

# MAPS AND GAZETTEERS:

## Tiree

### Map 1: Port Ruadh to Millton

This map section begins on the coast at Caoles, at the northern end of the island. From Port Ruadh to Rosgill there are sandy beaches with some modern settlement situated in the hinterland. From Rosgill to Port Ban, the coastline becomes increasingly rocky and is fringed with narrow rugged promontories. There is a modern settlement cluster around Port Ban. From here to Millton, on the south coast, the coastal topography is rugged and rocky and formed into numerous small headlands. From Millton to the end of this map section is low lying and fringed with cobble beaches.

The northern section of this area, from Port Ruadh to Rosgill has a low lying coast edge which is formed from soft sediments. It appears largely stable but there are several small sections along the coast where some coastal erosion is evident. From Rosgill to Millton the coast edge is formed from rock platform and is stable.

The archaeological remains encountered in this area are, with one exception, of 18-20th C date and associated with agricultural or maritime activities. These include jetties and boat noosts (T40, 44, 45) and enclosures (T42, 44) and the remains of abandoned settlements (T41, 44, T45). A small stone setting to the W of Loch an Air forms a cist-like structure but may be associated with fishing from the adjacent cliffs. At Millton, there are several renovated blackhouses and the ruins of a horizontal mill. A millstone survives, now used as a stepping stone across a watercourse.

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Tiree  
Map 1

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T40  
NM 09609 48081  
Caoles, Cnoc na Bothaig (W of)  
Jetties  
18-20th C  
Fair/poor  
Nil

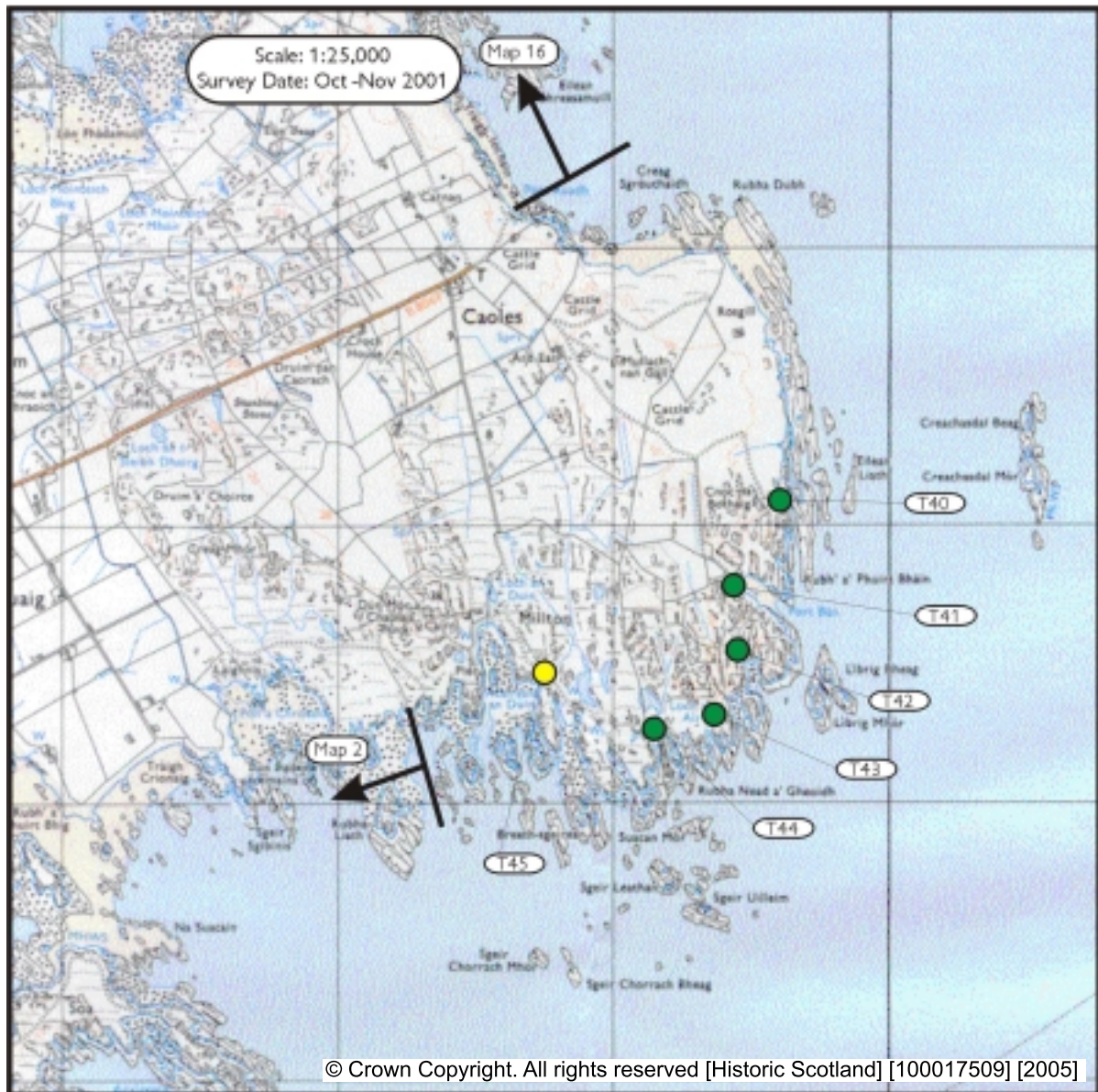
T43  
NM 09381 47300  
Loch an Air (W of)  
Stone setting  
Unknown  
Fair  
Nil

