
APPENDIX 14.2 – ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVENTORY ENTRIES

The available Archaeological Survey of Ireland (ASI) inventory entries published on the National Monument Service's Historic Environment Viewer (HEV) for archaeological sites within the 1km study area around the Wind Farm Site are provided below. Additional details on archaeological sites sourced from an inspection of available ASI survey records are also provided.

MA007-016001- : Field system

No inventory entry

MA007-016002- : Enclosure

No inventory entry

MA007-016003- : Enclosure

No inventory entry

MA007-016004- : Megalithic tomb

No inventory entry

MA007-016005- : Megalithic structure

No inventory entry

MA007-016006- : Megalithic tomb

No inventory entry

MA007-016007- : Megalithic tomb - court tomb

No inventory entry

MA007-016008- : Megalithic tomb - court tomb

No inventory entry

MA007-016009- : Enclosure

No inventory entry

MA007-016010- : Redundant record

This record was created in error and is a duplicate record of MA007-016008-.

MA007-016011- : House - indeterminate date

No inventory entry

MA007-016012-: House - indeterminate date

No inventory entry

MA007-016013-: House - indeterminate date

No inventory entry

MA007-016014-: House - indeterminate date

No inventory entry

MA007-016015-: House - indeterminate date

No inventory entry

MA007-016016-: House - indeterminate date

No inventory entry

MA007-016017-: House - indeterminate date

No inventory entry

MA007-016018-: House – Neolithic

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site was located within enclosure (MA007-016019-) which is attached to the north side of a court tomb (MA007-016006-). An excavation in 1990-02 revealed that it comprised a square-shaped structure with stone wall foundation, approximately 2.5m-3m wide internally and contained an internal hearth. The house walls were recorded and left in situ.

MA007-016019-: Enclosure

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this comprises a D-shaped enclosure (20m E-W by 20m N-S) attached to the north side of a court tomb (MA007-016006-). The enclosure and an internal house (MA007-016018-) were excavated in the early 1990s. The excavations revealed that different building techniques were used in different portions of the enclosure wall. At its W junction with the court tomb cairn, the enclosure wall (Wth 1-1.5m) had a facing of small horizontally laid sandstone slabs, surviving to a maximum height of 0.7m. In contrast, the wall along the N of the enclosure was found to incorporate a lot of upright slab stones, between 0.5m-0.72m high, aligned with the direction of the wall. The enclosure was not fully excavated and remains in situ.

MA007-031---- Cairn – unclassified

No inventory entry

The ASI files record this this comprises an oval cairn (diameter 24.3m WNW-ESE by 17.8m NNE-SSW) which ranges between 0.3m-1.8m in height and a section has been partially destroyed by a modern forestry plantation.

MA007-057---- Megalithic tomb - court tomb

No inventory entry

MA007-058---- Megalithic tomb - court tomb

No inventory entry

MA007-059---- Enclosure

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site comprises a series of low rises and shallow depressions with no discernible pattern.

MA007-081012- Megalithic structure

No inventory entry

MA007-087---- Souterrain

HEV Inventory Entry: In pasture, located at the SE edge of a natural terrace, on a SE-facing slope overlooking Lackan Bay, and Kilcummin Headland to E. There is a stream c. 16m to S bordering the S side of the field. To NW the ground rises gradually to a ridge.

This souterrain of drystone construction is partly collapsed. Most of the roof lintels and portions of the side walls have been robbed out. In plan, it consists of a roughly U-shaped arrangement of two parallel E-W passages, set c. 2m apart, linked at their W end by a small rectangular chamber. The S passage (L c. 5.5m E-W; Wth c. 1-1.3m; H at least 0.9m) is roofless. Intact sections of side walls can be glimpsed intermittently. At its W end it makes a right angled turn, merging with a small intact rectangular chamber (Wth 1.37m E-W; H 1.24m) which extends for 3.6m to N. At ground level roughly mid-way along the E wall of the chamber there is a lintelled opening (H 0.9m; Wth 0.53m at base, 0.4m at top) to a short creep, which opens into the SW angle of the N passage (L c. 9-10m E-W). The western third of the N passage is roofed and intact, the remainder is roofless, with sections of the side walling robbed out. In the S wall, at a height of c. 0.5m above floor level, there is a small stone-lined recess (Wth 0.4m; H 0.25m) which extends 0.7m into the depth of the wall, ending at an earthen face.

