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Pillbox, one of a ring which encircles Aberporth airfield

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SUMMARY

Following the Cadw funded 20th Century military projects in which the Airfields of southwest Wales were studied (Pyper 2012), the dispersed facilities and defences of these complexes are now considered. These include: accommodation blocks; weapon, fuel and other storage facilities; defence systems; bombing decoys; and communication and guidance facilities. Some of these are close to airfield cores, but others can be several hundred metres from the core.

Because of the large number of airfields in Dyfed and because of the dispersed character of the facilities, the project has been spread over two years with an interim report produced in 2013 (Pyper, 2013). This report now supersedes this earlier work and presents the Airfields dispersed sites and defences as a whole. After documentary research, sites were identified for visits where possible and an assessment made of their condition and significance. Recommendations for statutory protection are made in a separate volume. This report should be seen as the second part to Pyper 2012, Twentieth Century Military Sites: Airfields.

INTRODUCTION

Contrary to popular belief, Wales was not a quiet backwater during the conflicts of the twentieth century. Its position, distant from the Continent, made it ideal for the manufacturing, maintenance and storage of armaments, but also for military training and research and development, including weapon testing. Fighter stations defended the industrial towns and the docks, which were targets for German bomber planes. In the Second World War, Wales was in the front line in the Battle of the Atlantic and the coast was defended against a possible German invasion from Ireland (Cadw 2009, 4).

Against this backdrop, the military aviation sites in Wales form an important group. They developed distinct functions and purposes, often forming parts of wider operational, training or storage networks. A few sites were established to protect the coast and shipping during the First World War. These functions were greatly expanded during the Second World War, during the latter part of which some sites developed into transport hubs for transatlantic flights. The function and development of each site has added to its own unique character and has given weight to the view that they are important historical and archaeological monuments in their entirety, each comprising a plethora of functionally distinct elements that contribute to their status.

This project does not seek to rewrite the histories of each airfield, which are available elsewhere. Instead it seeks to understand the significance of each site and to identify which elements embody that significance and those which are of national and regional importance. This understanding of the significance of each site will be underpinned by legislative frameworks and the guidance enshrined in the 2011 Cadw document *Conservation Principles* and will, where possible, also highlight priorities for future research and recording work.

The way in which this project has been approached mirrors that of previous scheduling enhancement projects undertaken by the Welsh Archaeological Trusts with grant-aid from Cadw. Each site was assessed using documentary sources prior to undertaking field visits in order to build an understanding of the site and to ascertain fieldwork priorities. Maps, plans and aerial photographs were consulted and map regressions produced for each site. Records were created and accompanying new point- and polygon-based GIS data compiled as a result of the research. This information was fed into the regional Historic Environment Records in order to contribute to our understanding of the turbulent nature of the 20th century through surviving military structures, and provide a basis for heritage management and development control, while recommendations for designation are submitted to Cadw in a separate volume.

The four Welsh Archaeological Trusts are working to agreed guidelines. In order to deliver key information to Cadw, the studies primarily focus on those sites identified on the Second World War era Air Ministry Plans, with the focus being on the most significant elements of the sites which detail their function and development. At the discretion of the project staff the studies may diverge from this principle, only where the most significant and functionally distinct elements of each site fall outside this defined zone.

Airfields are, by their nature large and disparate complexes, often incorporating large tracts of land. They include a whole range of site types, from complexes of military buildings to isolated structures which are often dispersed in the landscape beyond, however it is important to understand that all these elements work as a whole and cannot be viewed in isolation.

PROJECT AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The overall aims of the project are:

- an application of definition, classification, quantification and distribution of these sites in south-west Wales,
- assessment of the archaeological significance of these sites in both a regional and national perspective,
- assessment of the vulnerability of this element of the archaeological resource,
- recommendations for scheduling and listing

The project's objectives are:

- To collate available primary and secondary sources for each of the military aviation sites in south-west Wales,
- To carry out a field assessment of each site to assess and record surviving features,
- To incorporate this information into the Dyfed Archaeological Trust's Historic Environment Record (HER)
- To advise Cadw on those sites which are of national significance which should be considered for statutory protection.

METHODOLOGY

All four Welsh Archaeological Trusts have been collaborating to ensure a consistent approach to the pan Wales project. A project methodology was agreed and information shared. The projects have all started with documentary research, checking the HER, National Monuments Record (NMR), local sources, aerial photographs and crucially the Ministry plans for each installation. In Pembrokeshire a key source has been Roger Thomas's, 'Survey of 19th and 20th Century Military Buildings of Pembrokeshire', a major piece of work, in which many airfield sites in Pembrokeshire have been identified. Other works have also been instrumental in providing context and histories of the aviation sites in south-west Wales including Jones 2007, Smith 1981, Cocroft and Thomas 2003, Phillips 2009, among other more general accounts.

Site visits have been carried out and a rapid walk over survey in order to assess the survival of remains, record and photograph them. Post survey the results have been fed directly into the HER, so the results are immediately available to users of the HER, both professionally in Development Control / Planning and Heritage Management services, but also available to the public either through Archwilio and the Archwilio App, and also commercial and private enquiries of the HER.

The following methodology was adopted to achieve the project's objectives:

 A desk top appraisal compiling dossiers for each site; sourcing Air Ministry / Fleet Air Arm plans / aerial photographs / secondary sources / HER records / NMR records etc.

- Site visits to each of the aviation sites where access was agreed, to photograph, assess and record the survival of remains, their condition and likely threats.
- Create new records and enhance existing records on the HER and catalogue all photographs
- Produce a short report including a gazetteer of sites, including assessments and a separate report including a gazetteer of scheduling and listing recommendations.

SCOPE OF THE PROJECT

An initial assessment of the aviation sites studied in the initial report (2012) was carried out and led to focussing on to the following list of sites which required further investigation:

RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH RAF ANGLE RAF BRAWDY RAF CAREW CHERITON RAF/RNAS DALE RAF HAVERFORDWEST RAF MANORBIER RAF PEMBREY RAF PEMBROKE DOCK RAF ST DAVIDS RAF TALBENNY RAF TEMPLETON

In addition two RAF Air Sea Rescue stations were identified: RAF FERRYSIDE RAF TENBY

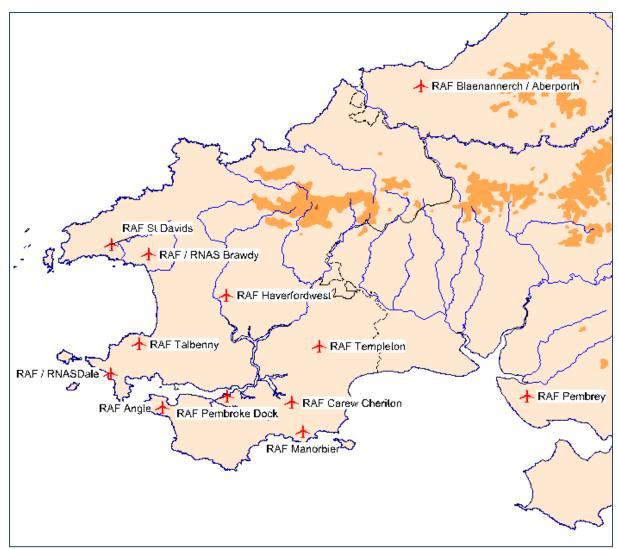


Figure 1: Map of key sites

RESULTS

The earlier airfields, established at or near the outset of hostilities, include RAF Carew Cheriton, RAF Manorbier and RAF Pembrey. These all fall within the criteria established in the Taylor report of 1940 (Dobinson 1998) as Class I, ie. within 20 miles of a port, anticipating parachute drops to capture airfields and bringing in troop carrying aircraft to shuttle in infantry who would then advance on nearby ports. As such these three airfields were identified as requiring the installation of Pickett Hamilton forts by February 1941 (retractable pillboxes located within the flying field itself, which could be raised by means of hydraulics to permit fire from its loopholes).

Of the three airfields only RAF Pembrey, Pickett Hamilton forts only survive at Pembrey, which has two of the three required forts extant and these are apparently intact.

At the time of the Taylor report the only other operational airfield was RAF Aberporth which is identified as a Class III airfield, 'liable to air attack or small scale parachute attack for no particular tactical reason but as diversion or nuisance.' (Dobinson 1998, 23). Here at RAF Aberporth there are a ring of pillboxes, which predominantly face onto the airfield itself.

By 1942 full scale invasion was not seen as a widespread threat, and the installation of new defences was not a priority. The date at which each airfield was constructed across Carmarthenshire, Pembrokeshire and Ceredigion reflects this, with the earlier airfields, RAF Carew Cheriton, RAF Pembrey, RAF Manorbier, RAF Aberporth and RAF Angle being defended with an outer ring of pillboxes. No pillboxes are known of or recorded at the other airfields.

In response to the threat of low level attacking aircraft a number of Anti-Aircraft gun emplacements, known as 'Motley stalk' are found at RAF Carew Cheriton, RAF Dale, RAF Talbenny and RAF Templeton and have been recorded.

Battle headquarters are not present at every airfield, and were only brought into place on those airfields where the existing command posts for the control of ground defences were found to be unsatisfactory. A standardised design came in after 1941 and of those inspected: RAF Angle, RAF Templeton, RAF Dale, RAF Pembrey and RAF Carew Cheriton all appear to conform to this design (Dobinson 1998, 60).

RAF airfield decoys were present for the parent stations of RAF Pembrey at Kidwelly, RAF Carew Cheriton at Begelly and RAF Talbenny at Marloes. These were Q type, for use at night time to simulate the lighting of an active airfield, (Redfern 1998, 42). Other bombing decoys have been included in this project, these simulate the burning fires of Pembroke Dock.

Dispersed accommodation for personnel and support services is really a feature of the later airfields: RAF Angle, RAF Brawdy, RAF Dale, RAF Haverfordwest, RAF St Davids, RAF Talbenny and RAF Templeton, though few buildings survive except at RAF Talbenny.

Standard Beam Approach blind landing system is present at two airfields in Pembrokeshire, RAF Haverfordwest and its satellite airfield RAF Templeton. The system was introduced in October 1940, but not fully operational until late 1941. Not all airfields were equipped with it, but most Training Command, Bomber Command and Transport Command were, and many Coastal Command were too.

The SBA equipment was only ever installed to serve the main runway of any airfield, it comprised of three brick-walled open concrete platforms intended for the erection of the various aerial arrays. It was not a navigation beacon system, it was a landing approach system to guide an aircraft to the runway threshold in darkness or poor weather conditions, it was not intended as a blind landing instrument, but it was often used as

such. The main beacon, situated on the platform at the south western or western end of the runway produced a radio beam of 'dashes' to the left of the correct alignment of approach and 'dots' that enabled the pilot of an aircraft to gain the correct alignment along the final approach to the runway. The other two platforms gave him a geographical indication of where he was in the approach. The 1st or outer marker beacon was sited about two miles north-east of the runway, the 2nd or inner marker beacon was sited near the north-eastern boundary of the airfield and the on the same alignment. These beacons had low-power transmitters that produced vertical beams that gave the pilot a visual instrument reading and aural indication in his ear-phones as he crossed them. The use of SBA was demanding on the pilot's skill and was eventually replaced in 1944 by a new system called Instrument Landing System (ILS). (RJC Thomas pers comm.)

Other outlying systems include High-Frequency Direction Finding, also abbreviated to HF/DF or 'huff-duff', which were used as a navigation aid for aircraft. Not all airfields had them and the Air Ministry plan for RAF Templeton mentions a siting plan for a structure which may never have been built. There is only surviving evidence at RAF Angle and RAF St Davids.

Some indication of the survival of airfield defences is shown in Figure 2. This shows a selection of sites and the percentage of survival.

	Dillhoves	LIIIDOVES	MT gun emplacements	Pickett Hamilton fort	Operations block	Battle HQ	SBA landing system	HF/DF
Aberporth	87.5%	Υ	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angle	100%	Υ	0	0	0	Υ	0	50% Y
Brawdy	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Carew Cheriton	100%	Υ	50% Y	0	0	Y	0	0
Dale	0		100% Y	0	0	Y	0	0
Haverfordwest	0		0	0	0	0	100% Y	0
Manorbier	11%	Υ	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pembrey	88%	Υ	0	66% Y	0	Υ	0	0
Pembroke Dock	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
St Davids	0		0	0	0	0	0	50% Y
Talbenny	0		100% Y	0	Υ	?	0	Υ
Templeton	0		100% Y	0	0	Y	?% Y	0

Figure 2: A selection of site types represented (survival shown as percentage)

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The study of C20th military remains had been somewhat under-appreciated in the field of archaeology and historic environment in the past, and a lack of understanding and recognition of their historic significance represented a threat to the survival of these features (Schofield 2004). The archaeological assessment of C20th military aviation sites has been the first systematic study into C20th military sites across Wales. These

projects will go some way to improving knowledge and understanding as a basis for future management. The process, however, should not end here, there is bound to be further information which will come to light as awareness and knowledge of these sites becomes more widespread. This study should be viewed as a baseline which can be built on, as more information is gathered and analysed to provide narratives for the region and its response to the conflicts which marked the Twentieth century.

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AP Vertical RAF 07.07.46. Sortie No. 106G-UK-1625 Frames 4362-4363

AP Vertical RAF 07.07.46. Sortie No. 106G-UK-1625 Frames 4349-4350

Talbenny

Air Ministry 1945 Talbenny Record Plan of Airfield Site Dwg No 2535/45 Air Ministry 1945 Talbenny Record Plan of Dispersed Sites Dwg No 2536/45

Templeton

Air Ministry 1951 Templeton Record Site Plan Dwg no. 5856/51

GAZETTEER OF SITES

The gazetteer of sites has been arranged by airfield. Airfields are listed alphabetically, with the record for the overall airfield appearing first, followed by a map indicating the locations of sites, then sites listed numerically by Primary Record Number (PRN). Note that the sites listed here include the principal sites which have been identified by documentary assessment and fieldwork. In many cases there are other sites related to the airfields which have been recorded by previous projects these will appear either in the relevant project reports on the HER and are accessible though Archwilio.org.uk along with the sites recorded here.

Condition statements are listed in date order, with the last record relating to the current project fieldwork.

RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

PRN 30594
NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH
TYPE Airfield
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN2458949232
COMMUNITY Aberporth
COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF Aberporth/Blaenannerch Airfield opened in 1940 as a training establishment to teach gunnery practise. In 1940 the airfield was known as RAF Blaenannerch and subsequently changed to Aberporth. The airfield was used as an Anti-Aircraft Co-operation Unit (AACU) base to serve the artillery schools and anti-aircraft defence batteries on the coast. Established in 1939 the Projectile Development Establishment based on the nearby headland at Aberporth became an important missile and weapon testing base and this airfield was used for all the airborne work associated with the trials. The airfield started off as three grass runways; one NE/SW runway 750 yards long, one NNW/SSE 750 yards long and one E/W 966 yards long. Two hangars were constructed and various associated buildings. The airfield is encircled by 14 pillboxes.

Following the Second World War the airfield continued in use with various modifications including the construction of the East/West runway in concrete in 1956. The airfield was also used as a Polish Resettlement Camp from 1946 to 1948. Summary description based on Jones and Scott. Visited in 2011 the site is still in use for testing Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs). Many of the buildings were demolished to make way for a new science park between 2005 and 2007. A. Pyper 2012.

The accommodation for the airfield appears to be concentrated to the west of the flying field. However, one further site which doesn't appear on the site plans appears to have the hallmark of a military camp on the wartime aerial photograph (1942) and this is located to the south of the airfield (PRN 105926). Perhaps in line with Aberporth's early construction when the threat of invasion was a high priority. Aberporth airfield is well defended, encircled with pillboxes, all centred on the airfield itself (PRNs 1059627, 105928, 50933, 50927, 50926, 50925, 50924, 50923, 50932, 50922, 50921, 50920 50919, 50935, 50934, 105929, 105930 105931). A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The airfield is still in use and has been developed in recent years, resulting in many of the wartime airfield buildings being demolished. A ring of pillboxes survive, most of which are scheduled. A Pyper 2012.



Figure 3: Map showing RAF Aberporth and associated sites

PRN 50919

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211K

NGR SN2469049180 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

Pillbox, hexagonal in plan with a flat concrete roof. Constructed in concrete. Part of a ring of 14 pillboxes encircling Aberporth Airfield. This pillbox is a scheduled ancient monument CD211K. Very overgrown and inaccessible when visited in 2011. A.Pyper 2012.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Pillbox, almost entirely engulfed by scrub growth when visited in 2011.

PRN 50920

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure/ DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE

CONDITION Unknown/ Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded NGR SN2521049220 COMMUNITY Aberporth

COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

Pillbox apparently demolished. No upstanding remains could be identified when visited in 2013. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / No visible upstanding remains, though below ground or scattered remains may survive. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 50921

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD2111

NGR SN2528049320 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

Type 24 pillbox, irregular hexagon in plan and a flat concrete roof. Constructed in concrete. Part of a ring of 14 pillboxes encircling Aberporth Airfield. This is now part of scheduled ancient monument CD211I. Visited in 2011, A. Pyper.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Pillbox intact though rather inaccessible due to scrub growth. A Pyper 2012.

PRN 50922

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211H

CROSS REFERENCES Part of 30594

NGR SN2537049370 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

Type 24 pillbox, hexagonal in plan with a D-shaped annexe on its N elevation and a flat concrete roof. Constructed in concrete with brick shuttering. Part of a ring of 14 pillboxes encircling Aberporth Airfield. This is now part of Scheduled Ancient Monument CD211. Visited in Nov 2011, A. Pyper.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Brick is eroding, and the pillbox is becoming inaccessible due to scrub growth.

PRN 50923

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211F

NGR SN2538049630

COMMUNITY Aberporth

COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

Type 24 pillbox, hexagonal in plan with a D-shaped annexe and a flat concrete roof. Constructed in concrete with brick shuttering. Part of a ring of 14 pillboxes encircling Aberporth Airfield. This pillbox is a Scheduled Ancient Monument CD211F. A. Pyper 2012 based on Scheduling report CD211F (2006).

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Access not possible in 2011 due to scrub growth over the pillbox. A Pyper 2012.

PRN 50924

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211E

NGR SN2519049760 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

Type 24 pillbox, irregular hexagon in plan with a flat concrete roof. Constructed in

concrete. Graffiti on the north entrance jamb states 'K S 1940' and probably identifies date of construction. Part of a ring of 14 pillboxes encircling Aberporth Airfield. This pillbox is a Scheduled Ancient Monument CD211. Description based on Scheduling description CD211E (2006). Visited in 2011, A. Pyper.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Located adjacent to the hedge line, the pillbox is in fair condition. A Pyper 2012.

PRN 50925

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Unknown

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211D

CROSS REFERENCES None recorded

NGR SN2527049870 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

A hexagonal pillbox located in a hedgerow to the northeast of the airfield. Unlike the other pillboxes this is facing away from the airfield. Built of concrete with brick shuttering with a D-shaped anti-aircraft emplacement to the northeast. Description based on Scheduled Ancient monument description A Pyper 2013.

PRN 50926

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure/ EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211C

NGR SN2497049910 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

Type 24 pillbox, hexagonal in plan with a D-shaped annexe on its NE elevation and a flat concrete roof. Constructed in concrete with brick shuttering. Each wall except the NE has a centrally placed machine gun embrasure with Turnbull mountings for machine guns. Located within the D-shaped annexe is a Light Anti-Aircraft Machine Gun emplacement. The whole is part of a ring of 14 pillboxes encircling Aberporth Airfield and is a Scheduled Ancient Monument CD211. Description based on Scheduling Description CD211 2006. Visited in Nov 2011 and 2013, A. Pyper.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Pillbox is located in a hedge line on the boundary of Aberporth airfield, and is very overgrown with brambles. A close inspection in 2011 was not possible, but some of the brick shuttering on the exterior was falling away./ Structure intact though brickwork spalling and eroding. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 50927

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure/ EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211B **NGR** SN2483049770 **COMMUNITY** Aberporth

COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

Type 24 pillbox, hexagonal in plan with a D-shaped annexe and a flat concrete roof. Constructed in concrete with brick shuttering. Part of a ring of 14 pillboxes encircling Aberporth Airfield. This pillbox is a scheduled ancient monument CD211. Some scrub growth around the structure. A. Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Some scrub encroachment, brick erosion and stock damage. A Pyper 2012./ Structure still intact though the brickwork is spalling and eroding. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 50932

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure/ EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Unknown/ Near Intact

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211G

NGR SN2560049590 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

A hexagonal pillbox located at the junction of hedgerows. Built of concrete with brick shuttering. A D-shaped anti-aircraft emplacement is located to the northwest with a protected entrance to the southeast. One of series of scheduled pillboxes which encircle the airfield. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Pillbox in good condition, though woody vegetation encroaching upon it. A Pyper 2013



Figure 4: The easternmost pillbox tucked into the junction of two hedgerows

PRN 50933

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Intact STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211A NGR SN2462049780 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

Pillbox located on north side of Aberporth airfield on the junction of two roads. Resembles a modified type 24. Constructed out of concrete and brick shuttering with a flat concrete roof. Part of a ring of 14 pillboxes encircling Aberporth Airfield. This pillbox is a Scheduled Ancient Monument CD211A. Visited in Nov 2011, A. Pyper.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Pillbox intact, though bricks are spalling and ivy is encroaching over the walls. Visited Nov 2011, A. Pyper.

PRN 50934

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure/ EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Unknown/ Intact

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211M

NGR SN2444049730 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

A pillbox is located in the junction of two hedgerows at the western side of the airfield. Built of a hexagon with a D-shaped anti-aircraft machine gun emplacement on the south side and the entrance to the north. Part of a ring of defences which encircle the airfield. It is a scheduled ancient monument CD211M. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Intact pillbox, which substantial scrub growth around it. A Pyper 2013

PRN 50935

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE Pillbox
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211L

NGR SN2451049350 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

Type 24 pillbox, hexagonal in plan with a D-shaped annexe on its SE elevation and a flat concrete roof. Constructed in concrete with brick shuttering. Each wall except the SE has a centrally placed machine gun embrasure with Turnbull mountings for machine guns. Located within the D-shaped annexe is a Light Anti-Aircraft Machine Gun emplacement. The whole is part of a ring of 14 pillboxes encircling Aberporth Airfield. This pillbox is a scheduled ancient monument CD211L. Description based on Scheduling Description CD211L 2006. Visited in Nov 2011, A. Pyper.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Extensive ivy growth and some scrub vegetation

growing from roof of pillbox. A Pyper 2012.



Figure 5: Pillbox on western perimeter of airfield now to the side of the extended runway

PRN 105926

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE military camp EVIDENCE COMPLEX

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded NGR SN2437048740 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY Ceredigion



Figure 6: 1942 Aerial Photograph showing hut camp (M2324(1) 107 1942)

HER DESCRIPTION

Aerial photographs from 1942 show a military camp in this location. At least six huts with other subsidiary buildings are dispersed evenly around the field. When visited in 2013 there were no upstanding remains, but evidence of a concrete roadway at the field entrance. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION When visited no trace of the structures where visible, but a concrete entranceway to the field. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105927

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Intact

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211J

NGR SN2502648884 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY CEREDIGION

HER DESCRIPTION

Located 250 metres to the south of the airfield within a hedgerow at the top of a south facing slope is a Type 24 pillbox. It is hexagonal in plan with a D-shaped annexe on its NE elevation and a flat concrete roof. Constructed in concrete with brick shuttering.

