

## **Introduction to Map 26: Eilean Mhor to Campa**

This map section covers some 8.5km of coastline. This west facing section of coastline is rugged and although generally low-lying (10m or less OD), there are high cliffs surrounding Dun Bheolain and Dun na Nighean, to the centre of the area. The coast edge in this map section has been classified as stable. At the southern end of the section, there are sandy beaches at Traigh Fleisgein Bheag and Traigh Fleisgein Mhor. The hinterland is composed of largely unenclosed moorland and rough grazing. Modern settlement in the area is sparse and lies outwith the coastal zone. There are no modern roads or tracks providing access to the coast until Saligo, at the southern end of the area.

A total of nine sites were identified within this map section; five of these had been recorded previously. Six sites have been ascribed a date within the 18th-20th range. These include WWII structural remains at Saligo (IY245), a series of cultivation remains and enclosures (IY247, 248, 249, 250) and a pair of graves at Aird Thorr Innis (IY246).

Two dun sites occur with this area. At Dun Na Nighean (IY252) a small steep sided promontory contains traces of substantial defensive walling. The approach to the summit is gained via a rock cut stair. An underground structure noted by previous surveyors was not found during this survey. At Dun Bheolain (IY251) nearby a high promontory rises in a series of rocky terraces and has two defensive walls and a pathway up to the summit. There are three contiguous subrectangular platforms behind the final wall, which appear to be the bases of buildings.

A structure of uncertain function and date at Ton Lagain (IY253) comprises of a circular turf-banked enclosure with occasional large earthfast stones set around its perimeter. The remains do not appear to be of recent origin.

**IY245**

NR 2095 6655  
Saligo Bay  
WWII structural remains  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

**IY246** (NR26NW 36)

NR 20964 67392  
Aird Thorr Innis  
Graves  
18-20th C  
Good  
Monitor

**IY247**

NR 20866 67559  
Aird Thorr Innis  
Cultivation remains  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

**IY248**

NR 21111 67879  
Port an Lochdail  
Cultivation remains and field boundaries  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

**IY249**

NR 20756 68442  
Rubha Lamanis  
Enclosure  
18-20th C  
Good  
Nil

**IY250** (NR26NW 29)

NR 21086 68566  
Smaull  
Cultivation remains and field banks  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

**IY251** (NR26NW 6, 31)

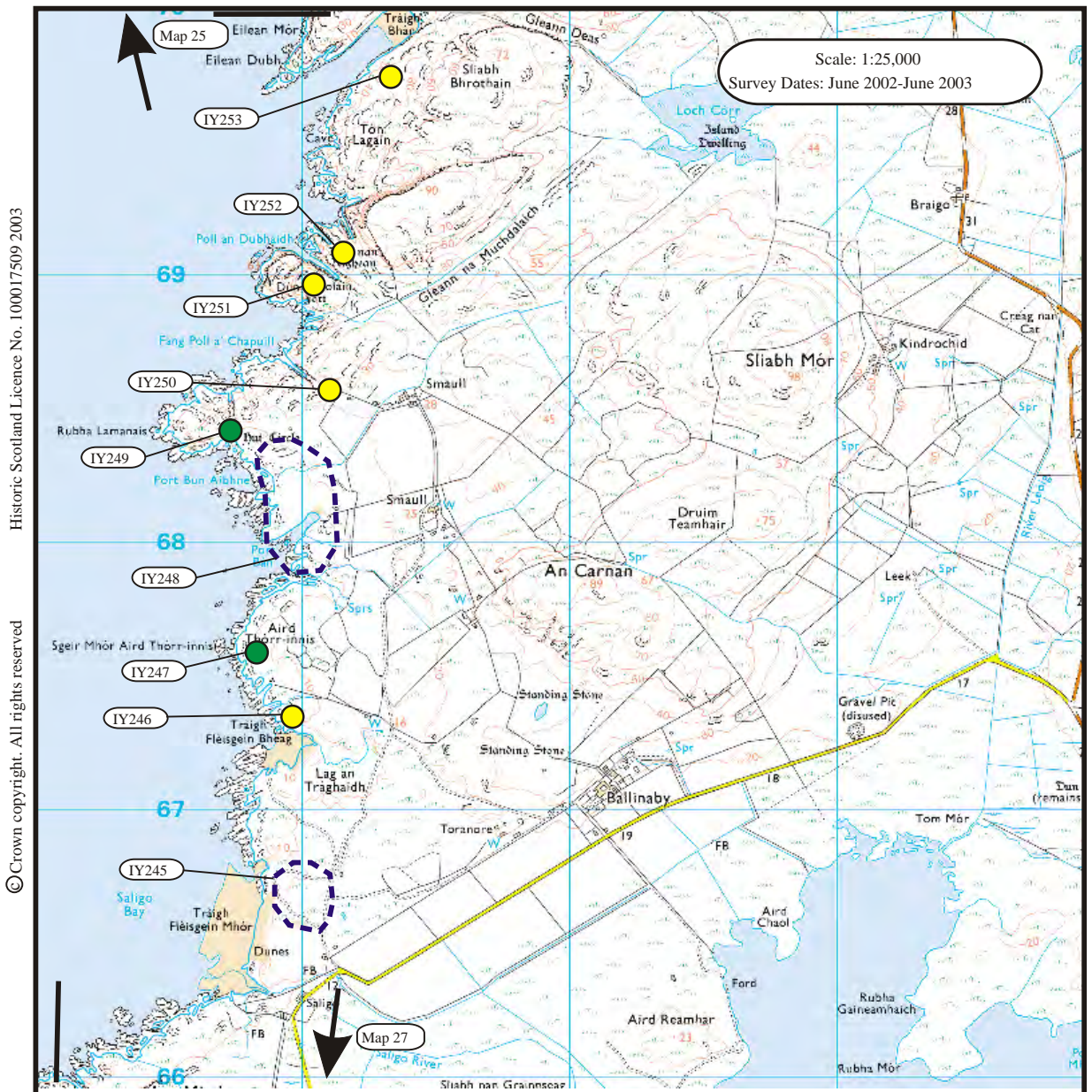
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Dun Bheolain  
Dun  
???  
Fair  
Monitor

