



Vale of Glamorgan County Treasures

St Brides Major



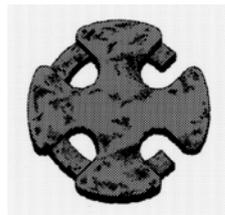
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Foreword

For many years now the recording and protection afforded to the historic environment has been bound within the provisions of a number legislative Acts of Parliament. Indeed, the Vale of Glamorgan has over 100 Scheduled Ancient Monuments, over 700 Listed Buildings and 38 Conservation Areas that are afforded statutory protection by legislation.

However, this system of statutory recognition, by its nature, only takes account of items of exceptional significance. Often there are locally important buildings that although acknowledged not to be of 'national' or 'exceptional' importance, are considered key examples of vernacular architecture or buildings, which have an important local history. It is these buildings which are often the main contributors to local distinctiveness, but which have to date, remained un-surveyed and afforded little recognition or protection.

The original County Treasures project was published by the then South Glamorgan County Council in the late 1970's. It was conceived as a locally adopted inventory of 'special features' in the former County area.

However, as a result of local government restructuring, the changes to local authority boundaries, as well as changes in responsibilities and funding mechanisms the survey was never completed, and as a consequence was not comprehensive in its coverage.

In the three decades that have passed since the original survey was attempted, the loss of a number of local buildings and landmarks, and the redevelopment of unprotected sites make the County Treasures project as relevant today as it was then. This publication is the culmination of the efforts of many individuals and groups who have been generously giving of their knowledge, time and commitment over a nearly ten year period, and without whom the County Treasures project would never have been possible. To all those involved, I extend my heart felt thanks in recognition of a job well done.

We should be proud, therefore, that this version of the County Treasures survey is complete, robust and comprehensive. It is in another respect even more valuable than its predecessor, in that this Inventory has not been compiled by the local authority, but by the communities of the Vale themselves.

Each of the 27 community areas within the Vale were surveyed by a volunteer workforce of local people, teachers, history society members, local Councillors and other interested individuals, who gave willingly and freely of their time to reveal and record the very many items that could conceivably be of architectural and historic interest; and which, further to detailed scrutiny, research and qualification, were considered worthy of inclusion. This inventory, therefore, more than any other provides an account of what is considered of local importance by local people.

The complete Treasures Inventory contains some 1200 entries. It contains a schedule giving the name of each treasure, its description, its current means of statutory protection (where relevant), a grid reference, map and photograph.

This 2007 Inventory should not however be seen as a 'final product', and although it indeed provides an excellent account and record at a fixed point in time, it also provides a framework for future additions and amendments, as more or new buildings become apparent, new information or change occurs.

It is hoped that the Vale of Glamorgan County Treasures Inventory will serve several purposes:

- It will stimulate local, and wider interest, and promote care and maintenance of identified treasures.
- It will act as a valuable educational resource, perhaps allowing local schoolchildren to research locally as well as nationally significant events and buildings.
- It will ensure that treasures are fully regarded in the planning process where they are threatened by development pressures.
- It will stimulate protectionist policies within forthcoming development plans and perhaps the recognition of further areas for statutory designation.

The Vale of Glamorgan Council, Cadw, The Civic Trust for Wales, The Penarth Society, and The Vale Council for Voluntary Services have supported this project.

Every attempt has been made to ensure that this document is as accurate as possible. The survey was undertaken between 2002 and 2007.

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Rhagair

Ers llawer o flynyddoedd bellach, mae'r gwaith o gofnodi ac amddiffyn yr amgylchedd hanesyddol yn cael ei reoli o dan amodau nifer o ddeddfau seneddol. Mae dros 100 o Henebion Rhestredig, dros 700 o Adeiladau Rhestredig a 38 o Ardaloedd Cadwraeth ym Mro Morgannwg sy'n cael eu hamddiffyn o dan y gyfraith yn y modd yma.

Serch hynny, mae'n anochel bod system fel hon sydd wedi'i seilio ar gydnabyddiaeth statudol, yn rhoi ystyriaeth i eitemau o bwysigrwydd eithriadol yn unig. Mae hynny'n golygu bod llawer o adeiladau lleol sydd, er nad oes ganddynt unrhyw statws cenedlaethol nac eithriadol, yn dal yn nodedig am eu pensaernïaeth frodorol neu'n bwysig i hanes yr ardal. Yn amlach na pheidio, dyma'r union adeiladau sy'n rhoi cymeriad i ardal er na ddaeth neb i'w hadolygu erioed ac nad oes ganddynt fawr o statws na chynlluniau ar gyfer eu gwarchod.

Hen Gyngor Sir De Morgannwg oedd yn gyfrifol am brosiect gwreiddiol Trysorau'r Sir a gyhoeddwyd ar ddiwedd y 1970au. Bwriad y prosiect oedd llunio rhestr leol o'r holl nodweddion arbennig rhwng ffiniau'r hen sir.

Serch hynny, bu ad-drefnu llywodraeth leol, newid ffiniau awdurdodau lleol a newid cyfrifoldebau staff a threfniadau nawdd yn rhwystr i'r gwaith, ac am na chafodd yr arolwg ei gwblhau erioed, mae'r rhestr yn bell o fod yn gyflawn.

Yn ystod y tri degawd ers cynnal yr arolwg gwreiddiol, mae nifer o adeiladau a nodweddion lleol amlwg wedi diflannu, a safleoedd diamddiffyn wedi'u datblygu, sy'n golygu bod y prosiect yn fwy perthnasol heddiw nag erioed. Ffrwyth ymdrech nifer o unigolion a grwpiau ymroddgar a fu'n rhoi'n hael o'u hamser a'u gwybodaeth am bron i ddeng mlynedd, yw'r cyhoeddiad hwn. Heb eu cymorth, ni fuasai'n bosibl cynnal prosiect Trysorau'r Sir o gwbl, a hoffwn ddiolch o galon i bawb am ddod i ben â'r gwaith mor dda.

Mae pob rheswm i ni fod yn falch o'r fersiwn cyflawn, cadarn a chynhwysfawr hwn o'r arolwg ar Drysorau'r Sir. Mae'n fwy gwerthfawr fyth na'r un flaenorol hefyd am mai cymunedau'r Fro eu hunain a fu'n ei lunio'n hytrach na'r awdurdod lleol.