Each wall except the NE has a centrally placed machine gun embrasure with Turnbull mountings for machine guns. Located within the D-shaped annexe is a Light Anti-Aircraft Machine Gun emplacement. The whole is part of a ring of 14 Pillboxes encircling Aberporth Airfield. This pillbox is a scheduled ancient monument CD211J. Description based on Scheduling Description CD211J 2006. A. Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Pillbox is intact though the brick shuttering is very eroded and the cement pointing is standing proud of the brickwork. A Pyper 2013.



Figure 7: Pillbox to the south of the airfield at Aberporth

PRN 105928

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE pillbox PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded
NGR SN2481949181
COMMUNITY Aberporth
COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

Remains of a demolished pillbox can be seen at the angle of a field boundary on the south side of the airfield. A hexagonal concrete base is still visible and is being used as the site of a water trough. Would have formed part a ring of airfield defences which elsewhere survive. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION A demolished pillbox, only the concrete slab foundations survive and are being used as a footing for a water trough. A Pyper 2013

PRN 105929

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE pillbox PERIOD modern

EVIDENCE RUINED STRUCTURE

CONDITION Damaged

STATUS scheduled ancient monument CD211N

NGR SN2477049983 COMMUNITY Aberporth COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

A partially demolished pillbox. Standing to the north of the airfield on a southeast facing slope. It is hexagonal with a D-shaped annexe for an anti-aircraft emplacement. Description based on Scheduling description. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION An attempt to demolish this pillbox was not entirely successful breaking up the roof slab and dislodging the walls which have been left in a tumbled state.



Figure 8: Remains of demolished pillbox

PRN 105930

NAME RAF ABERPORTH/BLAENANNERCH

TYPE military building

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS None recorded NGR SN2536549645 COMMUNITY Aberporth

COUNTY Ceredigion

HER DESCRIPTION

A small building c 3m square, doorway in the southeast wall. Metal framed, six pane

window high set and longitudinal in the northwest wall. Brick built, flat concrete roof with overhang all round. Blue painted four panelled door, broken with one panel missing. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Intact building, roof very overgrown with ivy. Window glassless and door broken. A Pyper 2014



Figure 9: A small building located to the northeast of the airfield

RAF ANGLE

PRN - 33439
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - Airfield
STATUS - pcnp
NGR - SM86000175
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Angle airfield was opened on 1st June 1941 in No 10 Group Fighter Command, with No. 32 Squadron arriving the following day, tasked to protect Pembroke Dock and escort convoys near the Welsh Coast. There was a high turnover of squadrons at Angle and the living conditions were primitive.

It is associated with the Barnes Wallace 'Highball' trials in 1943, in which a bomb was developed to bounce into railway tunnels. The Mosquito that was used to trial the bombs on the Maenclochog railway tunnel flew from Angle airfield.

In 1943 the airfield was briefly transferred to the Admiralty for target-towing, but due to wireless conflicts it returned to RAF use. It continued in use until 1945. It consisted of 3 runways, main E-W runway 1600yards, NW-SE runway at 1,200 yards and a NE-SW runway at 1000 yards. One T2 hangar, four blister hangars and five frying pan hard standings.

A clearance grant in the 1990s resulted in much of the fabric of the airfield being removed, although the layout of it can be traced in the field boundaries still. One dispersal pen, a pad for a blister hangar and fragments of perimeter track and runway survive at the time of a visit in 2011. A Pyper 2012.

The RAF plan of 1943 illustrates the extent of the airfield core 'Aerodrome site' along with 5 dispersed sites; Site No 1 with barracks and ablutions (PRN 102548), Site No 2 (Communal site) with sick quarters, recreational facilities and provisions stores (PRN 102549), Site No 3 Quarters for officers and sergeants housed largely in Nissen huts (PRN 102550), Site No 4 Airmen's and officers barracks and Site No 5 Ex WAAF site, formerly Laing and Nissen huts (PRN 102551). These dispersed camps have largely been demolished and returned to agricultural land, though some buildings still survive, largely at Jeffersonwells, Site No 2, (PRN 102549).

Surviving defences at Angle consist of a battle headquarters and nearby gun emplacement in a converted windmill (PRNs 44599, 101388), substantial pillboxes survive to the east and northwest of the airfield (PRNs 101389 & 101392). Anti-aircraft batteries are among the other defences employed along this highly defended region. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Various

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Much of the airfield fabric has been removed during clearance in the 1990s. The outline of the perimeter track and runways is still traceable in field boundaries, and there is potential for buried archaeological deposits across the airfield. A Pyper 2012.

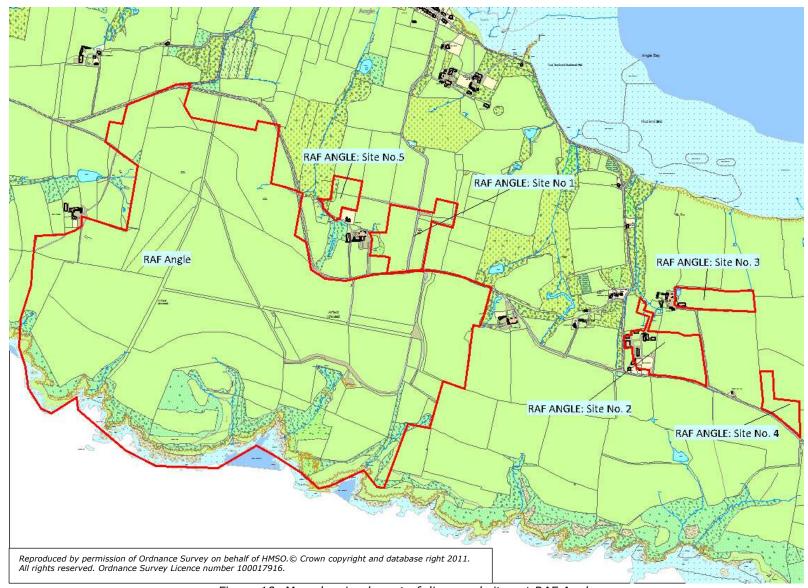


Figure 10: Map showing layout of dispersed sites at RAF Angle

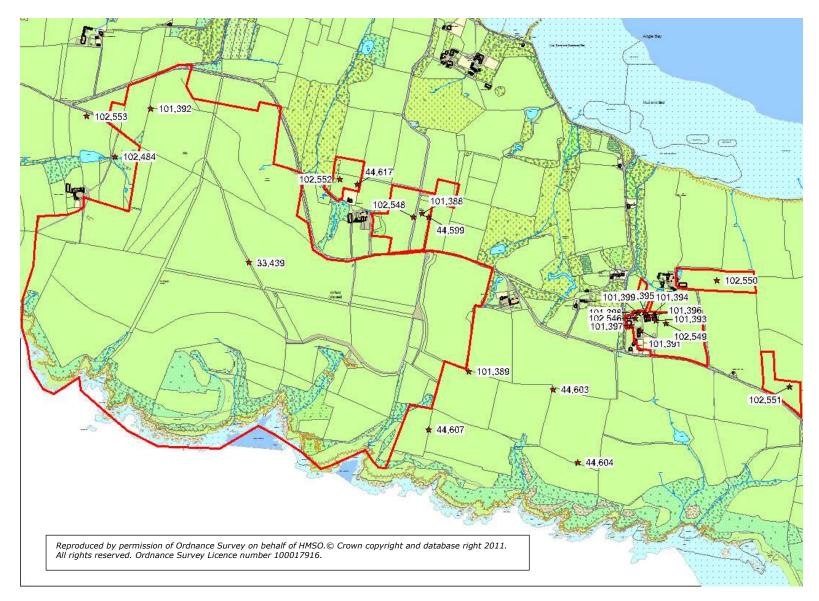


Figure 11: Map showing RAF Angle and associated sites



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PRN - 26247
NAME - HF/DF ANGLE BAY
TYPE - Radar station
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SM92390018
COMMUNITY - Hundleton
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

High Frequency Direction Finding Station/Fixer Station is recorded on the Pembroke Dock 6" location Plan 1944. When visited in 2013 no visible trace of the structure could be identified. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Destroyed/ Near Destroyed **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** / Although not visible there may be below ground archaeology surviving and artefactual remains. A Pyper 2013

PRN - 44599
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - battle headquarters
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SM86710193
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Battle Headquarters associated with the gun emplacement PRN 101388. A sunken structure consisting of interconnecting of rooms, accessed by a flight of steps at the north end. A concrete observational cupola is sited to the south with adjacent escape hatch. Constructed as design 11008/41 - the most common type. The site appears to be intact though access not possible due to scrub and bramble growth. Visited in January 2013. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near Intact

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Appears to be intact, though very overgrown and access not possible due to excessive bramble and scrub overgrowing it. January 2013 A Pyper.

PRN - 44603
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - anti aircraft battery
CONDITION - Damaged
NGR - SM87200126
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

The following description is taken from Roger Thomas's survey, 1994. Holdfast; Circular concrete floor of a demolished 3.7 inch heavy anti-aircraft gun pit / emplacement with recessed cable duct, holdfast bolts and sockets. When visited in 2013 there was a great deal of mud obscuring the site, but part of the circular floor c4.5m in diameter survives with large metal sockets or holdfasts set into it. Little of the associated features survive though brick and concrete debris surround the

site. Much of the rest of the site has been demolished and this pad survives by virtue of being located in field gateway and therefore uncultivated. A Pyper Jan 2013.

PRN - 44604
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - navigation aid
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SM87300096
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

The following description is taken from Roger Thomas's survey, 1994. High Frequency/Direction Finding; Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered brick, flat timber roof. Internally divided into 4 rooms. Double doorway and single door to latrine to S. elevation. One large and one small window to E & W elevations. Single large window to N. elevation. When visited in January 2013 the building was roofless and without windows or doors but otherwise the walls remain intact. Goodwick bricks incorporated into building. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION - Damaged

CONDITION DESCRIPTION When visited in 2013 the building was roofless, and without windows and doors, but the walls still stood to roof level with roof timbers surviving. A Pyper 2013.



Figure 13: High Frequency Direction Finding building located to east of airfield.

PRN - 44617 NAME - RAF ANGLE TYPE - air raid shelter STATUS - None recorded NGR - SM86430206 COMMUNITY - Angle COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

A sunken air raid shelter is situated in the field to the north of Hubberton farm formerly Site No 5. The shelter is sunken into to the ground with the domed roof covered by turf. It is approximately 11 metres in length and has an internal structure constructed from pre-cast concrete sections. To the north there is a brick lined entrance with steps down to the shelter and an escape hatch at the south end. Visited in January 2013. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near Intact

CONDITION DESCRIPTION In a stable condition near hedge line in farm, some bramble growing over north end. A Pyper 2013.



Figure 14: Air Raid Shelter now found on Hubberston Farm formerly Site No 5.

PRN - 44607
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - anti aircraft battery
CONDITION - Damaged
NGR - SM86710109
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

A gun pit described in Roger 's 1993 survey as 'Light Anti-aircraft Battery; Complex formerly consisting of three rectangular huts and a square fair-faced brick gun pit. Only the gun pit remains extant. Associated with RAF Angle'. Located within a field boundary and visible as a low mound, approximately 1.5m high. Displaced concrete and brick lie over it, so it is difficult to establish how much lies in situ. A Pyper 2012.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION

When visited in 2011, it was unclear how much of the structure survives intact as concrete, and brick have been dumped in and around the structure. Visited in 2011 A. Pyper.

PRN - 101389
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - Pillbox
CONDITION - Good/ Near Intact
NGR - SM86870132
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Pillbox, located within hedge to the east of Angle airfield. Similar to pillbox located to the NW of the airfield except the roof is modified to carry the turf over the embrasures and continue the hedge line. Described by RJC Thomas as, "Semi-sunken, irregular hexagonal plan, integral 'D' shaped Anti-Aircraft Light Machine Gun pit against N wall, fair-faced brick, flat turf covered concrete roof on corrugated steel sheeting. Roof maintains line of hedge to the east. Wide splay embrasures fitted with Turnbull mountings." (Duplicate PRN 44601). A Pyper 2012.



Figure 15: Modified pillbox to continue hedgeline to east of RAF Angle

PRN - 101392
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - Pillbox
CONDITION - Good/ Intact
NGR - SM85610236
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

A brick and concrete pillbox located to the northwest of Angle airfield, within a hedgebank northeast of South Studdock Farm. Described by RJC Thomas as," Semisunken, irregular hexagonal plan, integral 'D' shaped AALMG pit against N wall, fairfaced brick, flat turf covered concrete roof on corrugated steel sheeting. Protected entrance in S wall.4 wide splay stepped embrasures fitted with Turnbull mountings."

Similar in construction to PRN 101389 at the eastern side of the airfield. Visited Nov 2011, A. Pyper.



Figure 16: Pillbox to the northwest of Angle airfield

PRN - 101388

NAME - RAF ANGLE

TYPE - gun emplacement

STATUS - pcnp , listed building 2

NGR - SM8668601945

COMMUNITY - Angle

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Circular stone tower, formerly a windmill (PRN 4386), converted into a defence post during the Second World War. Concrete floor inserted, with access to first floor gained via steel rungs set into wall and hatch. Five wide splayed concrete gun embrasures fitted with Turnbull mountings in first floor. Associated with the Battle Headquarters nearby to the east, PRN 34952. Intact when visited in 2013. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Good/ Near Intact **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** / Survives as roofless gun emplacement. Largely intact.



Figure 17: Former windmill modified for use as a gun emplacement, next to Battle Headquarters

PRN - 101391
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - Airmen's ablutions
STATUS - pcnp
NGR - SM87550148
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Ablutions block. Single storey,9.5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered temporary brick, corrugated asbestos cement sheeting gable roof. Twelve light standard steel windows. Combined water tower and chimney has been demolished. Built per A.M.W.D. drawing 14364/40 & 6530/42. When visited in 2013 the floor and been dug out and lowered, the roof missing at the southern end. Steps removed at the north gable end to make a large double doorway to allow access for machinery. A Pyper based on RJC Thomas 2013.

CONDITION - Damaged **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** / None recorded



Figure 18: Ablutions block at the Communal site.

PRN - 101393
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - Games room
STATUS - pcnp
NGR - SM87610152
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Games room at RAF Angle site no 2. Temporary brick construction, single storey, 6 bay with a corrugated plastic roof. Windows in each bay, lengthened to ground floor, now covered with corrugated plastic. Latterly used as a potato store, however not in use when visited in 2013. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Fair/ Damaged

PRN - 101394
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - Institute
STATUS - pcnp
NGR - SM87580153
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Linked parallel pair of temporary brick construction buildings 8.5 bays long x 3. Corrugated asbestos roof. Sixth bay of eastern range has a projecting porch on east side. West range has a brick built chimney in centre, otherwise interior has been cleared. Remains of a small latrine at south end. Latterly used as an agricultural store, though now little used. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Damaged



Figure 19: Remains of the institute at RAF Angle communal site

PRN - 101395
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - Grocery and local produce store
STATUS - pcnp
NGR - SM87570155
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

A single storey 6 bay temporary brick building, with corrugated asbestos roof. Very overgrown with ivy and ash saplings when visited in 2013. A. Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Damaged **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** / Very overgrown with ivy and saplings. A Pyper 2013

PRN - 101396 NAME - RAF ANGLE TYPE - Blast shelter STATUS - pcnp NGR - SM87600154 **COMMUNITY -** Angle **COUNTY -** Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Brick built blast shelter. Very overgrown and inaccessible when visited in 2013. A Pyper.

CONDITION - Fair/ Not known **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** / None recorded

PRN - 101397
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - Stand-by set house
STATUS - pcnp
NGR - SM87510150 COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

The remains of a stand-by set house have been incorporated into a farm building, and roofed over with corrugated tin sheeting. A Pyper 2013

Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'permanent' brick, flat asphalted reinforced concrete roof. Walls are blind, ventilator bricks at floor and eaves level. Structure enclosed by a fair-faced brick blast wall. Built per A.M.W.D. drawing 12613/40.

CONDITION - Damaged **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** / None recorded

PRN - 101398
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - Christian association hostel
STATUS - pcnp
NGR - SM87540155
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Single storey, rectangular plan, fair-faced brick, corrugated asbestos sheeting gable roof. Small brick stack in ridge of E gable. Mono-pitch roofed annex to SW corner and porch to SE corner of S elevation. Fenestration removed. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Fair/ Damaged

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / When visited in January 2013 the building was disused and in a derelict condition, no surviving windows and part of it is roofless. A Pyper 2013.

PRN - 101399
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - Settlement tank
STATUS - pcnp
NGR - SM87540155
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Sunken concrete and brick settlement tank. Not identified on the site visit in 2013. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near intact

PRN - 102546

NAME - RAF ANGLE

TYPE - Air raid shelter

NGR - SM87530153

COMMUNITY - Angle

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

A Stanton Air Raid shelter, nine sections long, very overgrown but blast wall visible and chimney escape hatch. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near Intact

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Very overgrown with brambles, some dumping to the west and north.

PRN - 102548

NAME - RAF ANGLE SITE NO 1

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM86650193

COMMUNITY - Angle

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Angle Site No 1, drawn on RAF Angle site plan (1943?). Consists of the defence post or gun emplacement (PRN 101388) and battle headquarters (PRN 44599) in addition other structures which have been demolished include barracks, picket post, ablutions and drying room. When visited only the battle HQ and gun emplacement survive, everything else has been levelled. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION - various

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Much of site No 1 has been levelled, though the defence post / gun emplacement and battle headquarters survive reasonably intact. A Pyper 2013.

PRN - 102549

NAME - RAF ANGLE SITE NO 2

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM87650151

COMMUNITY - Angle

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Angle Site No 2, communal site, drawn on RAF Angle site plan (1943?). Consists of surviving structures PRN 101391 ablutions block, PRN 101393 games room, PRN 101394 Institute, PRN 101395 store, PRN 101396 blast shelter, PRN 101397 standby set house, PRN 101398 YMCA, PRN 101399 settlement tank, many other structures have been

demolished. When visited in January 2013 most of the buildings were disused. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION - various

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Site no 2 is largely damaged, many of the buildings have been demolished, and those that remain are largely disused and falling into disrepair. Latterly many of the buildings have been used for agricultural purposes but now appear largely redundant. A Pyper 2013.

PRN - 102550

NAME - RAF ANGLE SITE NO 3

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM87850168

COMMUNITY - Angle

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Angle Site No 3, communal site, drawn on RAF Angle site plan (1943?) showing a complex of Nissen huts providing quarters to officers, sergeants, etc. Appears to have been completely cleared and reinstated to agricultural land. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION - Near Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Site No 3 appears comprehensively cleared and returned to agricultural use.

PRN - 102551

NAME - RAF ANGLE SITE NO 4

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM88140126

COMMUNITY - Angle

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Angle Site No 4, drawn on RAF Angle site plan (1943?) showing a complex of Nissen huts providing quarters to officers, sergeants, etc. Appears to have been completely cleared and reinstated to agricultural land. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION - Near destroyed

PRN - 102552

NAME - RAF ANGLE SITE NO 5

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM86360208

COMMUNITY - Angle

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Angle Site No 5 (EX WAAF SITE) consisted of Nissen and Laing huts. When visited in January 2013 the site has been cleared though there are the remains of concrete hut platforms and an air raid shelter (PRN 44617). A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Damaged

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The huts have all been removed from Site No 5, however concrete hut platforms remain intact and an air raid shelter. Visited January 2013.

PRN - 102553
NAME - RAF ANGLE
TYPE - anti aircraft battery
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SM85380238
COMMUNITY - Angle
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

A group of three rectangular huts identified on the RAF Angle site plan of 1943?, and identified from aerial photos by RJC Thomas as a Light Anti-aircraft battery. When visited in January 2013 no visible traces of structures could be identified. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION No above ground remains visible when visited in 2013, however below ground archaeology may survive including artefactual evidence. A Pyper 2013.

PRN - 102484

NAME - RAF ANGLE

TYPE - pump house

CONDITION - Near Intact

NGR - SM85470217

COMMUNITY - Angle

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Water pumping station built to supply Angle airfield. Cement rendered brick construction. A Pyper 2012.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION

Water pumphouse associated with Angle airfield. Largely intact with original windows, though some panes broken.



Figure 20: The pumphouse located near South Studdock Farm

RAF / RNAS BRAWDY

PRN 102001
NAME RAF BRAWDY / RNAS BRAWDY
TYPE Airfield
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION Various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM85012486
COMMUNITY Brawdy
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF Brawdy was opened in February 1944 as a satellite to St David's airfield. During the war it operated a meteorological squadron feeding back information on weather conditions - a vital function for those fighting the Battle of the Atlantic. In 1946 it was transferred to the Fleet Air Arm and began its life as Royal Naval Air Station Brawdy and was commissioned HMS Goldcrest II. It reverted back to the RAF in 1971 until 1995 when as well as performing a training role with Hunters and later Hawks, it also become home to a flight of search and rescue helicopters. It was originally built with three runways with a central intersection; one NW-SE 2000 yards long, NE-SW 2010 yards long and E-W 1400 yards long. There were 30 spectacle type hard standings and three T2 hangars. The bomb stores were located to the northwest of the airfield, the technical site and dispersed accommodation to the southwest.

There have been various phases of development subsequently with the Naval use of the site, most notably 1951-6 and 1961-63. Redevelopment during 1961 and 1963 equipped Brawdy to become one of three dispersed 'Quick Reaction Alert' (QRA) airfields in Wales. These were designed to accommodate the V-bomber force (probably Vulcans) and to be able to get airborne with two and half minutes. Most notably new hardstanding pads were built on the end of the lengthened runway. It is now the Cawdor Barracks, home to the 14th Signals Regiment. Recently many of the former airfield buildings have been demolished. Summary description from a number of sources, including Phillips, 2009 and Jones, 2007. A Pyper 2012.

The accommodation and support buildings for the airfield are all located in a series of small sites (PRNs 105887, 105888, 105889, 105890, 105891, 105892, 105893, 105894, dispersed to the southwest of the airfield along the main access road to the complex. A Pyper 2014.

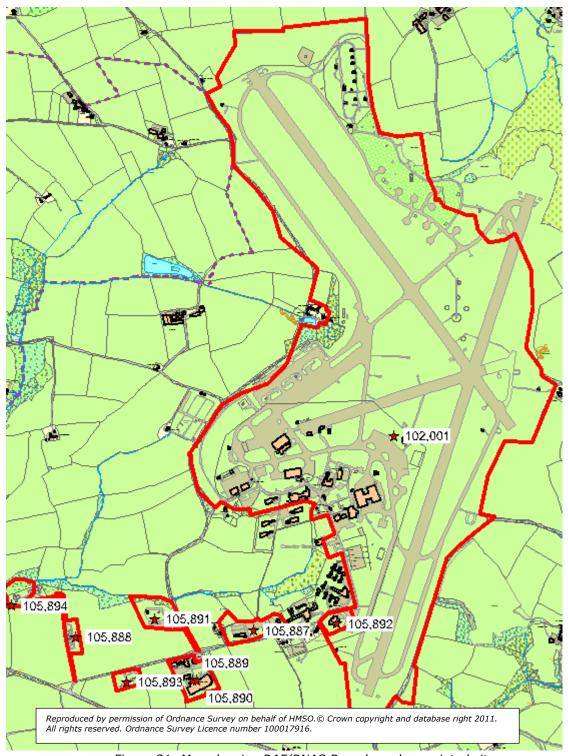


Figure 21: Map showing RAF/RNAS Brawdy and associated sites

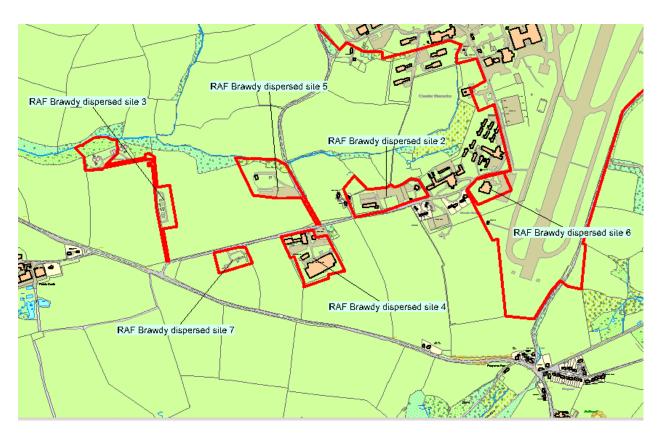


Figure 22: Map showing layout of dispersed sites

PRN 105887

NAME RAF BRAWDY SITE NO 2

TYPE Military Camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM84392400
COMMUNITY Brawdy
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF Brawdy Site No 2, drawn on Air Ministry site plan (1945), it comprised Airmen's, Sergeant's and Officer's Barrack Seco huts (prefabricated concrete), in addition Temporary brick buildings including Ablutions blocks and a stand-by set house. This compound was visited in December 2013 and though still in MoD use as part of 14th Signals Regiment guardhouse it has been largely redeveloped. The only building remaining from the original use is the Standby set house (emergency generator). A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION complex redeveloped since wartime use, one remaining building intact.

