

## **Introduction to Map 6: The Ard to Lagavulin**

This map section covers some 4.8km of coastline. It extends from the east of Port Ellen over low-lying ground past Laphroaig to the forested hillside which lies to the west of Lagavulin Distillery. The coast here has been classified as stable. There is scant modern settlement within the coastal zone of this area and access to the coastline is gained from the A846 Port Ellen-Arbeg public road which runs through the hinterland.

A total of fifteen sites were identified within this map section; five of these had been recorded previously. The majority of the sites, eleven in all, are thought to be of 18th to 20th C date. These include Laphroaig Distillery (IY276), farmsteads, cultivation remains and land boundaries and maritime features such as piers and possible fish traps. Of unknown date, are two sets of structural remains (IY197 and IY227), a dun (IY230) and an alleged dun site (IY227), which could not be relocated.

The structural remains at Port na Sroine Gairbhe (IY197) comprise of subrectangular footings, measuring 8m by 4m, situated on low lying rough grassland. There are no traces of cultivation remains in this area and the beach is rocky and unlikely to be suitable for landing boats. The site at Sron Dubh ( IY228) is visible as a concentration of earthfast stones which may be the remains of a structure.

The dun at Sron Dubh (IY230) occupies part of a low-lying coastal promontory to the east side of which a wall encloses an area measuring approximately 45m by 38m. Inside the wall there are two distinct hollow areas, which may be the remains of structures. There are numerous concentrations of stone and several probable wall lines in this area, they may have served to delineate the access routes within the dun.

It is recommended that structural remains IY197 and the dun at Sron Dubh (IY230) are monitored for change.

**IY196**

NR 39993 45342  
Lagavulin  
Walls  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

**IY197**

NR 39710 45230  
Port na Sroine Gairbhe  
Structural remains  
???  
Fair  
Monitor

**IY198**

NR 39345 44895  
Carn Mor  
Boundary bank  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

**IY199**

NR 39235 44886  
Carn Mor  
Stone structure associated  
with P. O. cable  
18-20th C  
Good  
Nil

**IY200**

NR 39042 44837  
Port a' Chuirn  
Enclosures  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

**IY201**

NR 38927 44762  
Rubha Chuirn  
Enclosure  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

**IY202**

NR 38881 44799  
Rubha Chuirn  
Stock barriers and possible  
enclosures  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

**IY227 (NR34NE 27)**

NR 3829 4517  
Caisteal Dhonnachaidh  
Alleged site of dun- not  
located  
???  
N/A  
N/A

**IY228**

NR 37880 45315  
Sron Dubh  
Possible structural remains  
???  
Poor  
Nil

**IY229**

NR 37771 45245  
Sron Dubh  
Pier or fish trap  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

**IY230 (NR34NE 40)**

NR 37738 45137  
Sron Dubh  
Dun  
???  
Fair  
Monitor

**IY231**

NR 37694 45149  
Sron Dubh  
Field system, pier, slipway  
and jetty  
18-20th C  
Fair  
Nil

