Vale of Glamorgan
County Treasures

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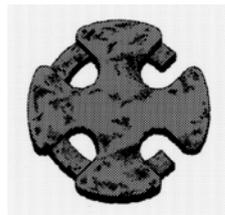
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Foreword

For many years now the recording and protection afforded to the historic environment has been bound within the provisions of a number legislative Acts of Parliament. Indeed, the Vale of Glamorgan has over 100 Scheduled Ancient Monuments, over 700 Listed Buildings and 38 Conservation Areas that are afforded statutory protection by legislation.

However, this system of statutory recognition, by its nature, only takes account of items of exceptional significance. Often there are locally important buildings that although acknowledged not to be of 'national' or 'exceptional' importance, are considered key examples of vernacular architecture or buildings, which have an important local history. It is these buildings which are often the main contributors to local distinctiveness, but which have to date, remained un-surveyed and afforded little recognition or protection.

The original County Treasures project was published by the then South Glamorgan County Council in the late 1970's. It was conceived as a locally adopted inventory of 'special features' in the former County area.

However, as a result of local government restructuring, the changes to local authority boundaries, as well as changes in responsibilities and funding mechanisms the survey was never completed, and as a consequence was not comprehensive in its coverage.

In the three decades that have passed since the original survey was attempted, the loss of a number of local buildings and landmarks, and the redevelopment of unprotected sites make the County Treasures project as relevant today as it was then. This publication is the culmination of the efforts of many individuals and groups who have been generously giving of their knowledge, time and commitment over a nearly ten year period, and without whom the County Treasures project would never have been possible. To all those involved, I extend my heart felt thanks in recognition of a job well done.

We should be proud, therefore, that this version of the County Treasures survey is complete, robust and comprehensive. It is in another respect even more valuable than its predecessor, in that this Inventory has not been compiled by the local authority, but by the communities of the Vale themselves.

Each of the 27 community areas within the Vale were surveyed by a volunteer workforce of local people, teachers, history society members, local Councillors and other interested individuals, who gave willingly and freely of their time to reveal and record the very many items that could conceivably be of architectural and historic interest; and which, further to detailed scrutiny, research and qualification, were considered worthy of inclusion. This inventory, therefore, more than any other provides an account of what is considered of local importance by local people.

The complete Treasures Inventory contains some 1200 entries. It contains a schedule giving the name of each treasure, its description, its current means of statutory protection (where relevant), a grid reference, map and photograph.

This 2007 Inventory should not however be seen as a 'final product', and although it indeed provides an excellent account and record at a fixed point in time, it also provides a framework for future additions and amendments, as more or new buildings become apparent, new information or change occurs.

It is hoped that the Vale of Glamorgan County Treasures Inventory will serve several purposes:
- It will stimulate local, and wider interest, and promote care and maintenance of identified treasures.
- It will act as a valuable educational resource, perhaps allowing local schoolchildren to research locally as well as nationally significant events and buildings.
- It will ensure that treasures are fully regarded in the planning process where they are threatened by development pressures.
- It will stimulate protectionist policies within forthcoming development plans and perhaps the recognition of further areas for statutory designation.

The Vale of Glamorgan Council, Cadw, The Civic Trust for Wales, The Penarth Society, and The Vale Council for Voluntary Services have supported this project.

Rhagair

Ers llawer o flynyddoedd bellach, mae'r gwaith o gofnodi ac amddiffyn yr amgylchedd hanesyddol yn cael ei reoli o dan amodau nifer o ddeddfau seneddol. Mae dros 100 o Henebion Rhestredig, dros 700 o Adeiladau Rhestredig a 38 o Ardaloedd Cadwraeth ym Mro Morgannwg sy'n cael eu hamddiffyn o dan y gyfraith yn y modd yma.

Serch hynny, mae'n anochel bod system fel hon sydd wedi'i seilio ar gydnabyddiaeth statudol, yn rhoi ystyriaeth i eitemau o bwysigrwydd eithriadol yn unig. Mae hynny'n golygu bod llawer o adeiladau lleol sydd, er nad oes ganddynt unrhyw statws cenedlaethol nac eithriadol, yn dal yn nodedig am eu pensaernïaeth frodorol neu'n bwysig i hanes yr ardal. Yn amlach na pheidio, dyma'r union adeiladau sy'n rhoi cymeriad i ardal er na ddaeth neb i'w hadolygu erioed ac nad oes ganddynt fawr o statws na chynlluniau ar gyfer eu gwarchod.