PRN 105888

NAME RAF BRAWDY SITE NO 3

TYPE Military Camp **PERIOD** Modern

EVIDENCE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded

NGR SM83602397 COMMUNITY Brawdy

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF Brawdy Site No 3, drawn on Air Ministry site plan (1945), it comprised a fuel compound, Airmen's and Officer's Barrack Nissen huts. Access was not gained on a visit in Dec 2013, however the compound, which was visible from the road, had clearly been levelled and no upstanding buildings visible. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Complex visible from road, though not visited, appeared to have been levelled and no upstanding buildings survive.

PRN 105889

NAME RAF BRAWDY SITE NO 4

TYPE Military Camp

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Complex

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded

NGR SM84122378

COMMUNITY Brawdy

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF Brawdy Site No 4, drawn on Air Ministry site plan (1945), it comprised a variety of buildings including an institute, Sergeants and Officers mess Gymnasium, Squash Court Ration store, Dining Room and Cinema Projector room, and produce store. These were a variety of Temporary brick, Nissen and prefabricated concrete (Seco) huts. The site has been subsequently redeveloped when in 1973 a US naval facility (PRN 105890) was opened on the site which formed part of a system for listening to Soviet submarine movements in the Atlantic (SOSUS). The terminal building, 'St David's House' and other associated buildings still occupy the site though it was closed in 1995. It has latterly been used as a business park. When visited in Dec 2013 St. Davids House and associated buildings dating from the US Naval Facility still occupy the site. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The camp dating from the RAF and RNAS period has been levelled and redeveloped.

PRN 105890

NAME NAVFAC BRAWDY

TYPE Submarine Listening Station

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM84142378
COMMUNITY Brawdy
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

US Naval Facility (NAVFAC) Brawdy established in 1973 to track Soviet submarine movements in the Atlantic by means of listening to their propellor sounds. It was closed in 1995 and was subsequently reused as 'Brawdy Business Park'. The site occupied the former Site No 4 RAF Brawdy (PRN 105889), one of the dispersed facilities associated with the airfield, though none of the original RAF buildings appear to have been retained. NAVFAC Brawdy was one of the biggest stations of SOSUS or Project Caesar until its functions were transferred elsewhere in the UK. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The complex which formed the NAVFAC Brawdy establishment appears largely intact when visited in December 2013. Though now reused by some businesses, some of the buildings appear to be abandoned and somewhat neglected.



Figure 23: US Naval Facility building at Brawdy

PRN 105891

NAME RAF BRAWDY SITE NO 5

TYPE Military Camp PERIOD Modern EVIDENCE Complex

CONDITION various **STATUS** *None recorded*

CROSS REFERENCES None recorded

NGR SM83952405 COMMUNITY Brawdy COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF Brawdy Site No 5, drawn on Air Ministry site plan (1945), it comprised barrack huts for sergeants and airmen, ablutions, these mostly were Laing (timber hutting) Seco (prefab concrete) and temporary brick also some Nissen huts. Access was not gained on a visit in Dec 2013, however the compound, which was visible from the road, had clearly been levelled with only one building remaining upstanding, this is the temporary brick 323 Airmen's and Sergeants ablutions block. This 5×3 bay building is constructed out of temporary brick with corrugated asbestos roof. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Access not gained to the site, but assessed from the roadside. The complex of accommodation buildings from the second world war appear to have been completely levelled, though one remaining ablutions block survives. It appears that this is disused and derelict with some of the asbestos sheeting missing from the roof. Site being used for agricultural storage - silage bales at present. A Pyper Jan 2014.

PRN 105892

NAME RAF BRAWDY SITE NO 6

TYPE Military Camp PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Complex

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS *None recorded* **NGR** SM84762403

COMMUNITY Brawdy

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF Brawdy Site No 6, drawn on Air Ministry site plan (1945), it comprised mostly Nissen Barrack huts and Seco Barrack huts (prefabricated concrete), in addition Temporary brick buildings including Ablutions blocks and a stand-by set house. This compound now lies within the Cawdor Barracks, 14th Signals Regiment. It has been completely redeveloped with later buildings now standing in this location. A Pyper January 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION This site appears to have been completely redeveloped with new buildings not aligned with the old occupying the site. Jan 2014

PRN 105893

NAME RAF BRAWDY SITE NO 7

TYPE Military Camp PERIOD Modern EVIDENCE Complex

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded
NGR SM83832377
COMMUNITY Brawdy
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF Brawdy Site No 7, drawn on Air Ministry site plan (1945). When visited in December 2013 the site had been levelled, no upstanding buildings survive, but the concrete roadways survive. A Pyper January 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The camp complex of buildings has been levelled and no upstanding buildings survive. The concrete roadways do survive. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 105894

NAME RAF BRAWDY SEWAGE WORKS

TYPE Sewage Works **PERIOD** Modern

EVIDENCE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

CONDITION Not known STATUS None recorded NGR SM83322411 COMMUNITY Brawdy COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF Brawdy Sewage Works, drawn on Air Ministry site plan (1945). A Pyper January 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Access not gained to site 2013.

RAF CAREW CHERITON
PRN 26123
NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON
TYPE Airfield
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / Structure
CONDITION Intact/ various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN05530299
COMMUNITY Carew
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

The story of military aviation on this site began with Royal Naval Air Station Pembroke (PRN 26172), where an aerodrome for airships was built, the first ascent being in 1917. It was disbanded by 1920, but was re-established by 1939 under No15 Group Coastal Command. Submarine patrols and convoy escorts were the some of the duties performed from here, and attacks on the French coast took place from Carew Cheriton. Later in the war it took more of a training role. It continued in use until closure in 1946.

Carew Cheriton had 3 concrete runways NW-SE, 765×50 yards, NE-SW 865×50 yards, ESE-WNW 1040×50 yards. The technical site was positioned to the north of the airfield, with accommodation to the northwest and bomb stores along the southern perimeter of the site. The control tower, a unique design, has been authentically restored and is open to the public and as an educational facility. Summary based on I Jones description in Airfield and Landing Grounds of Wales: West. (Jones, 2007). A Pyper 2012.

The morphology of Carew Cheriton is quite tight in comparison with other airfields, with the accommodation and sick quarters occupying the west and northwest extremities of the airfield but contiguous with the technical site.

Its proximity to a port identified it as a Class I airfield in the Taylor report of 1940 (Dobinson 1998) which highlighted the necessity for defence against an airbourne invasion of the airfield. In terms of defences Carew Cheriton has a number of defensive positions with a battle headquarters (PRN 26157) occupying high ground to the south of the airfield, pillboxes circling the airfield and positioned more or less on the cardinal points (PRNs 26158, 26159, 26143, 26160, 105916) all centred on the threat of landings within the airfield itself. In addition spigot mortar posts to the west (PRN 105914) and east (PRN 105915) defend the vulnerable points of Milton bridge and the Sageston road junction respectively. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Runways survive, though compromised by buildings and caravans which are located within the airfield. Bomb stores survive and also air raid shelters within the former airmen's quarters. Much of the technical site has been built over through development and the construction of the by-pass. Control tower has been authentically restored. A Pyper 2012.

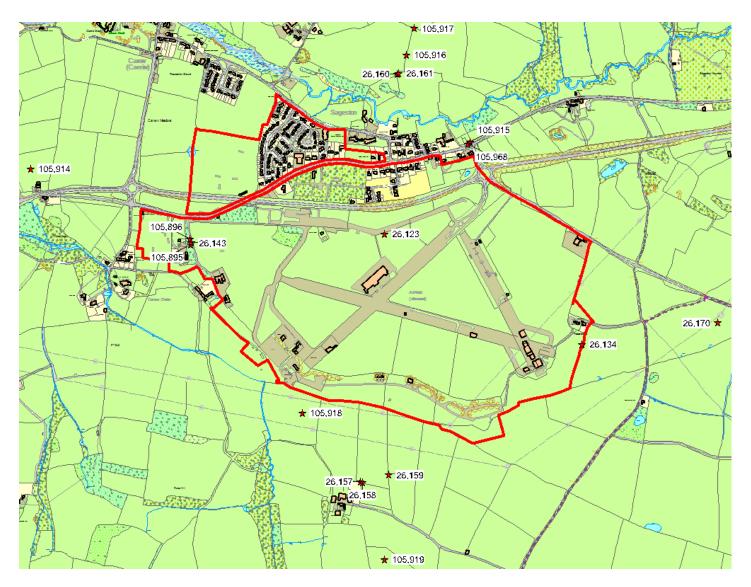


Figure 24: Map of RAF Carew Cheriton and associated sites

PRN 26134

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure/ Extant Structure

CONDITION Near Intact **STATUS** *None recorded*

NGR SN0626502580

COMMUNITY Carew

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Derelict Pillbox, semi-sunken and located within a hedgerow to the south of Hazelbrook farm. Hexagonal in plan with wide splay embrasures and 'Turnbull mountings'. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Pillbox still survives within a hedgerow at Hazelbrook farm. A Pyper 2014

PRN 26143

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure/ Extant Structure

CONDITION Near Intact/ Intact

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SN0481202957

COMMUNITY Carew

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Brick built semi-sunken pillbox, irregular hexagonal with D shaped anti-aircraft light machine gun emplacement to the north. Wide embrasure to the southeast, narrow loops to the northeast, northwest and southwest. South side has dumped material against it so embrasure not visible. A Pyper Jan 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Very overgrown, but apparently intact. A Pyper 2012./ Although still overgrown, attempts have recently been made to clear the vegetation to the west of the structure and have exposed its west side. The structure is intact. A Pyper January 2014.

PRN 26157

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON

TYPE Battle Headquarters

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure/ Extant Structure

CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SN0544002069

COMMUNITY Carew

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Located to the north of Flemington Farm is the Battle Headquarters, associated with the defence of RAF Carew Cheriton airfield. Located on a high point 300m south of the

airfield this structure is sunken into the ground with a flight of steps at the west end surrounded by railings, to the east is a square concrete observation cupola which projects up out of the ground beside which is a metal hatch which is the emergency exit via ladder. In between the two structures is the concrete pad which forms the roof of the sunken complex of rooms which lie underground. To the east of the structure within the hedge line is a pillbox (PRN 26158) which also forms part of the ring of defences around the airfield. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Battle headquarters, still largely intact, part of the hand rails on the flight of steps missing, otherwise intact. Concrete cupola is showing signs of concrete failing, corner to NW has exploded and some of the concrete capping around the cupola disintegrating. Steps inaccessible due to dense bramble and scrub. A Pyper Jan 2014.



Figure 25: Battle Headquarters and nearby pillbox at Flemington Farm

PRN 26158

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure/ Extant Structure

CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0544902065
COMMUNITY Carew
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Brick built pillbox to the east of battle headquarters (PRN 26157) Type 24 (irregular hexagonal), facing north towards the flying field of the RAF Carew Cheriton airfield. One wide embrasure to the north, narrow embrasures to the west, northwest, northeast, none to the east. Entrance to the pillbox in the south wall with flanking narrow embrasures to either side. Turf covered and built into the hedge line. A Pyper Jan 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Derelict with trees growing from roof. Possible blast wall around entrance damaged. A Pyper Jan 2014.

PRN 26159

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure/ Extant Structure
CONDITION Near Intact/ Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0554702095
COMMUNITY Carew
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Brick built pillbox to the northeast of battle headquarters (PRN 26157) Based on Type 24 (irregular hexagonal) with D-shaped anti-aircraft light machine gun brick built pit to the south. Wide gun embrasures on the northwest, northeast, east and southeast faces and a narrow embrasure to the west. Part of a ring of defences around RAF Carew Cheriton airfield. Turf covered and built into the junction of three hedge lines. A Pyper, Jan 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Pillbox situated at the junction of 3 hedges. Turf covered and sapling established on the roof of the structure. Otherwise in good condition. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 26: Pillbox to the east of the battle headquarters facing onto airfield

PRN 26160

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure/ Extant Structure

CONDITION Near Intact STATUS None recorded NGR SN0557803584 COMMUNITY Carew COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Pillbox located in a hedge line overlooking the airfield at Carew, built with brick and

concrete flat earth and turf covered roof. Partially sunken and very overgrown with brambles. Appears to be slightly altered from standard form and irregular in shape but largely hexagonal. RJC Thomas's description identifies it with two wide splay embrasures with Turnbull mountings and two narrow embrasures. To the west, and within the hedge line is brick walled rectangular annexe. To the east, though not attached is a concrete gun post PRN 26161. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Intact pillbox, though very overgrown with brambles within hedge line. A Pyper 2014



Figure 27: Pillbox overlooking airfield beyond

PRN 26161

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON

TYPE Gunpost

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure/ Extant Structure

CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SN0558203587

COMMUNITY Carew

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Concrete slab gunpost cast with impression of corrugated iron. Located to the east of the pillbox and sunken into the ground (rock cut hollow beneath) to give a wide gun embrasure to the south and east.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Concrete slab intact - some debris and litter built up inside the structure. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 26170

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON

TYPE Radar Station

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ Demolished Structure

CONDITION Destroyed/ Near Destroyed

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SN06770266

COMMUNITY St Florence

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified as a High Frequency/Direction Finding Station/'Fixer' Station from the aerial photograph, but not shown on the Air Ministry plan. Demolished, site located within a field, no upstanding remains. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Site of HF/DF station now cleared, and located in a field of improved pasture. Potential for below ground or artefactual remains. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105914

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON **TYPE** Spigot Mortar Emplacement

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Extant Structure
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0421503231
COMMUNITY Carew
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A spigot mortar gun emplacement, positioned in good vantage point overlooking the bridge across the river bridge at Milton which formed the old road. The concrete setting is visible below a hawthorn tree, with the steel pin standing proud of a concrete circular setting, to either side are concrete encased magazines. Now infilled, only the top of the cylindrical column is visible with the spigot and the tops of the concrete magazines. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Apparently intact structure subsurface so all cavities are infilled. A Pyper 2014



Figure 28: Spigot Mortar overlooking Milton Bridge

PRN 105915

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON **TYPE** Spigot Mortar Emplacement

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Extant Structure

CONDITION Intact STATUS None recorded NGR SN0584903330 COMMUNITY Carew COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A spigot mortar gun emplacement, positioned in to the north of the T junction on the east side of Sageston village. A concrete structure set into the ground and below ground level. The centre of the structure is a concrete cylinder with a steel spigot set in the top. To either side is are concrete encased magazines. The sides of the pit are lined with corrugated iron (maybe recently replaced when the interior was dug out a short while ago). A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Spigot mortar emplacement in excellent condition, having recently been dug out. Corrugated iron lines the circular part of the pit, this might be replaced when the emplacement was dug out. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 29: Spigot Mortar overlooking Sageston road junction

PRN 105916
NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON
TYPE Gun Emplacement
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Extant Structure
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0561303655
COMMUNITY Carew
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A light anti-aircraft gun emplacement, or motley stalk gun emplacement set into the hedge line running north between defences at PRN 26160 and PRN 105917. Consists of two precast concrete 'sewer pipes' set vertically side by side. The exposed edge on the west side has a brick built facade with wrapping around the curved ends. Earth has been backfilled between the pipes and brick facing with turf now covering. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 30: Motley stalk gun emplacement in the hedgeline to the north of RAF Carew Cheriton.

PRN 105917

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON

TYPE Pillbox
PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Extant Structure
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0564103753
COMMUNITY Carew
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Brick built pillbox located at the junction of two hedge lines, flat concrete earth covered roof. Semi sunken within the hedgerow. Essentially rectangular in plan form with canted corners on the western side. To the west is a broken remaining annexe - possibly a protected entrance. Access blocked. Two narrow rifle embrasures to the west, northeast and east sides and wide embrasures to the north and southeast (southern side not seen). Inside a Y-shaped anti-ricochet wall. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Surviving within a hedgebank, just to the protected entrance has been damaged beside existing gateway. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105918

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON

TYPE hangar
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0522502325
COMMUNITY Carew

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Lying to the southwest of RAF Carew Cheriton Airfield boundary, as defined on the Air Ministry maps of 1945, though visible on the contemporary air photos of 24/2/42 (Medmenham collection M2330) are seven blister hangars dispersed across the fields between the airfield and Flemington farm. No longer visible at ground level, though access points across the stream exhibit concrete surfacing. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Site of former complex of blister hangars serving Carew Cheriton airfield. Now in pasture fields and little evidence at ground level, though



Figure 31: RAF AP showing hangar dispersals to the south of airfield (M 2330 1942)

PRN 105919

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON TYPE Gun Emplacement

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Demolished Structure

CONDITION Not known **STATUS** *None recorded* **NGR** SN05530178 **COMMUNITY** Carew **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Site of a motley stalk gun emplacement, which consisted of two vertically set large concrete sewer pipes located within a hedgerow. Site identified by the landowner who can recall the site being damaged when the hedgerow was removed. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Site location identified by landowner but not visited. Hedgerow has been removed so unlikely there are significant remains surviving. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105920

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON

TYPE radio station **PERIOD** Modern **EVIDENCE** Complex **CONDITION** Not known **STATUS** *None recorded* NGR SN09610194 **COMMUNITY** St Florence **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A radio station for RAF Carew Cheriton consists of a temporary brick and asbestos roofed wireless telegraphy block and two bases for timber masts. Site not visited but aerial photographs from 2009 suggest the building is ruinous and the concrete mast bases survive. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 32: Maplet showing location of RAF Carew Cheriton radio station.

PRN 105968
NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON
TYPE military building
PERIOD modern
EVIDENCE EXTANT BUILDING
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0584103322
COMMUNITY Carew
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Associated with the Spigot Mortar emplacement overlooking the Sageston road junction is a small roadside outbuilding - clearly 19th century and now derelict and roofless. This appears to have been modified with brick around its entrance and in the gable wall and it is suggested this may have been used as a rest hut for those manning the mortar post. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Now roofless and derelict. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105895
NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON
TYPE Air Raid Shelter
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Extant Structure
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0481002950

COMMUNITY Carew **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Air Raid shelter located adjacent to pillbox PRN 26143. Precast concrete Stanton shelter, semi-sunken. Doorways in both ends. A Pyper Jan 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Although in a very overgrown piece of roadside waste land, this area has recently been subject to some vegetation clearance and the substantial saplings have been cut from the earth covering of the shelter. Alice Pyper Jan 2014.



Figure 33: Air raid shelter beside pillbox and gun emplacement

PRN 105896

NAME RAF CAREW CHERITON
TYPE Gun Emplacement

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Extant Structure

CONDITION Intact STATUS None recorded NGR SN0480802971 COMMUNITY Carew COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Sunken brick revetted structure, circular in plan c2.44m diameter with a recess in northeast side. Accessed in the north side by L-shape trench (0.75m wide, c1.80 long) with shallow steps to east. Pit is over 1metre deep though bottom not visible due to debris in base. Located to west of road on western edge of airfield. A Pyper Jan 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Structure intact, though situated in piece of rough ground and woodland beside road. A Pyper Jan 2014

RAF DALE / RNAS DALE
PRN 28562
NAME RAF/RNAS DALE
TYPE Airfield
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS scheduled ancient monument PE566 / pcnp
NGR SM8095007900
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Dale Airfield was opened in 1942 in No. 19 Group Coastal Command, carrying out submarine patrols in St George's Channel and down to the Bay of Biscay. It was a satellite to its parent station at Talbenny (PRN 101519). In 1943 it transferred to the Admiralty and a building programme was initiated to create 'HMS Goldcrest'. Later in the war it provided aircraft for the new Fighter Direction School at Kete. Built on the clifftops at Dale, it consisted of 3 concrete runways; E-W 1410 x 50 yards, NNW-SSE 1280 x 50 yards & NNE-SSW 1140 x 50 yards. At the time the RAF used it had only one T2 hangar and 36 frying pan hardstandings.

The technical site was situated to the east of the airfield, accommodation to the northeast and bomb stores to the northwest. When the Navy took it over they constructed 7 Pentad Hangars, 17 Mainhill Hangars and 2 new Aircraft Servicing Platforms (ASPs) adjacent to the new four storey control tower. In 2011 only the skeleton of one hangar remains, along with a few of the technical buildings, however the footprint of the runways, hardstandings and many of the buildings survive intact and show the phasing of RAF and Naval construction. A Pyper 2012.

The siting of dispersed accommodation is necessarily constrained by the extreme coastal location of the airfield, with the communal site (PRN 105962), the accommodation sites (PRNs 105963, 105964,105965, 105966) and the WAAF site (PRN 105967) located to the northwest of the airfield. The defences of the airfield are light, with the battle headquarters located just to the southeast of the perimeter track and only two Motley stalk gun emplacements (PRNs 28605, 105913) on the very southwestern tip of the airfield. There is potential that there are more locations of these ephemeral structures to be identified, though they are also very vulnerable to clearance. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / In 2011 the airfield had the 3 runways intact along with the perimeter track, hardstandings and dispersal pens also survive, although many of the buildings have been removed. Three linking roads between the perimeter track and the runways have been recently broken up but the concrete lies in situ. A Pyper 2012.

NB. Access to the extensive range of buildings on the communal site has not been possible. Descriptions from the survey in 1993 (Thomas RJC) are included, and a photographic survey was carried out in 2006 (Crane 2006).