T41  
NM 09449 47784  
Caoles, Port Ban  
Structures  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

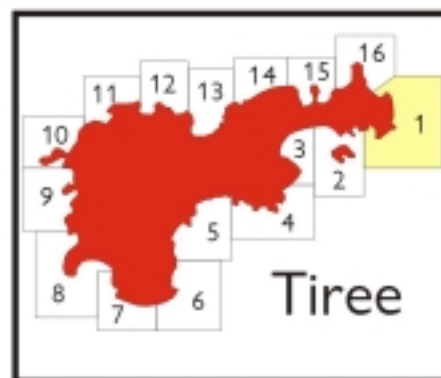
T44  
NM 09169 47251  
Loch an Air (S of)  
Noost, structure, enclosures  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

T42  
NM 09464 47533  
Librig Mhor (opposite)  
Enclosure  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

T45 (NM04NE18)  
NM 08743 47430  
Milton  
Township, mill, millstone, jetties  
18-20th C  
Fair/poor  
Survey



- Built Heritage & Archaeology
- Protected Ancient Monument or area of Designated Wreck
  - Monument formally proposed by Historic Scotland for scheduling or wreck for designation
  - + Listed Historic Building
  - Undesignated wreck
  - Known ancient monument
  - Site found by this survey
  - Site complex



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1. Creag Sgreuchaidh

NM 089 489

1.3 Km

Sandy foreshore, rock outcrop

Coast edge <5m

Drift/rock interface not visible

Sandy beach sloping gently to sea. Occasional rock outcrop protrudes through sand. Hinterland is rough pasture, blown sand is accumulating in this area - some fences and gates are half buried by sand.