Cafodd pob un o'r 27 cymuned yn y Fro ei hadolygu gan dîm gwirfoddol o bobl leol, athrawon, aelodau cymdeithasau hanesyddol, Cyngorwyr lleol a rhai eraill â diddordeb yn y maes. Rhoesant yn hael o'u hamser heb dâl er mwyn dod o hyd i'r holl eitemau a allai fod o ddiddordeb pensaernïol neu hanesyddol, a'u cofnodi. Cafodd y rhai teilwng eu hychwanegu at y rhestr ar ôl llawer o waith ymchwil ac archwilio manwl. Dyma'r rhestr felly sy'n adlewyrchu orau'r eitemau sydd o bwys gan bobl yn eu hardaloedd eu hunain.

Mae 1200 o eitemau i gyd ar y rhestr drysorau gyflawn. Mae pob cofnod yn cynnwys enw'r eitem, disgrifiad ohoni, y ddarpariaeth sydd ar gael o dan y gyfraith ar gyfer ei gwarchod (pan fo hynny'n berthnasol), cyfeirnod grid, map a llun.

Serch hynny, ni ddylid ystyried rhestr 2007 yn rhestr gyflawn o bell ffordd. Er ei bod yn adroddiad ardderchog ar y sefyllfa ar adeg benodol, mae'n bwysig ei gweld hefyd fel fframwaith ar gyfer addasu'r rhestr wrth i'r sefyllfa newid neu i adeiladau neu wybodaeth newydd ddod i'r golwg.

Rydym yn gobeithio y bydd rhestr Trysorau Sir Bro Morgannwg yn:

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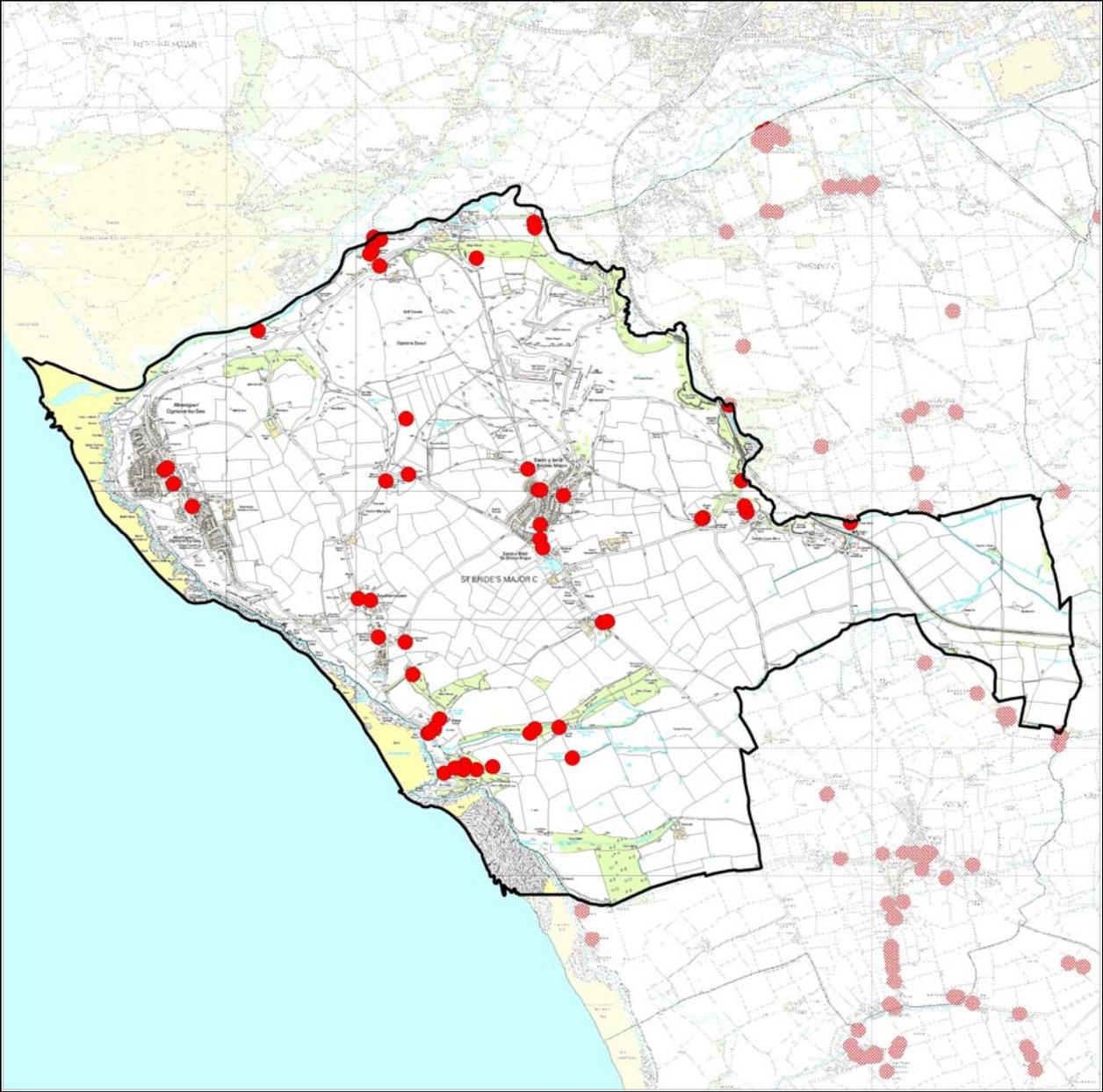
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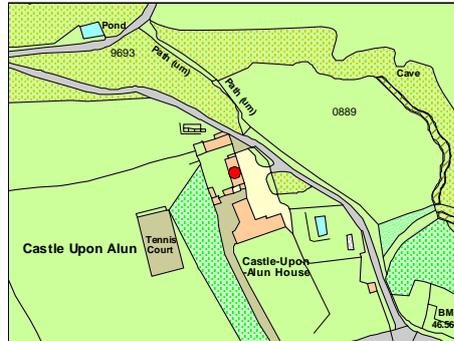
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Castle Upon Alun - Castle Upon Alun House - Cartshed

Treasure 1149
Monument
Listed Building 26.02.06 21771

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Good example of a Victorian cart shed. Long single-storey range orientated East - West. Rubble stone under a slate roof. Probably mid C19.