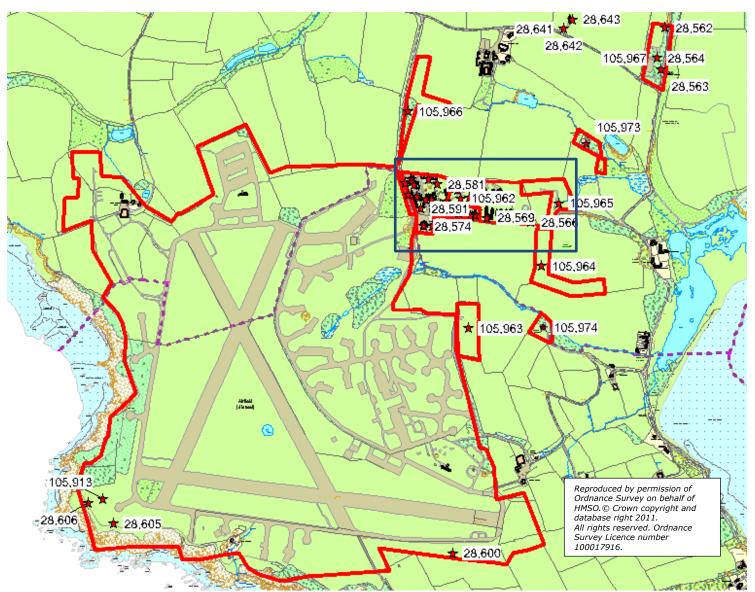


Figure 34: Map showing layout of RAF/RNAS Dale airfield and dispersed sites (inset map)

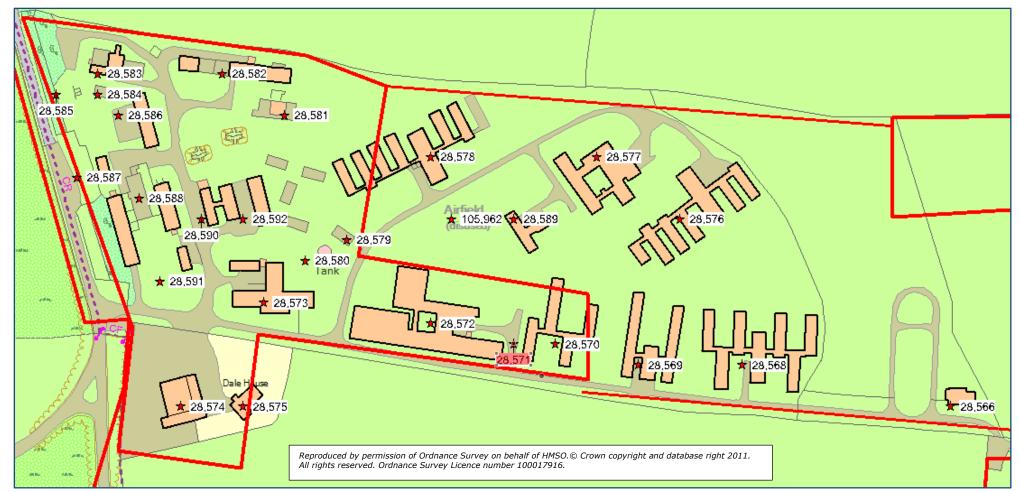


Figure 35: Inset map showing location of buildings on the communal site.

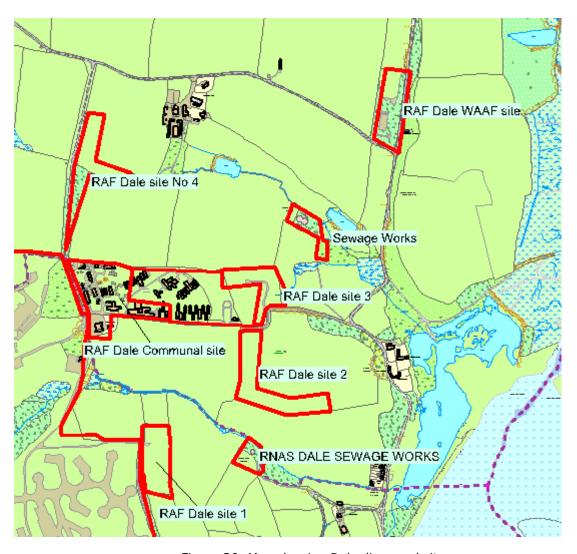


Figure 36: Map showing Dale dispersed sites

PRN 28563
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE Air Raid Shelter
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80930776
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, Air Raid Shelter, now derelict. Semi-sunken, pre-cast concrete bolted panels, square in profile, entrance door in north wall, emergency exit hatch at south west corner. Whole structure covered and banked by earth. WAAF site, structure 235c, RAF Dale site plan 1464/44. RJC. Thomas, 23.02.93.



Figure 37: Remaining air raid shelter at the WAAF site

PRN 28564
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE Blast Pen
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80920780
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, Blast Shelter, now derelict. Semi-sunken, rectangular open brick enclosure with entrances in the south and north walls protected by blast walls. Spine blast wall within the enclosure has been demolished. Walls earth banked on exterior surfaces. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 2360/42. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28566
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Chapel
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building

CONDITION Near Intact/ Not known STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80460726
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

c1944, Chapel, now derelict. Single storey, type 'standard 24' pre-cast concrete frames, corrugated asbestos pitched gable roof. Two bay chancel with hollow brick walls, four bay nave, roof extended beyond wall posts to form aisles resting on brick walls. Entrance porch and vestry built against the west wall. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Access to the site has not been gained, so current condition is unknown. A Pyper 2014

PRN 28568
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Quarters
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80360728
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

c1944, Quarters, present use low grade agricultural. Six single storey, 'standard 24 huts linked by two corridors, three either side of a central ablutions block. Concrete common rafters, bolted to concrete posts, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. 10x3 bay rectangular plan, 60x24' ($18.30 \times 7.32m$). Nogging of hollow clay bricks. Three windows per side wall. Single storey large rectangular 'temporary brick' construction, flat concrete roof. Combined water tower and chimney centrally set against the west wall. RJC.Thomas, 23.01.93.

PRN 28569
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Quarters
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80310728
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

c1944, Quarters, present use low grade agricultural. Two single storey, 'standard 24 huts linked by two corridors, to a central rectangular plan, 'temporary brick' construction, flat concrete roofed ablutions block with a combined water tower and chimney. Concrete common rafters, bolted to concrete wall posts, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. 21 X 3 bay rectangular plan, 126 X 24' (38.43 X 7.32m). Nogging of hollow clay bricks. RJC.Thomas, 23.01.93.

PRN 28570
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Quarters
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80270729
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

c1944, Quarters, present use low grade agricultural. Three, 'standard 24 huts linked to an ablutions block by a single corridor. Two huts 10 X 3 bays, one 13 X 3 bays. Concrete common rafters, bolted to concrete wall posts, clay brick wall nogging, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. RJC.Thomas, 23.01.93.

PRN 28571
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE Ablutions Block
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Converted
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80250729
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, Sergeant's, Showers, Ablutions and Latrines, now derelict. Single storey, 'temporary brick' construction, /1/2-1/2-5-1/2-1/2-1/2 bay rectangular plan, combined water tower and chimney set at north east corner. Pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof carried upon timber trusses and purlins. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 7421/41. RJC.Thomas, 23.01.93.

PRN 28572
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE sergeants' mess
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80210730
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, Sergeant's, Mess, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, 'temporary brick' construction, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. Three ranges. The main range is 14 bays long with a 5 bay return range (Dinning Hall and Kitchen) to the rear. The dining hall range joins a 3 bay ablutions block with combined water towers and chimney which runs parallel to the main range. Circa 1944 two 'standard 24' huts were added as a return range to the 5 bay range. A further two 'standard 24' huts were added

to the western end of the main range. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 7417/41. RJC.Thomas, 23.01.93.

PRN 28573
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE Institute
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80130731
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, NAAFI Institute, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, 'temporary brick' construction, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. 'T' plan with parallel return range to main range off west wall of the rear range. Main range 2--1/2--2--1/2--1/2--1/2--1/2--1/2--4 bays, central six half bays project under a cat slide roof. Chimney stacks set centrally and in east gable. Rear range of 4 bay with a combined water tower and chimney at north west corner. 5 bay return range gives off west wall. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 7413/41. RJC.Thomas, 23.01.93.

PRN 28574
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE Officers Mess
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80090726
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, Officers Mess, present use store. Single storey, 'temporary brick' construction, cement rendered pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. Main range, with two parallel rear ranges linked by a cross range. A tall water tower rises from the western rear range. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 7416/41. RJC.Thomas, 23.01.93.

PRN 28575
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Military Building
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Converted
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80120726
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

c1941-47, present use domestic residence, single storey,, type 'standard 24' hut, 8 bays in length, 64 X 24' (19.52 X .32m). Modern lean to porch built against north west wall.

Hut converted into a bungalow, new fenestration inserted. RJC.Thomas, 23.01.93.

PRN 28576
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Quarters
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80330735
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1944-47, Quarters, present use low grade agricultural, six single storey,, type 'standard 24' huts. Arranged one 6 bay, two 11 bay and one 9 bay to the south west of a large single storey, rectangular plan, flat roof, rendered brick ablutions block. One 9 bay and one 11 bay hut beyond to the north east. Two further huts have been demolished to the north east. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28577
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Mess
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80290738
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1944-47, Dining Hall/Mess, now derelict. One 6 bay, one 9 bay and one 17 bay, type 'standard 24' huts adjoining a central, six bay kitchen block. Kitchen block, tall pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof on steel trusses and purlins, ridge ventilator and cat slide to south east. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28578
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Quarters
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80210738
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1944-47, Quarters, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, rectangular plan, flat roofed ablutions block with combined water tower and chimney. Linked by a corridor to four 11 bay type 'standard 24' huts to the south west and two 11 bay type 'standard 24' huts to the north east. A further hut to the north east has been demolished. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28579
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Military Building
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS pcnp

COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

NGR SM80170734

1944-47, present use low grade agricultural. Single 6 bay type 'standard 24' hut. Concrete rafters bolted to concrete wall posts, large hallow clay brick nogging. Pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. Porched doorway in north west wall. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28580

NAME RNAS DALE

TYPE Emergency Water Supply

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Intact

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM80150733

COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1944-47, Static Water Tank/Emergency Water Supply, present use Water Tank. Approx 4'(1.22m) high re-inforced concrete, circular static water tank. Cement wall having been shuttered in corrugated zinc sheeting. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28581

NAME RAF DALE

TYPE Generator House

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building

CONDITION Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM80140740

COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, Standby Set House, present use low grade agricultural. One and a half storey, brick built, flat concrete roof engine room, protected by a tall rectangular blast wall enclosure. Entrance to enclosure in north west wall, doorway to engine room in south west wall. Internally, two raised concrete generator beds. Small annex built against north east wall. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28582
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Military Building
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80110742
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1944-47, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, type 'standard 24' hut, 24 bay length, approx 156' (47.58m) long. Pitched gable corrugated asbestos. Centrally set brick chimney stack. Detached brick water tower centrally set against the north elevation. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28583
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE Ablutions Block
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80050742
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1944-47, Airmen's, Showers, Ablutions and Decontamination Block, now derelict. Single storey, rendered 'temporary brick' construction, 'T' Plan, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roofs. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 7421-41. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28584
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE Latrine
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80050741
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, Airmen's Latrines, now derelict. Single storey, rendered 'temporary brick' construction, 1-1/2-1/2-1/2 bay elevation, divided internally into two and a half bay. Doorway in both gables. Pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof removed. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28585 NAME RAF DALE TYPE Blast Pen
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80030741
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, Airfield Blast Shelter, now derelict. Semi-sunken, rectangular open brick enclosure with entrance in north and south walls protected by blast walls. Spine blast wall subdivides within the enclosure. Walls earth banked on exterior surfaces. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 2360/41. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28586
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Military Building
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80060740
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, building type unknown, now derelict. Single storey, type 'standard 24' hut, 15 bay, 90' X 24' (27.45 X 7.32m). Pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28587
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Military Building
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80040737
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1944-47, building type unknown, present use builders' store. Single storey, 7 bay, type 'standard 24' hut. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28588
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE Mess
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80070736
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, Airmen's Dining Room, present use store. Three parallel, rendered 'temporary brick' construction ranges, linked by a corridor. Pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof on steel trusses. Built per Air Ministry Drawings 7418/41 to accommodate up to 584 at one sitting. Centrally range collapsed. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28589
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Military Building
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80250735
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1944-47, Building type unknown, present use low grade agricultural. Single, 12 bay, type 'standard 24' hut, with a small rectangular rendered brick, flat concrete roofed ablutions block set centrally against the north east wall. Pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof, north west gable collapsed. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28590
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE Food Store
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80100735
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, Grocery and local produce store, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, rendered 'temporary brick' construction, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof, 1/2--5--1/2--1/2 bay main elevation, with annex against north gable with corrugated asbestos roof with central valley. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 7419/41. Extended circa 1944, by the addition of a parallel 10 bay type 'standard 24' hut, linked by a central corridor. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28591 NAME RAF DALE TYPE Food Store PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80080732
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1941-47, Ration store, present use store. Single storey, rendered 'temporary brick' construction, pitched gable corrugated asbestos roof. Barred windows in south and west elevations. Built per Air Ministry Drawing 7418/41. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28592
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Military Building
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80120735
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

1944-47, Building type unknown, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, 13 bay, type 'standard 24' hut, concrete rafters bolted to concrete wall posts, corrugated asbestos pitched gable roof. See 075/00. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

PRN 28600
NAME RAF/RNAS DALE
TYPE Battle Headquarters
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM8014506151
COMMUNITY Dale
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Battle Headquarters at Dale airfield. Underground bunker with a square concrete observational cupola projecting from the ground almost 2m high. See RJC Thomas description. A Pyper 2012.

1941-47, Battle Headquarters, now derelict. 21'X 8'(6.40 X 2.44m) underground complex of rooms ac 6' (1.83m) accessed by a flight of steps at southern end of structure. A 6'(1.83m) square concrete observation cupola rises 3' (.91m) above the roof of the main structure. A 360 degrees narrow observation slot in the cupola permits all round vision. An emergency exit hatch is adjacent to the east side of the cupola. Build per Air Ministry Drawing 11008/41. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Concrete cupola still stands in field, though ground around it eroded. Interior not accessed. A Pyper 2012.

PRN 28605
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE Gun Emplacement
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure/ Extant Structure
CONDITION Intact
STATUS pcnp RT081/043
NGR SM7897306294
COMMUNITY Dale
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Motley stalk gun emplacements located at the southwestern corner of Dale airfield: Two concrete sewer pipes set vertically into the ground, with the rims at ground level. A. Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Two intact concrete rings side by side, sunk into the ground. intact when visited Feb 2014. A Pyper



Figure 38: Motley stalk gun emplacement at the southwest corner of the airfield.

PRN 28606
NAME RNAS DALE
TYPE Firing Range
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM7888906367
COMMUNITY Dale
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Firing range consisting of an earthen bank around 18.30m long and one metre high. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Grass covered bank, some erosion and bare patches. A Pyper 2014



Figure 39: Earthen bank remains of a firing range

PRN 28641

NAME ROYAL NAVAL AIR STATION DALE

TYPE Radio Station **PERIOD** Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Intact/ Near Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM80600791

COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Wireless Station, built 1943-47, present use seed potato store. Two BCF (British Concrete Federation) huts. RJC.Thomas, 29.01.93. Now used for low level storage. A Pyper 2014



Figure 40: BCF huts, one Receiver block and picket post

PRN 28642

NAME ROYAL NAVAL AIR STATION DALE

TYPE radio station PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Intact/ Near Intact

STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80600791
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Wireless Telegraph Receiver Block, built 1943-47, present use seed potato store. Single storey, pre-cast concrete, pre-fabricated BCF (British Concrete Federation) hut, bay length. No internal sub-divisions now exist, concrete engine bed at southern end of building. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93. Now used for low level storage. A Pyper 2014

PRN 28643
NAME ROYAL NAVAL AIR STATION DALE
TYPE Guardhouse
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT BUILDING
CONDITION Intact/ Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM80630794
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Guard Room, Picket Post, built 1943-47, present use seed potato store. Single storey, pre-cast concrete, pre-fabricated BCF (British Concrete Federation) hut, bay length. No internal sub-divisions, doorway in east wall, standard steel windows. RJC.Thomas, 23.02.93 In use as low level storage A Pyper 2014.

PRN 28646
NAME ROYAL NAVAL AIR STATION DALE
TYPE Radio Station
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure/ COMPLEX
CONDITION Near Intact/ Damaged
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM79950902
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Wireless station built 1943-47 near Fopston Farm, present use low grade agricultural. Two BCF (British Concrete Federation), three wooden VHF masts bases and a transformer plinth. RJC.Thomas, 03.02.93. In occasional use for cattle housing, A Pyper 2014.



Figure 41: Maplet showing the Radio Station near Fopston Farm.

PRN 28647

NAME ROYAL NAVAL AIR STATION DALE

TYPE Guardhouse PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Near Intact/ Damaged

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM79950902

COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Guard Room/Picket Post built 1943-47, present use low grade agricultural. Single storey, pre-cast, pre-fabricated BCF (British Concrete Federation) hut. Divided internally into one large and one small room. The small room contains a concrete engine bed. RJC.Thomas, 03.02.93. Contains water cistern for nearby farm. A Pyper 2014

PRN 28648

NAME ROYAL NAVAL AIR STATION DALE

TYPE Transmitter Block

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Damaged

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM79980903

COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Wireless Telegraph Transmitter Block, 1943-47, latterly used for agricultural use, now derelict. Single storey, pre-cast, re-fabricated BCF (British Concrete Federation) hut, bay length. No internal sub-divisions, doorway in south wall, standard steel windows. RJC.Thomas, 03.02.93. Part of a compound in occasional use for cattle housing. A Pyper 2014



Figure 42: Mast fixing in the foreground and Transmitter block to the rear

PRN 105913
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE Gun Emplacement
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Intact
STATUS None recorded
CROSS REFERENCES None recorded
NGR SM7894006379
COMMUNITY Dale
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Motley stalk gun emplacements located at the southwestern corner of Dale airfield: Two concrete sewer pipes set vertically into the ground, with the rims at ground level. At least 1.20m deep, though base is not visible for earth buildup. A. Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Two intact concrete pipes sunk into the ground. Alice Pyper



Figure 43: Second gun emplacement at the southwestern edge of airfield.

PRN 105962
NAME RAF DALE
TYPE military camp
PERIOD modern
EVIDENCE complex
CONDITION various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM80220735
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Communal site of RAF Dale identified on the Air Ministry plan and consisting of a range of service and support buildings for the airfield. Site subsequently extended as part of the Naval development of the airfield. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Number of buildings survive on this site though access not gained to communal site at time of survey. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105963
NAME RAF DALE SITE NO 1
TYPE military camp
PERIOD modern
EVIDENCE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE
CONDITION Not known
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM80230691

COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Site No 1 as identified on the Air Ministry plan consists of airmen's and sergeants' quarters. Modern aerial photographs suggest that the buildings and structures have been levelled. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Access to the site has not been gained, so current condition is unknown. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105964

NAME RAF DALE SITE NO 2

TYPE military camp PERIOD modern

EVIDENCE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded NGR SM80490711

COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Site no 2 identified on the Air ministry plan consisting of accommodation for Officers, Sergeants, and airmen. Site has been subsequently levelled. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Access to site not gained though recent aerial photographs suggest that the site has been levelled and is now in agricultural use. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105965

NAME RAF DALE SITE NO 3

TYPE military camp PERIOD modern

EVIDENCE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded NGR SM80560732

COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Site no 3 identified on the Air ministry plan consisting of accommodation for Officers, Sergeants, and airmen. Site has been subsequently levelled. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105966

NAME RAF DALE SITE NO4

TYPE military camp PERIOD modern

EVIDENCE DESTROYED MONUMENT

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded NGR SM80050765

COMMUNITY The Havens

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Site no 4 identified on the Air ministry plan consisting of accommodation for Officers, Sergeants, and airmen. Site has been subsequently levelled. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Access to site not gained, but aerial photographs suggest the site has been levelled but for one building. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105967

NAME RAF DALE WAAF SITE

TYPE military camp

PERIOD modern

EVIDENCE complex

CONDITION various

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SM80920780

COMMUNITY The Havens

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

WAAF site identified on the Air ministry plan consisting of accommodation for Officers, Sergeants, and airwomen. Much of the site has been subsequently levelled. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The WAAF site has largely been levelled, though an air raid shelter still survives. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105973

NAME RAF / RNAS DALE SEWAGE WORKS

TYPE Sewage works

PERIOD modern

EVIDENCE documentary evidence

CONDITION not known

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SM80660752

COMMUNITY The Havens

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Sewage site identified on the Air ministry plan consisting of brick built settling tanks and filter beds. Site not seen A Pyper 2014

PRN 105974

NAME RNAS DALE SEWAGE WORKS

TYPE sewage works

PERIOD modern

EVIDENCE Documentary evidence

CONDITION Not known

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SM80490691

COMMUNITY The Havens

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Sewage site identified on the Air ministry plan consisting of brick built hut, settling tank and filter bed. Site not seen A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION

RAF HAVERFORDWEST

PRN - 28498
NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST
TYPE - Airfield
NGR - SM96091872
COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Airfield was a parent to the satellite airfield at Templeton. Construction began in 1941, however aerial photographs taken in 1942 show the airfield still under construction, and it wasn't until 1943 that the airfield was complete and No. 3 (Coastal) Operational Training Unit moved in. They were tasked with training complete crews in general reconnaissance skills and the use of Leigh Lights - powerful lights to identify and target U-boats. In 1944 No. 3 OTU disbanded to be replaced by No. 4 Refresher Flying Unit, delivering aircraft all over the country.

A further satellite landing ground was situated to the north at Rudbaxton (PRN 101699). By March 1945 the airfield was filled with aircraft including the Spitfire, Mosquito, Hurricane, Lysander, Beaufighter and Martinet.

The airfield consisted of 3 concrete runways with tarmac, NE-SW 1700 yards long, NNW-SSE 1260 yards and E-W at 1200 yards, with 34 frying pan hardstandings dispersed around the airfield. Bomb stores were located to the north of the airfield and technical and training areas including the watch office / control tower to the east. Accommodation was located to the south.

The airfield is now in use as a civil airport, managed by Pembrokeshire County Council with a new control tower and hangars to the west. The old control tower forms part of the Pembrokeshire show ground and many other buildings survive and have been incorporated into showground or industrial use. The dispersal pens lie partly in agricultural land and partly under an industrial estate. Visited in Nov 2011, A. Pyper 2012.

In addition to the Core Site No 1 there are 15 dispersed sites with Haverfordwest airfield, largely grouped to the south of the airfield itself. When visited in 2013, many of the sites had been cleared completely, however there are some surviving buildings associated with the complex. A Pyper 2013.

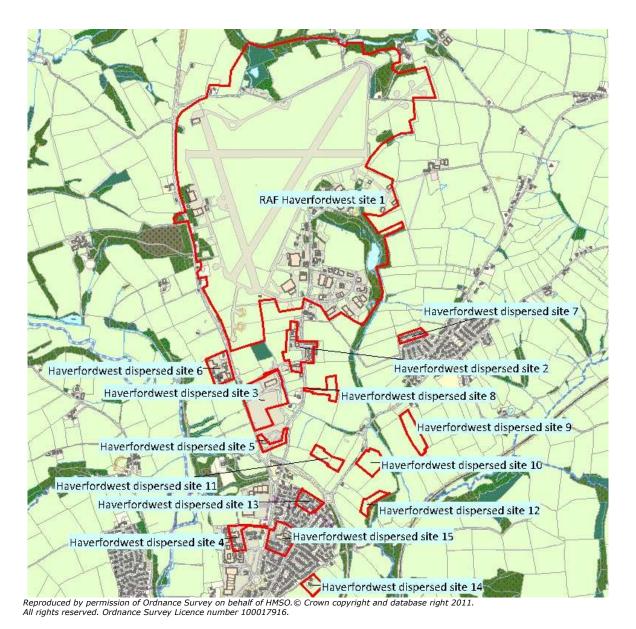


Figure 44: Map of RAF Haverfordwest showing dispersed sites



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Figure 45: Map of RAF Haverfordwest showing sites recorded

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 2

TYPE - military training site

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96101806

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 2 (Instructional) is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here training was undertaken in Turret Instructional building PRN 28518. When visited in 2013 other buildings were also surviving. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - various

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Some buildings survive relatively intact, though others have been demolished. A Pyper 2013

PRN - 102555

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 3

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM95891774

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 3 (Communal) is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here barrack huts and recreational facilities were provided for the airmen and women of RAF Haverfordwest. When visited in 2013 only one surviving building was identified. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The communal site has been cleared and only one surviving building has been identified. When visited in 2013 some new buildings have been erected on the site. A Pyper

PRN - 102556

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 4

TYPE - military hospital

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM95721692

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 4 (Sick Quarters) is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here the sick quarters barrack huts and mortuary stood. The site has been completely destroyed and is now occupied by Withybush General Hospital. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Site has been cleared and is now occupied by Withybush General Hospital. A Pyper 2013.

