

John Wood

From: Alan.Rutherford@scotland.gsi.gov.uk
Sent: 29 November 2000 09:08
To: john.wood@highland.gov.uk
Subject: RE: Laide, Chapel of Sand of Udrigil (Scheduled Mon. 6322; SMR and NM RS: NG99SW0001)

John

Sorry, it's been one of those months.

I will be coming up, having arranged another meeting for 2pm at Dingwall.

Allan

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From: John Wood [mailto:john.wood@highland.gov.uk]
Sent: 28 November 2000 11:41
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Allan,

Sorry, you know how difficult it is getting everyone together, then it turned out that several people could only manage the 5th.

I hope you can make it.

John

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To: John Wood
Subject: RE: Laide, Chapel of Sand of Udrigil (Scheduled Mon. 6322; SMR and NMRS: NG99SW0001)

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John

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From: June Ross
Sent: 04 December 2000 13:14
To: John Wood
Subject: RE: Laide, Chapel of Sand of Udrigle

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*Regards,
June*

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From: John Wood
Sent: 04 December 2000 12:04
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Just to say that tomorrow's meeting is on, and that it will be in Committee Room 1 here at HCHQ. Apparently about 6 local people are expecting to come.

John

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From: June Ross
Sent: 04 December 2000 12:04
To: John Wood
Subject: Out of Office AutoReply: Laide, Chapel of Sand of Udrigle

Sorry but I am away to the Area Committee meeeting. Won't be back until after lunchtime. If matter is urgent please contact Linda Gunn

Regards, June.

John Wood

From: June Ross
Sent: 01 November 2000 16:52
To: John Wood
Cc: Lorna Cruickshank; John Duncan
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This month is incredibly busy for me - the only free days at the moment are the afternoon of the 30th November; the afternoon of the 1st December and any time on the 5th December.

Look forward to hearing back from you

Regards,
June

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From: Roy MacIntyre
Sent: 30 November 2000 09:41
To: John Wood
Subject: RE: Chapel of Sand of Udrigle, Laide

John - I have told Mrs Russell that I will not be able to attend the meeting on 5th Dec as I have appointment with NOSWA in Gairloch. I am familiar with problem at Laide and hope something will come out of meeting. Prices previously quoted to secure ruin seemed very high but situation does need to be resolved. I will be pleased to hear what progress can be made
Roy Macintyre

-----Original Message-----

From: John Wood
Sent: Wednesday, November 29, 2000 1:04 PM
To: Roy MacIntyre
Subject: Chapel of Sand of Udrigle, Laide

Following your visit to the office on 26 November, I have now managed to arrange a meeting here at HQ to discuss this. Historic Scotland's Inspector of ancient monuments, June Ross (Protective Services, Dingwall), and a number of interested local people will be present. It will be at 11 am on 5 December, in the Planning & Development Service meeting room.

I apologise for the short notice - no possible date suited everyone and this was the best I could manage.

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From: June Ross
Sent: 27 November 2000 16:43
To: John Wood
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look forward to seeing you then, John. Have you managed to contact Ishbel MacKenzie on 01445 731500 - she is chairperson of the CC subcommittee who are looking into this?

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From: Alan.Rutherford@scotland.gsi.gov.uk
Sent: 03 November 2000 10:00
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John

I am attending a meeting on the 23rd Nov at Rait 2.00pm and could meet about Udrigil earlier or later that day.

I received your bid - it was on time.

Regards

Allan

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From: John Wood [mailto:john.wood@highland.gov.uk]

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From: John Duncan
Sent: 02 November 2000 07:51
To: John Wood
Cc: June Ross
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Sent: 18 November 1999 14:44
To: Roy MacIntyre
Cc: John Wood; June Ross
Subject: RE: Laide Chapel

Roy

I have been made aware of the problems associated with this building and as it is a Scheduled Ancient Monument I have alerted John Wood our Archaeologist and as the ruin lies within a burial ground which is the responsibility of the Highland Council, I have also advised June Ross of Protective Services. Apparently Historic Scotland which has a locus in the matter of works to a Scheduled Ancient Monument is aware of the situation.

John D

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From: Roy MacIntyre
Sent: 18 November 1999 09:30
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Subject: Laide Chapel

John

Testing out the new toy!

I have been approached by Aultbea C.C. to see if anything can be done about the old chapel in the Laide burial ground. I had a look at it recently. As you probably know it is surrounded by a fence with signs warning that the building is dangerous. The east gable which has a window is pretty precarious and will probably collapse unless supported. There is a safety issue as it would collapse outside the fence. Apparently there was a window frame in the ruin until recently although I cannot see any evidence of this.

You probably know a bit about its antiquity. There is a reference in Dixon's 'Gairloch' p.100 to it saying tradition is that it was built by St Columba.

