay type. *All gable asbestos roofed except for flat concrete roofed ablution block. West block almost no roof left. West block but one, roof almost complete. West block but two, roof 34 complete. West block but one, roof 34 complete. East block but one of 34 complete. Building no longer appears to be used* 

28579, Military Building (Fig 12, Photo 19). 1944-47, present use low grade agricultural. Single 6 bay type 'standard 24' hut. Concrete rafters bolted to concrete wall posts, large hallow clay brick nogging. *Pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. Porched doorway in northwest wall. Roof completely gone. Building no longer used.* 

28580, Emergency Water Supply (Fig 10, Photo 20). 1944-47, Static Water Tank/Emergency Water Supply, present use Water Tank. Approx 4'(1.22m) high

re-inforced concrete, circular static water tank. Cement wall having been shuttered in corrugated zinc sheeting. *No longer used.* 

28581, Generator House. (Fig 13, Photo 21). 1941-47, Standby Set House, present use low grade agricultural. One and a half storey, brick built, flat concrete roof engine room, protected by a tall rectangular blast wall enclosure. Entrance to enclosure in north west wall, doorway to engine room in south side. *Remain of fuel tank in adjacent surround on north side. All brickwork and roof in good condition. No remains of machinery but some concrete engine beds* 

28582, Military Building. (Fig 13, Photo 22). 1944-47, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, type 'standard 24' hut, 24 bay length, approx 156' (47.58m) long. Pitched gable corrugated asbestos. Centrally set brick chimney-stack. *Detached brick water tower centrally set against the north. Part of western half totally collapsed but not far west end.* **Rest of building especially to the east likely to collapse soon as wall bulging.** 

28583, Ablutions Block. (Fig 14, Photo 23). 1944-47, Airmen's, Showers, Ablutions and Decontamination Block, now derelict. Single storey, rendered 'temporary brick' construction, 'T' Plan, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roofs. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 7421-41. *Far eastern end demolished. West end gable roof nearly all gone and north wall partly collapsed. Small extension on north side mostly complete. Middle eastern end for starting to go. Used for storage, no access.* 

28584, Latrine. (Fig 14, Photo 24). 1941-47, Airmen's Latrines, now derelict. Single storey, rendered 'temporary brick' construction, 1--1/2--1/2-bay elevation, divided internally into two and a half bay. Doorway in both gables. Pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. *Roof totally gone. Remains of urinals plus internal divisions.* 

28585, Blast Pen. (Fig 14). 1941-47, Airfield Blast Shelter, now derelict. Semisunken, rectangular open brick enclosure with entrance in north and south walls protected by blast walls. Spine blast wall subdivides within the enclosure. Walls earth banked on exterior surfaces. *Totally overgrown*.

28586, Military Building. (Fig 14, Photo 25). 1941-47, building type unknown, now derelict. Single storey, type 'standard 24' hut, 15 bay, 90' X 24' (27.45 X 7.32m). Pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. *Western block demolished except for chimneystack, part of porch and two urinals. East block modern entrance in south gable, roof intact, used for storage and no access.* 

28587, Military Building. (Fig 15, Photo 26). 1944-47, building type unknown, present use builders store. Single storey, 7 bay, type 'standard 24' hut. *Modern entrance in middle of east side. Used for storage. No access.* 

28588, Mess. (Fig 15, Photo 27). 1941-47, Airmen's Dining Room, present use store. Three parallel, rendered 'temporary brick' construction ranges, linked by a corridor. Pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof on steel trusses. Built per Air Ministry Drawings 7418/41. *Middle part collapsed. West and east blocks still have gable roofs. West block has modern entrance in south gable end, no access. East block has modern entrance in north gable end. Used for straw bale storage, limited access, ceiling starting to go.* 

28589, Military Building. (Fig 11, 28). 1944-47, Building type unknown, present use low grade agricultural. Single, 12 bay, type 'standard 24' hut, with a small rectangular rendered brick, flat concrete roofed ablutions block set centrally

against the north east wall. Pitched gable corrugate. *Western part gable roof party intact. North end of building destroyed for access.* 

28590, 1941-47, (Fig 15, Photo 29). Grocery and local produce store, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, rendered 'temporary brick' construction, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof, 1/2--5--1/2--1/2 bay main elevation, with annex against north gable with corrugated asbestos roof. *Both gable roofs intact. North block has modern entrance on east side towards north. No access, fair condition. North end of west block valley roofed. West block used for storage of caravan and scrap. Internal divisions in southern end including a "decorative" fireplace (Photo 699).* 

28591, Food Store. (Fig 15, Photo 30). 1941-47, Ration store, present use store. Single storey, rendered 'temporary brick' construction, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. Barred windows in south and west elevations. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 7418/41. *Modern? Entrance in east side. Used for storage and scrap. No access.* 

28592, Military Building. (Fig 15, Photo 31). 1944-47, Building type unknown, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, 13 bay, type 'standard 24' hut, concrete rafters bolted to concrete wall posts, corrugated asbestos pitched gable roof. *Gable roof intact except for north end that has part roof and gable end missing.* **South gable end leaning and likely to collapse**. Used to store straw bales.