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 5

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM95881750

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 5 is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here stood barrack huts for Airmen and officers. When visited in 2013 the site had been completely cleared. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The buildings have been completely cleared from the former site no 5. A Pyper 2013

PRN - 102558

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 6

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM95621793

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 6 is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here stood barrack huts for airmen, sergeants and officers. When visited in 2013 the site had previously been cleared and redeveloped. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The buildings have been cleared from Site No 6, and much of the site has been redeveloped. Visited 2013, A Pyper.

PRN - 102559

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 7

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96781813

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 7 is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here stood barrack huts for airmen, sergeants and officers. When visited in 2013 the site was found to have been redeveloped into a housing estate. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The site has been redeveloped into a housing estate when visited in 2013, A Pyper.

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 8

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96151781

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 8 is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here stood barrack huts for airmen, sergeants and officers. When visited in 2013 the site was found to have been cleared and reinstated to agricultural land and was under pasture. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The site of the former airmen's quarters has been cleared and reinstated into agricultural land and was under pasture when visited in 2013. A *Pyper*.

PRN - 102561

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 9

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96781755

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 9 is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here stood barrack huts for airmen, sergeants and officers. Access was not gained on the site visit in 2013, however aerial photographs from 2009 suggest the site has been cleared and returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION A site visit was not carried out, however aerial photographs from 2009 show the at the site has been cleared and returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2013.

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 10

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM95531737

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 10 is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here stood barrack huts for airmen, sergeants and officers. When visited in 2013 the site had been cleared and returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The site has been cleared and returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2013

PRN - 102563

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 11

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96271739

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 11 is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here stood barrack huts for airmen, sergeants and officers. Access was not gained on the site visit in 2013, however aerial photographs from 2009 suggest that most of the site has been cleared, although some buildings may remain along with the outline of hut bases which can be identified. A Pyper 2013.102563

CONDITION - various

CONDITION DESCRIPTION It appears from 2009 Aerial photos that much of the site has returned to agricultural use, however some buildings may remain, along with hut bases. A Pyper 2013.

PRN - 102564

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 12

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96501712

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 11 is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here stood barrack huts for airmen, sergeants and officers. Access was not gained on the site visit in 2013, however aerial photographs from 2009 suggest that the site has been cleared, and returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2013.102563

CONDITION - Near Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The site has been cleared and returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2013

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 13

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96161714

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 13 is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here stood barrack huts for airmen, sergeants and officers. When visited in 2013 the site had been cleared and a housing estate now occupies the site. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The former site 13 is now occupied by a housing estate. A Pyper 2013.

PRN - 102566

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 14

TYPE - radio station

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96171663

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 14 is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here stood the wireless radio building, transformer and masts. When visited in 2013 the site had been cleared and a new residential house occupies the site of the W/T building. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The site has been cleared, though a new residential house occupies the site of the former wireless building. A Pyper 2013.

PRN - 102567

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST SITE NO 15

TYPE - military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96001691

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

RAF Haverfordwest Site No 15 (WAAF) is identified on the Haverfordwest Site Record Plan 4733/44. Here stood barrack huts for sergeants and airwomen. Decontamination centre, sick quarters etc. When visited in 2013 the site had been cleared and a housing estate now occupies the site. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The site of the WAAF camp has been cleared and redeveloped into a housing estate. A Pyper 2013.

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST

TYPE - Turret instructional building

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96101821

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Turret instructional building, Type 'A', with 3 bays. For the instruction of air crew in a simulated gun turret. When visited in Nov 2011 it was in use as a garage workshop. A. Pyper 2012.

CONDITION - Intact



Figure 46: Turret Instructional Building at RAF Haverfordwest

PRN - 28519

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST

TYPE - Training structure

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96091810

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Recorded on the Air Ministry plan as a Gunnery and Crew Procedure Building. Nine by five bay temporary brick construction with a corrugated asbestos gable roof. Reclad with corrugated iron on the south gable. Tall 30 light windows in each bay. When visited in 2013 in use as a garage, and some bays have been broken through to create openings. A Pyper 2013.

1942-45, Gunnery and Crew Procedure Building, present use garage. One and a half storey, rendered 'temporary brick' construction, 9 X 5 bay rectangular plan, pitched corrugated asbestos gable roof. Tall 30 light standard steel windows per bay. Built per Air Ministry drawing 4597/41. RJC.Thomas, 22.01.93.

CONDITION -Intact



Figure 47: Gunnery and Crew Procedure Building

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST

TYPE - Link trainer

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96061815

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry plan of the Haverfordwest this single storey, temporary brick construction and reclad corrugated iron roof. When visited in 2013 was in use as a store. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Intact/ Near Intact

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Still largely intact though re-clad corrugated iron roof and an extended roof over the front. A Pyper 2013.



Figure 48: Link trainer building

PRN - 28532
NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST
TYPE - Beacon
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SM95501815
COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

A brick built enclosure which formed the Main Beacon for RAF Haverfordwest, part of a landing system to guide airplanes into Haverfordwest airfield and are associated with the Inner and Outer Beacons. Consists of a brick walled enclosure c 1.5m high with a concrete floor within. Converted for agricultural use when visited in 2013 with the southwest wall enclosed and roofed for stock. A Pyper 2013



Figure 49: Main beacon at RAF Haverfordwest

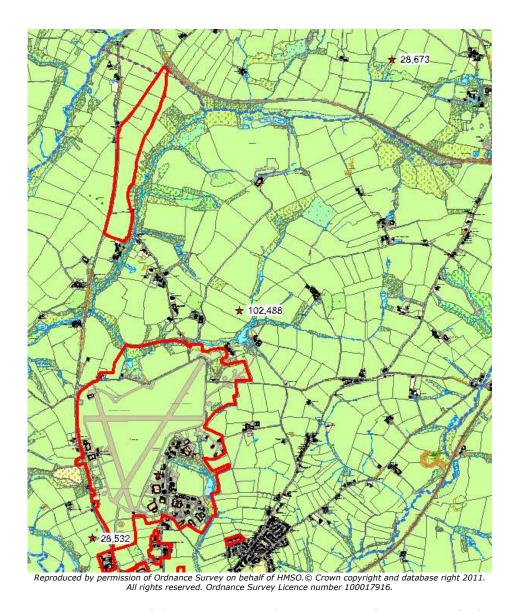


Figure 50: Locations of the Outer, Main and Inner Beacons for RAF Haverfordwest

NAME - UPPER SCOLTON

TYPE - navigation beacon

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM98192246

COMMUNITY - Spittal

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Outer navigational beacon for RAF Haverfordwest part of a landing system to guide airplanes into Haverfordwest airfield and are associated with the Main and Inner Beacon. Consists of a square brick walled enclosure measuring c 9m with walls 1.5m high. When visited in 2013, the east wall has been demolished but otherwise the walls are intact. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near Intact/ Damaged

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / The east wall of this structure has been demolished, but otherwise the walls are complete. Visited 2013 A Pyper.



Figure 51: Outer navigational beacon for RAF Haverfordwest

PRN - 102488

NAME - RAF HAVERFORDWEST

TYPE - beacon

CONDITION - Near Intact

NGR - SM96822020

COMMUNITY - Rudbaxton

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Rectangular red brick structure with a later pitched roof, pedestrian access in south wall and later double doorway inserted into north wall. Associated with the picket post (PRN 102487) to the south, these structures form the Inner Beacon, part of a landing system to guide airplanes into Haverfordwest airfield and are associated with the Main and Outer Beacon. Visited Nov 2011, A.Pyper 2012.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION

Roof and walls appear intact. A Pyper 2012.



Figure 52: Inner beacon for the airfield at RAF Haverfordwest

RAF MANORBIER
PRN 101244
NAME RAF MANORBIER
TYPE Airfield
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / Complex
CONDITION Various/ Damaged
STATUS pcnp
NGR SS07859780
COMMUNITY Manorbier
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Manorbier Airfield was used solely for the towing of targets and unmanned target flying. In use from 1937 until 1946, although used as a landing ground long after the war. It consisted of three grass runways NE-SW 750 yards long, NW-SE 500 yards long and E-W 800 yards. A single Bellman hangar was situated with the technical site to the west of the airfield. In 2011 the field had been returned to agricultural use with some recent housing development to the northwest and there is little trace of the runways. The technical site has only concrete tracks and building footings to suggest its whereabouts. A Pyper 2012.

As a small target towing airfield the requirements for support buildings were correspondingly low level and were accommodated to the west of the airfield itself. These temporary buildings have since been levelled. The airfield's early origins and its proximity to a port, Milford haven, identified it as a Class I airfield (within 20 miles of a port) in the Taylor report of 1940 (Dobinson 1998). Consequently it was provided with at least seven pillboxes encircling the airfield and Pickett Hamilton forts sited in the flying field. The Pickett Hamilton forts appear to have been removed as part of the airfields agricultural improvement and circle of pillboxes has been partially lost with only one surviving intact. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Airfield itself has been returned to agricultural use and modern housing, has encroached from the northwest. The technical site has some concrete bases and pathways surviving. A Pyper 2012.

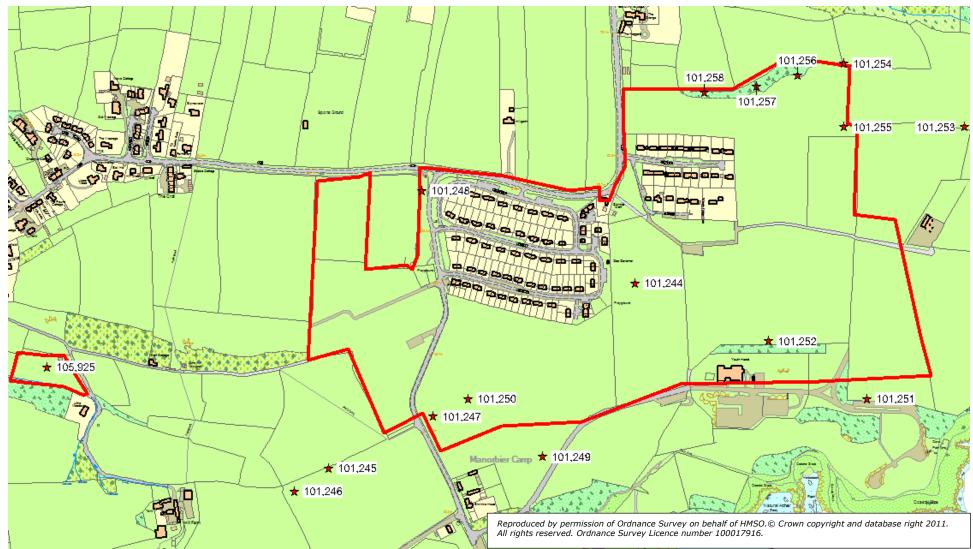


Figure 53: Map showing the airfield at RAF Manorbier

PRN 101245

NAME RAF MANORBIER

TYPE Pillbox **PERIOD** Modern **EVIDENCE** / demolished structure

CONDITION Near intact/ Near Destroyed

STATUS pcnp NGR SS07329748 COMMUNITY Manorbier COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Within the hedge line are the remains of a Pillbox. Described by RJC Thomas in 1993 as, 'semi-sunken ,irregular hexagon, fair-faced brick, earth covered re-inforced concrete roof. Original wall thickness of 18 increased to 39. Structure predominantly destroyed, fragmentary section of S wall remains within a hedge line.' When visited in 2011 it was only visible from the north side of the hedge line. A Pyper 2014



Figure 54: The remaining back wall of a pillbox

PRN 101246

NAME RAF MANORBIER TYPE Defence Post PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE

CONDITION Near destroyed

STATUS pcnp NGR SS07269744 COMMUNITY Manorbier COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A defence post, plotted off aerial photographs, by RJC Thomas. Nothing visible at the site when visited in 2011. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / No visible remains in pasture field. A Pyper 2011.

PRN 101247

NAME RAF MANORBIER

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE
CONDITION Near destroyed
STATUS pcnp
NGR SS07509757
COMMUNITY Manorbier
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Site of a pillbox, described by RJC Thomas in 1993 as, 'Single storey, irregular hexagon, fair-faced brick, earth covered re-inforced concrete roof.' When visited in 2013 there was no visible trace of the structure. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / No upstanding remains of the structure could be identified. A Pyper 2014

PRN 101248

NAME RAF MANORBIER

TYPE Pillbox PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE **CONDITION** Near intact/ Near Destroyed

STATUS pcnp
NGR SS07489796
COMMUNITY Manorbier
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

The site of a pillbox, described by RJC Thomas in 1993 as 'Single storey, irregular hexagon, fair-faced brick, earth covered re-inforced concrete roof.' No visible trace of the structure when visited in 2013. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / When visited in 2013, the site was cleared - a concrete pad may relate to the structure which is now used as the site of a recycling bank. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 101249

NAME RAF MANORBIER

TYPE Pillbox PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE **CONDITION** Near intact/ Near Destroyed

STATUS pcnp
NGR SS07699750
COMMUNITY Manorbier
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

The site of a pillbox, described by RJC Thomas in 1993 as, 'Single storey, irregular hexagon, fair-faced brick, earth covered re-inforced concrete roof.' No visible trace of the structure when visited in 2013. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / No visible trace of the site when visited in 2011. A Pyper 2013

PRN 101250

NAME RAF MANORBIER **TYPE** Pickett-hamilton Fort

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Demolished structure **CONDITION** Unknown/ Near Destroyed

STATUS pcnp
NGR SS07569760
COMMUNITY Manorbier
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A sunken, circular, concrete pillbox. Remained flush with the surface to permit the free movement of aircraft, but if attack threatened, could be raised, hydraulically to give covering fire. In 2011 no trace of this feature could be found. A Pyper 2012.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Thought to be destroyed as the field has been in cultivation and the farmer did not know its whereabouts. A Pyper 2012.

PRN 101251

NAME RAF MANORBIER

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE

CONDITION Near destroyed

STATUS pcnp NGR SS08259760

COMMUNITY Manorbier

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Site of a pillbox, described by RJC Thomas in 1993 as, 'Single storey, irregular hexagon, fair-faced brick, earth covered re-inforced concrete roof.' No visible trace when visited in 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / This structure could not be located presumed demolished. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101252

NAME RAF MANORBIER

TYPE Pickett-hamilton Fort

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE **CONDITION** Unknown/ Not known

STATUS pcnp

NGR SS08089770 COMMUNITY Manorbier COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A Pickett Hamilton fort, or pillbox, described by RJC Thomas as, 'Sunken, circular, precast re-inforced concrete tube within a tube, flat re-inforced concrete roof with steel hatch. A hydraulic jack could raise the outer tube which operated as a pillbox, using four embrasures.' No visible trace could be found when visited in 2011. A Pyper

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Site could not be found so unclear if there are any remains. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101253

NAME RAF MANORBIER

TYPE Pillbox PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / EXTANT STRUCTURE **CONDITION** Intact/ Near Intact

STATUS pcnp
NGR SS08429807
COMMUNITY Manorbier
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

The site of a pillbox, described by RJC Thomas in 1993 as, Semi-sunken, irregular hexagon, fair-faced brick, earth covered 9 re-inforced concrete roof. Wall thickness of 18.Entrance in W wall protected by a brick blast wall. All remaining walls fitted with wide splay concrete embrasures with 'Turnbull' mountings. When visited in 2013 it had little changed from the photographs taken by RJC Thomas in 1993. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Little changed from the photographs taken by RJC Thomas in 1993. A Pyper 2013

PRN 101254
NAME RAF MANORBIER
TYPE Pillbox
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / STRUCTURE
CONDITION Intact/ Not known
STATUS pcnp
NGR SS08219818
COMMUNITY Manorbier

HER DESCRIPTION

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

The site of a pillbox, described by RJC Thomas in 1993 as, Semi-sunken, irregular hexagon, fair-faced brick, earth covered 9 re-inforced concrete roof. Wall thickness of 18.Entrance in SW wall protected by a brick blast wall. All remaining walls fitted with wide splay concrete embrasures with 'Turnbull' mountings. Alice Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Site could not be located presumed demolished. A Pyper 2013.



Figure 55: Last intact pillbox at RAF Manorbier

PRN 101255

NAME RAF MANORBIER **TYPE** Defence Post

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE

CONDITION Damaged

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SS08219807

COMMUNITY Manorbier

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A concrete slab at ground level is what remains of a defence post identified by RJC Thomas in 1993. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / This damaged defence post appears unchanged as shown on RJC Thomas's record photographs. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101256

NAME RAF MANORBIER

TYPE ordnance store

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE

CONDITION Near intact/ Near Destroyed

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SS08139816

COMMUNITY Manorbier

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Rectangular concrete floor, approx. 12×6 ft., fragmentary remains of brick gable walling. Evidence of corrugated steel side walls. RJC Thomas 1993

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / No upstanding remains of this structure when visited in 2013, though encroaching vegetation may obscure its location. A pile of broken up concrete may be related to it. A Pyper 2013

PRN 101257

NAME RAF MANORBIER **TYPE** ordnance store **PERIOD** Modern

EVIDENCE / RUINED BUILDING

CONDITION Near destroyed/ Damaged

STATUS *pcnp* NGR SS08069814 **COMMUNITY** Manorbier **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Single storey, rectangular plan, approx. 12 x 6 ft., cement rendered 'temporary brick', mono-pitch corrugated sheeting roof carried on timber rafters {removed}. Doorway in north east wall, ventilation grilles set high and low in remaining walls. RJC Thomas 1993

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Walls still standing though roofless. A Pyper 2013



Figure 56: Remains of an ordnance store

PRN 101258

NAME RAF MANORBIER **TYPE** ordnance store **PERIOD** Modern

EVIDENCE / RUINED BUILDING

CONDITION Near destroyed/ Damaged

STATUS pcnp **NGR** SS07979813 **COMMUNITY** Manorbier **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Single storey, rectangular plan, approx. 12 x 6 ft., cement rendered 'temporary brick',

mono-pitch corrugated sheeting roof carried on timber rafters {removed}. Doorway in east wall, ventilation grilles set high and low in remaining walls. RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Walls still standing though now roofless. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 105925

NAME RAF MANORBIER

TYPE transmitter site

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

CONDITION Not known STATUS None recorded NGR SS0683397655 COMMUNITY Manorbier COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry plan as a site of W/T masts (Portable set). It appears two masts were located in the field, though no other structures are marked. Unclear whether any permanent structures would have been built here and nothing was visible on a visit to the site. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Unclear whether a structure was ever built here, though nothing was visible on a site visit. A Pyper 2013

RAF PEMBREY
PRN 31405
NAME RAF PEMBREY
TYPE Airfield
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN40300350
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF Pembrey was initially a bombing and gunnery school from 1939 until May 1940 when it became an important fighter station defending Bristol, South Wales and the Midlands. From June 1941 the airfield passed to Flying Training Command training gunners for Coastal and Bomber Commands.

One notable event was the capture of a FW190 Focke-Wulfe, Germany's latest fighter which outclassed anything the RAF had at the time. On the 23 June 1942 the German pilot had been in battle with Spitfires and became disorientated, and thinking he was over France landed his aircraft at Pembrey. Thus an intact aircraft was handed over to RAF intelligence to evaluate is capabilities.

After the war the airfield continued in its training role until it was closed in 1957. The airfield originally started out as an airfield on grass, on reclaimed saltmarsh. The installation of concrete runways did not happen until late 1942. These were NNE-SSW 1740 \times 50 yards, ENE-WSW 1340 \times 50 yards, NW-SE 1180 \times 50 yards. There were 24 frying pan hardstandings and 22 of these had blister hangars. The Towyn camp was built to the west of the airfield and this was a base for the Air Gunnery school. In 2012 the runways are still intact and the NNE-SSW runway is still in use for civilian aircraft. Other parts of the runway are used for motorsports. Two hangars, F sheds, survive along with a few other airfield buildings. A Pyper 2012.

The layout of the airfield at Pembrey is surprisingly compact with accommodation blocks sited to the northeast of the airfield and also at Towyn Camp which occupied the western region of the airfield. Its early establishment and its proximity to a port identified it as a Class I airfield in the Taylor report of 1940 (Dobinson 1998) which highlighted the necessity for defence against an airbourne invasion of the airfield. It is one of the few airfields to have surviving and intact Pickett Hamilton retractable pillboxes which were a feature of this defence scheme, (PRNs 102502, 102503). RAF Pembrey is well equipped with defences which are bound in with coastal defences of Cefn Sidan beach, the Carmarthen stop line and also the defence of the Royal Ordnance Factory at Pembrey.

A battle headquarters is located beyond the southern edge of the airfield (PRN 31226) and pillboxes PRNs 31386, 31388, 31389, 31381 are all located along the sea wall to the northwest and are defending attack from the salt marshes and estuary. Many of these still survive. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / The layout of the airfield is still readable, though some modifications to the southern end have taken place with the motorsport centre. Some buildings still survive. A Pyper 2012.

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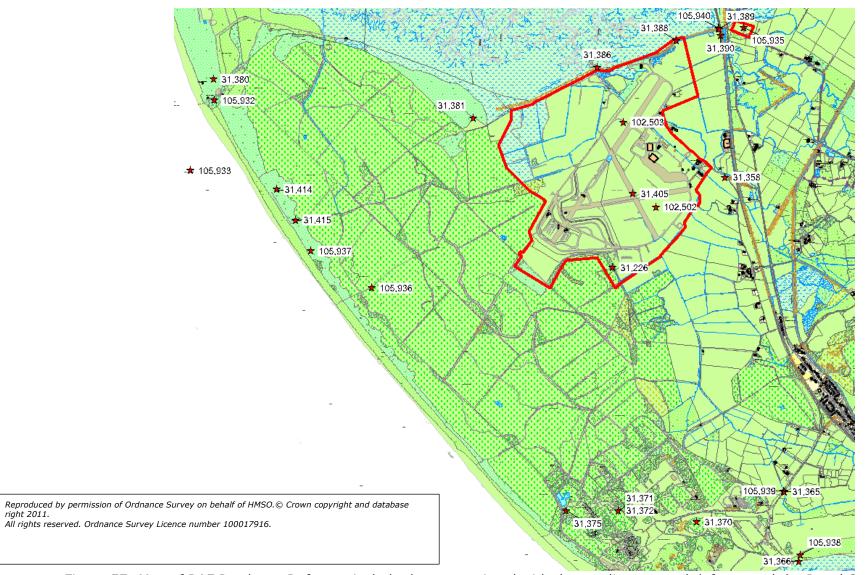


Figure 57: Map of RAF Pembrey. Defences include those associated with the stopline, coastal defence and the Royal Ordnance Factory

NAME RAF PEMBREY

TYPE Battle Headquarters

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SN40120283 COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan

COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Battle Headquarters, identified on the Air Ministry plan as type 11008/41. Consisting of a complex of 5 underground rooms entered by concrete steps at one end of the structure. A command post at the other end was 3 foot higher for the concrete observation cupola, giving a view of the airfield. Adjacent is an emergency escape hatch. Visited in 2012, the Battle Headquarters appears intact and is located in an area of scots pine woods to the south of the airfield. A Pyper 2012.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Visited in 2012, the Battle Headquarters appears intact and is located in an area of scots pine woods to the south of the airfield. A Pyper 2012.