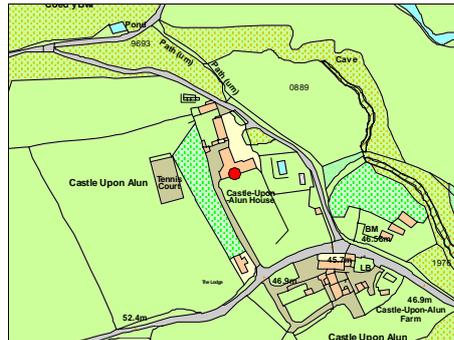
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Castle Upon Alun - Castle Upon Alun House including Garden Walls to South and East

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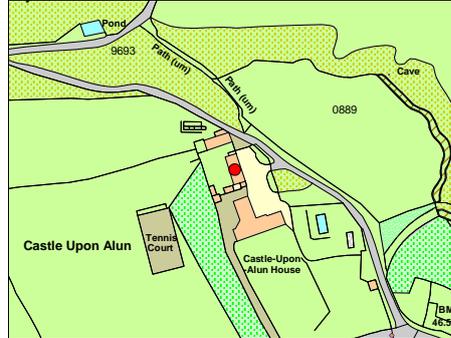
A well preserved example of a Victorian gentry house of several periods. It is shown on the St. Brides Major Tithe Map of 1840 when it belonged to John Nicholl of the Merthyr Mawr Estate.

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Castle Upon Alun - Castle Upon Alun Outbuildings (Byre Stables)

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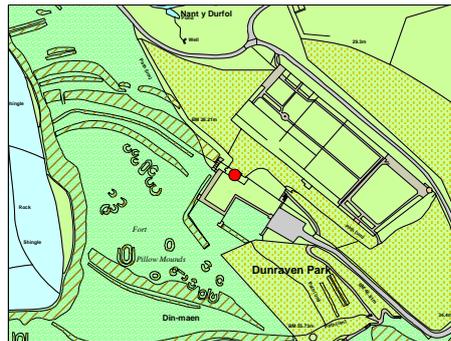
Former three-door byre shown on the St. Brides Major Tithe Map of 1840. Later converted to stables with a carriage bay to the left. The stonework for the wide arched opening to the carriage bay has been reused from elsewhere. The form suggests that it was originally a narrow two-centred archway, perhaps from the site of the old castle. The range is still used as stables. Listed as a good example of Victorian stables, converted from a former byre. The medieval stonework of the wide arched opening is of additional interest.

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Dunraven - Dunraven Castle - Entrance Gateway with Flanking Wall

Treasure 1160
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OS Grid N 172842



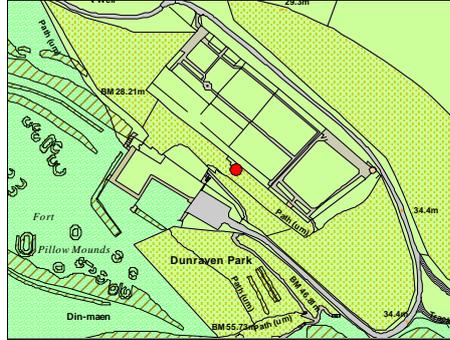
The present ruins of Dunraven Castle were built in 1802-06 by Thomas Wyndham of Clearwell Castle, Gloucestershire as a hunting seat. It was remodelled in 1858 by Egbert Moxham, when the central tower was replaced by a conservatory and the North and South wings were raised. It was extended with a tower and wing on the seaward side by George Devey in 1806-08. The Castle was demolished in 1862, having been used as a hotel and only the footings survive. The entrance gateway is C19 and may be contemporary with the rebuilding. It is an important landmark.

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Dunraven - Dunraven Castle - Garden Building

Treasure 1155
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Listed Building 26.03.04 21788

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OS Grid N 172828



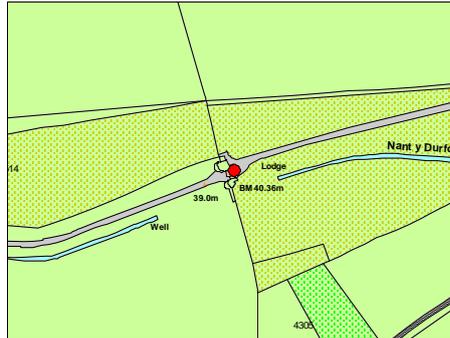
A good example of a C19 garden folly. The building has a 2-storey central unit flanked by lower wings.

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Dunraven - Dunraven Castle - Grand Lodge

Treasure 958
Monument
Listed Building 26.03.01 21785

OS Grid E 289386
OS Grid N 173148



Tudor-Gothic style lodge of two storeys. The lodge is contemporary with the rebuilding of Dunraven Castle in 1802-6. It is possible that the mullioned windows come from the earlier manor house. Said to have had a Tudor-arched doorway in a lean-to to the North West. Central gatehouse flanked by low tower to the West, and link range and tall slender tower to the East. The gatehouse has a rectangular plan, whilst the towers are octagonal and are set forward into the park. Flanking masonry walls form the boundary to the park. The towers and parapets are embattled with machicolations.

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Dunraven - Dunraven Castle - Remains of Hillfort at Din-Maen

Treasure

1504

Monument



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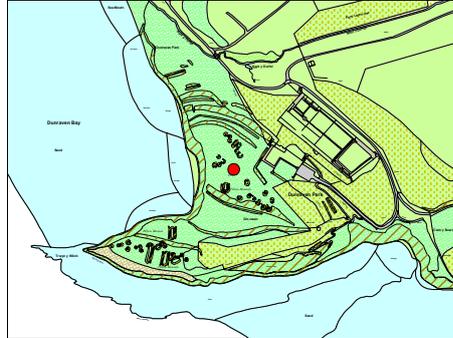
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Listed Building



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An irregular headland, circa 400m E-W by 100-300m, rising 60m above the sea, is isolated by a steep-sided cwm on the NE; double banks and ditches define the landward side, obscured by Dunraven Castle on the SE and curving to meet the cliffline on the NW, where there is an additional bank. There are at least 21 possible roundhouse sites, circa 6.0m in diameter, within.

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Dunraven - Dunraven Castle - Walled Garden

Treasure

959

Monument



OS Grid E

288844

Listed Building



26.03.03

21787

OS Grid N

172869



An exceptional garden of unusually early origin, probably C16. The boundary walls of the garden may be contemporary with the medieval manorhouse at Dunraven. They are shown in an engraving of the house dated 1776. A stable block was built against the West end of the gardens in 1803, but is now demolished. The dividing walls and other features within the garden are C19, mainly later than 1877. The gardens themselves consist of a series of four square gardens in a line, orientated East - West and within a common boundary wall, they are; the Victorian kitchen garden; the fruit garden; the plant hunter's garden and the Tudor garden.