What would you suggest? I will be at HQ this afternoon and will try to contact you. If not you can maybe respond before CC meeting on Monday

Regards - Roy Macintyre

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To: John Wood
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Sorry but I am out of the office until Tuesday 23rd Nov.
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June Ross

While You Were Out

For JOHN W. Time 3-55pm
From DR FAULDS Date 30-10
of ATLOCHERY Taken by
Tel. 01796 472415 AW

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- ☒ telephoned ☐ will ring back ☐ returned your call
☐ called to see you ☒ please call ☐ Urgent

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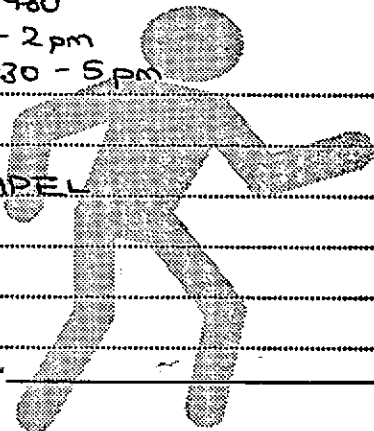
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LAIDE CHAPEL

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determined to undertake basic conservation works to prevent further deterioration to the fabric. However local people do not seem to know how to take this forward and this was the reason for contacting me. Dr. Faulds also asked me to ring Mrs. Russell (whose husband is apparently Lord Lieutenant of Ross-shire), which I did. Mrs Russell also had a great concern for the chapel.

Checking back to the files I see that a local group was in fact formed earlier this year to do arrest the deterioration of the church and that John Duncan has given some advice on indicative costs.

I have therefore suggested to both ladies that we arrange a meeting of those interested to discuss what might be practical to do, who might do it, and where funding might be sought.

Could you please let me know when you will be free towards the end of November to meet in Inverness to discuss this? It would be helpful if you could suggest possible dates as soon as possible please, as there are several local people who will need to be invited.

John

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1/11/00.

Laide Chapel at Gmhard Bay

Isobel Hughes

Sheriff Russell's wife Margie

Phone call from

Marion Faulds 01796 472415.

Mrs Russell. (01745) 731325

i.e. Chapel of Sand Aldrich.

Laide.

1st Nov.

meeting

Mrs Anne MacKenzie
Fraoch Eilean Mor
1 Second Coast
Laide
IV22 2NF

Please ask for: Mr J Duncan
Direct dial: (01463) 702281
Our Ref: RC/43/C/JTD/AW
Your Ref:
Date: 5 September, 2000

Dear Mrs MacKenzie

**OLD CHAPEL, LAIDE BURIAL GROUND
(CHAPEL OF SAND OF UDRIGLE)**

Thank you for your letter of 23 August 2000 advising that a local group has been formed to ensure that action is taken to arrest the deterioration of the above ruin.

I confirm that I can make myself available for consultation when/if the so group require. As the ruin is a Scheduled Ancient Monument. I will continue to liaise with my colleagues in the Council's Archaeology Unit and with Historic Scotland.


Although I have obtained a set of costs of a scheme to consolidate the ruin, I suggest that there is a need for a detailed survey and report on the structure, along with a method statement on how it should be consolidated. Such information would assist in obtaining Scheduled Monument Consent and in making approaches to any potential funding body.

The figures are as follows:

Labour	£8,640.00
Subsistence	525.00
Site Facilities	550.00
Transport, Goods and Personnel	350.00
Materials	650.00
Scaffold	500.00
TOTAL	<u>£11,215.00</u> + VAT

It should be stressed that, subject to the terms of the Scheduled Monument Consent, this sort of project need not necessarily be undertaken all at once.

Yours sincerely


JOHN T DUNCAN
Conservation Architect

c.c.- John Wood, Council's Archaeologist

John Wood

From: Roy MacIntyre
Sent: 30 November 2000 09:41
To: John Wood
Subject: RE: Chapel of Sand of Udrigle, Laide

John - I have told Mrs Russell that I will not be able to attend the meeting on 5th Dec as I have appointment with NOSWA in Gairloch. I am familiar with problem at Laide and hope something will come out of meeting. Prices previously quoted to secure ruin seemed very high but situation does need to be resolved. I will be pleased to hear what progress can be made
Roy MacIntyre

-----Original Message-----

From: John Wood
Sent: Wednesday, November 29, 2000 1:04 PM
To: Roy MacIntyre
Subject: Chapel of Sand of Udrigle, Laide

Following your visit to the office on 26 November, I have now managed to arrange a meeting here at HQ to discuss this. Historic Scotland's Inspector of ancient monuments, June Ross (Protective Services, Dingwall), and a number of interested local people will be present. It will be at 11 am on 5 December, in the Planning & Development Service meeting room.

I apologise for the short notice - no possible date suited everyone and this was the best I could manage.

I hope you will be able to come.

John Wood

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Fri 26 Nov.

11.30am

Cllr Roy McIntyre called
in, r.e. Laide Chapel.

It's in Council ownership,

So I suggested that we
should write to Historic

Scotland regarding its
possible fragile status.

Anything should ~~be~~ copied
to the Cllr - the Community
are quite concerned about safety.

AK

Friday 26 November 1999

Cllr Roy MacIntyre, (Gairloch) came to see John Wood, r.e. Laide Chapel. Following email correspondence, Cllr MacIntyre was looking for advice on the possible consolidation of the chapel, on behalf of the local community. Discussion took place over general principles of such work. Although rebuilding of the apparently unstable-looking could theoretically be achieved, this would be at a high cost financially - recording prior, during and after work, any ground disturbance would need archaeological evaluation and appropriate methods and material would need to be considered. Cllr MacIntyre suggested that a prop may look out of place and perhaps the existing fence could be moved further away from the chapel, so that if the gable end fell, it would still be within the fenced and signed area. The chapel is scheduled, and in the Council's ownership, therefore, I suggested that the Archaeology Unit could write to Historic Scotland to initiate proceedings and perhaps get the Monument Warden/Area Inspector to visit and assess the relative stability and/or propose consolidation measures.

Allison Fox
26.11.99

JW ✓ 29/11/99.