Figure 58: Pembrey battle headquarters

PRN 31358

NAME

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ DEMOLISHED BUILDING

CONDITION Intact/ Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded NGR SN41140365

COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan

COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Site of a Type 24 brick-faced pillbox, alongside road from Pembrey Airfield. Now demolished. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Pillbox apparently demolished when road junction was widened. No visible remains. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 31365
NAME PEMBREY
TYPE Pillbox
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT BUILDING
CONDITION Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN41680079
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Concrete pillbox with turf roof, irregular hexagonal shape in plan (type24), located to the east of the road and on the south side of the Swan Pool drain. Facing southwest along the road. On the opposite side of the road are the remains of a roadblock (PRN 105939) which clearly was situated beside the pillbox. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Becoming slightly undermined on the northeast side by the Swan Pool drain. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 59: Pillbox to the east of the Factory road

PRN 31366

NAME PEMBREY BURROWS

TYPE Pillbox PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Intact **STATUS** *None recorded*

NGR SN41810016 COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Irregular hexagonal (type 24) concrete pillbox located at the southeast corner of the Royal Ordnance Factory site and the southern end of the Carmarthen stop line. Facing southeast. Brick and concrete Y-shaped anti-ricochet wall inside. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 60: Pillbox at the southern end of the Carmarthen stopline

PRN 31370
NAME PEMBREY COUNTRY PARK
TYPE Pillbox
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT BUILDING
CONDITION Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN40880052
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Rectangular pillbox (Type 23 - one half roofless for a gun pit) constructed in concrete and sited above the road entering the Royal Ordnance Factory. Facing northwest overlooking the road. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Intact pillbox though sand dune eroding underneath the northwest corner. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 61: Pillbox overlooking Factory road at Pembrey

NAME PEMBREY COUNTRY PARK

TYPE Observation Post

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN40170062
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Brick observation post with concrete observation slits on each wall. Flat concrete roof approximately 2m square. Accessed by a protected entrance on the south corner. A Pyper 2014

Brick built, writing on west wall: <- S.W. Entrance on SE corner. Constructed on a flattened and made up dune next to building PRN 31372. More likely to be a firewatchers post than a pillbox. This is perhaps confirmed by the S & W written on the west wall to ensure accurate directions are given by the watchers.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Within pine forest and located on a dune. A Pyper 2014



Figure 62: Observation post at Pembrey

NAME PEMBREY COUNTRY PARK

TYPE Building PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Near Intact/ Intact

STATUS None recorded
NGR SN40170062
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Brick built single celled rectangular building with doorway. Flat concrete and tarred roof. Pipe outlet below roof line opposite doorway. Aperture for vent /grill beside doorway. Located near to observation post PRN 31371. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 31375

NAME PEMBREY COUNTRY PARK

TYPE Observation Post

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Intact/ Near Intact

STATUS *None recorded* **NGR** SN39700062

COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan **COUNTY** Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Brick rectangular building with flat concrete roof. Protected entrance, though part of the blast wall has been lost. A Pyper 2014



Figure 63: Observation post at Pembrey, part of protected entrance missing

NAME PEMBREY SANDS AIR WEAPONS RANGE

TYPE Gun Emplacement

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE None/ BUILDING

CONDITION Not known

STATUS *None recorded*

CROSS REFERENCES NPRN 130062

NGR SN36500454

COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan

COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Seen only from the RAF Pembrey control tower in the air weapons range. Not visited as it lay in area just behind the present active bombing drop zones, so an area full of unexploded ordnance.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Access to the site has not been possible, so current condition is unknown. A Pyper 2014

PRN 31381

NAME

TYPE pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE

CONDITION Near Destroyed/ Damaged

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SN3885204188

COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan

COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A demolished remains of a brick and concrete Type 23 pillbox. Part of a defensive line which runs along the sea wall, Banc-y-Lord protecting the airfield to the southeast from seaward attack. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Although demolished (blown up?) at some point all the parts of the pillbox appear to survive where they fell, so it is possible to define the gun embrasures. A Pyper 2013.



Figure 64: Remains of a pillbox at the southwest end of the sea wall

PRN 31386
NAME
TYPE Pillbox
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT STRUCTURE
CONDITION Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN3998204645
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A brick and concrete pillbox located on the northwest side of the Bank-y-Lord sea wall, facing west protecting the airfield to the southeast. Type 23 in design (rectangular subdivided into one open, roofless section the other covered). Narrow gun embrasures with metal pivot mountings in the sill. Forms part of a defensive line of pillboxes which run along Banc-y-Lord. A Pyper 2014



Figure 65: Pillbox on the sea wall at Pembrey, note metal access treads in brickwork

NAME

TYPE Pillbox PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN4070104891
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A brick and concrete pillbox located on the northwest side of the Bank-y-Lord sea wall, facing west protecting the airfield to the southeast. Type 23 in design (rectangular subdivided into one open, roofless section the other covered). Narrow gun embrasures with metal pivot mountings in the sill. Forms part of a defensive line of pillboxes which run along Banc-y-Lord. A Pyper 2014



Figure 66: Pillbox built into the sea wall

NAME

TYPE Pillbox

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Building/ EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Intact

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SN4108504996

COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan

COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A pillbox built of shuttered concrete to the south of the railway and to the north of Bancy-Lord. A strong point positioned on the stop line which consists of anti-tank blocks to the south and two parallel lines of vertically set railway rails to the north. The pillbox is facing west with the entrance in the east wall. Type 24 (rectangular with canted corners to the west), and with narrow gun embrasures. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 67: Pillbox with anti tank rails to the side

PRN 31390
NAME
TYPE anti tank block
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure/ EXTANT STRUCTURE
CONDITION Intact/ Near Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN41100494
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan

HER DESCRIPTION

COUNTY Carmarthenshire

Concrete anti-tank cubes running on the west side of the railway line, to the south side of the Banc-y-Lord sea wall. Forms part of the Carmarthenshire stop-line. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 31414
NAME
TYPE Gun Emplacement
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE None/ EXTANT STRUCTURE
CONDITION Not known/ Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN37070354
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A gun emplacement built of reinforced concrete with turf on the flat roof. Rectangular in plan 3.05×2.4 m with openings facing southwest. One wide rectangular opening in southwest wall with doorway to side. Internally the walls are painted cream and a small concrete pad on the northeastern corner may form the base of stove. Other fixings and fixtures are traceable in the paintwork of the interior. Forms part of series of gun

emplacements built to defend Cefn Sidan beach from invasion or attack during the Second World War. A Pyper 2014



Figure 68: Gun emplacement overlooking Cefn Sidan beach

PRN 31415
NAME
TYPE Gun Emplacement
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE None/ EXTANT STRUCTURE
CONDITION Not known/ Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN37240326
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A gun emplacement built of reinforced concrete with turf on the flat roof. Rectangular in plan $6.4 \times 7.3 \text{m}$ with openings facing southwest. One wide rectangular opening in southwest wall with doorway to side. Internally the walls are painted cream and a small concrete pad on the northwestern wall may form the base of stove. Other fixings and fixtures are traceable in the paintwork of the interior. Forms part of series of gun emplacements built to defend Cefn Sidan beach from invasion or attack during the Second World War. A Pyper 2014



Figure 69: Gun emplacement, one of three overlooking Cefn Sidan

PRN - 102502

NAME - RAF PEMBREY

TYPE - pickett hamilton fort

CONDITION - Intact

NGR - SN4051703379

COMMUNITY - Cefn Sidan

COUNTY - Carmarthenshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

A sunken, circular, concrete pillbox, flush with the ground surface. Concrete top 2m in diameter with metal hinged trap door 0.56m square with canted corners. Located within the eastern intersection of the runways. In 2011 the interior was full of water and the field in which it is located was recently reseeded, A Pyper 2012. The Pickett Hamilton fort would permit the free movement of aircraft, but if attack threatened, could be raised, hydraulically or by a counterbalance, and manned to give covering fire.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION

Concrete pad survives within reseeded field, and metal trap door is hinged. Interior is full of water, however allegedly it contains its internal mechanism and hydraulics. A Pyper 2012.



Figure 70: Pickett Hamilton fort to the east of the airfield

PRN - 102503
NAME - RAF PEMBREY
TYPE - Pickett hamilton fort
CONDITION - Intact

NGR - SN40220415
COMMUNITY - Cefn Sidan
COUNTY - Carmarthenshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

A sunken, circular, concrete pillbox, flush with the ground surface. Concrete top 2m in diameter with metal hinged trap door 0.56m square with canted corners. Located adjacent to the perimeter track at the northern extent of the runways. In 2011 the interior was full of water, however apparently it has been pumped out and the interior allegedly still contains hydraulics etc. Situated within mown grass. A Pyper 2012. The Pickett Hamilton fort would permit the free movement of aircraft, but if attack threatened, could be raised, hydraulically or by a counterbalance, and manned to give covering fire.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION

Apparently intact, this Pickett Hamilton is one of two surviving examples which have been recorded at Pembrey airfield. This type of pillbox appears to be very rare in Wales. A Pyper 2012.



Figure 71: Pickett Hamilton fort at the north side of the airfield

PRN 105932
NAME RAF PEMBREY
TYPE pillbox
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE EXTANT STRUCTURE
CONDITION Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN3650204349
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A brick built pillbox facing southwest onto Cefn Sidan beach. Rectangular with canted corners to the front and entrance to the northeast. Unusual design with wide gun embrasures which wrap around the front canted corners. Brick construction with concrete roof and concrete lintel extending over the embrasures. Earth and grass covered with corrugated iron impression on the underside of the roof. Two horizontal metal rails extend from roof corners of the front face. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Largely intact, though brick and concrete fracturing and eroding. A Pyper 2014



Figure 72: Pillbox overlooking Cefn Sidan beach

NAME

TYPE military coastal defences

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE

CONDITION Damaged STATUS None recorded NGR SN36290371 COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Beach defences consisting of metal rails driven into the sand vertically or obliquely, to act as anti-landing obstacles. Apparently extending the length of Cefn Sidan beach. Rails vary in length and dimensions and may originate from the tramways and tracks at the Royal Ordnance Factory. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The coastal defences were being removed from an area south of the RAF Pembrey range tower in order to provide a safe temporary landing zone for aircraft training purposes. A section between SN3676902955 and SN3626803999 have been cleared. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 73: Anti-invasion defences in Cefn Sidan beach

PRN 105935
NAME RAF PEMBREY
TYPE radio station
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE COMPLEX
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN4131105013
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A radio / wireless station is located beyond the northeastern boundary of RAF Pembrey on the east side of the A484. A timber (Laing?) one storey hut is located within a breeze block blast wall, though both the building and the wall are ruinous. To the west of the building is a Stanton air raid shelter a further building platform and ruinous building. Arranged around the field are three foundations for masts which each consist of four metal fixings bedded into concrete pads. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The timber building at the centre of the site is derelict and the timber walls collapsing. The blast wall is also fragmentary and vegetation is overgrowing it all. The air raid shelter survives to the west but is very overgrown. The mast bases survive well. A Pyper 2014



Figure 74: Radio station at RAF Pembrey, mast fixings in the foreground

NAME

TYPE road block PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE MODIFIED SURFACE

CONDITION Intact STATUS None recorded NGR SN4770535878 COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A road block is visible in the concrete road which runs southwest from RAF Pembrey. Identified as a pattern of square sockets (52x42-48cm) within the concrete now filled in with tarmac. Three pairs and one single socket. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 75: Traces of a road block

NAME

TYPE gun emplacement

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN37380298
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A gun emplacement built of reinforced concrete with turf on the flat roof. Identical in form to PRN 31414. Rectangular in plan 3.05×2.4 m with openings facing southwest. One wide rectangular opening in southwest wall with doorway to side. Internally the walls are painted cream and a small concrete pad on the northeastern corner may form the base of stove. Other fixings and fixtures are traceable in the paintwork of the interior. Forms part of series of gun emplacements built to defend Cefn Sidan beach from invasion or attack during the Second World War. A Pyper 2014



Figure 76: Gun emplacement overlooking Cefn Sidan beach

NAME

TYPE weapons pit

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Damaged

STATUS None recorded

NGR SN4182200214 COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan

COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

The remains of a brick lined pit sunken into grassy dunes. 1m deep and c.1.5 \times 3.45m. Possible weapons pit. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Brick lined pit still identifiable though one side appears to have been moved or demolished. A Pyper.2014



Figure 77: Weapons pit in the foreground and pillbox beyond

PRN 105939
NAME
TYPE road block
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE MOVED STRUCTURE
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN4167100798
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

To the west of the pillbox PRN 31365 are traces of a roadblock. Two large lumps of concrete with square post sockets within them, removed from the road surface and lying on the roadside verge. One socket still in situ at the side of the road. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Two large lumps of concrete with square post sockets within them, removed from the road surface and lying on the roadside verge. One socket still in situ at the side of the road. A Pyper



Figure 78: Remains of a dug out road block beside pillbox PRN 31365

PRN 105940
NAME
TYPE anti tank vertical rail
PERIOD modern
EVIDENCE EXTANT STRUCTURE
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN4108105005
COMMUNITY Cefn Sidan
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Two parallel lines of vertical rails set into the ground on the north side of the pillbox PRN 31389. The eastern line have been cut off, the western line stand just over a metre above the current ground surface. They extend for roughly 13metres. Form part of the stopline along with the anti tank cubes on the south side of the sea wall. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Two parallel lines of anti-tank vertical rails, the eastern line have been cut off. A Pyper



Figure 79: Anti- tank rails with pillbox

RAF PEMBROKE DOCK

PRN - 28427

NAME - RAF PEMBROKE DOCK

TYPE - Flying boat station

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96200365

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Pembroke Dock was transferred to the Air Ministry from the Admiralty in 1930 and to begin with there were no hangars, sheds or slipways to accommodate the first flying boats based there. By 1934 hangars and slipways had been constructed and adapted for use by flying boats.

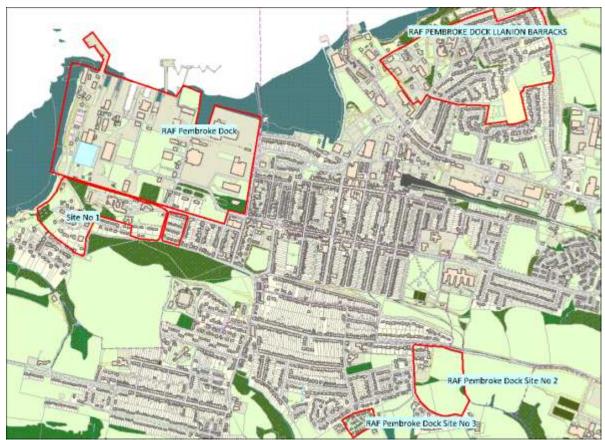
From the start of the war Pembroke Dock was part of Coastal Command and the new Short 'Sunderland' flying boats were introduced here. Their main role was submarine hunting at which they were by all accounts very successful. In addition they played an important part in D-day, keeping the English channel free of enemy U-boats and protecting the invasion fleet.

Whilst the Air Ministry made use of many of the existing naval dockyard buildings those structures that were constructed specifically to accommodate the air force include a pair of 'B' type hangars, which have recently been restored, a T2 hangar, a jetty and breakwater to shelter the launches used to ferry aircrew to and from the flying boats moored in the haven. These structures relate to the RAF's use of the site and are still intact in 2011, other elements such as the slipways for the flying boats have been lost in the construction for the ferry terminal. A Pyper 2011.

On the 1944 Air Ministry map (No. 2710.44) the flying boat base consists of Site No 1 which includes the former dockyard itself, with slipways and technical buildings. Site No 1 lies to the west of Commercial road, to the south divided by Fort road and including the area occupied by the Hospital. In addition there are dispersed sites; Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5 and additional requisitioned properties. A. Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Damaged/ various

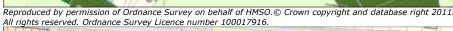
CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Some elements of the flying boat station survive intact, and the two B hangars have recently been restored. However the jetty is in a very poor condition. A Pyper 2012.



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PRN - 26178

NAME - RAF PEMBROKE DOCK SITE NO.5

TYPE - Military camp

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SN01830124

COMMUNITY - Lamphey

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Dispersed site associated with RAF Pembroke Dock (c1939-45) consisting of timber barrack huts, latrines and drying rooms, bath house, institute, dining room and sewage disposal works. Located within woodland at Windsor Farm. Access to woodland was not granted. A Pyper 2013.

1939-45, Royal Airforce Camp. Consisting of hut bases, two latrine and drying rooms, one bath house and one sewage disposal works. RJC.Thomas, 14.01.93.

CONDITION - Near Intact CONDITION DESCRIPTION

PRN - 26248

NAME - RAF PEMBROKE DOCK SITE NO 2

TYPE - Radio station

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97060280

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Site No 2 is the Women's Auxiliary Air Force (WAAF) site identified on the 1944 Air Ministry Plan for Pembroke Dock (2710.44). It lists a Nissen guard hut, 4 air raid shelters, 1 static water tank, 2 trench blast shelters, 1 wireless transmission block, 8 wireless masts, timber cycle shed, laundry, WAAF ablutions and latrines, reception hut, WAAF latrine and drying hut (temporary brick construction), 10'x10' timber fuel store, 6 WAAF quarters, all timber hutting. When visited in 2013 the site is now a cricket ground and the only extant building is the Telegraphy Block. A Pyper 2013.

1934-57, Communications/Wireless Transmission Station, now cricket ground and clubhouse. Nissen guard hut, 4 air raid shelters, 1 static water tank, 2 trench blast shelters, 1 wireless transmission block, 8 wireless masts, timber cycle shed, laundry, WAAF ablutions and latrines, reception hut, WAAF latrine and drying hut (temporary brick construction), 10'x10' timber fuel store, 6 WAAF quarters, all timber hutting. RJC.Thomas,23.01.93.

CONDITION - Damaged/ various **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** / None recorded

PRN - 26249

NAME - RAF PEMBROKE DOCK

TYPE - Radio station

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97060280

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

A brick built Wireless Telegraphy Transmitting Block, located in RAF Pembroke Dock Site No 2. A single storey permanent brick building with slate roof. See RJC Thomas description. When visited in 2013 the building is in use as a cricket club house. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION - Intact/ Near Intact **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** / None recorded



Figure 80: RAF Pembroke Dock radio station, now a Cricket club pavilion

PRN - 26250
NAME - RAF PEMBROKE DOCK
TYPE - Air raid shelter
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SM97060274

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock **COUNTY -** Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Stanton Air Raid Shelter, part of the complex of RAF Pembroke Dock Site No 2. Not seen when visited in 2013 and maybe demolished. A Pyper2013.

CONDITION - Near Intact/ Not known

PRN - 26251

NAME - RAF PEMBROKE DOCK SITE NO 3

TYPE - Military camp **STATUS -** None recorded

NGR - SM96800255

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Site No 3 was a barrack hutted camp for RAF Pembroke Dock. See R JC Thomas's description. Concrete access road survives; otherwise no structures survive on what is a mobile home park when visited in 2013. A Pyper 2013

1940-45, Camp, now a caravan site. Consisting of Nissen guard hut 36' \times 16' (10.9m \times 4.88m), timber cycle shed, temporary brick, showers and ablutions, latrines, and thirteen Nissen barrack huts 36' \times 16' (10.98m \times 4.88m) and three parabolic concrete air raid shelters. All demolished, floors used as hardstandings for caravans. RJC.Thomas, 24.01.93.

CONDITION - Destroyed/ Near Destroyed **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** / None recorded

PRN - 26282
NAME - LLANION BARRACKS
TYPE - Officers mess
CONDITION - Intact
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SM97140412
COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Council offices, formerly Headquarters and Officer's Mess of Llanion Barracks. During Pembroke Docks RAF days (c1930-59) the buildings were designated as Administrative Offices. Red brick pedimented building dated 1904. A Pyper based on RJC Thomas description March 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / None recorded



Figure 81: Former Officer's mess of Llanion Barracks, used by the RAF as administrative offices

PRN - 26283
NAME - LLANION BARRACKS
TYPE - Quarters
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SM97140416
COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Red brick building formerly Officers Quarters for Llanion Barracks, in use by the RAF c1930-1959, though difficult to establish description from Air Ministry plan. In use as government offices. A Pyper March 2013.

CONDITION - Intact **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** / None recorded

PRN - 26284
NAME - LLANION BARRACKS
TYPE - Storehouse
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SM97130402
COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Former barrack store, single storey brick building. In use by the RAF c1930-1959, and shown on Air Ministry plan. When visited in 2013 windows have been shuttered up and it appears disused though in fair condition. A Pyper March 2013.

1903-72, Barrack, Store. Single storey, brick built, four bay, gabled slate roof with domed ventilator set centrally in roof. Brick porches with gabled slate roofs provides entrances in south east and north west walls. Twelve light, sliding sash windows provide lighting in south west and north east walls (four in each wall). RJC.Thomas, 12.03.93.

CONDITION - Intact

PRN - 26290

NAME - LLANION BARRACKS

TYPE - Guardhouse

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97220407

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Former recreation rooms, former Guardhouse at Llanion, now residential. See RJC Thomas description. In use by the RAF c1930-1959, and shown on Air Ministry plan. A Pyper March 2013.

1903-72, Guardhouse/Guardroom, now a restaurant. RJC.Thomas, 12.03.93.

CONDITION - Intact

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / None recorded

PRN - 26292

NAME - LLANION BARRACKS

TYPE - Recreation building

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97280409

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Former recreation rooms, now Kingdom Hall. See RJC Thomas description. In use by the RAF c1930-1959, and shown on Air Ministry plan. A Pyper March 2013.

1903-72, Barrack Recreation Rooms, now occupied by the Jehovahs Witnesses Church. RJC.Thomas, 12.03.94.

CONDITION - Intact

PRN - 26294

NAME - LLANION BARRACKS

TYPE - Barracks

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97260415

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Sussex Row, former soldiers barracks at Llanion, now flats. See RJC Thomas description. In use by the RAF c1930-1959, and shown on Air Ministry plan. A Pyper March 2013.

1903-72, Soldiers Barracks, now flats. Two storey, brick built, 28 bay, arranged in four groups of seven, doorway to ground floor set centrally in each seven bay range. Gabled slate roof. Substantially altered from original appearance, large single window occupying position of three combined sash and casement windows. Verandah formerly on east wall. RJC.Thomas, 12.03.93.

CONDITION - Intact

PRN - 26295

NAME - LLANION BARRACKS

TYPE - Barracks

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97320417

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Dorset Row, former soldiers barracks at Llanion, now flats. See RJC Thomas description. In use by the RAF c1930-1959, and shown on Air Ministry plan. A Pyper March 2013.

1903-72, Soldiers Barracks, present use flats. Two storey, brick built, 28 bay, arranged in four groups of seven, doorway to ground floor set centrally in each seven bay range, front and back. Gabled slate roof. Substantially altered in appearance from original. Two storey verandah set against west wall. RJC.Thomas, 12.03.93.

CONDITION - Intact



Figure 82: Former barracks also used by the RAF c1930 -59

NAME - LLANION BARRACKS

TYPE - Barracks

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97340418

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Kent Row, former soldiers barracks at Llanion, now flats. See RJC Thomas description. In use by the RAF c1930-1959, and shown on Air Ministry plan. A Pyper March 2013.

1903-72, Soldiers Barracks, present use flats. Two storey, brick built, 28 bay, arranged in four groups of seven, doorway to ground floor set centrally in each seven bay range, front and back. Gabled slate roof. Substantially altered in appearance from original. Two storey verandah set against east wall. RJC.Thomas, 12.03.93.