The souterrain is built of local stone. Short, thin horizontally-laid rectangular slabs facilitate a style of neatly coursed construction. In parts the basal courses are cut into bedrock. From a point about midway up their height, the walls are gently corbelled to support the roof lintels. The lintels are relatively thin, and this may have contributed to the collapse of the souterrain; several of the in situ lintels in the W end of the N passage are cracked or slightly displaced.

The full, original extent of the souterrain is unclear. Immediately to W of the souterrain is a subrectangular, grassed-over hollow (c. 4m E-W; c. 2-2.5m N-S; D 1.2-1.6m), with stones protruding in parts from the N side, and bordered on the S side by a heap of stones. It is unclear if this hollow relates to the souterrain. Low, sod-covered linear scarps (H 0.3-0.5m) extend across the field to W and N of the souterrain. These appear to be remnants of field divisions that post-date the souterrain.

MA014-003---- Children's burial ground

No inventory entry

MA014-004---- Megalithic tomb - court tomb

No inventory entry

MA014-005---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

MA014-006---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

MA014-007---- Enclosure

No inventory entry

The ASI file records that this comprises a “landscape feature”.

MA014-008---- Ringfort – rath

HEV Inventory Entry: In average pasture, situated on the NW slope of a steep hill. Raised circular area (diam. 30.2m) defined by a low bank of earth and stone, and enclosed by a broad fosse (max. Wth 6m), now largely infilled. There are opposing entrances at SE (Wth 2.3m) and NW (Wth 2.4m) with accompanying causeways across the fosse. There is a possible souterrain (MA014-008001-) in the fosse at ENE marked by a concentration of stones.

MA014-008001- Souterrain

HEV Inventory Entry: In a rath (MA014-008----). A concentration of large slabs and small and medium stones in the enclosing fosse at NNE of the rath may indicate the location of a souterrain.

MA014-009---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

MA014-010---- Megalithic tomb - court tomb

No inventory entry

MA014-011001- Field boundary

No inventory entry

MA014-011002- Megalithic tomb - court tomb

No inventory entry

MA014-012---- Ringfort – rath

HEV Inventory Entry: In pasture, situated on an E-facing slope. Named 'Lissadrone' on the 1838 and 1922 OS 6-inch maps. Raised circular area (diam. 25.2m) defined by a substantial bank (Wth 3.6m; int. H 0.6m; ext. H 1m), and enclosed by a wide, shallow fosse (Wth 4.8m) with a low counterscarp bank (Wth 3.1m; int. H 0.7m; ext. H 0.2m). The fosse and external bank are largely levelled from NNE–SSE. A partly blocked up break (Wth 2.6m) in the bank at SE may represent the original entrance. The wall footings of a rectangular house (MA014-012001-) project into the interior from the internal face of the bank at E.

MA014-012001- House - indeterminate date

HEV Inventory Entry: In the E half of a rath (MA014-012----). The rectangular outline of a house (10.1m E-W; 3.6m N-S), defined by a low grass-covered wall (Wth 0.8m) of uncoarsed, drystone masonry, projects into the rath interior from the internal face of the enclosing bank at E.

