

Introduction to Map 32: Rubha Dearg to Rubh' a'Phuirt Mhoir

This map section covers some 5km of coastline. This section extends up to the mouth of Loch Indaal and is formed from generally low-lying coast with sloping rough ground to the hinterland. The coast edge in this map section has been classified as stable. The public A847 road runs behind the coastal zone and the dispersed modern settlement in the area is aligned along or focused upon the road. The road provides ready access to the coast in several areas, although there are no paths or tracks leading along the coast edge. Within the coastal zone, there is rough grazing land and boggy ground.

A total of nine sites were identified within this map section; four of these had been recorded previously. Six sites are thought to be of 18th-20th C date. These include land boundaries and cultivation remains (IY162, IY163, IY165, IY166, IY167) and a mill complex at Ardnish (IY168).

A chapel site at Ceallachan Mhicheil (IY164) is visible as a stone and rectilinear earthen banked enclosure containing the footings of a subrectangular chapel. It has been alleged that there was a burial ground and possibly a chapel at Craighfad (IY294) also, and graves are said to have been found there in the 1970's. There is now nothing to be seen but it is recommended that the site should be monitored for future developments.

A dun at Octofad (IY169) is located on a high rocky headland which is accessed via a narrow neck of land no more than 5m wide. The summit is surrounded by a stony bank, which may originally have formed a single structure. While almost invisible from the surrounding hinterland, the site commands good views over Loch Indaal.

IY162

NR 24629 57163
Port a' Bata a' Chuirnn
Clearance cairns
18-20th C
Fair
Nil

IY163

NR 24200 56693
Port Cellachan Michael
Boundaries
18-20th C
Fair
Nil

IY164 (NR25NW 2)

NR 24093 56666
Ceallachan Mhicheil
Chapel and enclosure with probable burial
ground
10-14th C
Fair
Monitor

IY165

NR 23943 56348
Eilean Dubh
Boundary
18-20th C
Fair
Nil

IY166

NR 23653 56005
Port Torony
Boundaries and clearance cairns
18-20th C
Fair
Nil

IY167

NR 23372 55587
Craigfad
Enclosure
18th -20th C
Fair
Nil

IY168 (NR25SW 5)

NR 22702 54830
Ardnish
Mill complex
18th-20th C
Fair
Monitor

IY169 (NR25SW 3)

NR 22187 54195
Octofad
Dun
???
Fair
Monitor

IY294 (NR25NW 21)

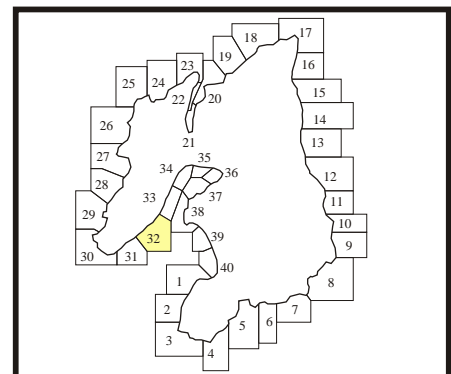
NR 2315 5550
Craigfad
Alleged site of chapel and burial ground
???
N/A
Monitor



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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. Craigfad