Hen Gyngor Sir De Morgannwg oedd yn gyfrifol am brosiect gwreiddiol Trysorau'r Sir a gyhoeddwyd ar ddiwedd y 1970au. Bwriad y prosiect oedd llunio rhestr leol o'r holl nodweddion arbennig rhwng ffiniau'r hen sir.

Serch hynny, bu ad-drefnu llywodraeth leol, newid ffiniau awdurdodau lleol a newid cyfrifoldebau staff a threfniadau nawdd yn rhwystr i'r gwaith, ac am na chafodd yr arolwg ei gwblhau erioed, mae'r rhestr yn bell o fod yn gyflawn.

Yn ystod y tri degawd ers cynnal yr arolwg gwreiddiol, mae nifer o adeiladau a nodweddion lleol amlwg wedi diflannu, a safleoedd diamddiffyn wedi'u datblygu, sy'n golygu bod y prosiect yn fwy perthnasol heddiw nag erioed. Ffrwyth ymdrech nifer o unigolion a grwpiau ymroddgar a fu'n rhoi'n hael o'u hamser a'u gwybodaeth am bron i ddeng mlynedd, yw'r cyhoeddiad hwn. Heb eu cymorth, ni fuasai'n bosibl cynnal prosiect Trysorau'r Sir o gwbl, a hoffwn ddiolch o galon i bawb am ddod i ben â'r gwaith mor dda.

Mae pob rheswm i ni fod yn falch o'r fersiwn cyflawn, cadarn a chynhwysfawr hwn o'r arolwg ar Drysorau'r Sir. Mae'n fwy gwerthfawr fyth na'r un flaenorol hefyd am mai cymunedau'r Fro eu hunain a fu'n ei lunio'n hytrach na'r awdurdod lleol.

Cafodd pob un o'r 27 cymuned yn y Fro ei hadolygu gan dîm gwirfoddol o bobl leol, athrawon, aelodau cymdeithasau hanesyddol, Cynghorwyr lleol a rhai eraill â diddordeb yn y maes. Rhoesant yn hael o'u hamser heb dâl er mwyn dod o hyd i'r holl eitemau a allai fod o ddiddordeb pensaernïol neu hanesyddol, a'u cofnodi. Cafodd y rhai teilwng eu hychwanegu at y rhestr ar ôl llawer o waith ymchwil ac archwilio manwl. Dyma'r rhestr felly sy'n adlewyrchu orau'r eitemau sydd o bwys gan bobl yn eu hardaloedd eu hunain.

Mae 1200 o eitemau i gyd ar y rhestr drysorau gyflawn. Mae pob cofnod yn cynnwys enw'r eitem, disgrifiad ohoni, y ddarpariaeth sydd ar gael o dan y gyfraith ar gyfer ei gwarchod (pan fo hynny'n berthnasol), cyfeirnod grid, map a llun.

Serch hynny, ni ddylid ystyried rhestr 2007 yn rhestr gyflawn o bell ffordd. Er ei bod yn adroddiad ardderchog ar y sefyllfa ar adeg benodol, mae'n bwysig ei gweld hefyd fel fframwaith ar gyfer addasu'r rhestr wrth i'r sefyllfa newid neu i adeiladau neu wybodaeth newydd ddod i'r golwg.

Rydym yn gobeithio y bydd rhestr Trysorau Sir Bro Morgannwg yn:
- ennyn diddordeb y gymuned leol a'r gymuned ehangach yn y trysorau hyn ac yn annog pobl i ofalu amdanynt a'u cadw mewn cyflwr da.
- helpu'n sylweddol gydag addysg plant ysgol drwy roi cyfle iddynt ymchwilio i ddigwyddiadau ac adeiladau sydd o bwys lleol yn ogystal â chenedlaethol.
- sicrhau bod pob ystyriaeth yn cael ei rhoi i'r trysorau wrth gynllunio pan fo perygl i waith datblygu amharu arnynt.
- atgyfnerthu'r polisïau gwarchod yn y cynlluniau datblygu nesaf a helpu i sicrhau bod mwy o ardaloedd yn cael eu dynodi'n statudol.