MA014-013---- Ringfort – rath

HEV Inventory Entry: In wet pasture, on a gentle ENE-facing slope. Shown on the 1838 OS 6-inch map as a square enclosure planted with trees, and as a hachured subcircular enclosure on the 1922 edition. Raised subcircular area (diam. 38.5m) enclosed by a substantial bank. The bank incorporates large stones, including three uprights and a partially buried stone at E. The interior is divided into two roughly equal portions by a now disused E–W field boundary. A rectangular structure in the N half of the interior may be the remains of a house (MA014-013001-)

MA014-013001- House - indeterminate date

HEV Inventory Entry: In the N half of a ringfort (MA014-013----). This possible house consists of a rectangular structure (16.1m WNW-ESE; 5m NNE-SSW) defined by partly robbed-out stone walls. The walls (Wth 1.2m) are constructed with an outer facing of upright stones which encloses a fill of small and medium sized stones. There are a number of large boulders within the interior.

MA014-014---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this comprises a raised circular area (diam 25.4m) enclosed by a substantial earthen bank with traces of an external fosse. From SSW-W-NW the circuit of the perimeter has been strengthened presumably in modern times. From NE-ESSE the bank has been levelled and a pathway

constructed on the site of the fosse. Original entrance not recognisable.

MA014-015---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this comprises a raised circular area (diam. 29.3m) enclosed by a low bank of earth and stone. This has been largely trampled from E-ESE-SE. It has been incorporated into the field boundary from WSW-N-NNE. Original entrance not recognisable.

MA014-016---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this comprises a raised circular area (diam. 27.2m) enclosed by a low bank of earth and stone. No fosse. The bank has been trampled down from NE-E-S. Original entrance not recognisable. The perimeter and interior support a small number of deciduous trees.

MA014-017---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this comprises a raised circular area (diam. c.22m) enclosed by a low earthen bank. At the outer foot of the bank is the outline of an infilled fosse (Wth. 3.4m). From SSE-W-WNW the perimeter has been modified and incorporated into modern field boundaries. Original entrance not recognisable. The site is densely overgrown with scrub rendering satisfactory inspection impossible.

MA014-018001- Church

HEV Inventory Entry: Located in the NE quadrant of a graveyard (MA014-018002-), on a prominent rise in rolling countryside, with views over Lackan Bay to NE. Late medieval church (14.25m WNW-ESE; 7.65m NNE-SSW; Wall T 0.75m) constructed of well coarsed limestone blocks and rubble. The external face of the E gable has a base batter. The window in the E gable has a segmental pointed arch. There are opposing windows, with rounded segmental arches, in the N and S walls, and doorway in W wall. All of the windows and the doorway have been blocked up, and the W end of the S wall has been altered. There is a bellcote on top of the W gable.

MA014-018002- Graveyard

No inventory entry

MA014-019---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this comprises a raised circular area (diam. 22.4m) enclosed by an irregular wide low bank of earth and stone with narrow external fosse. Break in bank with accompanying causeway at ESE (Wth. 3.9m) represents original entrance. There are a number of boulders within the interior.

MA014-030---- Enclosure

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated at the highest point of a steep mountainous hill. Rough mountain terrain. Raised circular area (diam. 11.4m) defined by a steep scarp (max. H 2.1m) with a low earthen bank at its upper edge at least from NNE-NE-E. At the outer foot of the bank is a low berm (Wth. 7.9m) which barely rises above the external ground level (max H 0.25m). The SSW half of the site is densely overgrown with scrub rendering satisfactory inspection impossible.

MA014-033---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

MA014-034---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

MA014-035---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated in average pasture sloping gently from NW>SE. Raised circular area (diam. 18m) enclosed by a low earthen bank whose outer face has been steepened in modern times. No fosse. Original entrance (Wth. 1.5m) was probably at SSE. Internal area is overgrown with rushes and skotch grass.

MA014-036---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site comprises a raised circular area (diam. 22.7m) defined from ENE-S-SW by a steep scarp (max. H 2.2m at S). Elsewhere the scarp partially merges into the hillside and the enclosing element is a low bank of earth and stone. No fosse. Original entrance not recognisable.

