



Historic Environment Progress Report

for the period
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SUMMARY of HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT'S WORK

The **Historic Environment Service** provides comprehensive advice, information, research and leadership that enable Cornwall Council to fulfil its aims and objectives for Cornwall's historic environment.



The archaeology, buildings, settlements, historic landscapes and seascapes of Cornwall are a finite and non-renewable environmental resource. This unique historic environment gives identity to our villages, towns and countryside, helps define Cornwall's distinctive character, contributes to community pride and quality of life and provides significant economic, educational and social benefits.



We achieve this through timely, sound advice and the provision of quality information to the planning process. Conservation works, heritage led regeneration initiatives and research projects ensure that we are able to enhance and promote the distinctive historic character of Cornwall for current and future generations.

Historic Environment Record

The Cornwall & Scilly **Historic Environment Record (HER)** is the comprehensive and definitive record of the historic environment of Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly. Details of how to access the HER are available on our website:

www.cornwall.gov.uk/her



Conservation and Archaeological Advice

Conservation Officers and Planning Archaeologists provide specialist advice on heritage matters. This includes:

- Advice to the Council, owners, agents, developers and other bodies concerned with archaeology, built environment, conservation and heritage-led regeneration issues
- Providing grant and repair advice to the owners of historic buildings
- Promoting good design, in both buildings and the public realm
- Formulating policy for the historic environment
- Providing guidance to planners and developers regarding proposed development in historic landscapes

Projects

Historic Environment Projects is the commercial contracting arm of the service. We have more than 30 years experience providing archaeological services in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.



We offer a comprehensive range of services including:

- Monument management
- Industrial heritage
- Estate and landscape surveys
- Conservation management plans
- Building survey and analysis
- Maritime and coastal assessments
- Assessments and evaluations
- Excavations and watching briefs

Useful websites

Historic Environment Service

Archaeology - www.cornwall.gov.uk/archaeology

Conservation & Historic Buildings - www.cornwall.gov.uk/conservation

Historic Cornwall - <http://www.historic-cornwall.org.uk/>

This website provides access to a number of resources including:

- **Flying Past** - The results of a project which mapped archaeological and historical sites visible on over 50,000 aerial photos.
- **Access 2 Monuments** - A field guide to accessible monuments for those who wish to experience for themselves the wealth of the county's remarkable heritage.
- Details and analysis of 69 of **Cornwall's historic towns and industrial villages**

The Cornwall & Scilly HER can now be searched online via the Heritage Gateway:

Heritage Gateway - <http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk/gateway/>

INTRODUCTION to this REPORT

Overview

The Historic Environment Team, as demonstrated below, has a wide remit and those of you who may not be familiar with our work are urged to look at the **Historic Environment White Paper** which was adopted by Cornwall Council last December. A link to it can be found at: <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=2986>

On Saturday 27 July 2013, the shortlist of entries to the English Heritage Angels Awards for 2013 was announced. These awards, inaugurated by Andrew Lloyd Webber and sponsored by the Daily Telegraph, seek to recognise the best examples of heritage rescue projects in the country. The list of 16 sites for this year include two which Cornwall Council Historic Environment have been heavily involved with: Sir James Tillie's Monument at Pentillie near Saltash has been nominated for the best craftsmanship employed on a heritage rescue and Porthmeor Studios at St Ives have been nominated for best rescue of an industrial building or site. These two sites have done extremely well to have reached the shortlist and we hope that they both win their respective categories. The public can vote online for their favourite overall project. Further details of the awards and how to vote can be found at the following link: <http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/caring/angel-awards/vote2013/> The winners will be announced at a prestigious gala event in London in October. This adds to the number of heritage regeneration/consolidation projects within Cornwall which have won local and national recognition for their high levels of craftsmanship and their contribution to landscape and streetscape enhancement.

Outreach

Between January and June 2013 members of Historic Environment gave two walks and sixteen talks to a total audience of 754. This included one walk at Rosevale Mine and another around Minions and South Caradon Mine. Talks were given to Saltash, Luxulyan, Looe and Lostwithiel Old Cornwall Societies, Cornwall Archaeological Society, Cornwall Wildlife Trust, The Sustainable Trust, The National Trust, the College of St Mark and St John, Plymouth, the Council for British Archaeology, the Medieval Settlement Research Group and the Landscape Research Group. Venues for these talks included the Cornish Studies Library, King Edward Mine, Carwynnen Quoit, Cardiff University and Penwith College.

1. POLICY and INFORMATION

The team have continued to commission and develop projects such as the Cornish Farmsteads project (English Heritage) which is now underway, and the bid for the HLF funded project to survey Heritage at Risk has been submitted. Increasing time is spent in developing programmes to tackle what has become the main focus of Government's strategies on the historic environment - Heritage at Risk, a priority also for English Heritage and other statutory and national bodies.

We have been inputting into finding new uses for redundant Listed churches and chapels (St. Paul's Truro and Little Trethewy Chapel, St Levan), the Higher Level Stewardship work continues to be one of the most effective mechanisms anywhere within Cornwall for dealing with buildings at risk on both privately owned land and within the Council's own estate.

We have continued to develop the range of partnerships, steering groups and development boards we attend and influence both within and outside the Council. The process of ensuring historic environment has a visible presence in these areas is increasingly critical as the Local Enterprise Partnership and Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Environment Partnership develop their remits, business cases and capital programming. Future significant areas of work for us have also been identified in maritime issues, neighbourhood planning and the implementation of the strategic planning framework.

Members of the team continue to be involved in meetings, panels and steering groups relating to the Neighbourhood Planning Board, State of the Environment review for the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Environment Partnership, the AONB, the World Heritage Site, Cornwall Maritime Strategy, Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Coastal Advisory Group, the Cornwall Design Review Panel, the Green Infrastructure programme, Diocesan Advisory Committee and redundant churches committee.

We continue to work in partnership in different ways on specific sites and at different scales of activity and coverage - from the landscape partnership scale at West Penwith, Cornwall-wide discussions with the Environment Agency on the future of various historic weirs on rivers throughout Cornwall, showing one of the national directors from Natural England around schemes at Kennall Vale and Wheal Maid, working with Planning and Empty Homes colleagues on buildings at risk sites, detailed involvement with the development of the Kresen Kernow bid, site development, etc.

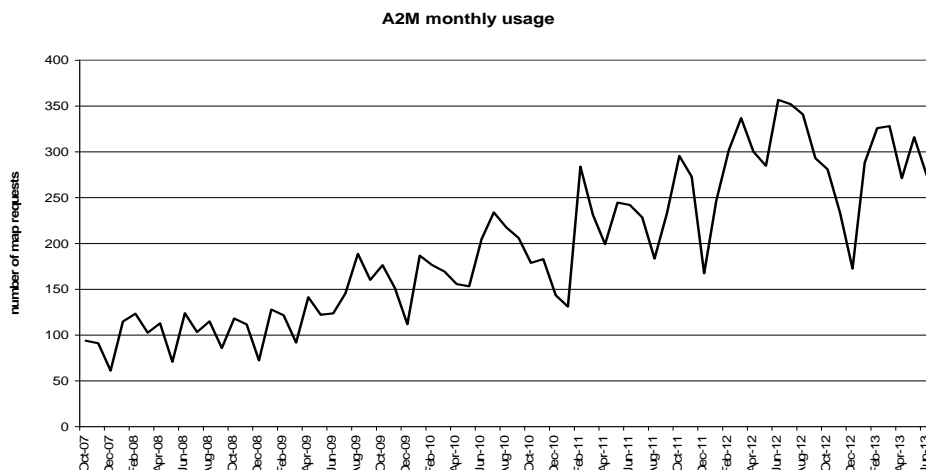
Our recent office move led to a necessary audit of the documents, plans and photographs amassed by the Historic Environment Record (HER) since its inception in 1975. While much of the background plans, documentation, archive material, etc. are now stored in an appropriate facility at Cardrew Industrial Estate, Redruth, the process of filtering out duplications, redundant records, etc. is ongoing.

1.1 Historic Buildings, Sites and Monuments Record (HBSMR), GIS and Websites

The HBSMR was upgraded in January 2013. It is accessible in a web page format as well as an Access database and provides greater capability for public interaction.

The latest Monuments data from the HBSMR has been uploaded to the Heritage Gateway website, where our record is now available in mapped form as points and polygons.