28602, Workshop. (Fig 16, Photo 32). 1944-47, Motor Transport Workshop, now derelict. Large, one and a half storey, rectangular plan brick built, flat concrete roof workshop. Single storey brick lean-to. *All good condition. Used for tractor storage.* 

28612, Workshop. (Fig 16, Photo 33). 1944-47, Workshop, now derelict. Admiralty type 'S' shed, sometimes referred to as a 'Squadron Hangar' 60' X 70' (18.30 X 21.35m), steel framed, depressed arch steel truss roof, battered side walls with six 'deadlight' windows. Corrugated zinc sheeting. *Steel frame survives and some brickwork.* 

Taxiing areas adjacent to workshop 28602, (Fig 16, Photo 34) are in fair condition, with some surface weather degradation and slowly becoming overgrown with grass (Photo 34).

#### Upper Dalehill Farm area (Fig 17)

29594, Vehicle Store. (Fig 18, Photo 35). 1944-47, Garage, present use low grade agricultural. Curved asbestos hut raised up upon approx 6'(1.83m) high brick walls. Blind brick east gable wall, large double vehicle door below flat concrete beam in brick west wall. *This was a Turner's Curved Asbestos Cement hut raised on brick walls to provide sufficient height as a Fuel Bowser Garage (Thomas pers. comm.). Used for storing trailers and grain.* 

28595. Fuel Store. (Fig 18, Photo 36). 1941-47, Petrol installation, now derelict. Single storey, brick built, square plan, doorway in north west corner, and east wall. Pitched gable roof collapsed. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 3941/41. *Walls still stand and some concrete engine beds within.* 

28596. Fuel Store. (Fig 18, Photo 37). 1941-47, Petrol installation, now derelict. Small single storey, square brick building, flat concrete roof. Two ventilation grills

near ground level and under eaves course in each wall. North west, north east. south east walls are all blind. Doorway in south side with blast wall. *Still mostly complete and remains of concrete bed within.* 

28597. Military Building. (Fig 19, Photo 38). 1944-47, building type unknown, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, 'T' plan, curved asbestos hut. Approx dimensions 115' X 19.9" X 9'6". Brick gable walls, two 16 light standard steel windows in the south east gable. *All windows gone, as has far eastern end of south block, as has roof at the north end of the north block. These were Turner's Curved Asbestos Cement huts.* 

28598. Air Raid Shelter. (Fig 19, Photo 39). 1941-47, Air Raid Shelter, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, pre-cast concrete bolted panels, square in profile, entrance door in north west wall flanked by brick retaining walls and protected by a brick blast wall. Emergency exit hatch. *Almost complete.* 

28599. Vehicle Store. (Fig 19, Photo 40). 1944-47, Garage, now derelict. Curved asbestos hut raised up upon approx. 6'(1.83m) high brick walls. South east brick gable wall blind, large double vehicle door below flat concrete beam in brick north west wall. *Roof and doors gone. This was a Turner's Curved Asbestos Cement hut raised on brick walls to provide sufficient height as a Fuel Bowser Garage.* 

28600. Battle Headquarters. (Fig 20, Photo 41). 1941-47, Battle Headquarters, now derelict. 21'X 8'(6.40 X 2.44m) underground complex of rooms accessed by a flight of steps at southern end of structure. A 6'(1.83m) square concrete observation cupola rises 3' (.91m) above the roof of top. *Southern access filled in. Main complex partly filled with detritus. No easy access.* 

28601. Transformer Plinth. (Fig 20, Photo 42). 1941-47, Transformer Plinth/Transformer Kiosk, now derelict. Semi-sunken, rectangular open brick walled enclosure entered by a descending flight of steps against the wall, entrance in the north east corner. *Wall are in good condition but the interior is mostly filled with rubbish.* 

The main runways (Figs 17 and 21, Photo 43), taxiing areas and other had standings are still readily visible, although some grass is encroaching and forming across cracks and joints. Adjacent to the main runways are linear drains (Photo44), a few of which are still visible and some still open. The covers of these drains are no longer in place.