MA014-037---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated on the top of a low drumlin-like hillock in what is otherwise wet low-lying pasture. Raised circular area (diam. 20.9m) enclosed from WSW-W-N by a low earthen bank and defined by a scarp from SE-SWSW. Elsewhere both the circuit of the perimeter and its composition have been altered as a consequence of incorporation into the field boundary. Slight traces of an infilled external fosse identifiable from SE-S-N (Wth. c.2.3m). Original entrance not recognisable. The internal area is overgrown with rushes and skotch grass.

MA014-038---- Enclosure

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated in a hollow. Wet pasture. Raised circular area (diam. 17.4m) enclosed by a low grass-covered bank of earth and stone with external fosse. From ESE-SE-S the bank barely rises above the internal area and the fosse has been largely infilled. From SW-W-NW the perimeter has been modified and incorporated into the field boundary. Original entrance not recognisable. There is evidence of a low mound inside the bank at NNW. This however may be just a result of levelling of the bank here. The remainder of the interior is overgrown with rushes and skotch grass.

MA014-039---- Enclosure

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated at the highest point of a low drumlin-like hill. Average pasture. Raised circular area (diam. 17.2m) enclosed by a much collapsed low bank of earth and stone. Projecting out from the bank at N is a sub-rectangular structure (dims. 5.1m N-S; 5.6m E-W; Wall T 1.85m) whose E and W walls are constructed of earth and loose stone. The S end (opposing the enclosure's bank) has been left open.

MA014-056---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated on the E slope of a steep mountain hill. Very poor land some of which has recently been planted with coniferous trees. Raised circular area (diam. 20.7m) enclosed by a low but very wide earthen bank (Wth. 5.2m; max H 0.4m) with external wide shallow fosse (Wth. 5m; max. D 0.3m). At the outer lip of the fosse are faint traces of a counterscarp bank. From SW-W-NW, where the site is bordered by the forestry plantation, the fosse and counterscarp bank have been levelled. Original entrance may have been at SSE.

MA014-057---- Castle – unclassified/ MA014-057001- : Bawn

HEV Inventory Entry: Situated at the base of a SSW-facing hillside, on the N bank of the Carn River. The 'castle and bawn [MA014-057001-] of Carricknassy' are listed in the 17th-century Stafford Inquisition of County Mayo (O'Sullivan 1958). The castle was extant in the late 18th- and early 19th-century when McParlan (1802, 133) described it as 'square of thirty feet [c. 9m], about forty-five feet [c. 14m], high surrounded by a strong bawn nine feet [2.75m] high, built by Burke family'. By the mid-19th-century, however, it had been demolished: in 1838 O'Donovan found only a wall, which he interpreted as a remnant of the bawn wall (O'Flanagan 1927, Vol. 1, 272 (141-2), and the location is marked on the 1838 OS 6-inch map as 'Site of Carricknass Castle'. No remains now visible at ground level.

MA014-058---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated at the highest point of a low drumlin hill. Good pasture. Raised circular area (diam. 25.4m) enclosed by a steep scarp from NNW-N-SSE. From N-NE-E there is a low bank of earth and stone at the upper edge of the scarp. No fosse. From SSE-S-NNW the perimeter and a large portion of the interior have been removed as a consequence of the construction of modern field boundaries etc. The interior slopes from NW>SE. Max H of scarp 1.6m (at N).

MA014-059---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated on a low hillock in fertile pasture. Raised circular area (diam. 21m) defined by a low irregular scarp with faint traces of an earthen bank at its upper edge. No fosse. Original entrance was probably at WNW. The internal ground level is very uneven; probably a consequence of land reclamation work.

MA014-060---- Enclosure

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated on a low drumlin-like hillock in fertile pasture. The site has been levelled and there are no remains now visible at ground level.

MA014-061001- Children's burial ground

No inventory entry

The ASI files contain an extract from the 1838 Ordnance Survey records describing an ecclesiastical site at location which refers to a burying place for unbaptized children.

MA014-061002- Cairn – unclassified

No inventory entry

The ASI files contain an extract from the 1838 Ordnance Survey records describing an ecclesiastical site at location which refers to a cairn feature.