Public use of the heritage websites remains high. The following chart shows the trends to June 2013 for usage of the Access to Monuments website:



1.2 HBSMR Enhancements, Verification and Validation

The table below shows the number of HER records that have been added and amended during the period January to June 2013:

Record Type	New	Enhanced	Total	Verified
Events Records	187	551	3928	291 (OASIS)
Monument Records	183	1,076	56643	32,015 (56.5%)
Source/Archive Records	360	2,856 of which 500 duplicate records have been deleted ongoing enhancement of source records	24,519	n/a

Work has continued to enter to update the records. This ongoing and long-term work programme is essential to keep the HER up to date, with as broad an information base as possible, presenting the results of important projects and research to the widest range of users – the Events record remains one of the great strengths of the Cornwall and Scilly HER.

1.3 Designations

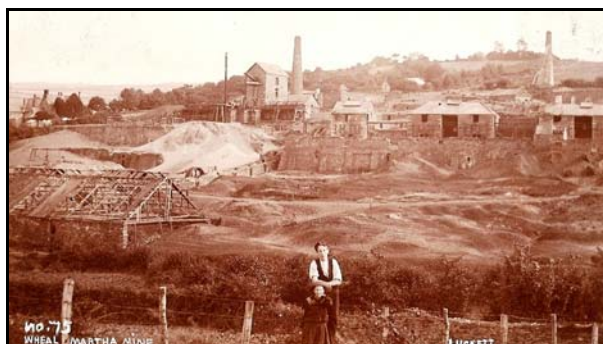
1.3.1 Listed Buildings and Scheduling

Within the reporting period English Heritage have Listed the arsenic grinding building at **New Consols** mine at **Luckett** in the east of the county:

http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk/Gateway/Results_Single.aspx?uid=1414153&resourceID=5



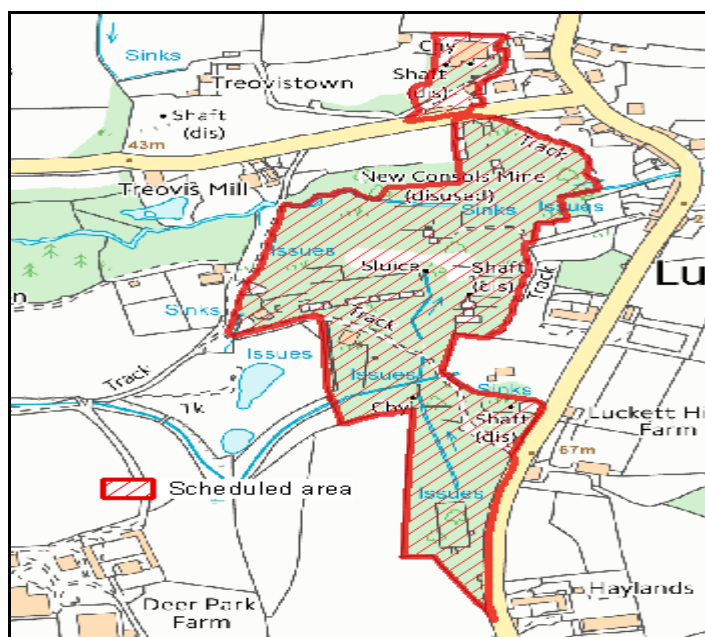
The Listed arsenic grinding building at Luckett



Wheal Martha Mine, Luckett (1902)

The significance and good survival of the site at Luckett is such that it has been further protected with Scheduling:

http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk/Gateway/Results_Single.aspx?uid=1409595&resourceID=5



Scheduled area: New Consols Mine: surface, buried and underground remains, Luckett

Two signal boxes were also Listed, one at Lostwithiel station:

http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk/Gateway/Results_Single.aspx?uid=1413727&resourceID=5

the other at Par station:

http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk/Gateway/Results_Single.aspx?uid=1413731&resourceID=5

The Cornwall Councillor for the neighbouring Fowey & Tywardreath Division, David Hughes, wrote to support the Listing:

"As Cornwall Councillor for Fowey & Tywardreath, the boundary of my division lies less than 100m north of Par Signal Box. I wish to put on record my wholehearted support for the Listing of Par Signal Box, which represents an excellent example of a rapidly disappearing key element in the history of the development of our national rail network and a key element in recording the importance of the junction at Par in local railway history.

Whilst the advent of modern technology may render it redundant in the near future, its historical importance is such that I believe that it fully merits preservation of its structure and setting and I welcome its Listing as protection against demolition or damage to its setting".

1.3.2 Amendments to Listed Building designations

Five Listed Building descriptions have been through the Minor Amendment process for individual entries and significantly more through the English Heritage programme of enhancement of Listed Building records for the former Districts.

Three sites comprised of six buildings were delisted over the period:

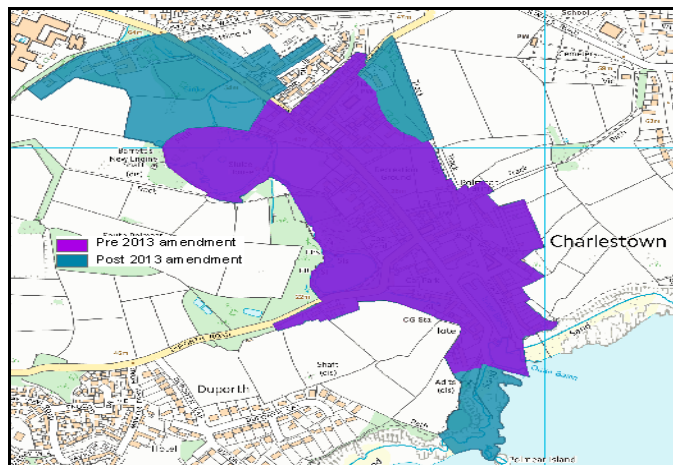
- ◆ 1 Station Hill, Redruth and 6-8 Penryn Street, Redruth - demolished after severe fire damage several years ago.
- ◆ A shelter shed and shippon at Scarne south of Launceston reconstructed as part of redevelopment.
- ◆ Stoketon Manor SW of Saltash severely damaged by fire in approximately 1984 and the site subsequently developed.

1.3.3 Conservation Areas

Three major amendments to Conservation Areas went through extensive public consultations in 2012 and were agreed by Cabinet in December.

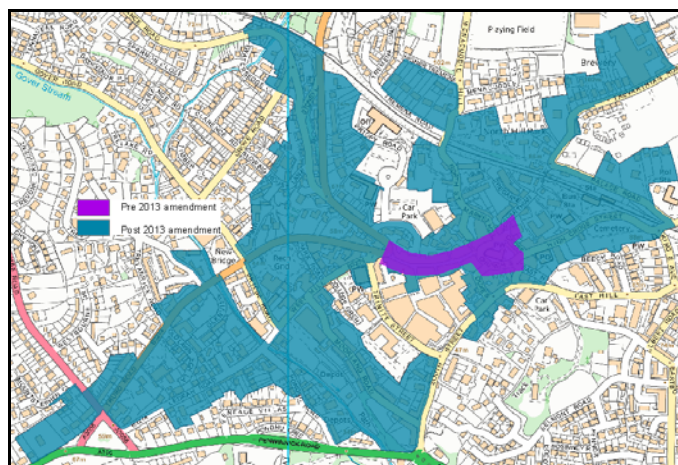
The assessments, management plans and revised mapping are now available on the Council web pages:

Charlestown: <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=17408>



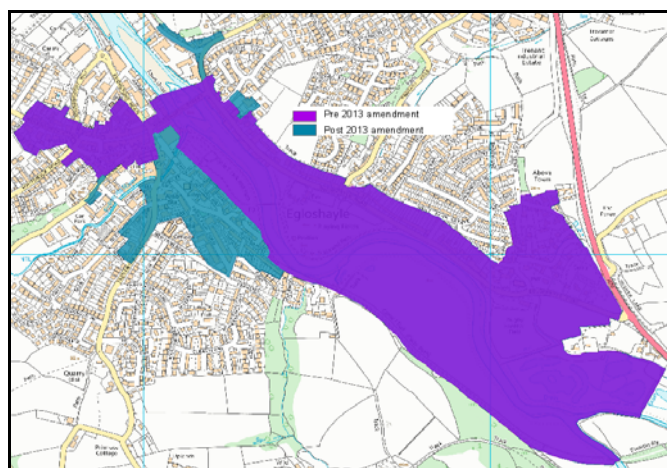
Charlestown Conservation Area pre and post amendment

St Austell: <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=17408>



St Austell Conservation Area pre and post amendment

Wadebridge: <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=17406>



Wadebridge Conservation Area pre and post amendment

1.3.4 Heritage at Risk

There are currently 827 sites on the English Heritage 'Heritage at Risk' register (Grade II*, Grade I Listed Buildings and Scheduled Monuments) that are entered in the Cornwall and Scilly HER. A further 180 sites are registered as 'at risk' that have been submitted via the local Cornwall Heritage at Risk list. These are buildings and monuments which are Listed Grade II or are undesignated and have been submitted by Planning Advice Archaeologists and Conservation Officers.