NR 234 556

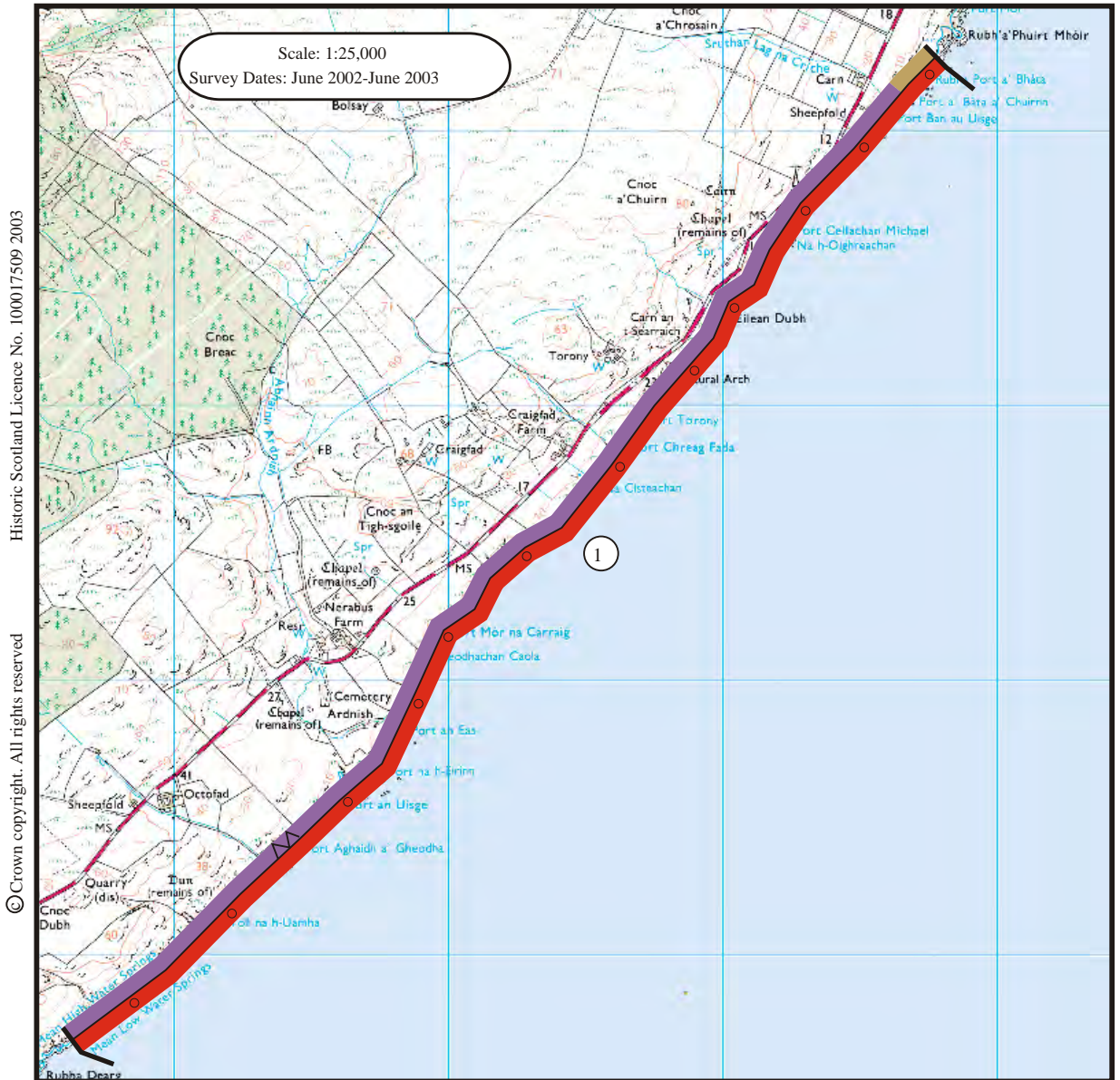
5.0 Km

Rock platform

Coast edge <5m

Drift on visible rock.

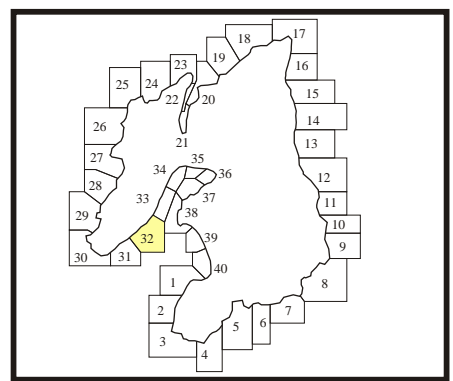
Rocky coast edge with some cobble cover in coves. Dumping of a large amount of farm/building waste was noted at the end of a geo near Octofad. At the extreme north end of the unit there are raised beach deposits, and some salt marsh by the coast edge (<100m long and not shown). The hinterland is overgrown, poorly drained, rough grazing. There is also some scrub vegetation.