**IY252** (NR26NW 1)

NR 2108 6911  
Dun Nan Nighean  
Dun  
???  
Fair  
Monitor

**IY253** (NR26NW 8)

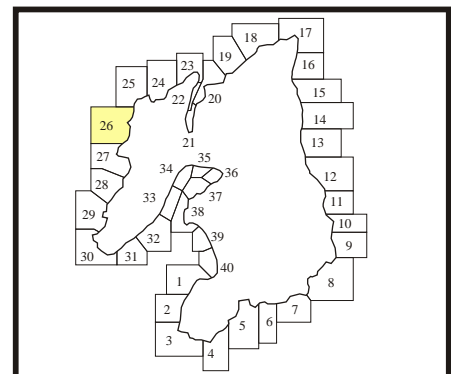
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Ton Lagain  
Structural remains  
???  
Fair  
Monitor



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- 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



**1. Smaull**

NR 207 688

6.1 Km

Rock platform

Coast edge mostly >5m

Drift on visible rock/ Raised beach etc.

This unit has a rocky coastline which rises over 5m in height to the north of Port Bun Aibhne. In many areas there is no vegetation for a distance of 30m - 40m from the coast edge. There is a small sandy beach at the head of an inlet at the north end. The hinterland is poorly drained rough grazing, broken by rock outcrops. There is raised beach in a narrow strip to the south of Port Bun Aibhne.

**2. Traigh Fleisgein Mhor**

NR 208 669

1.7 Km

Rock platform/mainly sand

Coast edge <5m

Blown sand.

This unit encompasses two sandy beaches separated by a small rocky promontory. The hinterland is dunes, except by the promontory where it is poorly drained rough grazing.