1.3.5 Site monitoring

The Cornwall Archaeological Society (CAS) Monument Watch programme and The Cornish Ancient Sites Protection Network (CASPN) Adopt-a-Site scheme continue to provide site condition information for a wide range of sites.

A further 34 Monument Watch reports have been deposited with the HER team including four for previously unrecorded sites.

The HER is still developing similar programmes with the Cornwall Gardens Trust Recorder's Group and the Old Cornwall Society Recorder's Group, who have expressed interest not only in providing information to the HER but in attending training in condition survey. The HER team continues to look into ways of funding this training and creating a long term methodology for volunteers' survey of heritage at risk. The forthcoming HLF funded programme relating to Listed Buildings will help develop this approach.

1.3.6 Outreach and enquiries

A member of the HER team has given a talk at the Cornwall Archaeological Society Area Representatives Evening and a talk to 30 members of the Lostwithiel Old Cornwall Society entitled 'Crows, Bee Boles and Gooseholes'.

The HER team have continued to respond to numerous research, general public and commercial enquiries.

1.4 COUNTRYSIDE ADVICE

There has been an influx of Higher Level Stewardship consultations recently, as the scheme begins to wind down to new applicants. The final agreements for the scheme should be in place by the end of this year.

There are expected to be a number of applications that will go forward next year, prior to the launch of a new agri-environment scheme in 2015/16, but these will be limited in number and targeted to high environmental value sites.

Through the current applications we have identified a good number of capital works programmes which will be implemented over the next couple of years. These include Assessment and repairs to parkland structures at Mount Edgcumbe and at Pencarrow Estate, Kennall Vale repairs to leats – Ponsanooth, Royalton Mine assessment – Victoria and a number of projects which are now underway e.g. consolidation of the windmill at Windmill Farm - Landewednack, Ennor Castle Management Plan - St Marys IoS, Wheal Maid engine house consolidation - Gwennap, Lanarth Bunker adaptation to education room - St Keverne, Trelowarren lake, railings and lodge restoration, Penhale Sands management plan, Tregargus Valley china stone mill consolidation, Bury Castle erosion repairs – Cardinham, Tregonning Hill brick kiln consolidation and Wheal Busy management plan and engine house consolidation.

One of the capital works programmes, the restoration of the mausoleum at Pentillie Castle, has been shortlisted for an English Heritage Angels Award, based on outstanding craftsmanship shown by Clivedon Conservation Workshop Ltd (Bath) in its repair. The initial application to the panel of judges was written by Historic Environment and the winner will be announced in October.

The statue of Sir James Tillie on the mausoleum at Pentillie – images show before and after:



Scotts Quay, Polwheveral, on the north bank of the Helford was repaired as part of an HLS capital project - images show before and after:



We are working with Natural England on the development of further capital works programmes including further restoration works to a possible 16th century garden at Botelet farm – Pelynt, erosion repairs at Trevelgue Head cliff castle near Newquay and consolidation of Wheal Tye near Porthtowan (both part of a Council Estate application), management plans for a number of rough ground holdings in Penwith, a potential assessment of Roche Rock and the WWII Transmitter Station near Innis Downs and management plans for Helman Tor and Dodman Point.

1.4.1 Outreach

In May, the Countryside Advice Archaeologist gave a talk to 30 members of Looe Old Cornwall Society entitled: 'The Historical aspects of Cornish hedges'.

1.5 HERITAGE

1.5.1 Heritage at Risk

Harvey's Foundry Phase 3, Hayle

In May the project team submitted the final ERDF Convergence application and in June a grant of £2.1 million was offered, completing the funding package of £3.4 million for the conversion of two Grade II Listed buildings to create 1,000 sq m of employment space and an estimated 83 FTE. We procured the services of a Project Manager and the successful candidate was Trevor Humphreys who recently completed the Porthmeor Studios project in St Ives. We began procurement of a main contractor

by issuing a Preliminary Qualification Questionnaire and received expressions of interest from five suppliers.

Unfortunately, in June 2013 Unity Bank announced that they were withdrawing the asset transfer loan of £900,000 on the basis of lack of confidence in the economy. This money was the eligible private match to the ERDF grant, and without it the project has had to decline the Convergence grant. The Project Manager and architect have been stood down, and the potential suppliers informed of a delay. The team made hurried enquiries with other lenders and private sources but timescales for acceptance of the ERDF grant and delivery of the project were against us.

Phase 3 has now stalled which is a massive disappointment. The Council (Property Services) remains liable for the Grade II Listed Plantation Stores building which was due to be transferred to Harvey's Foundry Trust. An initial enquiry has been made with HLF under the new Heritage Enterprise grant scheme as we await a response on whether this funding route now offers a way forward.

Old Duchy Palace, Lostwithiel

The £1.1million restoration project reached practical completion in April 2013 with conservation contractor Carrek handing back the building to Cornwall Buildings Preservation Trust. The first public open day was held in May as part of the annual Lostfest weekend and attracted 1,100 people through the building in seven hours.

The building is being marketed to let by the Trust through local agents May Whetter Grose and prospective tenants for the upper floors have been found, although recent flooding at Christmas seems to be discouraging take up of the Undercroft retail space.

As a result of this project the Grade I building has been removed from the Heritage at Risk register. An official opening ceremony will be held in July 2013 when VIP guests and funders, including Cornwall Council, will be invited.

South Crofty Heritage Project

Cormac Contracting were appointed as main contractor in January 2013 following a procurement exercise, and started on site late February, working with local sub contractors including Chris Sedgeman Scaffolding and Ed Faull Stonemason. Monthly site meetings have been held to monitor progress with the £650,000 contractor and the budget holder's representative (Sarah Jory, CDC).

900 tonnes of scaffolding were erected to cloak the Headframe, and the process of sandblasting, degreasing, metal fabrication and painting are on target for completion in September 2013. Works to conserve the two Grade II Listed engine houses at Chappells Shaft have progressed well, with frequent liaison and monitoring by the Conservation Officer, and are due for completion in August 2013.

Responsibility for all three structures will then be handed over to the Environment Service to maintain for the life of the 60 year lease. A budget of £200,000 will be transferred from Economic Development to Environment to fund this. We have met with Steve Wood and Jon James to discuss this handover.

Loggans Mill, Hayle

We have helped support Cornwall Buildings Preservation Trust, who were awarded £10,000 from the Architectural Heritage Fund 'cold spots' initiative towards feasibility studies on Loggans Mill, the Council-owned Grade II Listed building. The Council has provided match funding from the Localism budget. PDP Green were appointed and studies are well advanced with a final report expected in August 2013. Consultants are looking at a range of options including: demolition; consolidation as a ruin; conversion to housing; mixed use conversion including a climbing wall. A number of options depend on the Council securing improved access to the site, and all options involve

the Council in significant financial cost. This is the unfortunate result of poor decision making by the previous authority. The draft feasibility report will be presented to the Council (Property Services) in July 2013.

The Ganges, Penzance

We are working closely with the Council's Empty Homes Team and Enforcement Team on The Ganges in Penzance, a Grade II Listed building at risk. Members of the team visited the site to inspect the property and draw up a schedule of urgent work which the Council believes is necessary to protect the building from deterioration.

Discussions are continuing with the owners and a potential purchaser to encourage either urgent works to be carried out, or a quick sale to a willing buyer.

Draft Urgent Works Notices have been sent to the owners as an indication of the Council's commitment to taking enforcement action. We have applied to English Heritage for an 80% grant to underwrite the cost of the Council serving Urgent Works Notices and expect to hear in July 2013. However, this will require the Council to match with 20% of the cost (£4,000) and there is currently no budget identified for this. There is a good business case for taking the money from Council revenue sources, as the enforcement action will lead to the building being brought back into use and generate tax revenue income from Council tax and business rates.

Condition survey of Grade II Listed buildings at risk

Sadly the bid to English Heritage to be one of fifteen national pilot projects to study Grade II Listed buildings at risk was unsuccessful in December 2012. However, we have revised the project and applied to HLF Our Heritage grant programme for £18,000, matched with £2,000 we have raised from four local trusts, to carry out a condition survey of 500 Grade II Listed buildings in south-east and north Cornwall.