## **DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Osborne (2004) in his book on Twentieth-Century Defensive buildings concluded that historians, archaeologists and heritage bodies have considered that age correlates with importance and rarity. This may be an over simplification. However, he is correct that these military structures are often as rare as ancient monuments and often capable of telling us more about the past.

The airfield complex at Dale is not just of local importance it is part of Britain's Heritage. A lot more can be learnt about structures while they are still standing. Most of the residential buildings do still stand, but some for not much longer. It is imperative that those most at risk are recorded in greater detail than in this rapid survey.

Where most buildings survive they are still in fair condition and do not appear to have deteriorated much since observed in 1993, other than bits of roof which are now missing. The runways and other hard standing are slowly being invaded with grass, but again they are still in reasonable state.

There were some obvious building foundations, particularly visible on the buildings adjacent to Upper Dalehill Farm, which could do with some further recording, possibly measured sketches and photographed, probably from a short ladder. Also there are likely to be a number of building foundations in the other areas (as indicated on the Royal Navy Air Station Dale Plan), where footings are likely to remain, even if not obviously visible, that should be inspected and treated in the same way if there are surface remains. In particular, the area of the former hangars, to the northwest of Upper Dalehill Farm, needs a rapid walkover survey in the near future.

John Evans of PCNP holds a large amount of information including colour slides of the hangars. Every effort should be made to obtain copies of this valuable record and for it to be archived for more assured survival and easy access.

Consideration should be given to either filling or emptying both the Battle Headquarters (PRN 28600) and the Transformer Plinth (PRN28601). Either way they need making safe in a way that leads to long-term survival, partially the Battle Headquarters building.

The drains on either side of the main runways, where they are visible, need to be plotted and then probably filled in and grassed over. This will save accidents to either animal or people.

A decision needs to be made either to keep parts or all of the runways clear, or let them naturally grass over. It is strongly recommended that they are not destroyed.

The long-term preservation of 20<sup>th</sup> century military structures represents a significant problem in both practical and ideological terms. The structures themselves were normally designed only to be temporary, ownership of extensive sites is often split (as in this case), and there are no clear, current guidelines towards assessing the importance of individual military buildings. However, recent work has stressed the need to approach airfields as parts of coherent, historic landscapes – shifting the emphasis from the individual components towards the group value integrity of a complex of buildings and features (Lake, 2000: English Heritage, 2000: Ancient Monuments Board for Wales, 2003). The need for further research, and the problems of integrating 20<sup>th</sup> century defensive structures into the current system of statutory protection (principally Scheduling and Listing) has also been highlighted.

If statutory protection is not considered appropriate for Dale Airfield, then consideration should be given to drawing up a management plan for the site, in consultation with all relevant landowners and heritage agencies.

Since undertaking the survey it appears that the Crabhall complex has changed hands and the block with the airplane cartoons has been made weather-tight and let to the Dale Historical Society. Some of the surrounding buildings are to be used for boat storage, so some maintenance is likely to take place. However, some of the other buildings are in a very poor condition and every encouragement should be made to retain these if possible. If a building does have to be removed, it is understood that Carew Airfield is looking for a building to house a museum display; one of the Dale buildings could be of use to them.

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## Appendix 1: Primary Record Numbers in area and not listed above