**IY276 (NR34NE 45)**

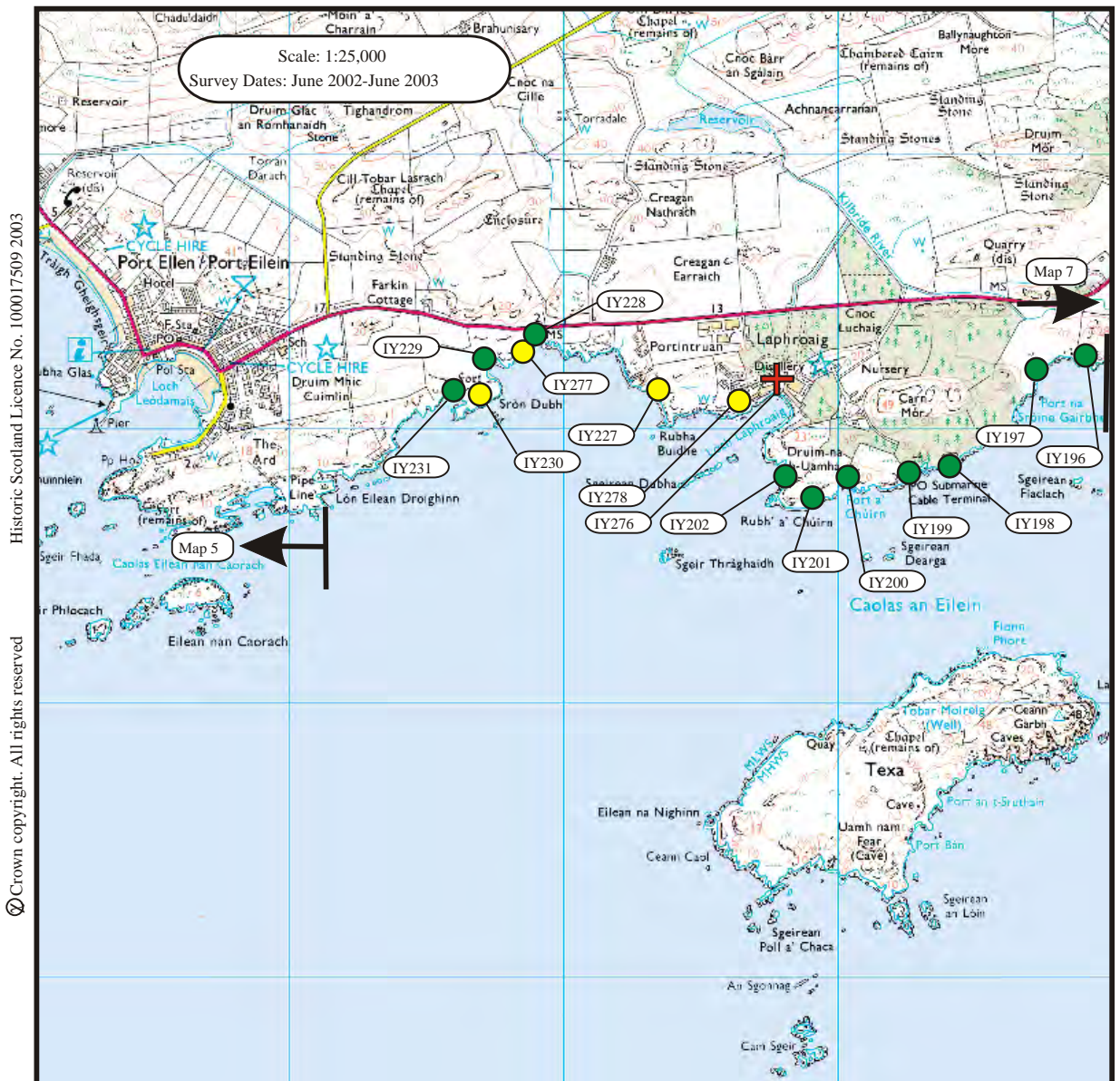
NR 3876 4514  
Laphroaig  
Laphroaig distillery  
18-20th C  
Good  
Nil

**IY277 (NR34NE 63)**

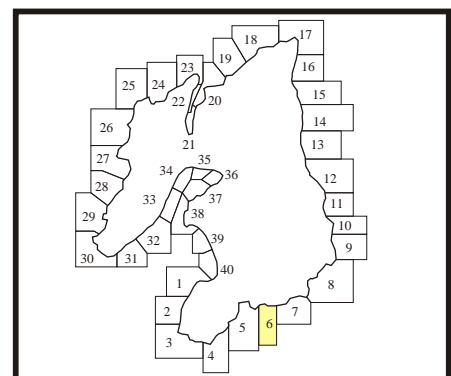
NR 3783 4529  
Rubha Na Faolinn Bige  
Enclosure  
18-20th C  
N/A  
N/A

**IY278 (NR34NE 70)**

NR 386 451  
Druim An Uigean  
Farmstead  
18-20th C  
N/A  
N/A



- 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



**1. Laphroaig**

NR 388 447

4.8 Km

Rock platform

Coast edge <5m

Drift on visible rock.

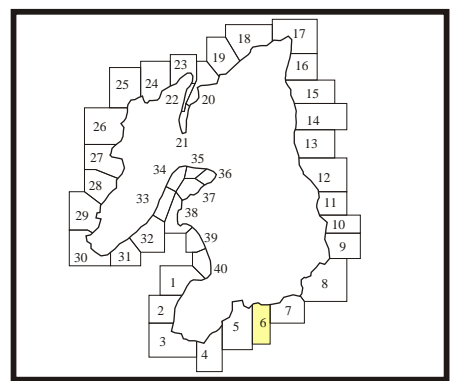
The coast edge is steeply sloping rock platform, with some cobble in coves. The hinterland is poorly drained rough grazing, not apparently in agricultural use at time of visit. The hinterland frequently contains thickets of scrub vegetation.