The project will train up to 25 volunteers from local societies and groups in building survey skills, and boost the capacity and involvement of the voluntary sector in managing Cornwall's heritage. The value of the volunteer time is approximately £23,000 and Council staff time £25,000. A decision is expected in August 2013.

1.6 ADVICE

1.6.1 Guidance note on Onshore Wind Turbines

The guidance note relating specifically to the historic environment and the requirements in terms of planning submissions for onshore wind turbines has now been finalised and passed to Planning Development Management. This is now incorporated into the Cornwall Council [Renewable Energy Planning Guidance Note 3: Onshore Wind](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=25182). <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=25182>

1.6.2 Community Archaeologist

Historic Environment is delighted to report that we have been successful in our application to the Council for British Archaeology, the leading archaeological charity, to host a Community Archaeology Training Placement. This provides 90% funding for the cost of recruiting for one year an 'early career' professional archaeologist to work with us to develop both their own skills and the capacity of our service in the field of Community Archaeology.

'Community Archaeology' is an area growing in popularity, from the early coining of the phrase in Lincolnshire, and ranges from projects led by professional archaeological organisations in which public involvement is encouraged, through to the many

activities that are initiated and led by local communities themselves, such as historic building conservation, landscape survey projects, and of course excavations.

Our post will have a particular focus on the engagement of people up to the age of 25, although we hope to work in partnership with a wide range of professional and voluntary organisations. We are confident that this post can contribute to a renaissance in Cornish Archaeology through bringing the archaeological heritage of the county to a new generation. Competition for the vacancy has been extremely strong with the Council receiving around 50 applications for the post, the majority of which were of a high calibre. We will announce the appointment in July, the successful applicant will work with us from late September 2013 until the same time in 2014.

1.6.3 Isles of Scilly Archaeological Consultancy Project

We have also been successful in our tender to deliver archaeological services to the Council of the Isles of Scilly, supported by English Heritage funding. We will deliver archaeological HER, and planning and policy advice to the Islands' Council for two years. In addition to supporting the functions of the Isles of Scilly Local Planning Authority our core team will work together with our HE Projects archaeologists to advance the Isles of Scilly Archaeological Research Strategy and undertake the first comprehensive survey of Scheduled Monuments at Risk for the Islands; and also work to develop a community network of volunteer monument surveyors and practical management workers.

This innovative opportunity builds on the proud heritage of our many years of CAU / HES research and practical management work on Scilly, as well as our long term commitment to building and maintaining their Historic Environment Record.

There are also exciting synergies with our Community Archaeology placement. The project provides a timely opportunity, helping to sustain the capacity and skills base of the Core Cornwall HE service at no cost to the Cornish tax payer, at a time of tightening local resources and we hope that it will see the beginning of us renewing our engagement with the Islands for many years to come.

1.6.4 Development Management Advice – Conservation and Archaeology

There has been a 13% decrease in the total number of applications determined over the last two quarters (from 1 January to 30 June) compared to the previous six month period (1 July 2012 to 30 December 2012). However, the number of Listed Building applications that have been determined has increased by approximately 7% and the Conservation Area consent applications have decreased by approximately 30%. The total number of applications within Conservation Areas determined over the last two quarters has increased marginally by 1% compared to the previous six month period. Pre-application statistics are not included in these figures.

In addition to the usual variety of casework, several major schemes continue to occupy a significant element of work.

1.7 IN THE EAST

The team have been involved with numerous applications and pre-application proposals for all grades of Listed Buildings and development in Conservation Areas.

The consultation periods for the draft **Kingsand /Cawsand, Liskeard and Bodmin Conservation Area Appraisals and Management Plans** were completed in

February with very positive feedback received. The Bodmin CAA did raise some issues - the public consultation was well received with considerable support for the documents and concern that the historic environment in the town was at risk. Bodmin Town Council however had a contrary response and thought that there was too much protection in the town. Progress on getting the Appraisals endorsed was put on hold due to the local elections taking place and a programme is now being prepared to move these documents forward for approval.

There have been continual numerous wind turbine and solar farm applications together with pre-application enquiries for such schemes where the historic environment service has been involved.

There has been much publicity raised through the proposed demolition of the former **Foster Hall** complex in Bodmin. This is a richly detailed building dating from 1906 which is thought to have been the last piece of work by accomplished Cornish Architect Silvanus Trevail. Applications to English Heritage for inclusion in the Statutory List of Listed Buildings have been unsuccessful.

The former **Chapel** and **Sunday School in Castle Street, Launceston** which is in a very poor state of repair continues to be of concern and is now on the market. Other cases include proposals for the re-use of **Lower Hampt** at **Luckett**, a Grade II* Farmstead. Works are progressing to the Grade II* medieval barn at **Maer, Bude** which is on the English Heritage Buildings at Risk register. Various repair works are now underway to several historic buildings on the **Trevelga Estate**, securing their condition for the future.

Negotiations are still taking place with the current owner of **Hockings House Chapel**, a Grade II* Listed Building at risk. The new owner has now appointed a Planning Consultant and Architect to progress the scheme. The conversion of this property will hopefully secure its future and ultimately remove it from the Buildings at Risk Register.

Saltash Station is still in a very poor condition which is having a detrimental impact on the character of the Saltash Conservation Area and the gateway to Cornwall. The sale of the property appears to have fallen through and the Enforcement Team are now in the process of serving a S215 Untidy Site Notice on the owner.

Two community developments in which the team have been involved in Looe have now been completed. The **New Shelter** alongside the harbour, which includes a multi purpose open area for local produce markets and a performance area, a sitting area and toilet and shower facilities for visiting yachts has been officially opened. The **Looe Community Centre** on the Millpool Car Park incorporating youth facilities, meeting rooms, etc. has also recently been completed.

The team were also involved in the initial stages of the inspection and repair of the Grade I Church at **Pillaton** following the lightening strike in January.



Consultations are ongoing with officers regarding **Mt Edgcumbe** and how the park can become more sustainable by introducing new sympathetic commercial uses which are compatible with the historic parkland estate. Informal contact has been made with the Heritage Lottery Fund to discuss a possible grant scheme to refurbish and repair some of the Listed structures on the estate.

Trequite Farm, Trerulefoot, near Liskeard (solar farm)

Planning application PA13/04650 was received on 23 May 2013 for the installation of photovoltaic panel arrays, electrical substations, inverter stations, pole-mounted CCTV cameras and security fencing, and the provision of a roadside lay-by and other ancillary works, located on land near Padderbury, 3.5km southeast of Menheniot, Cornwall.

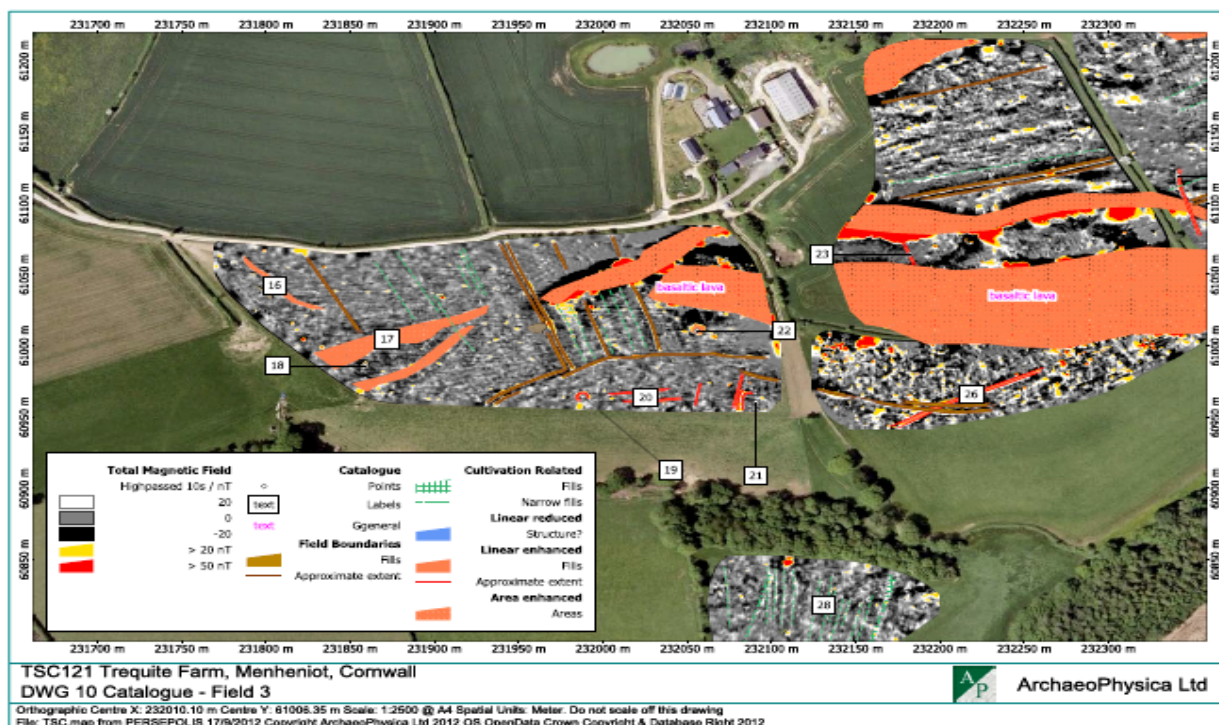
The current application is subsequent to an earlier EIA Screening Request PA12/06172 submitted on 25 June 2012 for a similar proposal, but within seven fields in two separated northern and southern parcels. At that time we recommended that the applicant commission a desk-based assessment and geophysical survey and an historic environment visual impact assessment to be undertaken prior to submission of a full application, in accordance with the requirements of National Planning Policy Framework, Section 12, paragraph 128.