PRN	Туре	Period	Notes
2952	FLINT WORKING SITE	Mesolithic;Neolithic	A collection of flint flakes and a core picked up from fields between Hooper's Point and The Hookses, which were in the possession of a Dr Mills, Haverfordwest, in 1909. They were later presented to the National Museum of Wales as part of the T C Cantril
2954	FLINT WORKING SITE	Mesolithic;Neolithic	A flintworking site (Cantrill 1915, 176 - No.7), which consisted of over 50 flints including cores, nodules and flakes. It also included two possible limpet scoops (recorded separately as PRN 7581), which are a characteristic of some Mesolithic assemblag
2957	STONE ROW?	Bronze Age?	A row of at least 5 fairly large boulders forming an alignment following the line of a stream. Doubtful stone row, and more likely the result of clearance or glacial deposition. NC 2003.
2958	OPEN SETTLEMENT?	Iron Age?;Roman?	Under airfield PRN 28562? KM 1996
2976	FINDSPOT	Prehistoric	A good flint core, which exhibited a large part of the surface of the original nodule. NAP 2004
7581	FINDSPOT	Mesolithic	Two limpet scoops recovered from flintworking site PRN 2954. NAP 2004.
7582	FINDSPOT	Prehistoric	A collection of flints, which includes worked flints from Hook Camp and 'imperfect implements and waste material' from possible settlement PRN 2958. NAP 2004.
11049	INHUMATION	Unknown	Reportedly a site of a ship burial. RPS August 2001
12811	FINDSPOT	Prehistoric	A flint core collected by T C Cantrill. NAP 2004.
12999	FLINT WORKING SITE?	Neolithic	A flint knife, c.7.5cm long, and a number of flint flakes, described as 'many' (Laws and Owen 1907, 172,No.6) identified during the later 19th century. NAP 2004.
28574	OFFICERS MESS	Modern	1941-47, Officers Mess, present use store. Single storey, 'temporary brick' construction, cement rendered pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. Main range, with two parallel rear ranges linked by a cross range. A tall water tower rises from the west
28575	MILITARY BUILDING	Modern	c1941-47, present use domestic residence, single storey,, type 'standard 24' hut, 8 bays in length, 64 X 24' (19.52 X .32m). Modern lean to porch built against north

			west wall. Hut converted into a bungalow, new fenestration inserted. RJC.Thomas, 23.0
28593	SEWAGE WORKS	Modern	1944-47, No.2 Sewage Works, now derelict. Single storey, square brick building (roofless), one filter bed and one settling tank. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.
28603	INSPECTION RAMP	Modern	1944-47, Servicing Ramp, now derelict. Concrete and brick vehicle inspection/servicing ramp. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.
28604	AIR RAID SHELTER	Modern	1941-47, Air Raid Shelter, now derelict. Single storey, pre-cast concrete bolted panels, square in profile, approx 40' X 12'(12.20 X 3.66m) protected by banked by earth. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.
28605	DEFENCE POST	Modern	1941-47, Defence Post, now derelict. Two concrete sewer pipes set vertically into the ground. Rim of pipes at ground level. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.
28606	FIRING RANGE	Modern	1944-47, Rifle Range, now derelict. Earthen rifle range butt approx 60'(18.30m) long. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.
28607	BOMB FUZING POINT	Modern	1942-47, Fuzing Point, now derelict. Rectangular earth revettment, entrance/exit in north west, south east walls. 'Nissen' bomb fuzing building has been demolished. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 4778/42. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.
28608	BOMB FUZING POINT	Modern	1942-47, Fuzing Point, now derelict. Rectangular earth revettment, entrance/exit in north west, soth east walls. 'Nissen' bomb fuzing building has been demolished. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 4778/42. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.
28609	TRANSFORMER PLINTH	Modern	1942-47, Transformer Plinth/Transformer Kiosk, now derelict. Small rectangular, 6'(1.83m) high open brick walled enclosure with concrete floor. Broken glass set in cement on crest of walls. Blast wall protected entrance in east wall.
28610	MILITARY BUILDING	Modern	1944-47, Building type unknown, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, 19 bay main range, 6 bay rear range, type 'standard 24' hut. Main range, eight 9 light standard steel windows and two doorways in south elevation, corrugated asbestos pi
28611	MILITARY BUILDING	Modern	1944-47, Building type unknown, now derelict. 4'(1.22m) high, rectangular brick walled structure, internally sub divided by cross walls. Roofed over by wooden beams covered with roughly poured mass concrete, which extends beyond the south wall at 45 de

Photo	PRN	Date	Notes
546	28566	15/11/2005	Chapel exterior. View NE
548	28566	15/11/2005	Chapel exterior. View NE
550	28566	15/11/2005	Chapel exterior. View S
551	28566	15/11/2005	Chapel interior. View E
552		15/11/2005	General view of accommodation blocks. View
			NW
555	28568	15/11/2005	North exterior, eastern. View S
556	28568	15/11/2005	North exterior, western part. View S
554	28568	15/11/2005	Exterior east side. View NW
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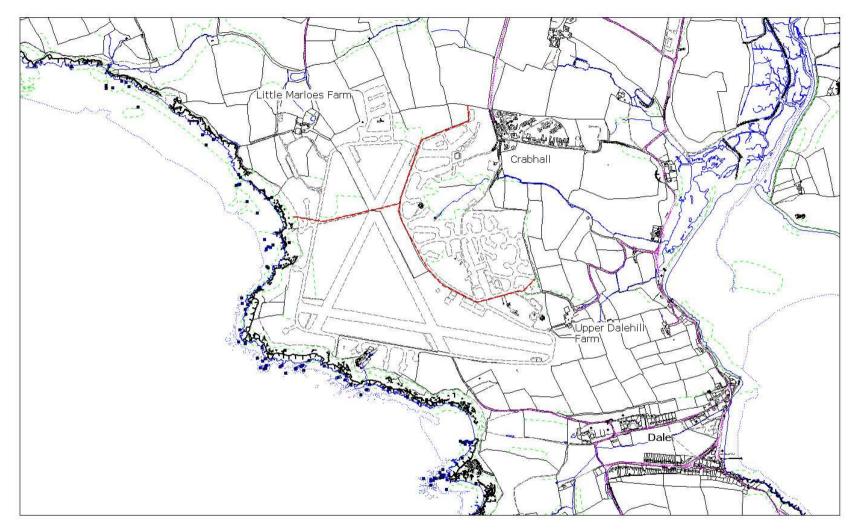