Mae Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, Cadw, Ymddiriedolaeth Ddinesig Cymru, Cymdeithas Penarth a Chyngor Gwasanaethau Gwirfoddol y Fro i gyd wedi cefnogi'r prosiect hwn..

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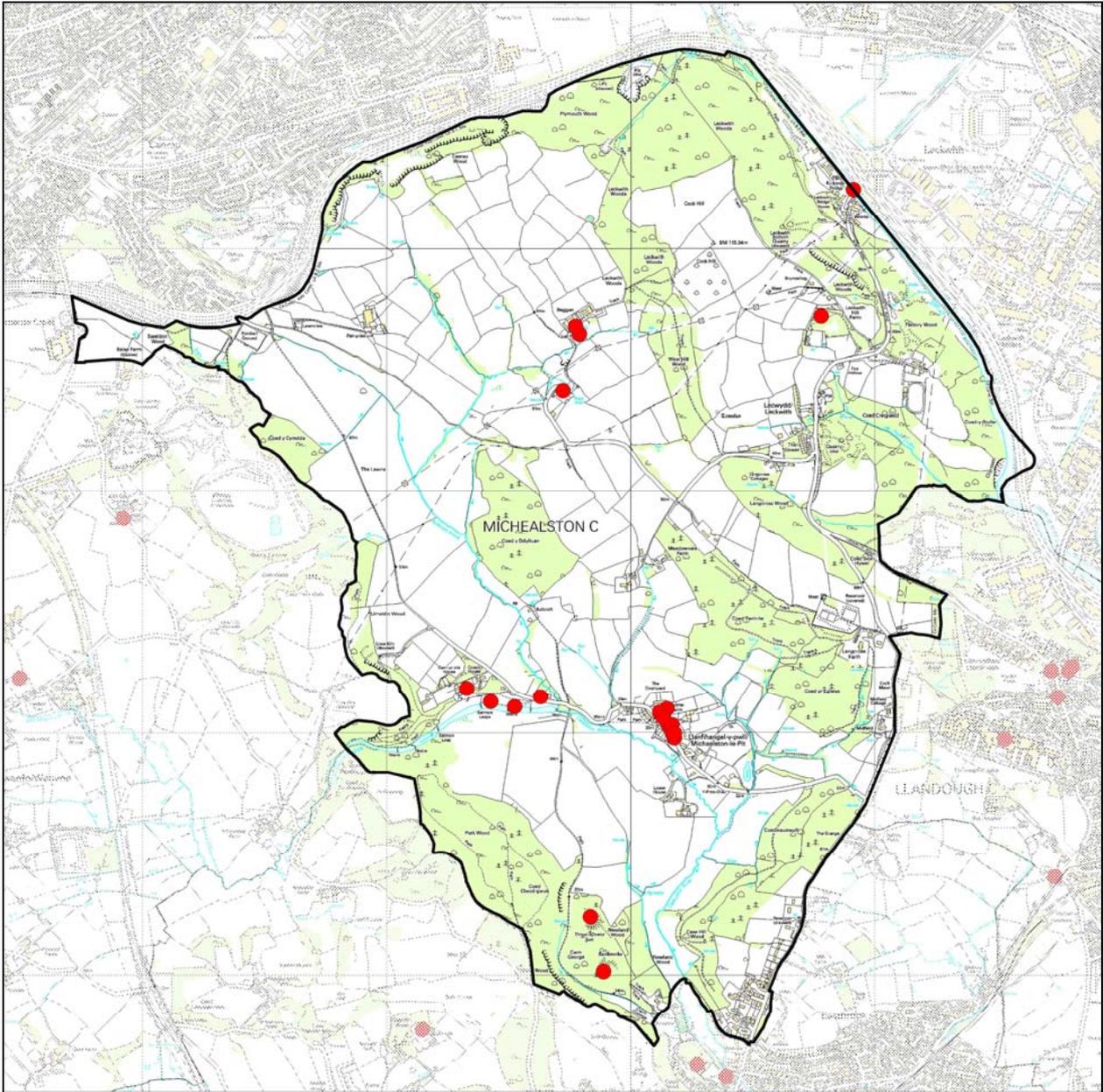
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Michaelson-Le-Pit - Telephone Call-Box Beside Church Cottages			