The subsequent geophysical report by ArchaeoPhysica Ltd. which assessed the potential for direct ground impacts on buried archaeology within those two parcels, was received in October 2012. The report included mapping which showed the interpretive results of a magnetometer survey. The two areas which contained the most significant archaeological results were in Fields 1, 2 and 3, and are illustrated as follows:

Fields 1 & 2



Field 3



The central magnetic anomalies of both these surveyed areas represent late-prehistoric settlement in the form of farmsteads (round houses, shown here as red curved features) and associated enclosures and field systems (shown as red curved or sub-rectangular features).

Subsequent field investigation (by evaluation trench), undertaken by Foundations Archaeology during February 2013, confirmed the physical survival of these buried archaeological ditches and pits which also produced sherds of pottery of late-prehistoric date and other associated small finds.

As a consequence, we recommended that two discrete areas surrounding these farmsteads and enclosures be excluded from development to ensure their survival in situ as undisturbed buried features. It was subsequently agreed with the applicant that these areas be subject to a condition of planning consent defining their exclusion.

However, the historic environment visual impact assessment, undertaken by Redbay Design in May 2012, identified a number of designated sites would be affected by the development, with the most severe impact being upon the setting of the Scheduled Monument of Padderbury Top (a late prehistoric hillfort), 300m south of the northern-most fields (1 and 2).

As a consequence of advice from English Heritage, the applicant agreed to remove the northern fields from the development, restricting the solar arrays to eastern fields 3-7. The nearest of these is only 370m east of the Scheduled area of Padderbury Top, but because of the topography and a wooded area, the arrays would be partly obscured from views looking out from the monument. The developer agreed with English Heritage to adopt lower deer-exclusion fencing and more discrete security camera installations, and also provide better visitor interpretation, signage, parking facilities and pathways at Padderbury Top itself as compensating mitigation.

This solar farm application and the results of the various heritage asset assessments is a good example of how the Historic Environment Service, English Heritage,

commercial archaeological contractors, the applicant and Cornwall Council Planning Officers can all work together to ensure a positive outcome for the historic environment of Cornwall, by preserving in situ important buried archaeological remains, improving visitor access to a local Scheduled Monument and preserving its visual setting, and as a consequence contributing to a better understanding of Cornwall's past through information deposited with the publically-accessible records of the county's Historic Environment Record.

1.8 IN THE CENTRAL AREA

During this period our capacity has been seriously reduced due to the long term absence of our Conservation Officer for the former Carrick district. However, we have worked closely with individual Planning Officers to cover some very significant cases in the area including **Old County Hall Truro, Perran Foundry** and **The Cathedral School, Truro** and are very proud of the way colleagues have worked together as a team to maintain a basic service provision under difficult circumstances.

In Central 2 we are delighted to have seen the **Charlestown** and **St Austell Conservation Appraisal and Management Plans** receive formal adoption status by the Council. These documents outline the significance and key objectives for each conservation area and will be important planning considerations for both settlements. The St Austell document will support the development of an application as the next Townscape Heritage Initiative bid in our successful long term programme. This period also saw the completion of the restoration of the **Duchy Palace, Lostwithiel**. Vic Robinson's hard work on all three projects has been fundamental to their success, and we are grateful to the assistance given by colleagues in the Information Team to prepare documentation for the Conservation Area Appraisal reports at short notice.

The highlight of new archaeological work within the planning process in this period has been land at **Tregony Road, Probus** where we have been advising the planners, applicants and their archaeological professionals from AC Archaeology and CgMs as part of a planning performance agreement. This site includes a very complex and large Iron Age / Romano British settlement enclosure (sometimes called a 'Cornish Round') which has been recorded on the HER for some years from evidence from aerial photography. The understanding of the significance and complexity of this feature has been greatly enhanced during this period following geophysical survey, measured field survey and trial trenching during the pre-application and Environmental Impact Assessment process. We now understand this monument's constructional history and development much more clearly and are confident that it represents a similar, if less well preserved, site to the published and better known round at Trethurgy. We are advising on potential design layouts for the development which will ensure the enclosure is preserved in situ within a public green space supported by a heritage management agreement - the starting point for the whole development being the significance and form of the archaeological remains ensuring that they will be better conserved, understood and legible to the wider public.

We have also monitored and received reports on the very major archaeological evaluation exercise undertaken by AC Archaeology and CgMs across archaeological remains on the adjoining **Langarth, Maiden Green** and **Willow Green** sites at **Threemilestone**. These sites include degraded Bronze Age barrows, a probably Bronze Age enclosure, and later prehistoric field systems as well as a not clearly dated but probably post medieval and very large double ditched enclosure. Negotiations are ongoing regarding mitigation strategies for the site which, if consented, are likely to include a mixture of 'preservation in situ' and 'preservation by record' measures.

Mitigation field works, undertaken by Cotswold Archaeology, are now complete at the **Tregunnel Hill, Newquay** site, the last elements including the preservation in situ of a potentially nationally important Bronze Age pottery production complex. This site, the subject of a very major archaeological recording exercise in the late summer and autumn of 2012, is likely to justify full publication as an academic monograph and the initial post excavation archive report is eagerly awaited from the applicant's archaeological contractors.

Working in partnership with English Heritage's Ann Preston-Jones we have negotiated the writing and implementation of a management agreement for one of the scheduled **Four Barrows** adjacent to the A30 from the applicants for a solar farm near to the site. This agreement will enable damaging vegetation to be removed from this iconic site and more favourable management, and better visibility of the site for road travellers, to be maintained for the life of the solar farm.

The hybrid Neolithic ceremonial monument at **Truro Eastern District Centre** (Household Waste Recycling component) which has features characteristic of both a causewayed enclosure and a henge monument has now been temporarily protected by inert aggregates, geo-engineered grid and a marker layer of polystyrene sheet. Throughout the investigation of the site we have advised, in agreement with the planning authority and applicants, that the site is likely to be of national significance and should therefore be 'preserved in situ'. During this period an application was made to English Heritage by a third party for statutory protection of the site by Scheduling. Scheduling is a discretionary power of the Secretary of State for Culture Media and Sport which requires any works to protected sites to be consented by DCMS independently of Local Planning Authority control. The English Heritage assessment of the site, based on information supplied by Historic Environment Projects who acted for the applicants as archaeological contractor, is that by virtue of the form, date, preservation, associated artefacts and the paleo-archaeological potential of buried soils into which the ditches have been cut that the site is of national importance. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) indicates that nationally important archaeological sites identified during the planning process should be subject to the same policy approach as in place for Scheduled Monuments, and for this reason English Heritage advice to the Secretary of State has been that Scheduling is not the appropriate management of the site given the commitment of the applicants, the availability of our advice and the readiness of all parties to acknowledge and respond to the significance of the site. We have now been consulted on archaeologically acceptable proposals for longer term burial of the site beneath the recycling centre, which has an expected design life of 25 years before the site is returned to its current state and continue to advise that preservation of the site is both feasible and preferable to either full excavation or the continuation of the current agricultural regime. Whilst this seems at first glance to be a long time for such a significant site to be inaccessible for further on site research it is a 'blink of the eye' in the monument's 5-6,000 year biography and experience indicates that our ability to recover and interpret archaeological information from the site is likely to have been revolutionised in 20-30 years. An archaeological archive report is anticipated shortly and further opportunities for advancing public understanding of this very special part of the Cornish archaeological jigsaw from the investigations so far undertaken will be pursued in the coming months and years.