- 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
 - o o o o o Shingle/storm bank
 - / \ / \ / \ Human disturbance



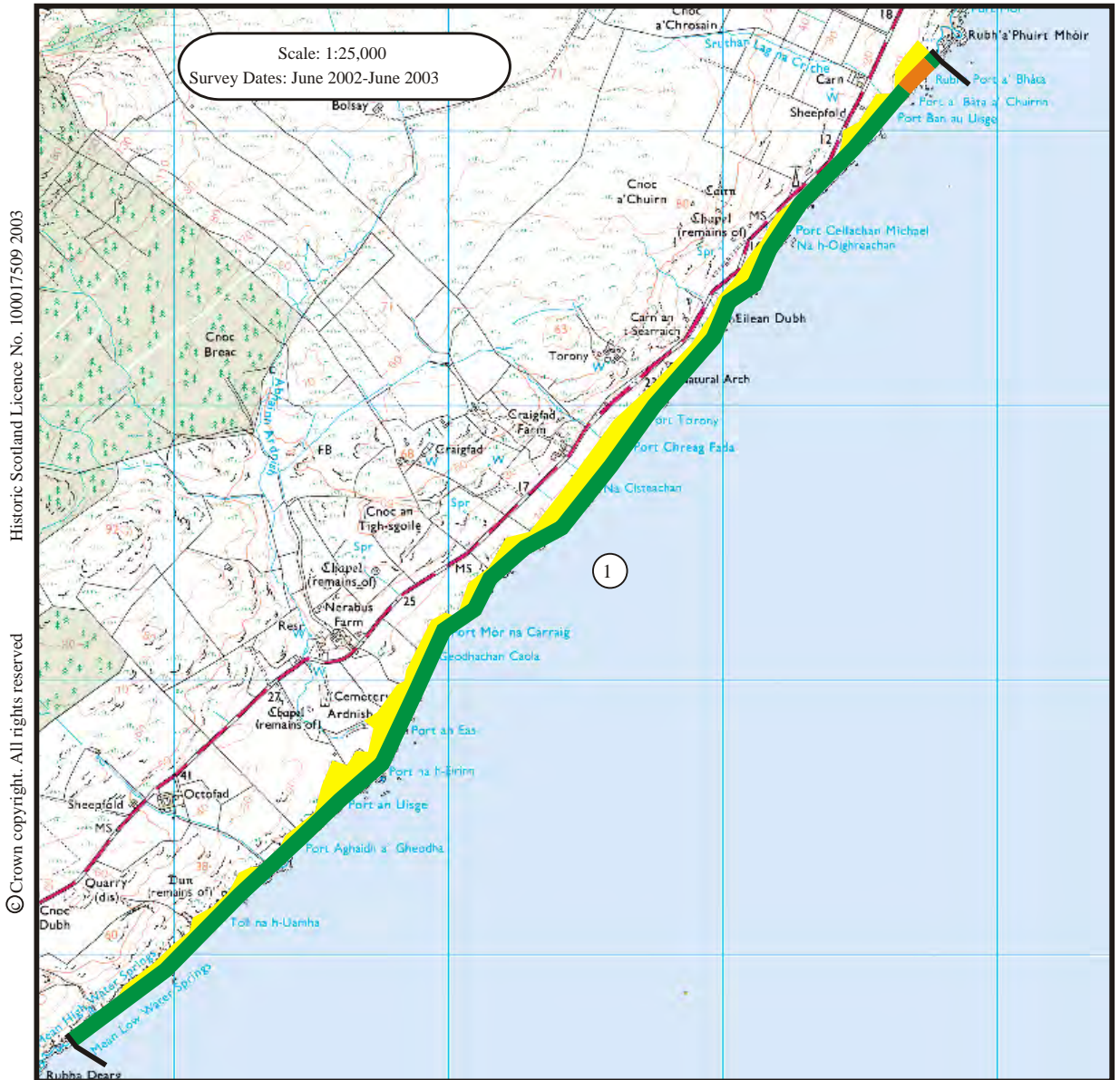
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5.0 Km

Stable

The coast edge in this unit is rocky and stable. No signs of erosion.



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