Treasure 1143

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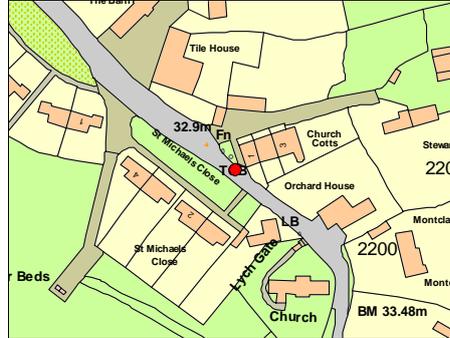
K6 type square red kiosk of standard design by Giles Gilbert Scott, architect of London. Design introduced by GPO in 1936.

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Michaelston-Le-Pit - Church of St. Michael & All Angels			

Treasure 537

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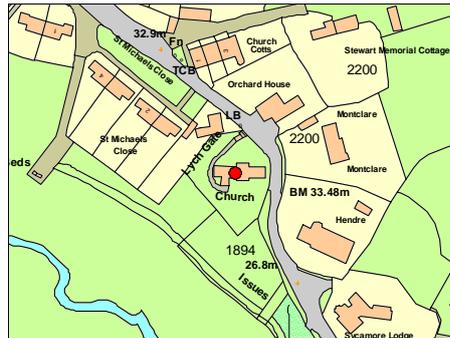
Small church mainly C14 in Perpendicular style with traces of Early English. Nave, chancel, short transepts, central tower with saddleback roof. Restored in C19. The inner South doorframe is segmental, pointed with chamfered mouldings and appears to be original. Earliest documents of c 1200 record the area was held by the De Reigny family as a sub-manor of the lordship of Dinas Powys. Le Pit probably derives from the Le Peyts family, their predecessors as Norman lords under the De Sumeris family.

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Michaelston-Le-Pit - Church of St. Michael & All Angels
Lychgate

Treasure 1610

Monument ☐

Listed Building ☑ 12.02.04 26488

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OS Grid N 172972

Lychgate. Commemorates local soldiers killed in First World War. Dedicated in 1920.

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Michaelston-Le-Pit - Home Farm

Treasure 1600

Monument ☐

Listed Building ☐

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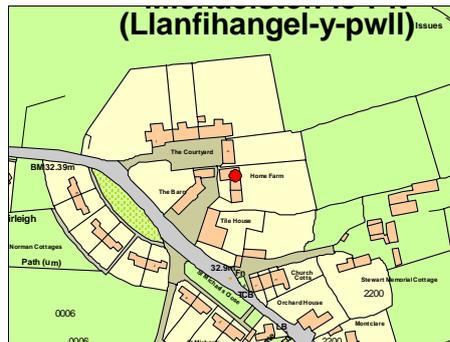
Original farmhouse of Home Farm built of rubble with brick quoins. Group value at centre of village.

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Michaelston-Le-Pit - Home Farm Barn

Treasure 1601

Monument ☐

Listed Building ☐

OS Grid E 315118

OS Grid N 173085

Barn converted into a dwelling. Group value at centre of village.

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Michaelston-Le-Pit - Nos. 1-3 Church Cottages

Treasure 1144

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Listed Building ☑ 12.02.03 13481

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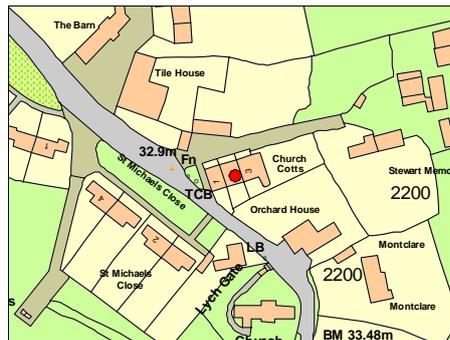
Almost symmetrical row of three, 2-storey, gabled cottages in a Tudor manner with metal-framed windows, diamond-paned glazing, bargeboards and diagonally set chimney stacks. Built of local stone with red brick dressings and slate roof. Built mid to late C19 and possibly associated with the Cwrt-yr-Ala estate. Listed as a well-preserved group of Tudor-style cottages set in the centre of the village.