2. Milton

NM 096 476

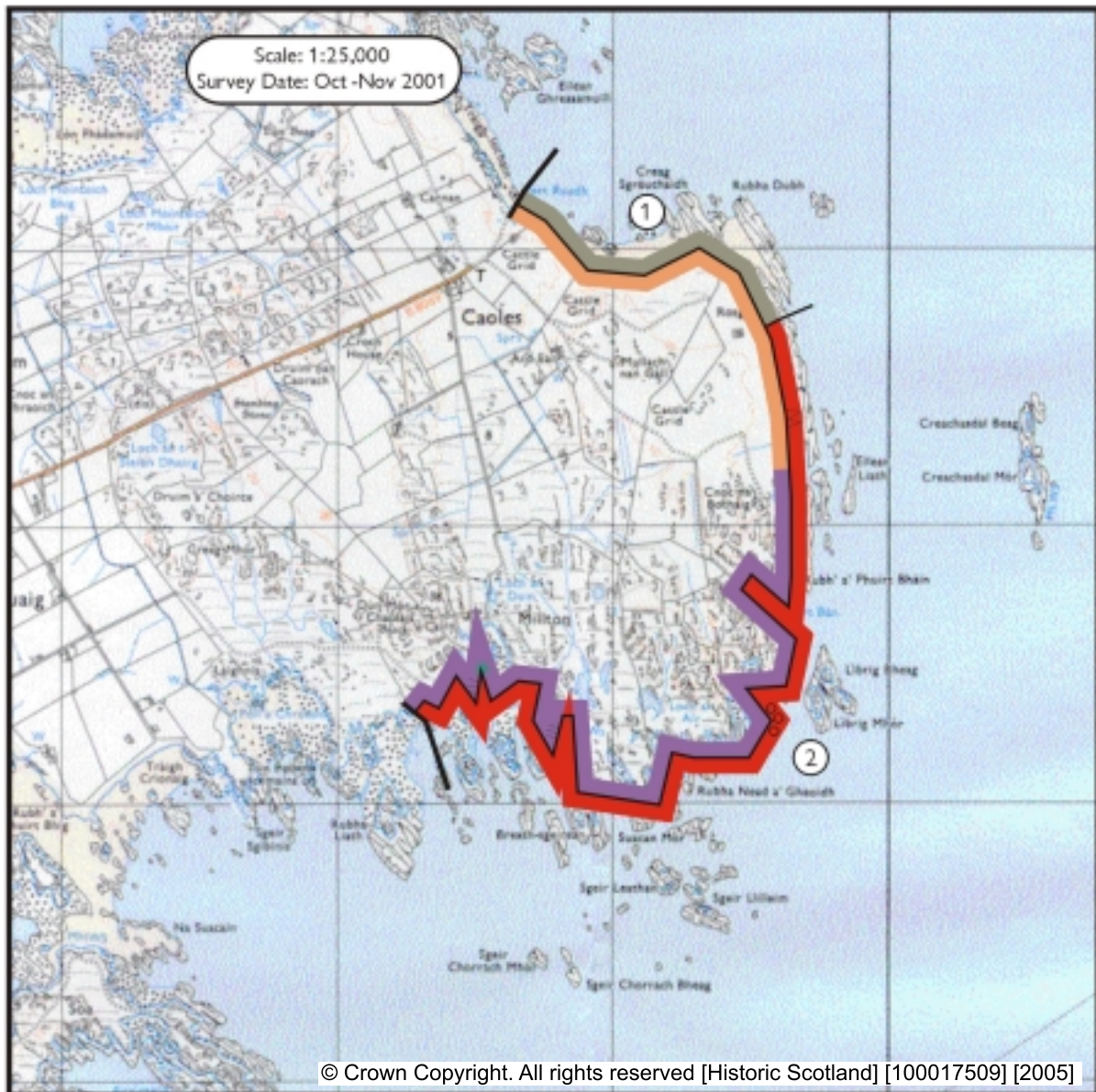
5.9 Km

Rock platform, occasional cobble cover

Coast edge <5m

Drift/rock interface not generally visible

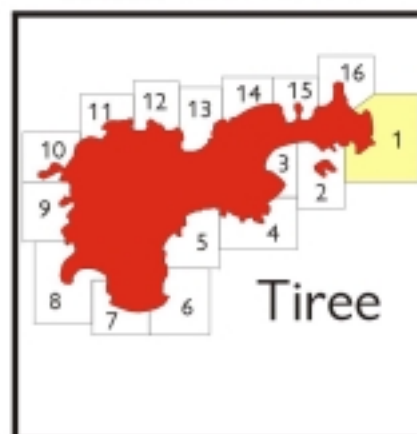
The transition from previous unit is gradual; sandy foreshore gives way to rock platform. Sand persists in hinterland as far south as Cnoc na Bothaig, from where it becomes rockier, higher and less well drained rough grazing. Two piers within this unit incorporate sea walls, one to the east of Milton at NM 08866 47292, and the other at Milton itself. There is a limited area of salt marsh, <100m in length, at the innermost end of the inlet at Milton.



- Foreshore**
- Rock platform
  - Mainly sand
  - Mainly alluvial/marine mud
  - Marsh

- Modifiers**
- Low edge <5m
  - Cliff >5m
  - Man made barrier
  - Shingle/storm bank
  - Human disturbance

- Hinterland**
- Drift
  - Drift on visible rock
  - Raised beach etc.
  - Blown sand
  - Glacial sand/gravel
  - Alluvium



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1. Creag Sgreuchaidh NM 089 489 1.3 Km Eroding to stable The coast edge in this unit is generally sandy but with rock protruding in many places. The coast edge appears stable, with only minor erosion. The hinterland, however appears to be accreting sand. Many fences and gates are part buried by sand.	2. Milton NM 096 476 5.9 Km Stable Gradual transition from previous unit: the sandy shore becomes more rocky and stable. The unit includes one small area of salt marsh at the head of the bay by Milton which is less stable.
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