There have been two successful appeals on cases we have advised on – one for an extension in Lostwithiel Conservation Area (**Cairn House, Castle Hill** appeal ref: APP/D0840/D/12/2187171) and an appeal against an enforcement notice to remove upvc smoking shelter canopies from the front of a late 19th century unlisted Institute

building in **St Columb Minor** (appeal ref: APP/D0840/C/12/2177345), the shelters have now been removed.

High profile/complex cases we have continued to provide advice on are: **Coyte Farm, Duchy Palace, Charlestown Harbour** and **Grampound Tannery**.

We have continued to work with Agents and Enforcement on bringing forward revised applications for a scheme to secure the repair and a sustainable future for **Charlestown Chapel** – Grade II* Building at Risk.

We have continued to support and advise our Planning and Housing colleagues with regards to the **Old Bishops Palace** in **St Columb Major** – Grade II* Building at Risk. We are still in the midst of putting together a strategy for this important Listed Building at Risk, Historic Environment Officers have prepared a schedule of urgent works following a site visit with warrant, the next step would be to get this costed, this rests with the Planning Enforcement Team. Once costs are available an application can be made to English Heritage for a grant to underwrite 80% of irrecoverable costs, however, as yet the Council has not identified a budget for the remaining costs.

We have provided advice to colleagues regarding a new **Heritage Trail** in **St Austell**, as part of St Austell Feast Week. The trail, funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund, celebrates the history of the town by allowing the public to pick up information on 18 historically significant buildings through the use of QR Codes which links walkers to a website detailing the significance of the building:

<http://www.staustellfeast.btck.co.uk/HeartofStAustellTrail>

Discussions are being undertaken between HLF, St Austell Town Council and the Market CIC regarding how to progress a future HLF THI scheme for St Austell.

1.9 IN THE WEST

1.9.1 Camborne, Roskear, Tuckingmill Townscape Heritage Initiative (THI)

1.9.1.1 Progress

The second phase of Camborne, Roskear, Tuckingmill THI is progressing well with funds fully allocated. Repairs to the traditional shopfront of the RSPCA shop in **Basset Road** are almost complete.



RSPCA shop, Basset Road, Camborne

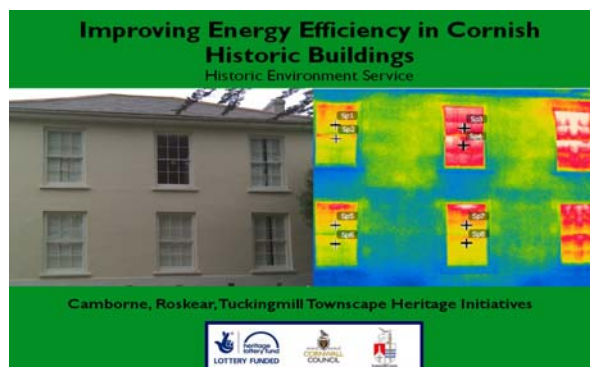
The THI Project Team are currently in discussions with the Cornwall Development Company and the Project Developers with a view to a joint THI and Convergence

package funding repairs and conversion works to two of the remaining historical buildings on the former **Bickford Smith fuseworks**. The fuseworks has international significance in that the world's first safety fuse was made on the site.

1.9.1.2 'Improving Energy Efficiency in Cornish Historic Buildings'

Monitored energy saving measures have been funded by the THI and their performance monitored by students from Cornwall College's Renewable Technologies course. This is to establish good local examples for retrofitting local historic buildings. The results have been fed back into an 'Improving Energy Efficiency in Cornish Historic Buildings' guide which is available on the Council's website:

<http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=32261>



The THI team had a stall at the 'Get Cornwall Building' exhibition at Heartlands on 20 March where the energy saving measures progressed through the THI as well as the guide, were showcased. The guide was launched at the Green Cornwall Show at Heartlands on 27 and 28 June. The THI team had an exhibition stall for the two days and the HE Advice Team Leader (West) gave a talk with Dr Michael Hunt, Curriculum Area Manager for Science, at Cornwall College on the guide. The Advice Team Leader (West) and THI Admin Assistant also gave internal training on the guide to Planning and Building Control staff at Camborne on 14 June, Truro 19 June and Bodmin 20 June. They have subsequently been asked to give a presentation on the guide as part of the Cornwall Sustainable Building Trust CPD Autumn programme.

1.9.1.3 Traditional Skills Training

Skills training initiatives are still progressing through the THI. Students from Cornwall College's Bench Carpentry Diploma course have made traditional sash windows and surrounds for two THI target buildings, funded through the THI. Students from Engineering Extended Diploma Level 3 have designed and watched production of traditional cast street signs and door furniture.



Production of traditional sash windows for THI target buildings and door furniture produced by Cornwall College as part of THI funded skills training programme

1.9.1.4 THI webpage

The THI webpage has been updated and includes slideshows of completed works along with summaries of traditional skills training and energy saving initiatives plus links to the 'Improving Energy Efficiency in Cornish Historic Buildings' guide and the Camborne Discovery Map: <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=32261>

1.9.1.5 Design Awards

THI funded works to the **Holman's site** at Trevu Road received a 2013 Cornish Buildings Group design award. The Holmans scheme also won the 2013 South West and Wales RICS Award for Residential Development of the Year and was voted top 50 affordable housing developments by sector magazine Inside Housing.



Before and after images of Trevu Road development, Camborne



Conversion of the Carpenters Shop at **Heartlands** to a café and restaurant also received a 2013 Cornish Buildings Group award. The HE Advice Team Leader (West) and Building Conservation Officer (West) were heavily involved in the project from inception to completion.

1.9.1.6 Buildings at Risk

Schedules of repairs have been prepared for Urgent Works at **Ganges Restaurant, Penzance** (Grade II Listed), **Bishops Palace, St Columb** (Grade II* Listed) and Scheduled **Tolgus Calciner, Redruth**. We have also been overseeing work at **Gladys Holman House**, a Grade II* Listed building in Camborne and involved in ongoing work at **King Edward Mine** (Grade II* Listed). Four of these buildings are on English Heritage's Buildings at Risk register.

1.9.1.7 Other news update

The works at **Porthcurno Telegraph Museum** are ongoing and the Learning Centre is nearing completion.

At **St. Michael's Mount**, renovation of the Chevy Chase Room has continued with re-plastering following a drying out period.



A continuing professional practice (CPD) training day was held on 26 April for heritage professionals to look at the restoration of Roman Cement. This was arranged between the Senior Building Conservation Officer, National Trust Architect Richard Davies and Cornish Heritage Builders. Cornish Lime gave a technical briefing, and roman plaster works were undertaken by The Natural Plaster Company, Penryn.



The Council owned **Coinagehall Street** site in Penzance is currently going through planning, heritage and design reviews with the chosen developers. **Hayle North Quay** has now been finished with an official ceremony held including the unveiling of the funder's plaque. During the works a pump rose was discovered and as an addition to the contracted works was cleaned and erected as a "found" artefact.



The decommissioned original sluice gates were stored and then craned into a final position for the public to view. The North sluice has also been cleared and reinstated. Repairs could not be undertaken until a channel was fully excavated to enable assessment of the extent of the works required.



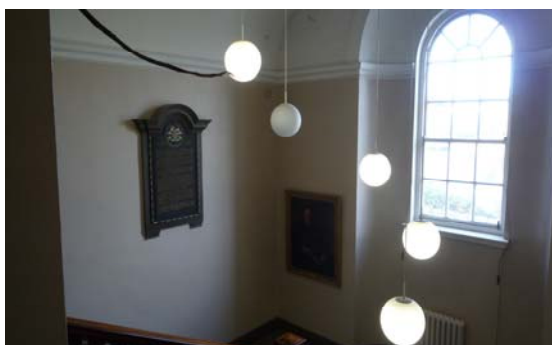
At **Hayle West Terrace Railway Bridge**, following the input of conservation advice on sympathetic re-instatement, the project has been successfully completed in time for the funding deadline.

A working project team consisting of Building Conservation Officers, Empty Homes officer, Building Control, Enforcement and Legal, are progressing contact with the owners of the former **Ganges** restaurant, **18 Chapel Street, Penzance** to save this Listed building from total collapse.