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Michaelston-Le-Pit - Tile House

Treasure   1606

Monument ☐   **OS Grid E** 315131

Listed Building ☐   **OS Grid N** 173062

Double fronted stone farmhouse dating back to the 13th century. Recently renovated with flagstone floors, inglenook fireplaces and beam ceilings. Group value at centre of village.

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Outlying - Bryn Robin

Treasure   1604

Monument ☐   **OS Grid E** 314630

Listed Building ☐   **OS Grid N** 173149

Thatched cottage, eyebrow windows, whitewashed, rendered.

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Outlying - Brynwell Farm Including Attached Agricultural Buildings

Treasure 1145

Monument ☐

Listed Building ☑ 12.01.02 19575

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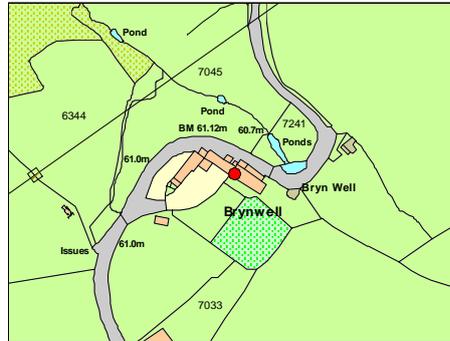
Two-storey, 4 window house, rendered over local stone, slate roof, chimneys to ends, and centre. Probably medieval, a cusped lancet window (C14?) on the North wall suggests a possible first floor hall. Remodelled in C19 and extended by Bute Estate. The site appears to be an ancient one, and the house is next to earth banks whose outer bailey is partly incorporated in the courtyard to the north of the house, and is perhaps associated with Leckwith Manor. Listed as surviving substantial farmhouse with medieval origins on ancient site.

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Outlying - Coed Clwyd Gwyn - Cwm George Camp

Treasure 536

Monument ☑ 21/6062/GM018 (GLA)

Listed Building ☐

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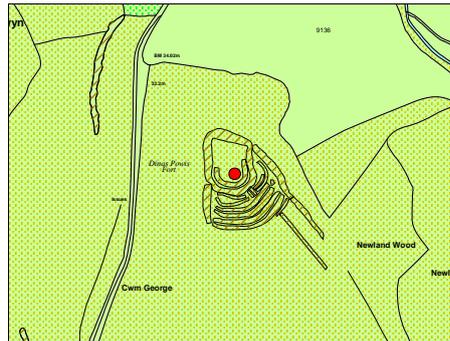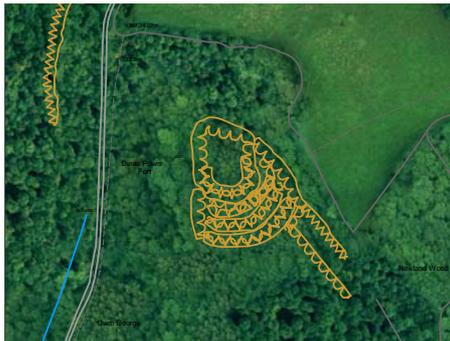
Reputedly an Iron Age occupation site with later earthwork and buildings. Site was defendable on all but the southern side by steep, natural slopes and cliffs. Excavated from 1954-9 by L.Alcock.

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Outlying - Cwrt Yr Ala - The Old Dairy

Treasure 2196

Monument ☐

Listed Building ☑ 12.02.06 26490

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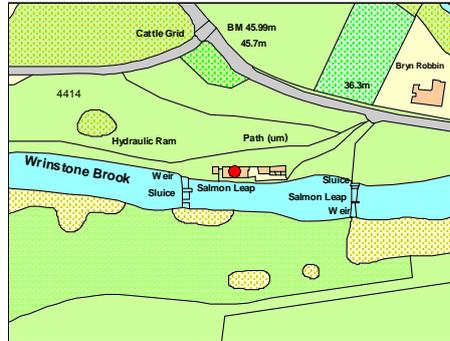
Small building in Gothick style standing on the pond edge. Of lime-plastered stone, limewashed formerly in ochre colours now in white. Probably early C19. Altered and extended.