**3. Saligo**

NR 204 661

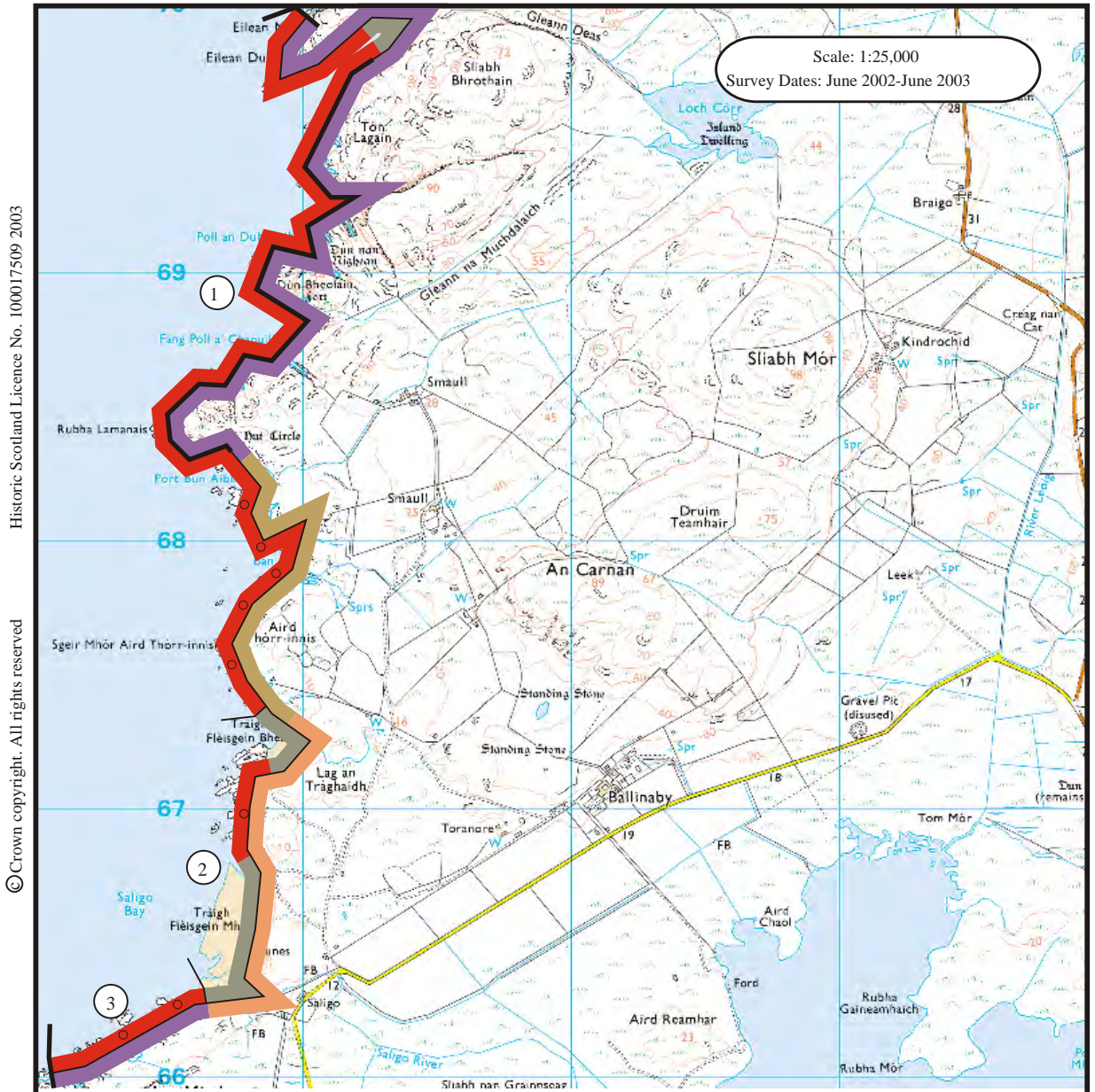
0.7 Km

Rock platform

Coast edge < 5m

Drift on visible rock.

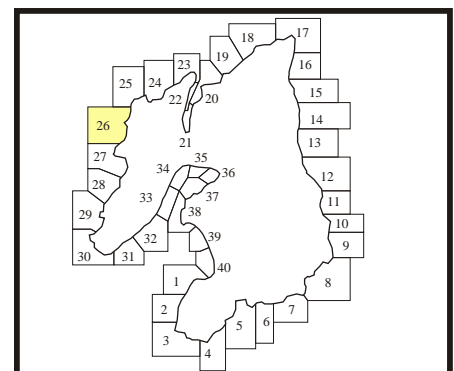
Rocky coast edge with cobble cover in coves. The hinterland is poorly drained rough grazing.