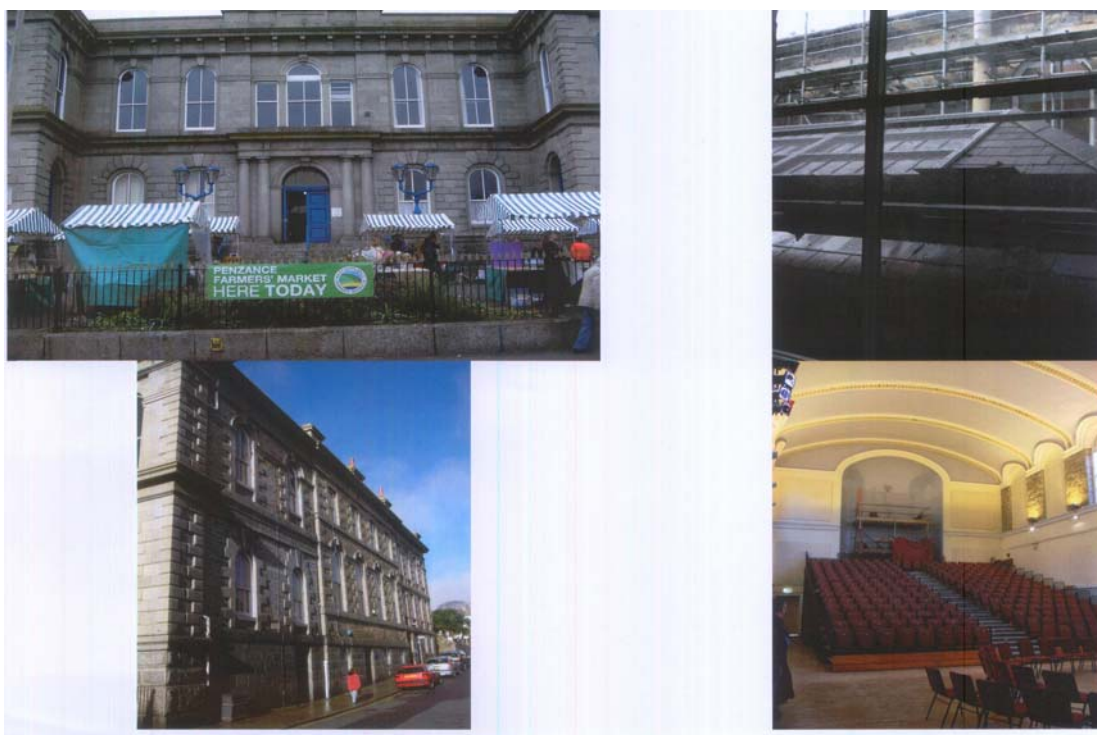


Advice has been provided to Cornwall Council, Network Rail and First Great Western as part of the **St. Erth Transport Interchange** project.

At **Old County Hall** the Building Conservation Officer has worked closely with the Planning officer, architects and new owner on this important Cornwall Council owned Grade II Listed building. The memorial plaques are to be re-erected in their own purpose built display cabinets in New County Hall.



The Building Conservation Officer has been attending project meetings and liaising with the architects regarding the changes and heritage impact of the new uses to **St. John's Hall, Penzance**.



At **Tremough University Campus** early discussions with the Tremough managers and Architects have taken place regarding the proposed "Heart" landscape project and future repairs and historic re-instatement to Tremough House itself.

The first phase of works at **North Quay, Hayle** have been completed and discussions on South Quay have continued, with development works expected to begin when the pre-commencement conditions have been discharged. The **CPR East-West Link Road** works have begun, being overseen by Cornwall Council's Projects Team and are being monitored by the Archaeological Planning Advice Officer. The recording work has included the **Bartles Foundry** site in Pool and areas of **South Crofty** which will be affected. Archaeological field work in **Mabe** has uncovered three Bronze Age hut circles which are currently being excavated prior to the construction of a housing development. **King Edward Mine** now has a Conservation Management Plan which will inform all proposed development works and an impact assessment has been produced. Joint working with English Heritage has taken place at a number of sites including St Michael's Mount, Gillan Round and numerous wind turbine sites.

We are still covering the archaeological case work for Scilly and a formal contract is currently under discussion with Scilly and English Heritage.

The Archaeological Planning Advice Officer has attended the six monthly Ministry of Defence Historic Estate Working Group at Tregantle Fort and maintained good working relations with the different groups involved; he attended the Association of Local Government Archaeological Officers (ALGAO) Planning and Legislation Committee meeting in London and discussed responses to Government and English Heritage regarding policy and guidance and also attended the South-West Archaeological Development Control Officers meeting in Exeter to discuss improved ways of working.

2. PROJECTS

The Historic Environment Projects team consists of 20 staff covering a broad range of expertise, able to draw in funding to deliver a range of projects related to the understanding, care, promotion and appreciation of the historic environment.

2.1 Landscape surveys

The project team carried out a survey and assessment of **Twenty Acre Plantation** which is located on the edge of Crousa Downs on the St Keverne road. As the name suggests, it is a modern tree plantation, which until this year was covered in dense rhododendron.

Removal of the rhododendron has opened up the site for the first time in many years and has allowed access to a number of World War II buildings which formed part of a Chain Home Low radar station (part of RAF Trelanvean). The bunkers are above ground structures but are covered in earth, ancillary buildings have not been earth covered.



The east entrance to the transmitter block



Concrete gatepost and remains of the WWII entrance

The assessment included all the key buildings of the military complex, with particular emphasis on the largest, western bunker which is proposed for reuse as an education room. Further military remains such as camp barracks and radar mast positions lie to the north and south of the plantation but are not included in this assessment beyond their contribution to the general story of the site. The work, which was funded by Natural England through the Higher Level Stewardship Scheme, was completed in April.

Work has also begun on preparation of a Conservation Management Plan for **Ennor Castle, St Mary's, Isles of Scilly**, also as part of the Higher Level Stewardship Scheme.

2.2 Maritime projects

Lyonesse Project - Following two seasons of fieldwork on Scilly to sample intertidal and marine deposits, the final report has now been submitted to English Heritage. Agreement has been reached with English Heritage that the main results of the work will be published as a monograph and work has begun on this final phase of the project.

Royal Anne Galley Phase 4 - English Heritage are funding a further phase of this project which involves monitoring the site of the wrecked Royal Anne Galley off the

Lizard coast. The work has been repeatedly delayed by bad weather but it is hoped that it will be completed during the autumn.

South West Peninsula Historic Seascape Characterisation - English Heritage are funding this project as part of their national programme of historic seascape characterisation. It involves characterisation of inshore and offshore waters around the whole of the south west peninsula. It aims to address the serious obstacle to assessing the risks facing marine heritage assets and landscapes owing to the poor baseline understanding of them. The project is progressing and will be completed by November 2013. The mapping will feed into the national Marine Management Organisation's Marine Plan.

South West England Rapid Coastal Zone Assessment Survey - HE Projects have been awarded an English Heritage contract to carry out a major desk-based assessment of a coastal and riverine strip from the Hampshire border to Lands End. The initial stage of this project, which is now underway, involves mapping the archaeological resource of the Dorset coast using aerial photographs as the primary source. This will be followed in the late autumn by a desk based study prior to a programme of ground verification next year.

Cornish ports and harbours - HE Projects have successfully tendered for an English Heritage funded project to assess the threats (both natural and anthropomorphic) and opportunities facing Cornwall's ports and harbours. The aim is to use Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly as a pilot study before applying the methodology to the whole of England. The work, which will begin in September, will involve a rapid overview of previous work, a rapid assessment of the threats and of the opportunities, historic characterisation of a selection of the ports and harbours to be followed up by fieldwork at the selected sites. Outputs will include short reports for each of the selected sites, a final report summarising the results of the whole project, recommendations for designation of selected ports and harbours and a Historic Environment Action Plan for Cornish ports and harbours. The work will be undertaken in partnership with Cornwall Council's Maritime Section.

2.3 Industrial heritage

Caradon Hill - Conservation to industrial sites as part of the Caradon Hill Area Heritage Project is continuing.

Tamar Valley Mining Heritage Project - This long running project is now coming to an end. We have been responsible for providing historic building consultation for a range of mine sites as well as watching briefs during consolidation works.

South Crofty Heritage project - Historic building consultation and advice has been provided for the conservation of Grade II Listed engine houses at Chappells Shaft and the new Cooks Kitchen headframe. The second phase of the project, involving a series of watching briefs, is now underway.