MA014-061003- Cross

No inventory entry

The ASI files contain an extract from the 1838 Ordnance Survey records describing an ecclesiastical site at location which refers to a cross feature.

MA014-061004- Souterrain

No inventory entry

The ASI files contain an extract from the 1838 Ordnance Survey records describing an ecclesiastical site at location which refers to a cave feature.

MA014-061005- Enclosure

No inventory entry

MA014-062001- Children's burial ground

No inventory entry

MA014-062002- Church

HEV Inventory Entry: O'Donovan in the OS Letters (1838, 266-267 (138-9)) and Neary (1913-4, 25) suggested that there may have been a church associated with an enclosure (MA014-061005-), cross (MA014-061003-) and two children's burial grounds (MA014-061001-; MA014-062001-), but there is no evidence to confirm this.

MA014-062003- Enclosure

No inventory entry

MA014-063---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated at the base of a low drumlin-like hill. Poor wet pasture. This site has been levelled. Remains comprise a very slightly raised circular area (diam. 21.5m) defined by a very low irregular scarp (max H 0.2m). Faint traces of possible external fosse. Original entrance not recognisable.

MA014-080---- Mound

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this comprises a natural-looking mound

MA014-097---- Castle – unclassified

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this is traditionally the site of a MacEgan castle and the site is now occupied by the remains of a nineteenth century estate house with outbuildings and gardens.

MA014-101---- Ogham stone

HEV Inventory Entry: In pasture, located in damp, flat lowlying ground on the W side of a stream valley. The N-flowing stream is located 40m to E of the stone. Immediately to W of the stone, ground rises gradually at first, and then more abruptly to the heather-covered summit of a hill. There are good views northwards along the course of the stream and along the slopes of the ridge which define the opposite, E side of the valley. Rising ground and a plantation of mature conifers restrict views at S-SW. Not indicated on any edition of the OS 6-inch maps. An upright sandstone slab (H 1.9m; Wth 2.2m NE-SW at base; T 0.1-15m) of relatively uniform thickness, with a roughly triangular-shaped profile along its NE-SW long axis, bearing an ogham inscription on the narrow SW face of the stone.

The stone leans markedly to NW: the current height of the stone (i.e. vertical drop from top to the ground surface) is 1.9m, however, if the stone were fully vertical, its height would be c. 2.3m. Viewed broadside on, the stone resembles a right-angled triangle, with a broad base (2.2m) tapering to a narrow, somewhat angular top (Wth c. 0.7m). The apex of the top forms a small peak above the straight SW side of the stone, and from there the top slopes down, merging seamlessly with the slanting, narrow NE side, which has an undulating surface. The broad NW face has a flat, smooth surface, the upper third of which is obscured by lichen. The broad SE face, almost entirely covered by lichen, has a somewhat rougher surface, on which are evident a number of shallow, linear grooves and indentations, and several small, shallow, circular depressions (diam. 2-6cm), all of which appear to be natural features. The SW

end of the stone presents a narrow, vertical relatively flat face (T 0.1-0.12m), which bears the ogham inscription.

The broad grooves (H 2-2.5cm; D 0.5-1cm) and notches are weathered and largely lichen-covered. They are scored across the flat face and the corner angles, and are clearly visible on the upper 0.7-0.8m of the SW face. The original full extent of the inscription is unclear. The middle section (L 0.5m) of the SW face presents a smooth, almost polished surface, probably the result of farm stock using this side of the stone as a scratching post; part of the inscription may have been obliterated here. A single horizontal groove, which may be an ogham score, is visible at the lower end of this smooth section. The lowest 0.6-0.8m of the SW face has a rough surface, split by a natural vertical fissure; there are a number of slight indentations here but it is unclear if any represent remnants of ogham script.

A number of small stones protrude from the sod at the base of the stone, particularly on the NW side, and there is a slight depression encircling the base, caused by farm stock. (Jane O'Shaughnessy, field report).