CONDITION - Intact/ Near Intact

PRN - 26720

NAME - LLANION BARRACKS 5 SHROPSHIRE ROAD.

TYPE - Quarters

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97520411

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Officers Married Quarters part of RAF Pembroke Dock, c1930. Two storey, brick built, semi detached houses with service range at the rear. Hipped tiled roof with two storey canted bay under deep eaves. A Pyper based on RJC Thomas description, 2013.

c1930, Officers Married Quarters, now private residence. Two storey, brick built, semi-detached, 'L' plan with rear service range. Hipped tile roof, two storey canted bay under deep eaves. Second floor frontage of canted bay tile clad. RJC.Thomas, 26.11.93.

NAME - LLANION BARRACKS 4 SHROPSHIRE ROAD.

TYPE - Quarters

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97530411

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Officers Married Quarters part of RAF Pembroke Dock, c1930. Two storey, brick built, semi detached houses with service range at the rear. Hipped tiled roof with two storey canted bay under deep eaves. A Pyper based on RJC Thomas description, 2013.

CONDITION - Intact

PRN - 26722

NAME - LLANION BARRACKS 3 SHROPSHIRE ROAD.

TYPE - Quarters, Married quarters

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97550412

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Officers Married Quarters part of RAF Pembroke Dock, c1930. Two storey, brick built, semi detached houses with service range at the rear. Hipped tiled roof with two storey canted bay under deep eaves. A Pyper based on RJC Thomas description, 2013.

CONDITION - Intact

PRN - 26723

NAME - LLANION BARRACKS 2 SHROPSHIRE ROAD.

TYPE - Quarters, Married quarters

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97570413

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Officers Married Quarters part of RAF Pembroke Dock, c1930. Two storey, brick built, semi detached houses with service range at the rear. Hipped tiled roof with two storey canted bay under deep eaves. A Pyper based on RJC Thomas description, 2013.

NAME - LLANION BARRACKS 1 SHROPSHIRE ROAD.

TYPE - Quarters, Married quarters

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97580414

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Officers Married Quarters part of RAF Pembroke Dock, c1930. Two storey, brick built, semi detached houses with service range at the rear. Hipped tiled roof with two storey canted bay under deep eaves. A Pyper based on RJC Thomas description, 2013.

CONDITION - Intact

PRN - 26725

NAME - LLANION BARRACKS

TYPE - Workshop

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM96990409

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Painted brick building formerly Motor Transport Workshop. In use by the RAF c1930-1959, though difficult to establish description from Air Ministry plan. A Pyper March 2013.

CONDITION - Intact

PRN - 26739

NAME - LLANION BARRACKS

TYPE - Gymnasium, Chapel

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM97080397

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Former Theatre, Gymnasium and chapel. See RJC Thomas description. In use by the RAF c1930-1959, though difficult to establish description from Air Ministry plan. A Pyper March 2013.

PRN - 28457
NAME - RAF PEMBROKE DOCK
TYPE - Bomb store
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SM95550354
COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Two single storey bomb stores behind blast wall PRN 28458. Brick built, square plan with flat concrete roof, set within earth banks. Some steel gantry survives to front, three doors to west now removed. A Pyper 2013



Figure 83: Brick built bomb stores for Pembroke Dock

PRN - 28458
NAME - RAF PEMBROKE DOCK
TYPE - Blast wall
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SM95540356
COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Concrete blast wall, runs along the top of the shingle beach between the high water mark and the two bomb stores behind it - PRN, 28457. Approximately 7m high and 3m wide at its battered base. Part of RAF Pembroke Dock Flying Boat Base. See RJC Thomas description. When visited in 2011 it stood intact though somewhat overgrown. A Pyper 2013.

c1934, Flying Boat Base, Blast Wall, Bomb Dump, now derelict. Hollow re-inforced concrete wall, the space of which is infilled with course limestone rubble. RJC.Thomas, 14.12.93. Concrete blast wall for 28456. JH May 1998



Figure 84: Blast wall in front of Bomb stores at Pembroke Dock

PRN - 28666
NAME - RAF PEMBROKE DOCK SITE NO 4.
TYPE - Military camp
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SN01920090
COMMUNITY - Lamphey
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Dispersed site associated with RAF Pembroke Dock, 1939-45, now demolished. Defined on 1944 Air Ministry plan (Dwg No. 2710.44) Formerly consisted of twelve barrack huts (4 timber, 8 nissen), two timber latrines, and one stone ablutions block, dispersed in field to the east of Lamphey Palace ruins. When visited in Jan 2013 only concrete bases were visible in wooded enclosure, many self-seeded trees and much undergrowth obscuring hut bases. Some larger beech trees on the boundary to the east inscribed with graffiti, which appears to date to 1940's. Description based on R Thomas's record and updated following site visit 2013, A Pyper.

CONDITION - Destroyed/ Near Destroyed **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** / Hut bases survive in a very overgrown and wooded enclosure to the east of Lamphey Bishop's palace.

NAME - PEMBROKE TOWER; MARTELLO TOWER

TYPE - Artillery tower

STATUS - listed building LB 2*, scheduled ancient monument PE332

NGR - SM95520361

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Martello tower of four storeys with a rooftop gun platform. Irregular octagonal plan, dated 1851, but reused in the Second World War. In private ownership when visited in 2013. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Near Intact/ Intact **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** / None recorded



Figure 85: Martello tower used as a gun post in the Second World War

NAME - RAF PEMBROKE DOCK

TYPE - Radio station

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SM95520341

COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Wireless station identified by Roger Thomas, 328/000, with a square, single storey, three bay bungalow in the centre of the plot. Slate gablet roof. The earlier radio masts have gone, to be replaced by two communications masts. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION - Not Known/ Near Intact



Figure 86: Former radio station for RAF Pembroke Dock

PRN - 60259

NAME - HOLYLAND

TYPE - House

STATUS - listed building 6357 II

NGR - SM9988101766

COMMUNITY - Pembroke

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Holyland House was requisitioned in the Second World War and used as RAF sick quarters associated with RAF Pembroke Dock. Recorded as such on the 6" Pembroke Dock record site plan of 1944. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION - Intact

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Intact 19th C house, undergoing refurbishment when visited in 2013. A Pyper 2013.

NAME - RAF PEMBROKE DOCK

TYPE - Graffiti

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SN02000091

COMMUNITY - Lamphey

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Graffitied Beech tree to the east of the enclosure in which the barrack huts for the personnel from RAF Pembroke Dock were stationed during the Second World War. Various initials inscribed and dates, one of which appears to be 'RAF 1940'. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION - Intact **CONDITION DESCRIPTION** None recorded



Figure 87: Beech tree graffiti by service personnel

PRN - 102540

NAME - RAF PEMBROKE DOCK

TYPE - Memorial

STATUS - None recorded

NGR - SN01890088

COMMUNITY - Lamphey

COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Concrete memorial slab located in woodland to the east of Lamphey Bishop's Palace. Concrete, cast with the Fleur de Lys within a wreath of laurels? This is apparently the badge of the Manchester Regiment from WW1. The cast concrete was fractured and broken and encroached on by self-seeded trees when visited in January 2013. A Pyper

CONDITION - Damaged

CONDITION DESCRIPTION concrete memorial cracked and broken. Lies within woodland and is quite overgrown. A. Pyper Jan 2013



Figure 88: Commemorative plinth of the Manchester regiment

PRN - 102543
NAME - LAMPHEY COURT
TYPE - Graffiti
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SN01800100
COMMUNITY - Lamphey
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Graffiti carved into a beech tree at the entrance to Lamphey Court. Representing the left sleeve of a U.S. Army NCO's service dress uniform, the insignia (or patches) are from top to bottom: Unit patch, representing the division, corp command or army to which the man is currently assigned. Rank insignia: First Sergeant. Service stripe (also called a hash mark) representing three years' service. Overseas bars, each bar represents six months overseas service, so it appears this man had already been overseas for two years. This would appear to date from 1943 when I and K companies of the 110th Infantry, 28th US Infantry Division were stationed at a site to the rear and to the left of Lamphey Court. A Pyper 2013.



Figure 89: Beech tree graffiti by an American serviceman

PRN - 102544
NAME - LAMPHEY COURT
TYPE - Graffiti
STATUS - None recorded
NGR - SN01800101
COMMUNITY - Pembroke Dock
COUNTY - Pembrokeshire

SITE DESCRIPTION

Graffiti carved into a second beech tree at Lamphey Court. Representing the left sleeve of a U.S. Army NCO's service dress uniform, the insignia (or patches) are from top to bottom: Unit patch, representing the division, corp command or army to which the man is currently assigned. Rank insignia: First Sergeant. Service stripe (also called a hash mark) representing three years' service. Overseas bars, each bar represents six months overseas service, so it appears this man had already been overseas for two years. This would appear to date from 1943 when I and K companies of the 110th Infantry, 28th US Infantry Division were stationed at a site to the rear and to the left of Lamphey Court. A Pyper 2013.

RAF ST DAVIDS
PRN 101989
NAME RAF ST DAVIDS
TYPE Airfield
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE COMPLEX
CONDITION Various
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM79022551
COMMUNITY Solva
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

The airfield at St Davids was opened in 1943 under Coastal Command with a satellite station at Brawdy. The main role of the aircraft here was submarine hunting and attacking as far as the Bay of Biscay. Three concrete runways were constructed; 2000yards E-W, 1400 yards NW-SE and 1200 yards NE-SW. There were 3 T2 hangars erected and a pad for a fourth which was never built. These were moved to Brawdy in the 1950s. There were 30 spectacle hardstandings around the perimeter track.

In 2011 the runways, perimeter track and hardstandings survive, although works by PCNPA have covered some of the concreted areas with bunds and obscure the footprint. No buildings survive within the airfield itself, lending a very open aspect to the site. There are a cluster of buildings to the south, west of Llanunngar Farm; the former fuel compound, motor transport sheds and produce compound. The bomb stores were located to the northwest and are now partially in use for the civic amenity waste plant. Other technical buildings were along the south of the perimeter track, but have been removed and grassed over. Much of the airfield is under agricultural use. A Pyper 2012.

The airfield at St Davids has accommodation and support buildings dispersed to the south of the airfield either side of the Solva to St Davids road. There are twelve dispersed sites including two communal sites, sick quarters and WAAF sites (PRN 105645, 105644, 105899, 105900, 105901, 105902, 105903, 105904, 102577, 102578). Though many of the temporary buildings have been levelled in many places the service roads and fragmentary structures survive. To date no defences associated with St David's airfield have been identified and this maybe due to its late construction in the War, when threats had diminished. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / The runways and perimeter track and hardstandings essentially survive, though obscured in places by earth bunds. No buildings survive on the airfield itself, only the picket post, motor transport shed and produce compounds to the south, adjacent to Llanunngar Farm. A Pyper 2012.

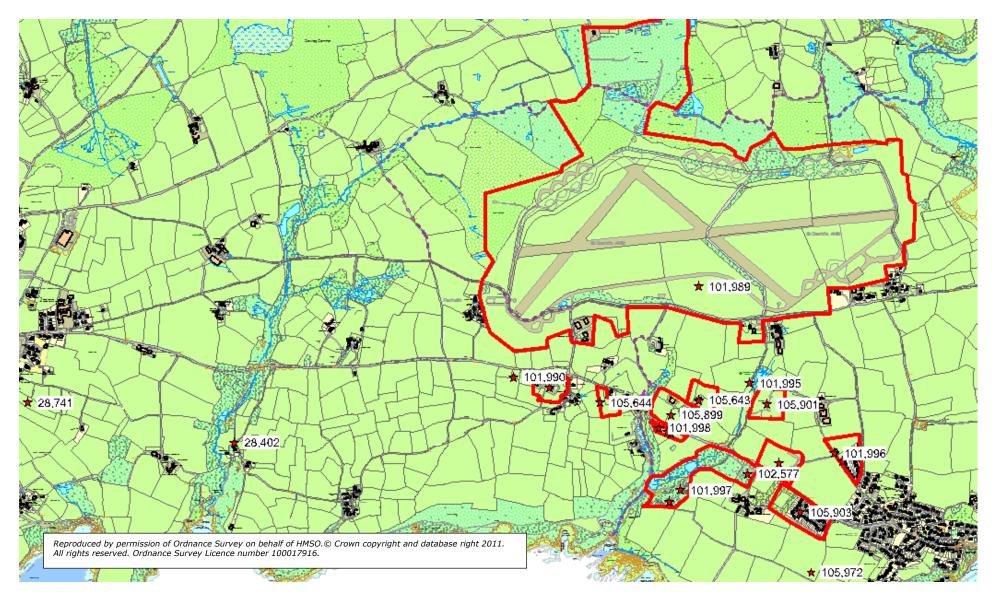


Figure 90: Map showing sites associated with St Davids airfield

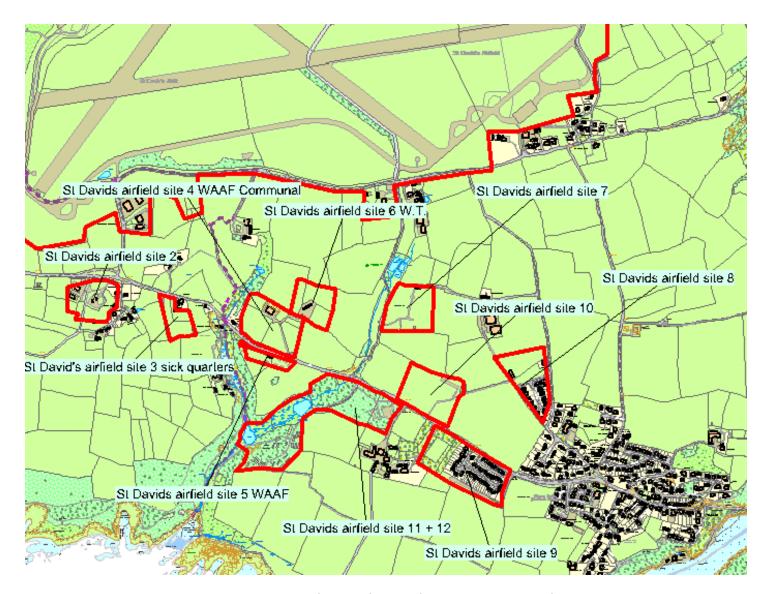


Figure 91: Map showing dispersed sites at RAF St Davids

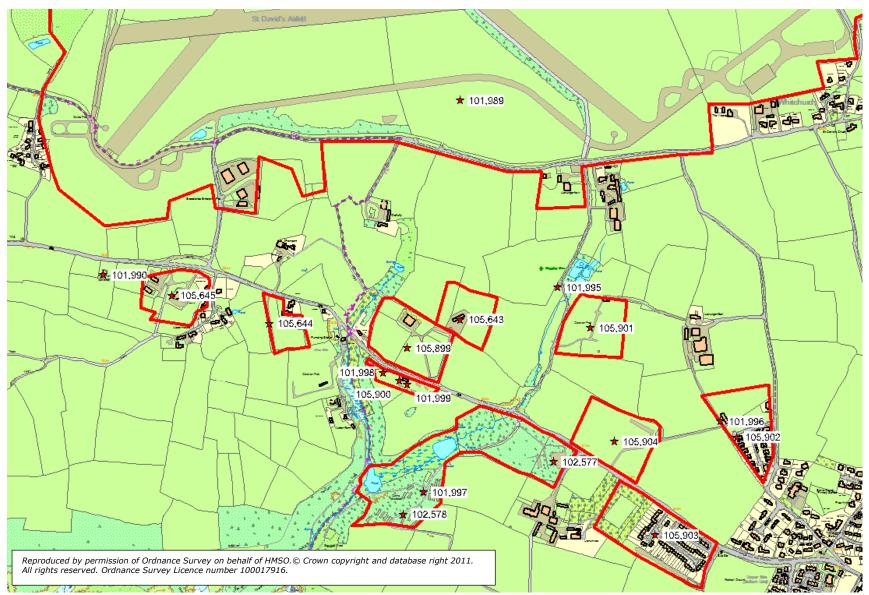


Figure 92: Map showing sites associated with RAF St Davids

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS TYPE Navigation Aid PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure/ Extant Structure

CONDITION Intact

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM7583824960

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Octagonal brick built structure 2.36m high, 5.5m across, entrance with blast wall in the north side. Built during the Second World War, the brick wall encloses the base of a HF/DF tower (High Frequency Direction Finding) for assisting aircraft to navigate their way back to the St Davids Airfield. Alice Pyper, December 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Brick building intact to wall tops. Slightly overgrown with brambles inside. A Pyper 2013.



Figure 93: Octagonal wall formerly enclosing a HF/DF tower

PRN 101990

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS

TYPE Water Tank

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Structure

CONDITION Intact

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM78142508

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

West of RAF St Davids Site no.2 is the Water tank. Square plan, re-inforced concrete, approx 3m in height, lower 2m battered. Cast-iron vent pipe to west battered wall. (description based on Roger Thomas 1993). L.Meek May 2013.

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS
TYPE Destructor House

PERIOD Modern **EVIDENCE** / Building

CONDITION Destroyed/ Damaged

STATUS pcnp NGR SM79262505

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Sited to the west of site no.7 and described on the Air Ministry plan as Destructor house. Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement mono-pitch roof (removed). Doorway in E elevation, north wall partially collapsed. Built per AMWD drawing 1189/43. Description based on Roger Thomas 1993. When visited in 2013; 2.25 sides of building survive. roofless, temporary red brick, with cement skim, concrete base, partially undermined. L.Meek May 2013.



Figure 94: Destructor house south of St Davids airfield

PRN 101996

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS

TYPE Sergeant's and Airmen's Ablutions

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / Building
CONDITION Near intact
STATUS page

STATUS pcnp NGR SM79662472 COMMUNITY Solva COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Site No.8. Identified on the Air ministry plan as Ablutions block. Single storey, 8.5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable

roof. Three light standard steel windows in all elevation. Cement rendered brick water tower to north wall. Built per AMWD drawing 16517/41. (Description based on Roger Thomas 1993). When visited in 2013; green doors have been added as it is now used for agricultural purposes. Half of the asbestos roofing has been blown off during the winter of 2012-2013. L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Half of the asbestos roof was blown off in the winter 2012-2013. L.Meek May 2013.



Figure 95: Ablutions block at St Davids

PRN 101997

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS TYPE Blast Shelter PERIOD Modern EVIDENCE / Building

CONDITION Intact/ Near Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM7893024545

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Blast shelter at RAF St Davids Site No.12 (South Communal). Semi-sunken, rectangular plan, open fair-faced brick walled enclosure, earth reveted. Entrances in E and W elevations protected by brick blast walls. Central spine wall subdivides the interior. AMWD drawing 2360/41. Described by Roger Thomas 1993. When visited in 2013; 1.30m in height. L. Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Tipping of concrete within feature. L Meek 2013



Figure 96: Blast shelter at the communal site

PRN 101998
NAME RAF ST DAVIDS
TYPE Picket Post
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / Building
CONDITION Intact/ Near Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM78832484
COMMUNITY Solva
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Picket Post at RAF St Davids Site No 5. Identified on Air Ministry plan (WAAF). Single storey, square plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Doorway and secondary timber window in the SE elevation. Built per AMWD drawing 1560/42. Described by Roger Thomas 1993. L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / When visited in 2013; some windows and window frames still intact. Also remains of the door. L Meek 2013



Figure 97: Remaining picket post

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS
TYPE Ablutions Block
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / Building
CONDITION Near intact/ Damaged
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM78892481
COMMUNITY Solva

HER DESCRIPTION

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

Ablutions block sited on RAF St Davids Site No 5, described on Air Ministry dispersed sites plan as Site No.5 (WAAF). Single storey, 6.5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof.3 asbestos cement ventilators on the ridge. Western 2 bays occupied by showers. Built per AMWD drawing 5D 242. Described by Roger Thomas 1993. L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / When visited in 2013; Some window frames and windows still intact. Roofless over the western end of the building. L Meek. 2013.



Figure 98: Partially roofless ablutions block

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 11

TYPE Military Camp PERIOD Modern EVIDENCE Complex CONDITION Damaged STATUS None recorded NGR SM7925024620

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

On Air Ministry plan as site no.11, south communal. Comprised officers and sergeants mess, showers, squash court and quarters constructed as temporary brick buildings. When visited in 2013 the site consists of concrete building platforms. Also the drainage system for the toilets and showers. L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION When visited in 2013 site consisted of concrete building platforms but no upstanding buildings. A Pyper 2013

PRN 102578

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 12

TYPE Military Camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM7888024490

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF St Davids Site No 12. On Air ministry dispersed site plan as Site no.12; consisting of Transformer plinth, Airmens, sergeants and officers barracks and latrines, formerly temporary brick or Seco hutting. Now only concrete platforms of barrack huts and broken up blocks (4) of a 'tower' of whitehead Cwmbran red bricks on a concrete platform survive. L.Meek May 2013.

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 6 **TYPE** Wireless Telegraphy Block

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM79022497

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Shown on Air Ministry dispersed site plan as site no.6 Wireless Telegraphy block. Consisting of WT Transmitter block and four masts. The four masts no longer survive but the building; rectangular plan, cement rendered temporary red brick, corrugated asbestos roof, does. All windows blocked. Now used for agricultural purposes. At entrance to the site 2 large concrete road blocks with large iron clasps and chains. L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Building survives, but no trace of the associated masts. A Pyper 2013.



Figure 99: Remaining building at the wireless station

PRN 105644

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 3

TYPE infirmary PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE DEMOLISHED BUILDING

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS *None recorded* **NGR** SM7855024960

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Shown on Air ministry dispersed sites plan as site no.3 sick quarters; formerly consisting of RAF and WAAF nissen hutting sick quarters . No upstanding buildings remain. L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION All remains used in the construction of the hedgerow bank. L.Meek May 2013.

PRN 105645

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 2

TYPE Military Camp PERIOD Modern EVIDENCE COMPLEX

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded NGR SM7831025030

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF St Davids Site No 2. On Air Ministry dispersed site plan described as site of Battle Headquarters, Main stores and various training facilities. Site now cleared and remains of the concrete platforms and some buildings have been re-built over for agricultural purposes. L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Concrete platforms remain and some buildings have been built over for agricultural purposes. L Meek May 2013.