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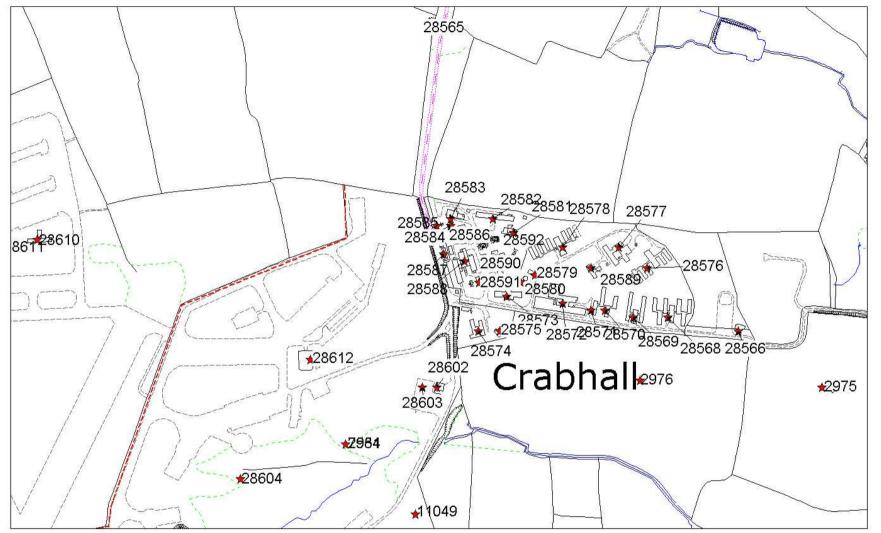


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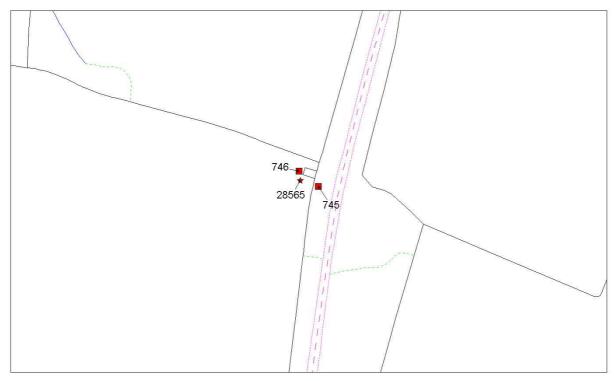
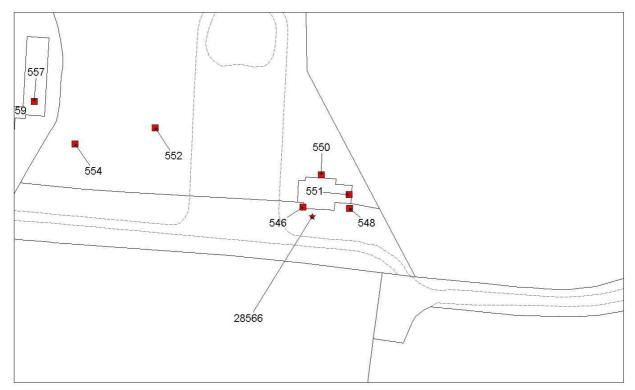