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- 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



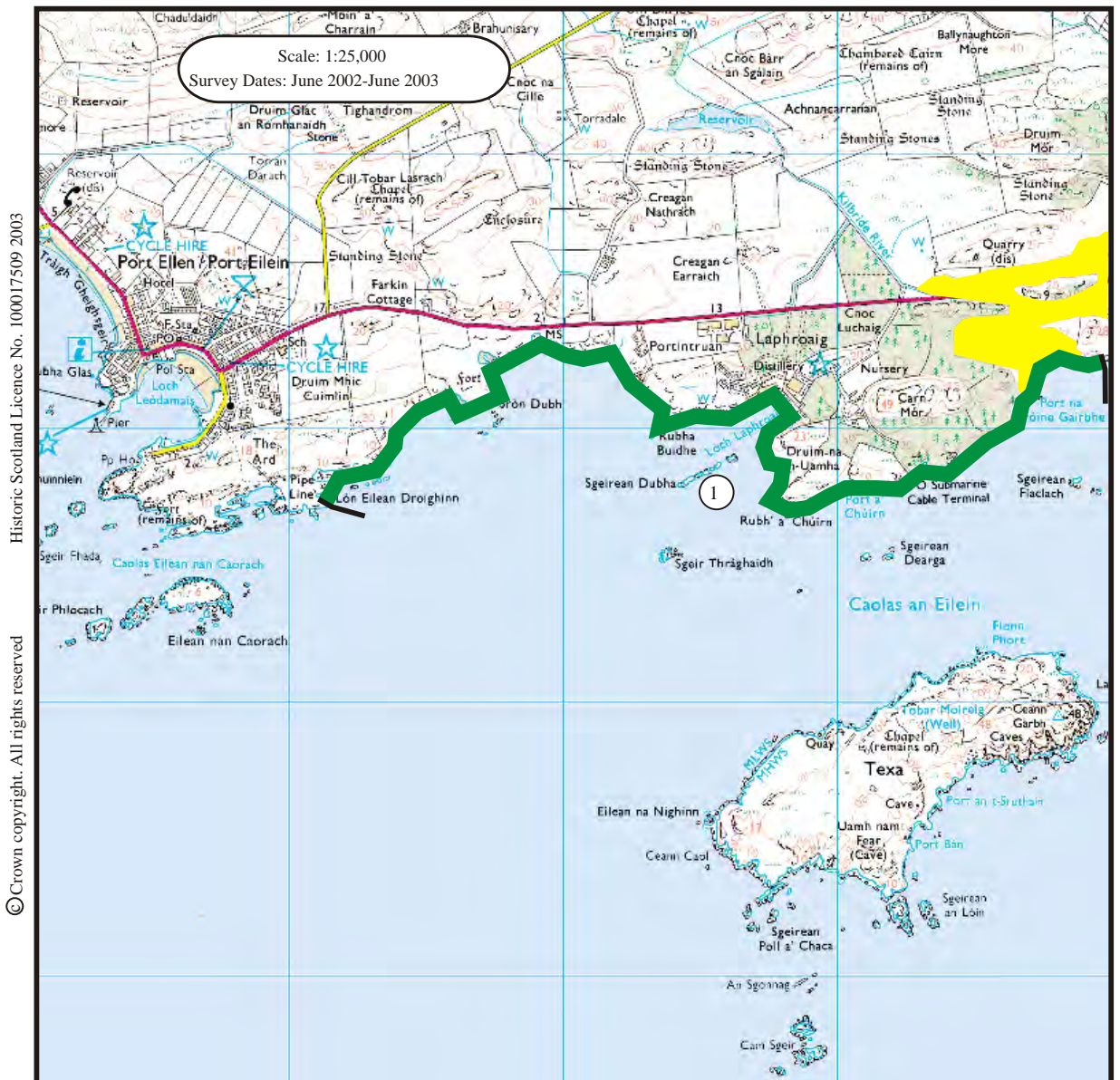
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Stable

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



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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