The inscription was read by Macalister (1945, 12, no. 9) as: MAQ-ACTO MAQ GAR..., which may have once been followed by the MAQI MUCOI formula, but there is no evidence for this.

MA014-106---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is known locally as a 'fairy fort' all that survives today above ground level is a low bank of earth and stone extending in an arc from SSE-S-W. The original diameter of the site was probably about 21m.

MA014-107---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated in high relatively level peatland. Raised circular area (diam. 27.1m) enclosed by a low heather covered bank of peat and stone. No fosse. Original entrance not recognisable. A now-disused WNW>ESE field boundary bisects the site.

MA014-108---- Redundant record

HEV Inventory Entry: Listed in the SMR (1991) and the RMP (1996) as a possible mound. Field investigation determined that it is a natural feature.

MA014-109---- Ringfort – rath

In pasture, located on a slight elevation. Not indicated on the OS 6-inch maps. This rath has been levelled. An inspection in 1995 recorded a raised circular area (diam. 31.5m) bisected centrally by a field fence on a roughly E-W axis. The portion of the rath which lay to N of the field fence had already been levelled at that date, but the S half of the rath remained clearly defined by a low enclosing bank, reduced to a scarp on the SW arc. Subsequently further damage to the rath took place: the S half of the rath was fully levelled, and the E-W field fence was removed. The outline of the S half of the rath can still be traced as a slight rise in ground level.

MA014-110---- Megalithic structure

In the SE corner of a pasture field, located on gently elevated ground. Not indicated on the OS 6-inch maps. This mound appears to consist of an oblong heap (c. 3-4m N-S; c. 2m E-W; H c. 0.5m) of earth and stones. Two upright boulders, set 1.2m apart are incorporated into the W side of the mound, one (L 0.75m; H 0.95m) at the N end, and the other (L 1.3m; H 1.3m) towards the S end of the mound. The mound is engulfed in dense brambles, and a hawthorn tree grows out of the N end. In January 2017 a heap (4-5m N-S; 4m E-W; H 1.3m) of soil, stones and general field clearance debris was pushed against the S end of the mound, with lesser quantities pushed against the W side. The mound is therefore difficult to examine, and its function and date remains uncertain.

MA014-111001- Enclosure

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated on the S slope of a hill adjacent to a stream. Average pasture. Raised circular area (diam. 12.9m) enclosed by a low grassed-over wall of uncoarsed drystone masonry (Wall th. 2.1m). The enclosing wall has collapsed for most of the circuit and the interior too is strewn with boulders.

Original entrance not recognisable.

MA014-111002- Children's burial ground

No inventory entry

MA014-115---- Enclosure

No inventory entry

MA014-116---- Ringfort – rath

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated on the SSE slope of a steep hill. Poor wet pasture. The site has been levelled. Remains comprise a slightly raised circular area (diam. 44.7m) defined by a slight scarp. The outline of a low earthen bank is identifiable on top of the scarp from SE-S-NNW. Original entrance not recognisable. An ENE>WSW now disused field boundary divides the site into two unequal portions. There is a considerable amount of field clearance debris in the interior.

MA014-118---- Designed landscape - tree-ring

HEV Inventory Entry: In pasture, located on land that flanks the approach to Lissadrone House, now in ruins. Listed in the RMP (1996) as an enclosure based on its depiction on the 1838 and 1922 OS 6-inch maps as a circular enclosure (diam. c. 25m) planted with trees. Field investigation in 1995 determined that it is a tree-ring. There is a rath (MA014-016----) c. 45m to N.

MA014-119---- Enclosure

No inventory entry

The ASI files record that this site is situated at the highest point of a low drumlin-like hill. This site has been levelled. Remains comprise a rectangular area (dims. 17.4m E-W; 13.6m N-S) defined by a low scarp with very faint traces of a bank at its upper edge. There are also faint traces of a narrow external fosse.

MA014-125---- Mound

No inventory entry