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Dunraven - Dunraven Park

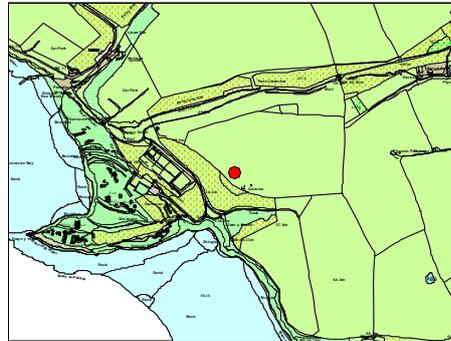
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Wider remains of a deer park; walled garden dating from C16, with subsequent alterations to the internal layout. Features within it include an Edwardian summerhouse and a well preserved C19 tower containing a banqueting room and ice-house. Listed Grade II in Register of Landscapes, Parks and Gardens of Special Interest in Wales.

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Dunraven - Ffynnon y Pant

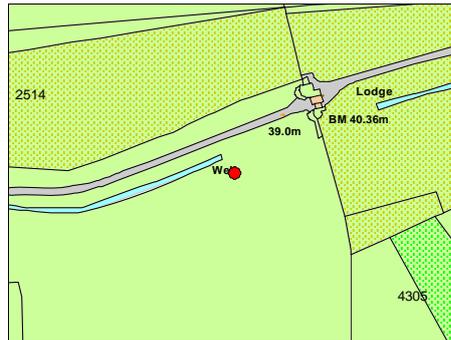
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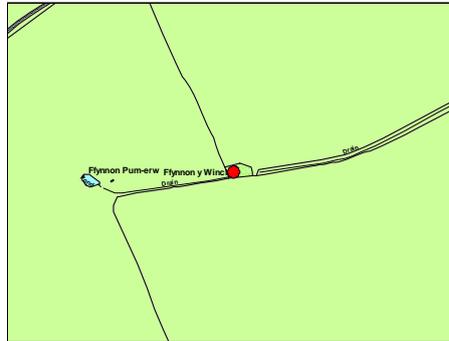
Covered stone well, said to be C16. Possibly rebuilt later. Low, rubble stone cover slab roof, roughly rectangular plan with rounded corners.

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Dunraven - Ffynnon y Winch (Pump House) Durval

Treasure 1159
Monument
Listed Building 26.04.03 21796

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OS Grid N 172917



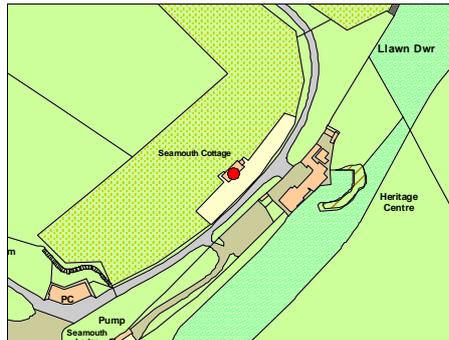
A very rare survival of a horse-gin powered pump with winding mechanism, in an agricultural and estate setting. Central stone well with circular shaft. The iron winding mechanism is preserved above and is gear-driven. Pump house of octagonal plan, with partially collapsed hipped roof. Roughly coursed masonry with quoins, slate-covered roof.

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Dunraven - Seamount Cottage

Treasure 692
Monument
Listed Building 26.04.01 21789

OS Grid E 288578
OS Grid N 173127



A well preserved C17 picturesque cottage in a fine historic setting. Two-unit cottage of one and a half storeys. Rubble masonry under a thatched roof with eyebrow dormers to front. Still owned by the Dunraven family and recently renovated and re-thatched. Once the "Bath House" for the castle (an old version of taking a shower after bathing).

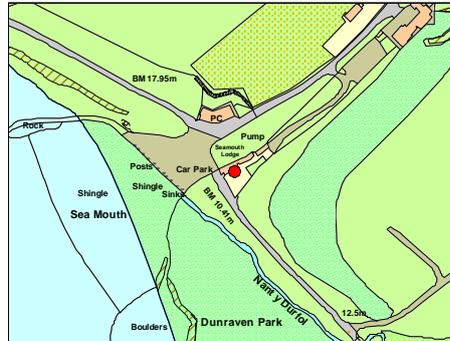
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Dunraven - Seamouth Lodge

Treasure 1463
Monument
Listed Building 26.03.07 21790

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OS Grid N 173120



An exceptionally well preserved single-storey Gothic-style lodge of random masonry construction and slate roof. A semi-octagonal gate pier with swept pyramidal cap is built into the South West angle of the lodge which forms the North side of a pedestrian gateway into the Park.

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Dunraven - Seamouth Lodge - Boundary Wall and Entrance Gates to south

Treasure 1156
Monument
Listed Building 26.03.06 21791

OS Grid E 288557

OS Grid N 173115



Rubble stone wall with high saddleback coping, partly replaced in concrete. A defining feature of the park with distinctive character. Probably early C19, and contemporary with the rebuilding of the Castle in 1802-6. Possibly replacing earlier walls to the Deer Park.

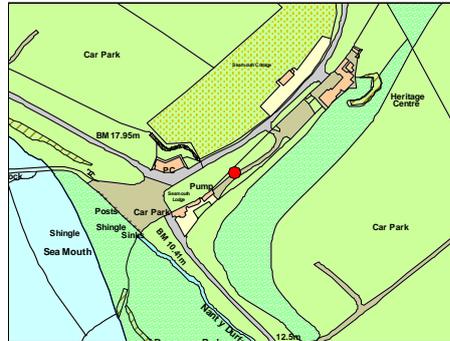
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Dunraven - Seamouth Lodge - Boundary Wall north

Treasure 1157
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Listed Building 26.03.08 21792

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Rubble stone wall with high saddleback coping, partly replaced in concrete. A defining feature of the park with distinctive character. Probably early C19, and contemporary with the rebuilding of the Castle in 1802-6. Possibly replacing earlier walls to the Deer Park.