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

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

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



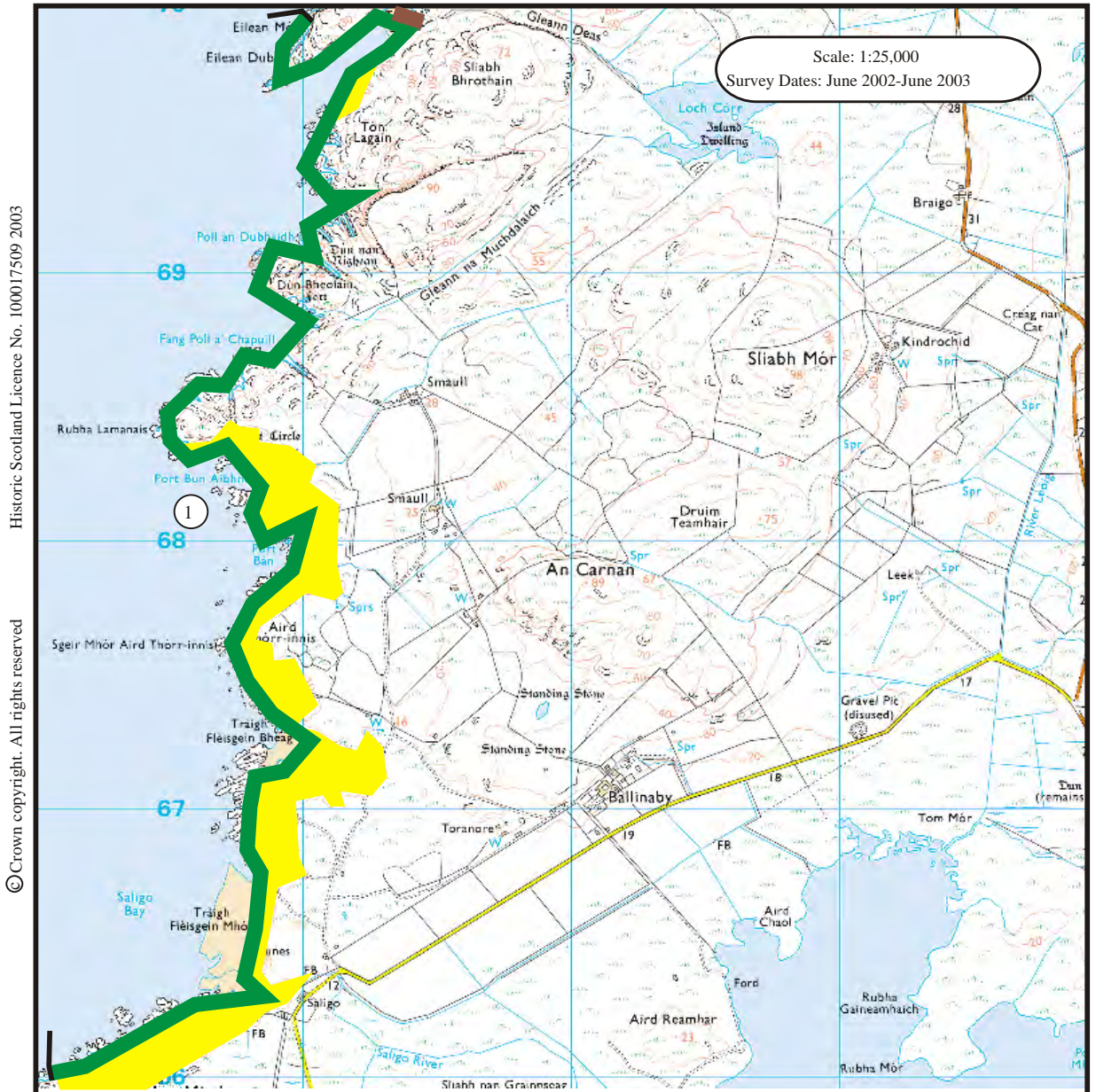
**1. Smaull**

NR 207 683

8.5 Km

Stable

The coast edge in this unit is rocky and stable. No signs of erosion on the coast edge however there is erosion behind Traigh Bhan. The erosion is on the sides of a stream which cuts through gravel deposits; it may be caused by animal disturbance.



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- Erosion Class**
- Definitely Accreting
  - Accreting or Stable
  - Stable
  - Eroding or Stable
  - Definitely Eroding
  - Accreting and Eroding
  - No access
  - Land below 10m