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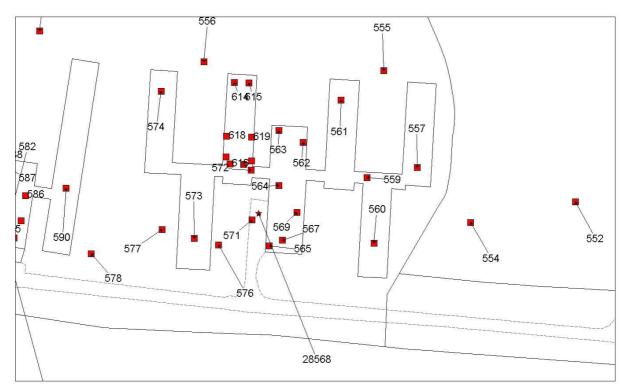


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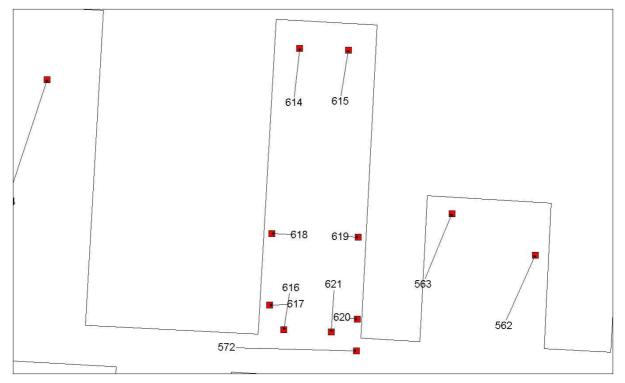


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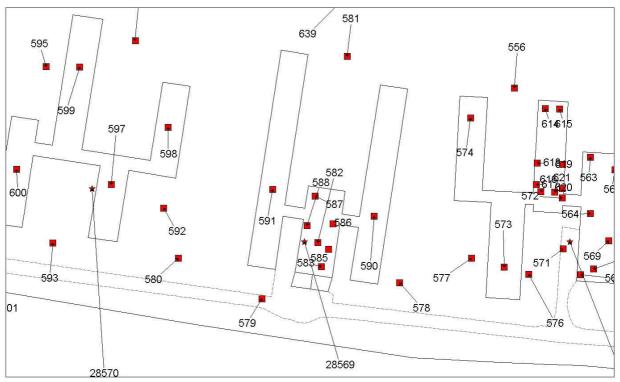
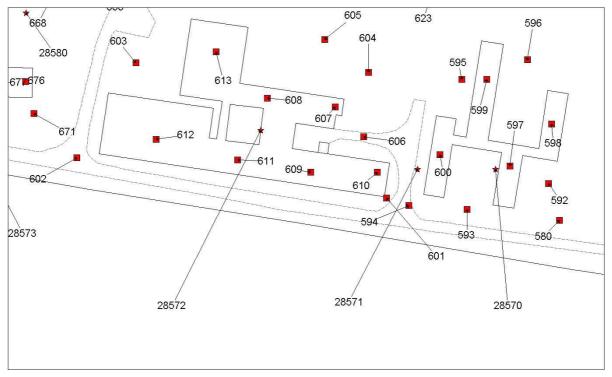


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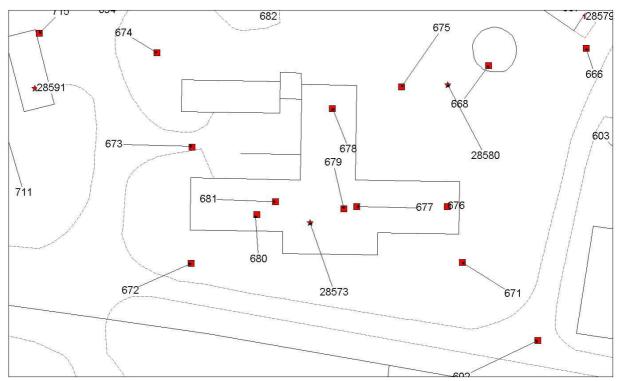


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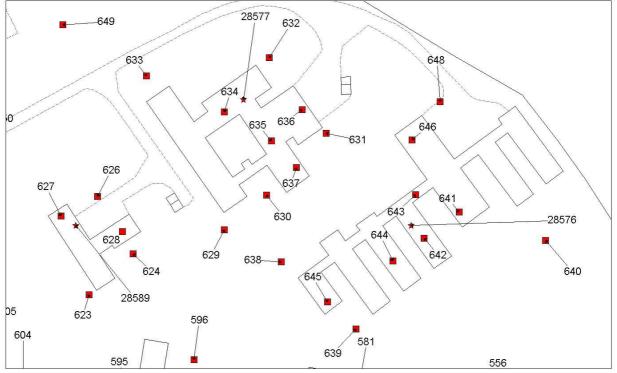