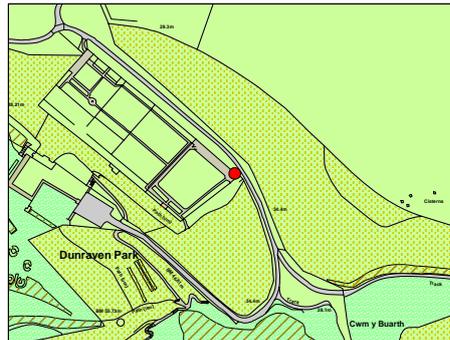
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Dunraven Castle - Ice Tower and Banqueting Hall (Former)

Treasure 960
Monument
Listed Building 26.03.02 21786

OS Grid E 288935

OS Grid N 172829



Round tower of rubble stone with embattled parapets and machicolations. Raised floor, with ice-house in semi-basement. Tall windows with stone dressings and trefoiled heads to North West, South East and South West. An unusual structure of great character.

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Durval Farm - Dovecote

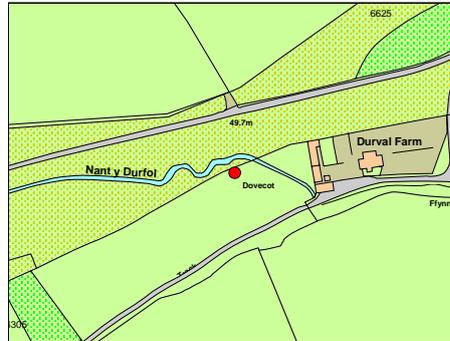
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Listed Building 26.04.02 21782

OS Grid N 173158



C18 or C19 dovecote of octagonal plan, roofless but standing to full height. Rubble masonry, rough-cast, on a masonry plinth. Shown on the St. Brides Major Tithe Map of 1840. The dovecote was built as part of the Dunraven Estate.

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Heol y Mynydd - Evergreen Cottage

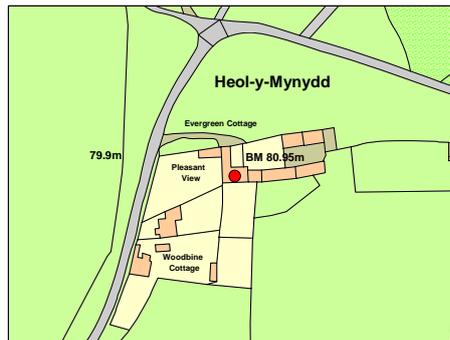
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Originally a farmhouse probably of C18 origin, shown on a survey of the Dunraven Estate of circa 1779. The roof appears to have been raised, and the house remodelled in the early C19. The farmhouse itself is two-storey with single storey range to the East. Walls are rendered over masonry, slate roof, stone end stacks.

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Heol y Mynydd - Heol y Mynydd Round Barrow

Treasure 2348
Monument 21/0058/GM242 (GLA)
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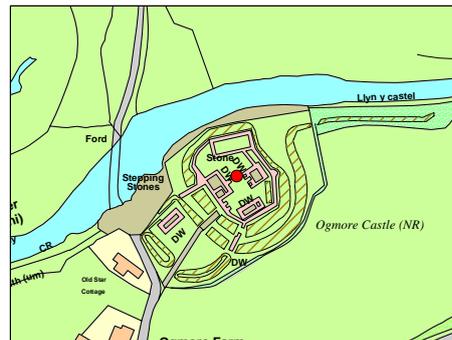
A ploughed down round barrow 9.0m in diameter and 0.3m high. It lies on a narrow strip of common land between cultivated fields.

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Ogmore - Ogmore Castle

Treasure 684
Monument 21/1896/GM037 (GLA) G
Listed Building 26.01.01 21793

OS Grid E 288174
OS Grid N 176960



Norman motte and bailey castle of earth and timber established by William de Londres. The stone keep was constructed in the early C12 and is one of the earliest of its type. The Castle consists of an oval shaped ring work surmounted by masonry structures. The curtain wall, remaining internal structures, gateway and bridge were built in the early C13. The Castle was still held by the descendants and successors of de Londres, until 1298 when Maud de Chaworth married Henry Lancaster. The Castle remained in the hands of the Duchy of Lancaster until it was taken over by the crown in 1399. It was then abandoned and part demolished, to allow for the construction of a courthouse which is attributed to Lancaster. It is said to have been rebuilt in 1454-5, possibly as a chapel rather than a courthouse (it is labelled 'chapel' on the Ordnance Survey of 1885). The Castle was still in use in the 1530s, but had been in decay for many years by 1631.

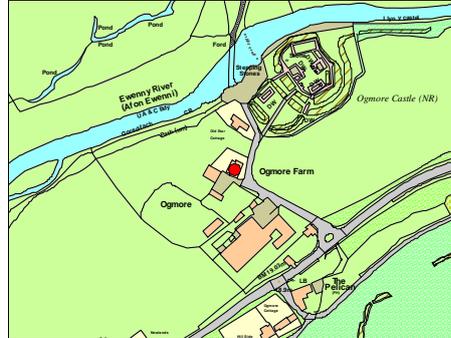
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Ogmore - Ogmore Farm

Treasure 689
Monument
Listed Building 26.01.02 21773

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OS Grid N 176882



A well preserved Victorian farmhouse with earlier origins. In the hands of Merthyr Mawr Estates for the last 300 years. Long 2-storey range with rear lean-to. Rubble masonry rendered and painted white under a slate roof.

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Ogmore - Ogmore Farm - Stables

Treasure 1150
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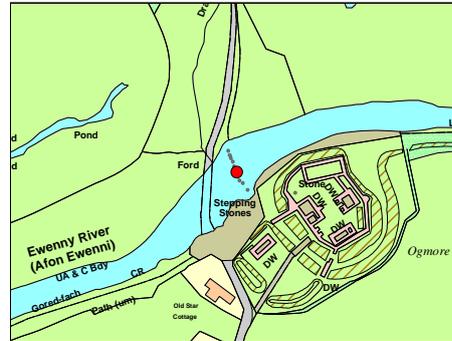
Single storey C19 stable range constructed of rubble stone with hipped slate-covered roof.