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Outlying - Cwrt yr Ala House

Treasure 2195

Monument ☐

Listed Building ☑ 12.02.05 26489

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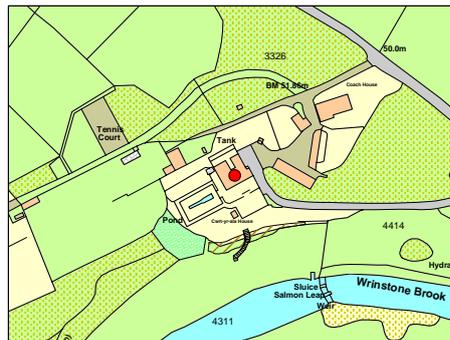
A country house in restrained Neo-Georgian style set in parkland landscape, designed by Sir Percy Thomas for Sir Herbert Merrett and built in 1939. Features within the grounds include a string of ponds linked by weirs, some with fish ladders.

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Outlying - Cwrt-yr-Ala Park

Treasure 2457

Monument ☐   **OS Grid E** 314331

Listed Building ☐   **OS Grid N** 173153
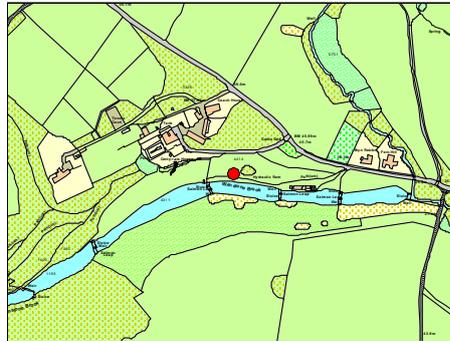
Cwrt-yr-Ala is notable for the fine landscaping in the park of a string of ponds which appear as one sinuous piece of water. It also has a formal C20 garden with terraces and a canal. Listed Grade II in Register of Landscapes, Parks and Gardens of Special Interest in Wales.

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Outlying - Old Leckwith Bridge [partly in Cardiff (Canton Community)

Treasure 2193

Monument ☑ 21/0679/GM014 (GLA)   **OS Grid E** 315910

Listed Building ☑ 12.01.01   26487   **OS Grid N** 175250

Medieval in origin the bridge is constructed of local stone, coursed rubble with three arches and buttressed. Closed to traffic in 1936.

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Outlying - Tyn y Coed Earthwork, North of Dinas Powys Golf Course

Treasure 539

Monument ☑ 21/2171/GM024 (GLA)   **OS Grid E** 314892

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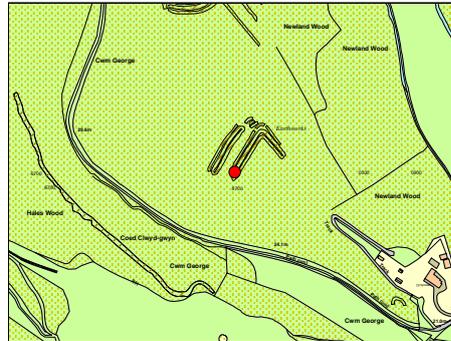
Medieval earthwork/castle C11-C13. These bivallate earthworks have been trenched but their precise date and purpose remains uncertain.

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Outlying - Woodlands Community Care Centre

Treasure 1607

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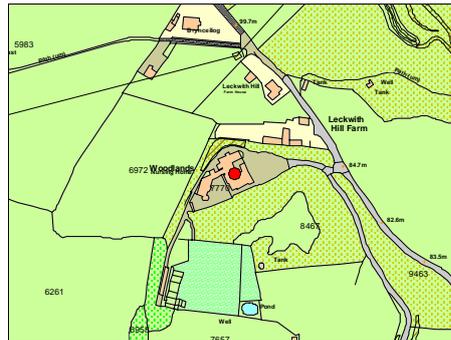
Early Victorian, Regency style building set within 5 acres of parkland. Opened as a nursing home in 1996 accommodating 48 residents. The original building has been extended to allow expansion for its current use.