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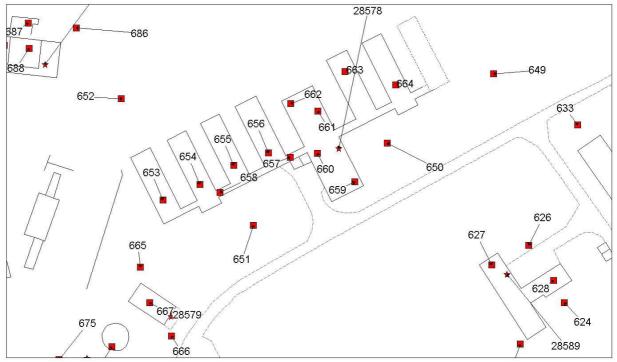


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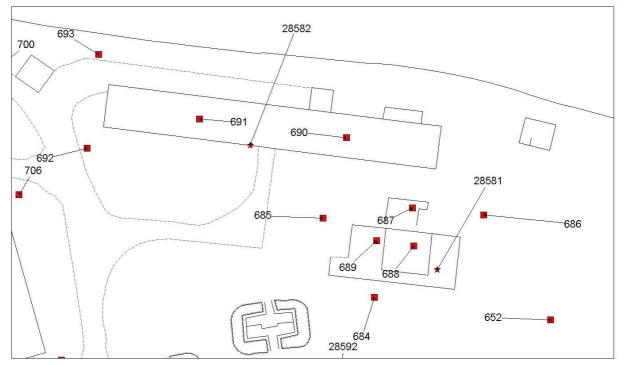


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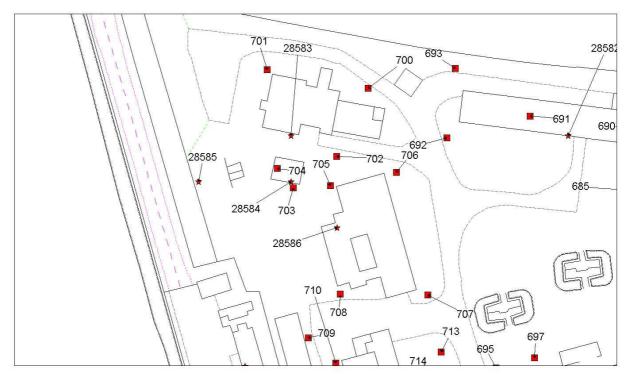


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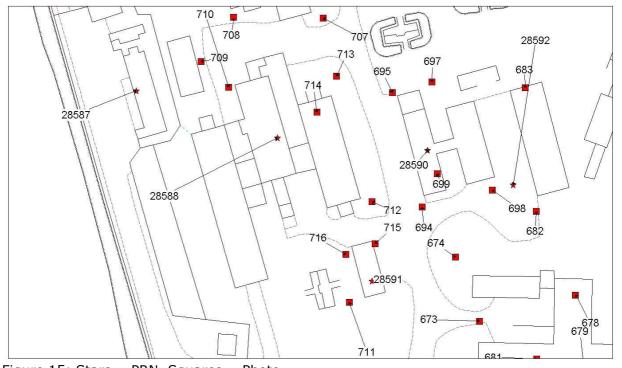
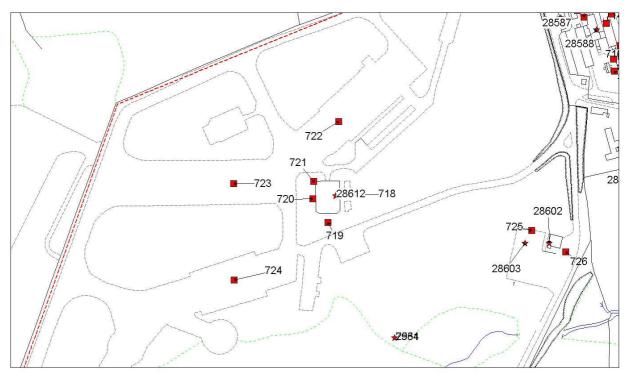