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Ogmore - Ogmore Stepping Stones

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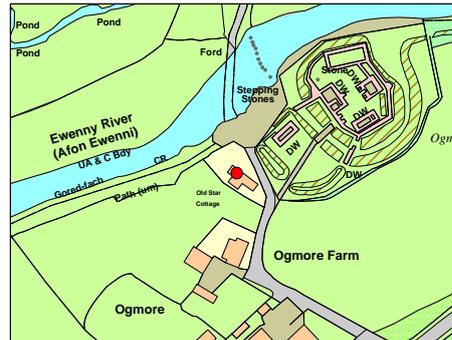
Stepping-stones near Ogmore Castle on the Ewenny River. The stepping-stones lead to Merthyr Mawr and the view of the ruined castle of Ogmore. They are over 400 years old.

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Ogmore - Star Cottage

Treasure 685
Monument
Listed Building 26.01.04 21777

OS Grid E 288128
OS Grid N 176922



Picturesque one-and-a-half storey thatched cottage with well preserved external details. Once used in private occupation as a dressing room for baptismal services at the stepping-stones. A bell could be rung to call the attention of the inhabitants of Star Cottage who would row people across the river when the tide was in.

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Ogmore - The Pelican in Her Piety Inn

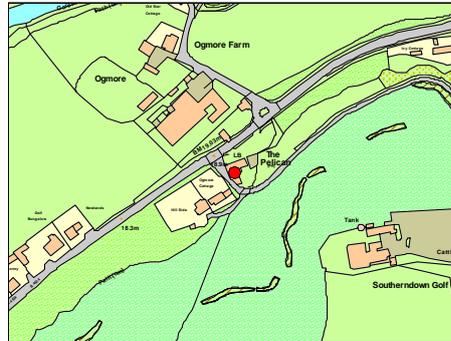
Treasure 674

Monument

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Listed Building

OS Grid N 176769



A Victorian village pub of local importance whose name derives from heraldry of of the locally important Carne family.

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Ogmore-by-Sea - Craig Royal Mail Post Box

Treasure 679

Monument

OS Grid E 286540

Listed Building

OS Grid N 175183



G.R Post Box set in wall at top of Craig yr Eos Road.

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Ogmore-by-Sea - Sutton Farmhouse

Treasure 686

Monument

Listed Building 26.01.07 21778

OS Grid E 286516

OS Grid N 175166



A very rare example of a one-unit house of one-and-a-half storeys with large C20 rear wing. Rubble stone under a slate roof, the rear rendered. Said to have once been used by Princess Mary (Queen Mary of Leck) when she got her feet wet on the beach at Ogmore and that 'she took Welsh cakes there'. Now a private residence. One of the few farms in the area owned by Dunraven Estates.

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Ogmore-by-Sea - The Craig

Treasure 682

Monument

Listed Building

OS Grid E 286589

OS Grid N 175075



Craig yr Eos. A fine Victorian house with stone mullion windows had the earliest storage for water. A cistern built of dressed stone. Still holds water. Once a private house, then a hotel, now after a failed attempt to preserve it, it has been extended and converted to flats.

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Ogmore-by-Sea - Tusker House

Treasure 681

Monument

OS Grid E 286733

Listed Building

OS Grid N 174882



Now a private residence, was used as a Red Cross Hospital during World War I, run by the Booker family of Slon. One of only a few houses in Ogmore before 1900.

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Southerndown - Clifton House and The Link (The Terrace)

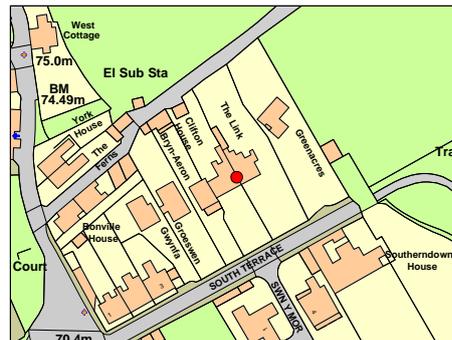
Treasure 964

Monument

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Listed Building 26.06.02 21779

OS Grid N 174151



Said to have been built in 1861 for workers on the Dunraven Estate. The style and detail suggests that the pair of houses are by, or influenced by, Seddon. The buildings are a reflected pair of houses of one-and-a-half-storeys. Each house has two bays, the inner bays having paired windows. Steeply pitched roofs with high gables containing half dormers

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Southerndown - Slade

Treasure 2207
Monument
Listed Building 26.03.09 25796

OS Grid E 288440

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House in Gothic style with grey stone, heavy stone chimneys and graded slate roof (C20). Built as the home farm to the Dunraven Estate and occupied by the land agents. Carries date 1852.

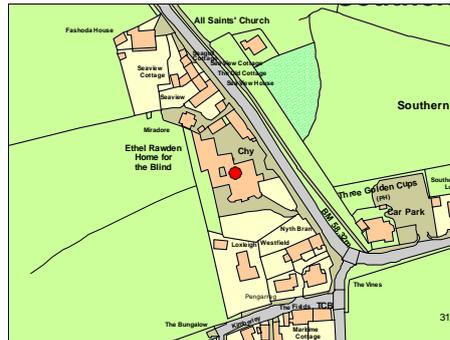
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Southerndown - Southerndown Care Home

Treasure 683
Monument
Listed Building

OS Grid E 288174

OS Grid N 173863



Southerndown Rest Home for the Blind and Elderly now called Southerndown Care Home was built in 1890 as a hotel called The Dunraven; the twin towers were added later. It housed evacuees during World War 2.

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Southerndown - Stile

Treasure 668

Monument

OS Grid E 288391

Listed Building

OS Grid N 173824



This well constructed stile leading off main Southerndown Road, St. Brides, footpath 16 opposite Southernndown Farm and proceeds South East across fields and continues into Slade Wood and junction with footpath 18 (near Dunraven Laundry) Heritage Coast Centre (700yards). Has the unusual addition of two steps to gain height and provides access to the short footpath to Seamount Bay.

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Southerndown - Sunshine House

Treasure 693

Monument

OS Grid E 288019

Listed Building 26.06.01 21784

OS Grid N 174164



Hotel by J. P. Seddon, his first work in Glamorgan. Constructed in 1852-3 by J. Brown of Stoke's Croft, Bristol, for £1,339. A series of perspectives, plans, elevations, sections and details are held in the Victoria and Albert Museum. Gothic-revival in style the building comprises seven-bays and is of two storeys with an attic. Originally known as the Dunraven Arms Hotel (later the Southerndown Hotel), it was purpose built for the summer visitors to Southerndown. In its early years it was a popular hotel with Southerndown Golf Club and local residents. During the C20, the hotel was sold and became the Welsh Sunshine Home for Blind Babies. Much alteration was undertaken to the interior during this period.