Unlocking Our Coastal Heritage Project - Historic building surveys have been carried out at Porthmeor Stamps, Zennor, Cot Mill and Wheal Call, Kenidjack as part of the wider Unlocking Our Coastal Heritage project. Watching briefs are now being carried out to monitor building works resulting from the surveys.

Camborne, Pool, Redruth Link Road - A number of mitigation projects are underway monitoring this major highways scheme. Geophysical survey has been commissioned for part of the route, building recoding has been carried out at Bartle's

Foundry and in the Wilson Way to Dudnance Lane section, where assessments and watching briefs are also ongoing. The client for this project is Cornwall Council's Transportation Section.

2.4 Building surveys

As part of the development management process, historic buildings have been recorded at **Manor Tannery**, **Grampound** and **Duchy Palace, Lostwithiel**. Both projects are now completed.

Manor Tannery



Exterior of Building 18 (20th century limes shed), looking NW

Duchy Palace



The upper arc of the Great Hall rose window, shown after temporary removal of the roof during 2012

The team has carried out a programme of assessment and recording of the buildings at **Castle an Dinas** mine ahead of the preparation of a conservation management plan for the site. Recording work has also been carried out on buildings in **Tregargus Valley**, at **Tregonning** brick kiln, at **Poltesco Mill** and the railway buildings at **Grampound Road**. A programme of recording, including suggestions for future re-use, was undertaken at **Newquay Cornwall Airport** focusing on the Second World War air traffic control tower, which is the only surviving example of its type in the country.

Newquay Cornwall Airport



The former RAF Air Traffic Control tower, viewed from the south

2.5 Excavations and watching briefs

Watching briefs have been carried out at **Newquay Tretherras School** and at **Quintrell Downs**, near Newquay, at **Lantoom Quarry**, at **St Just Plen Hut** and at **Tresavean, Lanner**. A watching brief is ongoing at the **St Dennis Energy Recovery Site** and stages three and four of the **Manor Tannery** project have also begun.

On the Isles of Scilly, watching briefs were carried out at **Watermill Lodge**, **St Mary's** and at **St Agnes Island Hall**.

Truro Eastern District Centre - A major excavation at Truro Eastern District Centre was completed in January. At this site a middle to late Neolithic enclosure was uncovered as well as a number of important finds, including a decorated slate disc and a granite sphere. The site was covered by geotextile and a layer of sand to protect it from future construction works.

Victoria - The projects team carried out a programme of evaluation trenching at Victoria to verify the results of a geophysical survey of the site. The evaluation work revealed two probable Bronze Age round houses, a timber circle and a substantial enclosure ditch. As a result of the evaluation the team has been commissioned to carry out an excavation of the site.

Conservation works

Scheduled Monument Management 2012-13 - Work on the project is ongoing.

Fursnewth Cross, Liskeard has been restored and the final report for the work has been drafted.



Rededication of Fursnewth Cross

All work on site at **Glasney College** has been completed and the final report will be produced in the coming weeks.



The Volunteers at Glasney College



Joe Morris records his work

All scrub clearance at the forts at **Maker Heights** has been undertaken and a short report will follow.

Some elements of the repairs to **Tolgus Calciner** have been undertaken. The roof is yet to be repaired (it is hoped that this will happen in September 2013) and a final report will be written.

Trelill Holy Well has been restored and fencing is due to be installed in the near future. The next step will be to turf the roof of the Well and write the final report.



Visit to Trelill Holy Well by Wendron Parish Council

2.6 Assessments

As part of the development management process, a number of assessments in advance of wind turbine and solar farm developments have been undertaken at **Higher Trenhayle, Hayle; Trethosa, St Austell; Bonython Estate, Cury; Bodulgate, Camelford; Tregrill, Menheniot; Trewoofe, St Buryan; Glebe Farm, South Hill, near Callington and Rowlands Corner, Egloskerry.**

Work is underway on a desk-based assessment of the impact of china clay extraction on the historic environment (in Cornwall and Devon). This project will run until the end of the financial year and involves close working with mineral planners in each of the relevant mineral planning authority areas. The project is now at the reporting stage.

2.7 Air photo plotting

National Mapping Programme - Air photo mapping is in progress for the **Hampshire Downlands** and the whole of the **New Forest** in partnership with the New Forest National Park Authority. The Cornwall air photo mapping team represents part of a limited pool of expertise available nationally to undertake archaeological air photo mapping projects, and is able to share best practice and contribute to regional and national issues. Reports from both projects have now been submitted to the respective clients.

Aerial reconnaissance - Funding has been awarded by both English Heritage and Natural England for aerial reconnaissance to prospect for cropmark sites, monitor the condition of Scheduled monuments and monuments at risk and to provide illustrative material for outreach purposes. During this period one flight was undertaken in south-east Cornwall.

2.8 Publication and post-excavation programme

Work is continuing on the English Heritage and National Trust funded project to publish a monograph outlining the results of 30 years of field survey that we have carried out in **West Penwith** and the English Heritage funded programme of analysis and publication of the exceptionally rare range of Early Bronze Age artefacts and organic material, including basketry, leather and textile objects and jewellery recovered from our excavations of the **White Horse cist** on **Dartmoor**.

Funding has also been secured from English Heritage in order to produce a monograph detailing the results of the **Lyonesse Project** and to put together guidance on **Cornish Farmsteads**.

The results of the **Boden Vean Project** are being edited for inclusion in Cornish Archaeology.

2.9 Outreach

In the first quarter of the year three talks were given to Cornwall Archaeological Society. In January, Jacky Nowakowski spoke about Radford's 1930s excavations at The Hurlers. Carl Thorpe gave the Society an introduction to pottery found in Cornwall in February and in March, Charles Johns presented some recent discoveries on the Isles of Scilly.

Also in January, Graeme Kirkham spoke to Cornwall Wildlife Trust about the history and historic uses of rough ground.

In March, Jacky Nowakowski gave a talk to the general public at the Cornish Studies Library on recent work at Carwynnen Quoit, she gave another talk on site at Carwynnen as part of the 'Quest for the Quoit' weekend organised by the Sustainable Trust.

Sean Taylor gave a talk entitled 'Smelting point: excavation of a medieval tin-smelting site at Brownie Cross, Plympton' to Luxulyan Old Cornwall Society in March.

Also in March, Colin Buck spoke about the industrial building conservation projects on the Cornish side of the Tamar Valley (1999 to 2010) at a meeting of Saltash Old Cornwall Society and about the King Edward Mine Conservation Management Plan at a consultation event at King Edward Mine. Adam Sharpe led a walk around Rosevale Mine at Zennor to give an insight into Cornish mines and the realities of mining.

During April, Charles Johns spoke about his work on the Lyonesse Project at the Environmental and Archaeological Science Conference: AEA & UKAS 2013 held at Cardiff University and Graeme Kirkham gave a talk entitled 'Reliques of an olde forte rayased of earth, litle rounde hills wherin mens bones have bene founde' to the Medieval Settlement Research Group and Landscape Research Group.

In May, Jacky Nowakowski spoke about the Carwynnen project at the Council for British Archaeology (CBA) South West and Wessex Study Weekend. Sean Taylor also attended and described the work that took place at Woodcock Corner, Truro.

In early June, Colin Buck led a walk around Minions industrial sites and South Caradon Mine for degree teacher training students from the College of St Mark and St John in Plymouth.

2.10 Historic Environment Project Reports released January to June 2013

2012R060	Duchy Palace, Lostwithiel - Historic building record and archaeological watching brief
2012R070	Isles of Scilly Historic Environment Research Framework - Resource Assessment and Research Agenda
2012R083	Archaeological excavations at the AIR Building and Car Park 4, Tremough - Archive Report
2012R086	King Edward Mine, Camborne - Conservation Management Plan
2013R001	71 Fore Street, Bodmin - Archaeological Watching Brief
2013R003	Twenty Acre Plantation Military Remains, St Keverne, AG00289381 - Archaeological Assessment and Building Recording
2013R004	Borough Farm Barn, St Mary's Isles of Scilly - Archaeological Watching Brief
2013R005	Manor Tannery, Grampound - Watching Brief and Historic Building Record
2013R008	Harry's Walls, St Mary's Scilly - Electric pole replacement - Archaeological Watching Brief
2013R010	Lanacombe, Great Buscombe and Trout Hill, Exmoor - archaeological survey
2013R022	Porthcressa Regeneration Project, St Mary's, Isles of Scilly - Building Recording and Archaeological Watching Brief
2013R033	Area A, Quintrell Downs - Archaeological Evaluation

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