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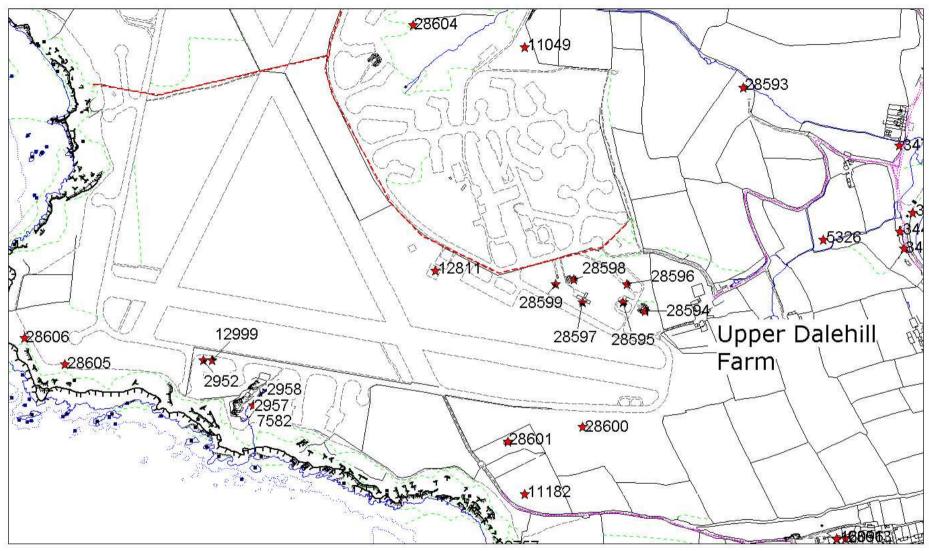


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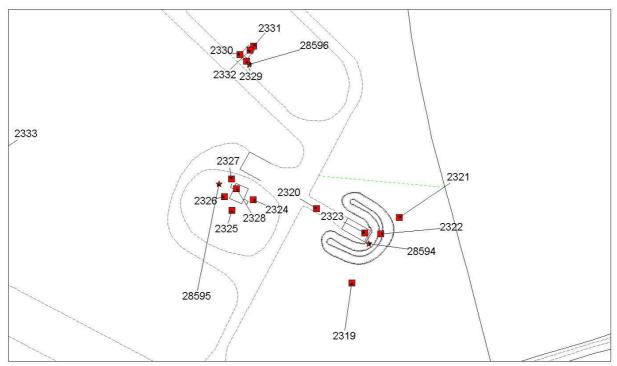


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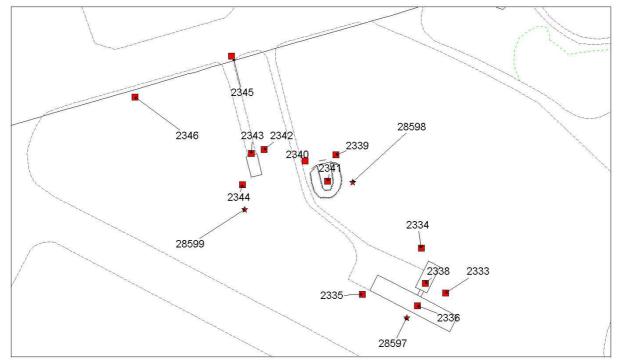


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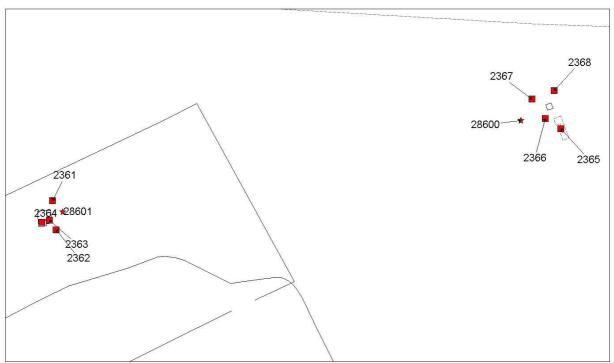


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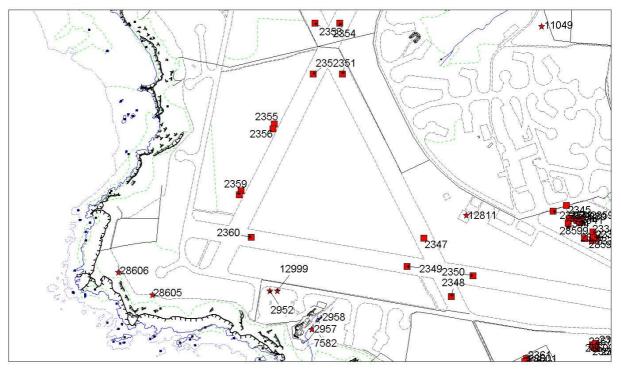


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