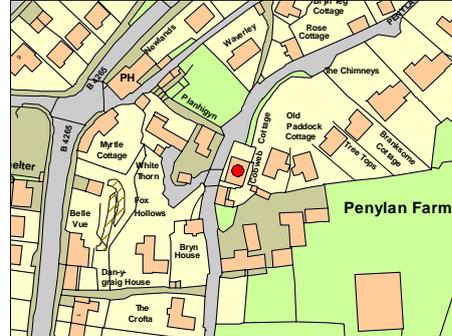
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St. Brides Major - Bryn Sion Chapel

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Monument	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Listed Building	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	26.02.01	11350

OS Grid E 289607

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Good example of a compact Gothic style chapel in its own enclosure, gabled entrance front faces North. The Calvinistic Methodists are said to have first met at St. Bride's Major in 1794 at Pen Ucha Dre Farm. A chapel was erected in the village in 1824, though it is not clear whether it was on the same site as the current chapel, which was built in 1859 at a cost of £400 through the endeavours of the Rev. Edward Matthews. It would seem that the first full-time minister was the Rev. Charles Williams who was inducted to the pastorate in 1883.

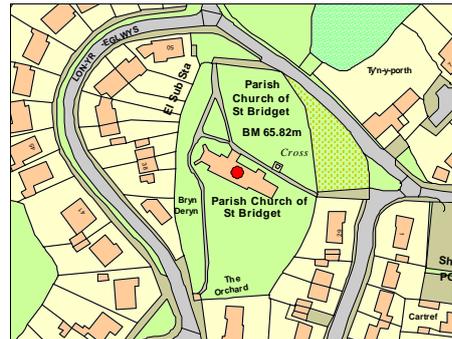
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St. Brides Major - Church of St. Bridget

Treasure	<input type="checkbox"/>	940	
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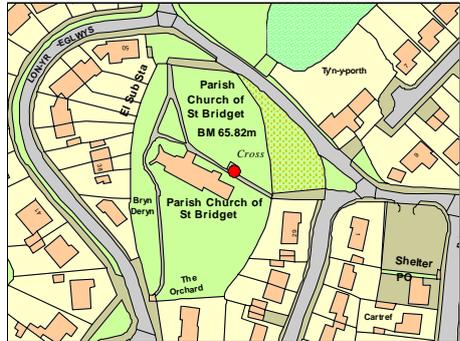


Imposing church of mainly perpendicular style with some surviving Norman features. Church comprises nave, chancel, North porch, two-stage West tower, embattled parapet, pinnacles, and two-light bell-chamber openings. Established in 1141 and given to Eweny Priors by the Lord of Ogmere, the Church was heavily restored by Egbert Moxham of Neath in 1854 at a cost of £1,000. This included replacement windows, the addition of the vestry and porch, a new nave roof, and new furnishings. The rood screen was removed at this time. The Church contains an exceptional group of memorials and effigies, many associated with Dunraven.

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St. Brides Major - Church of St. Bridget - Preaching Cross

Treasure		941		
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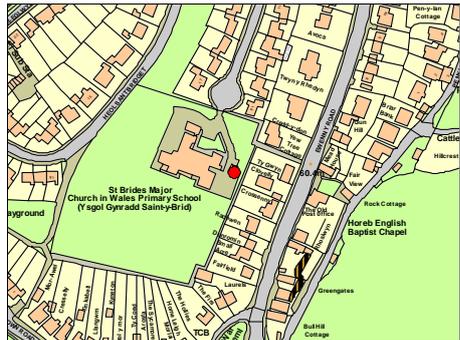


An exceptionally well preserved example of a C16 medieval preaching cross, with polygonal shaft and head, hipped square socket on high base of 6 square steps. Pilgrims knelt in prayer on the stone steps, and farm workers are said to have sharpened their sickles on them. Said to have been damaged during Cromwell's time. Restored in 1985.

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St. Brides Major - Old School Bell Tower

Treasure		946		
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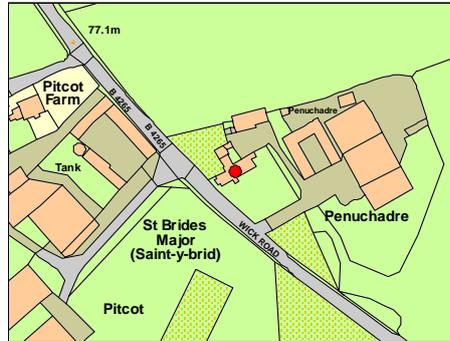


Removed from the old school before it was demolished. The bell tower is in the grounds of the current St Brides School.

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St. Brides Major - Pen Ucha Dre

Treasure	<input type="checkbox"/>	967		OS Grid E	289910
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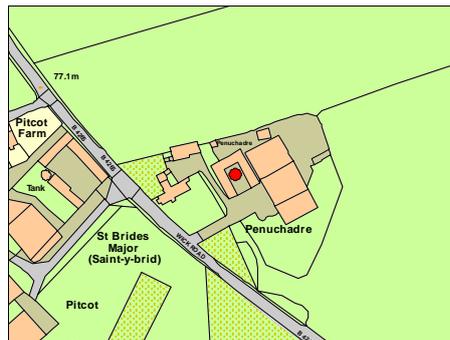


Late C16 single-unit end-entry house situated off Wick Road heading South-east from the village of St Brides Major. Two storeys with a slate roof, three stone stacks, one on large exposed chimney breast with off-sets. The house has early dressed masonry windows and doorways.

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St. Brides Major - Pen Ucha Dre - Barn and Cow Houses

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Monument	<input type="checkbox"/>			OS Grid N	173986
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Farm building group, probably mid C19. Three ranges set around a stock yard.

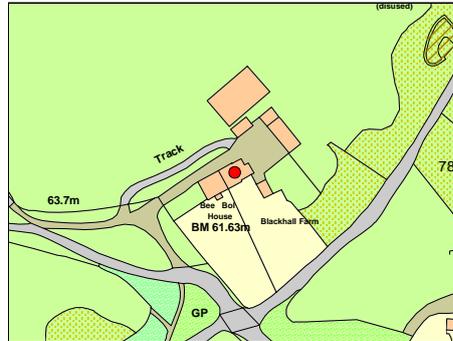
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Outlying - Blackhall Farm

Treasure 953
Monument
Listed Building 26.02.09 21772

OS Grid E 290688

OS Grid N 174794



Well preserved mid C19 farm-house with earlier origins. Five-window, 2 storey farmhouse with lower range and large outshut to rear. Rendered to front over rubble masonry, slate roofs.

