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by post to Mr. R. Hingley, Dornoch*

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Dear Elsbeth

ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT  
CAIRNS IN SCOTSBURN WOOD

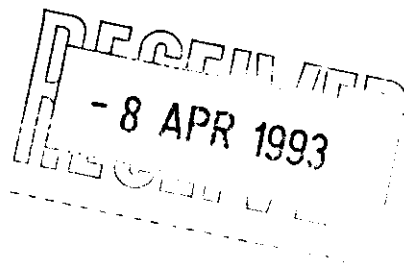
I enclose, as promised, a map extract showing the areas scheduled for the three cairns in Scotsburn Wood. These areas are marked in red on the original plan, but have blacked-in on this copy. There is actually, as you will see, a third scheduled cairn in the wood and in addition there were a number of other cairns within the wood prior to the first planting - some of these unscheduled site might also be worth clearing of trees. Perhaps we could discuss this during our proposed meeting at the wood on the morning of 28 April. I am also enclosing a Scheduled Monument Consent form which you can use to apply for consent for both of the scheduled cairns.

I would suggest that you may wish to clear trees back to 20 metres from the edge of the scheduled monuments. We could mark these areas during my site visit. You may wish to apply for Scheduled Monument Consent prior to my visit; applications can take three months to process.

Yours sincerely

Dr RICHARD HINGLEY  
Inspector of Ancient Monuments

Copy to: Mr T Yarnell, Forestry Commission  
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Dear Ms MacDonald

ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979  
APPLICATION FOR SCHEDULED MONUMENT CONSENT: SCOTSBURN  
WOOD, EAST CAIRN, 820M NE OF SCOTSBURN HOUSE

I refer to your application for scheduled monument consent to clear trees back to 20 metres from the edge of the above scheduled monument.

You indicated that a hearing is not requested before the Secretary of State determines whether or not to grant scheduled monument consent.

The Secretary of State is satisfied that the works summarised above can be carried out without detriment to the historic, archaeological or architectural integrity of the monument. **Accordingly, he hereby grants scheduled monument consent** for the works outlined in the application dated 19 April.

Consent is granted subject to the undernoted conditions:

- a. That all birch and juniper should be cut by hand and the stumps poisoned.
- b. That all trees are cleared from a minimum area of 15-20 metres around the monument. These trees are to be cut with care away from the monument and the stumps poisoned.
- c. That all loose wood on the monument should be removed from the clearing created.
- d. That vehicles are not taken any closer than 5 metres from the edge of the monument.

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- e. That a track is brashed to the monument from the forestry track in order to aid the Monument Warden to locate the site during future visits.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Young". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large loop at the end.

MRS D YOUNG

cc: Monument Warden  
Regional Archaeologist ✓