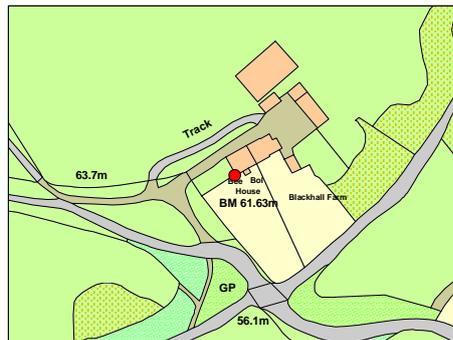
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Outlying - Blackhall Farm - Bee Boles

Treasure 2206
Monument
Listed Building 26.02.10 21798

OS Grid E 290670

OS Grid N 174770



Prior to the development of bee hives in the late C19, bees were kept in skeps made of wicker-work or coiled straw. In exposed areas the skeps were given some protection from the elements by placing them in purpose built recesses known as bee boles. The majority of surviving bee boles in Wales are built of stone and are very difficult to date. It is thought that these at Blackhall Farm are probably C18. There are three tiers of four bee boles, each designed to take a single skep. Built of stone on a random rubble base, with stone slab sills.

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Outlying - Clapper Bridge

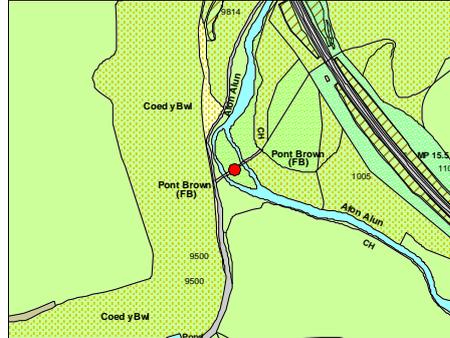
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An unusual and well preserved example of a C18 bridge using an ancient form of construction. Low, rubble stone clapper bridge, with slightly ramped deck circa 1m wide. Five small openings are visible for the passage of water, each with flat heads.

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Outlying - Groes Antoni

Treasure

Monument 21/3111/GM333 (GLA)

Listed Building

OS Grid E 289332

OS Grid N 175171



Much weathered cross-socket stone with chamfered upper edge. Socket hole has been much enlarged & now extends to the edge of the stone as an elongated basin.

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Outlying - Pont Groes Gwta

Treasure 1154

Monument []

Listed Building 26.02.12 [] 21783

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Two-span bridge with slightly ramped deck. Probably C18. Restored in 1996.

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Outlying - Promontory Fort on Fleming's Down

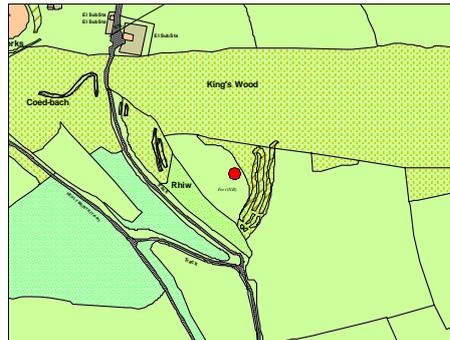
Treasure 2349

Monument 21/6539/GM466 (GLA)

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A promontory defended by a substantial bank and ditch c. 90m long built across its E side.

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Outlying - Religious Ruins

Treasure 678
Monument
Listed Building

OS Grid E 288389
OS Grid N 175570



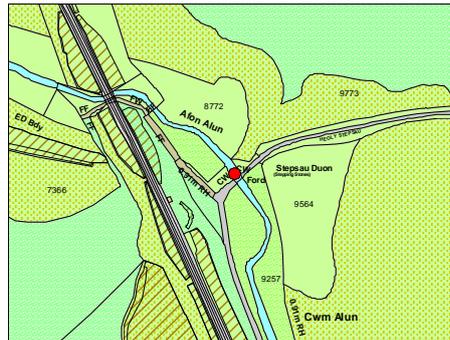
Penance building used by the Margam monks. Very little is known of this penance ruin. A story handed down through time describes how the monks of Margam Abbey from time to time became too well acquainted with local women. When caught, for penance, they were banished to this lonely spot to contemplate their misdeeds.

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Outlying - Stepsau Duon

Treasure 2347
Monument 21/1988/GM185 (GLA)
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Crossing the Afon Alun, 16 stones are visible. Those at each end of the line are overgrown. They are set on the N side of a ford.

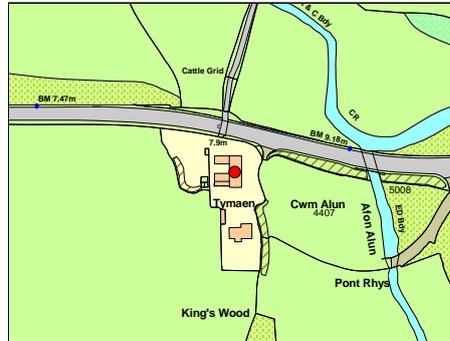
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Outlying - Ty Maen Barn

Treasure 973
Monument
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Large well preserved agricultural building consisting of a long range of rubble stone under a slate roof. One storey and attic. Probably C17-C18.

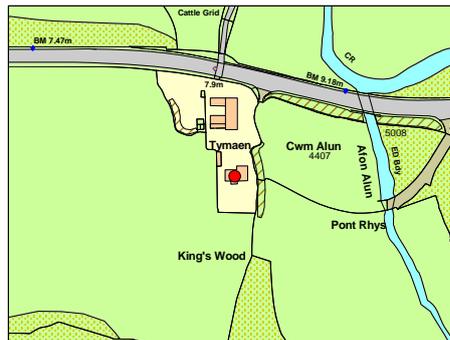
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Outlying - Ty Maen Farm

Treasure 688
Monument
Listed Building 26.01.05 21775

OS Grid E 289385

OS Grid N 177106



Ty Maen Farm is on the furthest boundary of the parish of St. Brides Major and although modernised the original fireplace can be seen in the living room and kitchen. The stone staircase rises above the fireplace. The entrance from outside is a narrow passage. Early C17 in origin the farmhouse comprises a three-unit, chimney-backing-on-the-entry house.