PRN 105899

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 4

TYPE Military Camp **PERIOD** Modern

EVIDENCE Complex **CONDITION** Near Destroyed

STATUS *None recorded* **NGR** SM78892490

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF ST DAVIDS No 4 WAAF Communal site. Identified on the Air ministry plan to consist of various temporary brick buildings, nissen and seco hutting. The buildings have been demolished and only the concrete road surfacing survives. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Buildings have been removed and only the concrete road survives. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105900

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 5 (WAAF)

TYPE Military Camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM78872482

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 5 (WAAF), described on the Air Ministry plan as consisting of barrack huts (Nissen) and ablutions block (temporary brick). Now only the picket post (PRN 101998) and ablutions block (PRN 101999) survives. Other buildings removed and

only concrete bases survive. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Most of the site buildings demolished except the ablutions and picket. Other concrete platforms survive. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105901

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 7

TYPE Military Camp PERIOD Modern EVIDENCE Complex

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded NGR SM79342495

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 7, identified on the Air Ministry site plan consisting of Sergeants, Officers and Airmens barrack huts (temporary brick, Seco and Nissen hutting). The site is now occupied by a caravan park and only the concrete road way survives. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 105902

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 8

TYPE Military Camp PERIOD Modern EVIDENCE Complex

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded NGR SM79702468

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF ST DAVIDS SITE No 8, described on the Air Ministry plan as Officers, sergeants and airmens barrack huts (temporary brick, seco and nissen hutting). Only the ablutions block (PRN 101996) now survives, and the rest of the buildings removed and the field partially built over. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Most of the site buildings demolished except the ablutions and picket post. Other concrete platforms survive. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105903

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 9

TYPE Military Camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded NGR SM79502444

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF ST DAVIDS SITE No 9 identified on the Air Ministry plan as consisting of Airmen's,

officer's and sergeant's barrack huts (Seco and temporary brick huts). The site has now been redeveloped. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Site has now been redeveloped. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 105904

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS SITE NO 10

TYPE Military Camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded NGR SM79402467

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF ST DAVIDS SITE No 10 is described on the air ministry plan as North communal, with various building including the institute, tailor barber and shoemakers shop, gymnasium, church and cinema, mostly temporary brick buildings, but also Nissen and Seco hutting. All these buildings have been removed and the site returned to pasture. Only a concrete road survives. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Site cleared of buildings, only a concrete road survives. A Pyper 2013

PRN 105972

NAME RAF ST DAVIDS TYPE Navigation aid PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Documentary evidence

CONDITION Not known **STATUS** *None recorded* **NGR** SM79542415

COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Marked on the St Davids Air Ministry plan as HF/DF Station (High Frequency Direction Finding). Part of navigation system to assist aircraft landing at St Davids airfield. No trace visible on 2009 Aerial Mapping. A Pyper 2014

RAF TALBENNY
PRN 101519
NAME RAF TALBENNY
TYPE Airfield
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION various
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM83301126
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF Talbenny airfield was opened on the 1st May 1942, as part of No. 19 Coastal Command, with its satellite airfield at Dale. It accommodated a Czech squadron carrying out submarine patrols for a year and after they departed it was transferred to Transport Command in October 1943, ferrying crew and reinforcement aircraft to overseas theatres. Their duties included ferrying VIPs and cargo all over the UK. It finally closed in 1958. (from I, Jones. 2007. Airfields and Landing Grounds of Wales: West) It consisted of 3 intersecting runways, NNE-SSW 1600 yards long, NNW-SSE 1100 yards long and WSW-ENE 1100 yard long.

In January 2012 these have largely been removed, although some sections on the southern side of the airfield survive and are occasionally used for motorsport. It originally consisted of two T2 type Hangars, now gone, and 36 Frying Pan hardstandings, additional concrete aprons could accommodate 22 aircraft. The bomb stores lie to the north, with dispersed sites to the northeast of the airfield. (A. Pyper. 2012)

There are a number of dispersed sites associated with the airfield at Talbenny, located to the east of the airfield itself as far as Hasguard Cross (PRNs 105947, 105948, 105949, 105950, 105952, 105953, 105954, 105955, 105956, 105957, 105958, 105959). Many of the sites have been levelled and returned to agricultural use however there are some clusters of surviving structures including the Operations block (PRN 105946), the communal site (PRN 105944) airmen's quarters at Site's No 1 & 10, (PRNs 105947, 105956), the sick quarters (PRN 105945) and the WAAF sites (PRNs 105957, 105958). The airfield appears to have been defended by Light Anti Aircraft gun emplacements (Motley Stalk), two survive to the north of the airfield and one to the southwest (PRNs 102516, 105942, 101275) and a possible Battle Headquarters has been identified from aerial photographs which was never completed (PRN 105943). A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / The runways have been largely obliterated, more so on the northern half of the airfield. A number of buildings to the northeast survive, though in guite poor condition. A Pyper 2012.

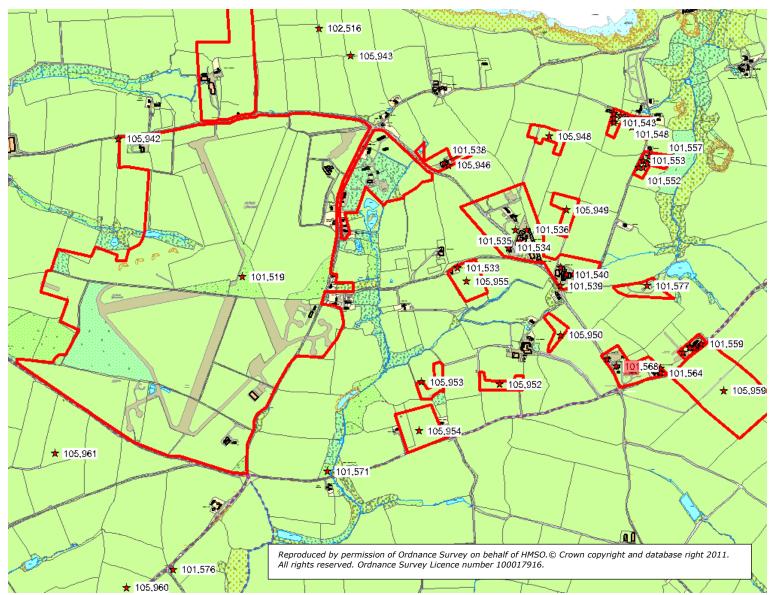


Figure 100: Map showing sites associated with RAF Talbenny

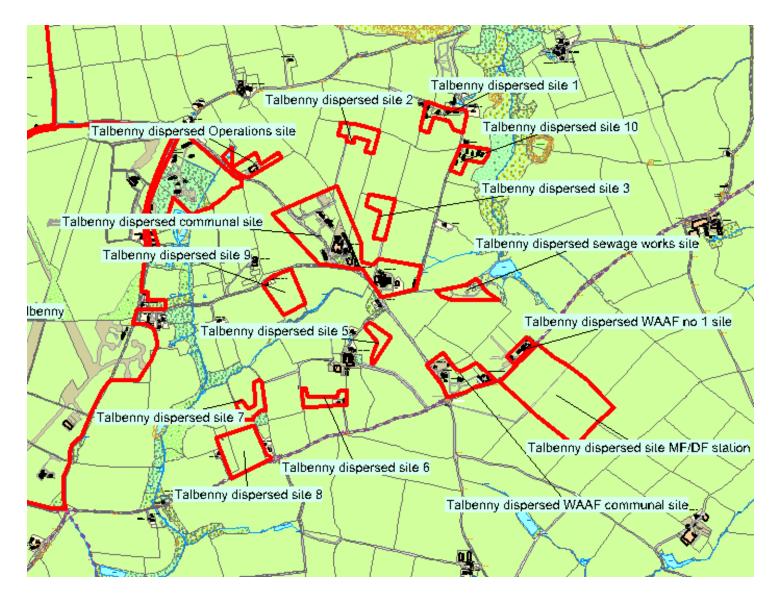


Figure 101: Map showing sites associated with RAF Talbenny

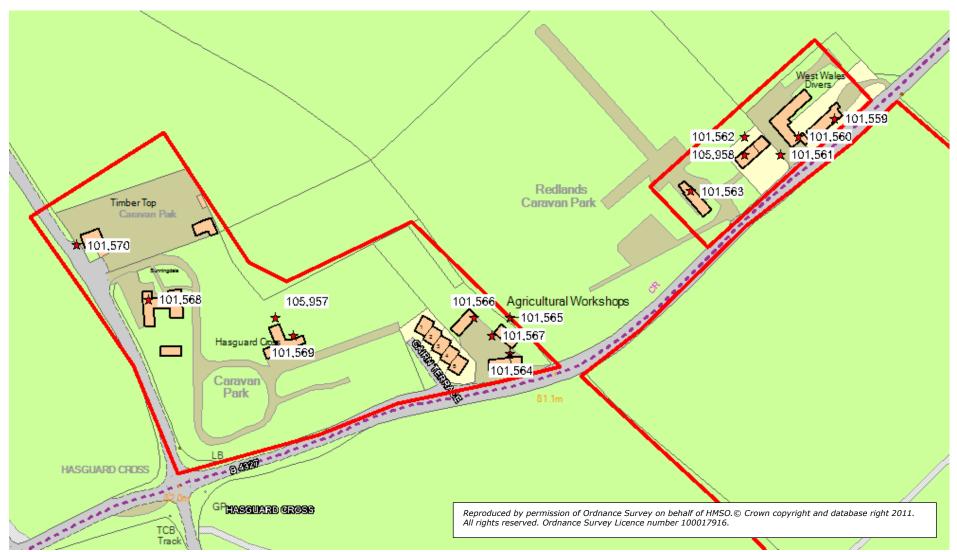


Figure 102: Map showing RAF Talbenny WAAF communal site



Figure 103: Map showing RAF Talbenny communal site

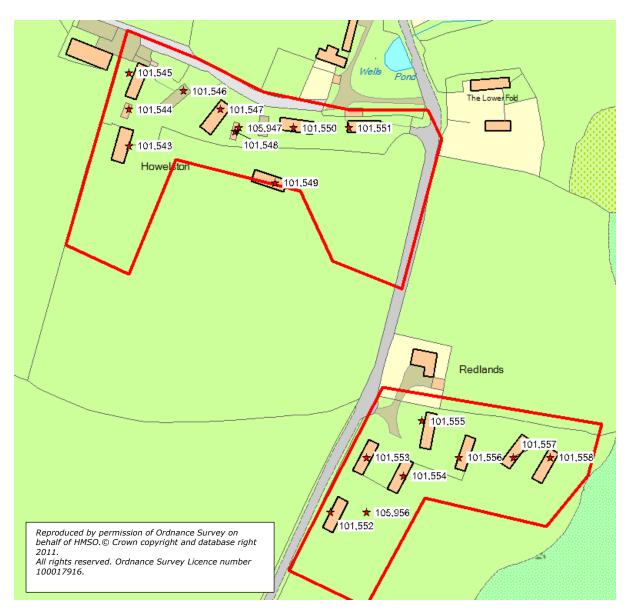


Figure 104: Map showing RAF Talbenny dispersed Sites 1 and 10



Figure 105: RAF Talbenny Pump house and water system

PRN 101273
NAME RAF TALBENNY
TYPE Pump House
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / Extant building
CONDITION Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM81240882
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A pump house, single storey, rectangular 4 bay plan, cement rendered temporary brick, corrugated asbestos gable roof, catslide to SE. Brick pillars carry E end of trusses. Door in NE and NW elevations. Built per AMWD drawing 1585/41. RJC Thomas 1993

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Pump house is intact and in use as a store and workshop. Paint scheme in the interior are still evident. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 106: Pumphouse for RAF Talbenny

NAME RAF TALBENNY TYPE settling tank PERIOD Modern EVIDENCE / structure CONDITION Intact

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM81260888

COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Floccolating Tank, single storey, rectangular plan with projecting southern end wall, reinforced concrete, sub-divided open chambers with steel inspection catwalk over, accessed by steel ladder in southern projection. RJC Thomas 1993.



Figure 107: Water tank at Orlandon Kilns

PRN 101275

NAME RAF TALBENNY TYPE Defence Post PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / structure

CONDITION Near Intact/ Damaged

STATUS pcnp NGR SM81270888

COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Two concrete sewage pipes. One has been lifted and now sits on top of the other, where originally they would sit side by side. Used as gun emplacement for light anti-aircraft machine guns. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 108: Motley stalk gun emplacement (since modified)

NAME RAF TALBENNY

TYPE water tank

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / structure

CONDITION Near destroyed

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Not identified on site visit. A Pyper 2014.

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM81240883

COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Square plan Braithwaite steel water tank. Plotted off aerial photographs. RJC Thomas 1993.

PRN 101533

NAME RAF TALBENNY

TYPE guard house

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / converted

CONDITION Near Intact/ Damaged

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM84261130

COMMUNITY The Havens

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Picket post part of dispersed site No.9. Single storey, square plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Secondary timber framed, corrugated steel clad 'lean-to' against the NE wall. Built per AMWD drawing 7125/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Picket post intact, greatly modified into a domestic building. Much of the cement skim has fallen off. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 109: Converted picket post

NAME RAF TALBENNY

TYPE gymnasium

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extant building

CONDITION Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM84491139

COMMUNITY The Havens

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Communal Site. Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 4911/42. RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Building still in use and in good condition though it has some replacement windows and door. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 110: Former gymnasium and chapel

NAME RAF TALBENNY

TYPE canteen
PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Intact building

CONDITION Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM84541142

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Communal Site. Three parallel single storey ranges linked by a central cross range. Each range, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 7120/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / The dining room at the communal site at Talbenny is in use with a food company. In good condition. Modifications have been undertaken. A Pyper 2014



Figure 111: Former dining room at the communal site

PRN 101536

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military building

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extact building

CONDITION Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM84571147

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Communal Site. Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. RJC Thomas 1993.

PRN 101537

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** generator house

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / Extant building
CONDITION Intact/ Converted
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM84571139
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Communal Site. Single storey, rectangular plan, brick construction, flat re-inforced concrete roof. Radically altered into a house. Built per AMWD drawing 13244/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Standby set house converted into a lavish bungalow with balconies around each side. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 112: Former standby set house now converted

PRN 101538

NAME RAF TALBENNY

TYPE military headquarters

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Damaged

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM84201177

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified as an Operations Block on the Air Ministry plan of 1945. Single storey, rectangular plan, brick construction, flat re-inforced concrete roof. Two cement rendered air ventilation chimneys. Large openings have been made in the south wall to permit access for farm vehicles. Built per AMWD drawing 2337/41. based on RJC Thomas description, A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Operations block still standing though derelict and in a poor condition, water ingress, used for storage. A Pyper 2014



Figure 113: Derelict operations block

NAME RAF TALBENNY TYPE guard house PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extant building

CONDITION Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM84721122

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Picket post at the entrance to the Sick Quarters Site. Single storey, square plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 7125/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

PRN 101540

NAME RAF TALBENNY TYPE Sick Quarters PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extant building **CONDITION** Intact/ Damaged

STATUS pcnp
NGR SM84751127
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Sick Quarters. Three parallel, inter-linked, single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roofed ranges forming a single structure. Built per AMWD drawing 7128/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Formerly , three parallel ranges - the central one has been demolished and a larger building built on the site. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101541

NAME RAF TALBENNY

TYPE mortuary

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / extant building

CONDITION Intact/ Near Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM84721130

COMMUNITY The Havens

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Mortuary and ambulance station at the Sick Quarters Site. Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Double vehicle door to S gable. Mortuary accessed 6by door in E wall. Built per AMWD drawing 7128/41.RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Building intact and in good condition, used as a stable. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101542

NAME RAF TALBENNY

TYPE military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / documentary evidence

CONDITION Intact/ Not known

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM84871126

COMMUNITY The Havens

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Sick Quarters Site. Single storey, 5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Secondary veranda to east elevation. Built per AMWD drawing 7122/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Access not granted. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101543

NAME RAF TALBENNY

TYPE military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / DEMOLISHED BUILDING

CONDITION Intact/ Near Destroyed

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM84961195

COMMUNITY The Havens

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry plan as Airmen's quarters. Dispersed Site No.1.Single

storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 7122/41. based on RJC Thomas description Now demolished. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Only the base of this building survives the upstanding structure has been demolished. A Pyper 2014

PRN 101544

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** Military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Intact

STATUS pcnp NGR SM84961197

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry plan as Airmen's latrines and drying room. Dispersed Site No.1.Single storey,3 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement mono-pitch roof. Doorway in N & S walls. Built per AMWD drawing 7125/41. based on RJC Thomas description A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101545

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Intact

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM84961199

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry plan as Airmen's quarters. Dispersed Site No.1.Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 7122/41. Based on RJC Thomas description A Pyper 2014.



Figure 114: Former airmen's quarters

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / DEMOLISHED BUILDING **CONDITION** Intact/ Near Destroyed

STATUS pcnp
NGR SM84991198
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry plan as Airmen's quarters. Dispersed Site No.1.Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 7122/41. Based on RJC Thomas description Now demolished and site cleared. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101547

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Damaged/

STATUS pcnp
NGR SM85011197
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry plan as Airmen's quarters. Dispersed Site No.1.Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 7122/41. Based on RJC Thomas description. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 115: Former airmen's quarters

PRN 101548

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / EXTANT BUILDING **CONDITION** Near intact/ Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM8501811958 COMMUNITY The Havens COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry plan as Airmen's quarters, drying rooms and latrines. Dispersed Site No.1. Single storey,3 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Doorways in N & S walls.4 light standard steel windows. Built per AMWD drawing 7125/41. Based on RJC Thomas description A Pyper 2014.



Figure 116: Former drying rooms associated with quarters

PRN 101549

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** Airmen's Quarters

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / DEMOLISHED BUILDING **CONDITION** Intact/ Near Destroyed

STATUS *pcnp* **NGR** SM85041193

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the air ministry plan as Airmen's Quarters. Dispersed Site No.1.Single storey, 5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Secondary double doorway in W gable. Original door in E gable. Built per AMWD drawing 7122/41. based on RJC Thomas description. Now demolished and site cleared. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101550

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Intact STATUS pcnp NGR SM85051196 COMMUNITY The Havens COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry plan as Sergeants Quarters. Dispersed Site No.1.Single storey,5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Doorway in E & W gables, window per bay in N & S elevations. Built per AMWD drawing 9025/41. Based on RJC Thomas description. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 117: Former sergeant's quarters

PRN 101551
NAME RAF TALBENNY
TYPE military residence
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / EXTANT BUILDING
CONDITION Intact
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM85081196
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the air ministry plan as Sergeants quarters. Dispersed Site No.1.Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 9025/41. Based on RJC Thomas description. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 118: Former sergeant's quarters

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extant building **CONDITION** Intact/ Near Intact

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM85071175

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airmen's quarters part of dispersed Site No.10. Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 7122/41. RJC Thomas 1993.



Figure 119: Former airmen's quarters

PRN 101553

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extant building **CONDITION** Intact/ Near Intact

STATUS pcnp NGR SM85091178

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Dispersed Site No.10. Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 7122/41. RJC Thomas 1993



Figure 120: Former airmen's quarters

PRN 101554

NAME RAF TALBENNY

TYPE military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extant building

CONDITION Intact/ Near Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM85111177

COMMUNITY The Havens

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airmen's quarters part of dispersed Site No.10. Single storey, 5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Secondary double vehicle door in NE gable. Built per AMWD drawing 7122/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

PRN 101555

NAME RAF TALBENNY

TYPE military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM85121180

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airmen's Quarters, part of Dispersed Site No.10.Single storey, 5 bay rectangular plan cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Secondary double vehicle door in S gable. Built per AMWD drawing 7122/41. RJC Thomas 1993. Now becoming derelict. A Pyper2014



Figure 121: Former airmen's quarters

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / extant building **CONDITION** Intact/ Damaged

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM85141178

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Sergeant's Quarters, part of dispersed Site No.10.Single storey,5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Doorway in S gable blocked. Built per AMWD drawing 9025/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Building in poor condition with some asbestos sheeting missing from the roof. A Pyper2014.



Figure 122: Former sergeant's quarters

PRN 101557
NAME RAF TALBENNY
TYPE military residence
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE

CONDITION Intact STATUS pcnp NGR SM85171178 COMMUNITY The Havens COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Dispersed Site No.10.Single storey,5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Secondary double vehicle doors in S gable. Built per AMWD drawing 9025/41. RJC Thomas 1993.



Figure 123: Former quarters PRNs 101557 & 101558

PRN 101558

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extant building **CONDITION** Intact/ Near Intact

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM85191178
COMMUNITY The Havens

COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airmens quarters part of dispersed Site No.10. Single storey, 5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 7122/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

PRN 101559

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / extant building **CONDITION** Intact/ Converted

STATUS pcnp NGR SM85351096

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airwomen's and Sergeant's Quarters at the WAAF Site No.1. Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Local

name ' The Hole in the Hedge'. Rebuilt and extended as a private dwelling. Built per AMWD drawing 14423/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Quarters intact though much modified into a dwelling. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101560

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extant building **CONDITION** Intact/ Converted

STATUS pcnp NGR SM85331095

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airwomen's and Sergeant's Quarters at the WAAF Site No.1.Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Rebuilt as a shop and workshop, radically altered in appearance with flat roof. Built per AMWD drawing 14423/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Quarters have been much modified into a dwelling and shop A Pyper 2014.



Figure 124: Former sergeants and airwomen's quarters, now modified

PRN 101561

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern **EVIDENCE** / building

CONDITION Intact/ Near Destroyed

STATUS pcnp NGR SM85321094

COMMUNITY The Havens

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airwomen's and Sergeant's Quarters at the WAAF Site No.1. Site redeveloped and it is not clear how much of the building, if any survives. A Pyper 2014

Single storey,5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof.16 light standard steel window per bay. Door in centre of each gable. Built per AMWD drawing 14423/41. RJC Thomas 1993

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Building appears to have been demolished as the site has been redeveloped. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101562

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern **EVIDENCE** / building

CONDITION Intact/ near destroyed

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM85301095

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airwomen's and Sergeant's Quarters at the WAAF Site No.1. Airwomen's and Sergeant's Quarters at the WAAF Site No.1. Site redeveloped and it is not clear how much of the building, if any survives. A Pyper 2014

Single storey,5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof.16 light standard steel window per bay. Door in centre of each gable. Built per AMWD drawing 14423/41. RJC Thomas 1993

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Building appears to have been demolished as the site has been redeveloped. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101563

NAME RAF TALBENNY TYPE military residence PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extant building

CONDITION Intact

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM85271092

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airwomen's & Sergeant's Latrine at the WAAF Site No.1.Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 13047/41. RJC Thomas 1993

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Building in excellent condition and in use as part of the caravan park. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 125: Reused building on WAAF site

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extant building **CONDITION** Intact/ Near Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM85171083

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airwomen's and Sergeant's Quarters at the WAAF Communal Site. Single storey,5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Porched doorway in W gable. Secondary fenestration and double vehicle door in E gable. Built per AMWD drawing 14423/41. RJC Thomas 1993.



Figure 126: Airwomen's and Sergeant's quarters

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extant building **CONDITION** Near intact

STATUS pcnp
NGR SM85171085
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airwomen's and Sergeant's Quarters at the WAAF Communal Site. Single storey,5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 14423/41. RJC Thomas 1993

PRN 101566

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / extant building **CONDITION** Intact/ near intact

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM85151085

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airwomen's and Sergeant's Quarters in the WAAF Communal Site. Single storey,5 bay rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Secondary fenestration, doorway in central bay of S elevation. Built per AMWD drawing 14423/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

PRN 101567

NAME RAF TALBENNY TYPE Air Raid Shelter PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / documentary evidence **CONDITION** Damaged/ Not known

STATUS pcnp
NGR SM85161084
COMMUNITY The Havens

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

WAAF Communal Site. Sunken, rectangular plan, pre-cast, bolted, re-inforced concrete parabolic panels.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Access to the site not available. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101568

NAME RAF TALBENNY TYPE military residence PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / Extant building

CONDITION Intact

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM84971086 COMMUNITY The Havens COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Officer's Quarters at the WAAF Communal Site. Single storey, 'H' plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof.7 bay S range, and 6 bay N range. Secondary garage door to S elevation of the S range. Built per AMWD drawing CCW No.57. RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Building now in use as part of the caravan park. Intact though modified. A Pyper 2014



Figure 127: Former quarters now converted

PRN 101569

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** military residence

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Converted

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM85051084

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Airwomen's & Sergeant's Latrine at the WAAF Site No.1. Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Radically altered into a clubhouse porched doorway in W gable. Built per AMWD drawing 13047/41. RJC Thomas 1993.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Now part of the facilities for the caravan park and much modified. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101570

NAME RAF TALBENNY

TYPE Guardhouse
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / EXTANT BUILDING
CONDITION Intact/ Converted
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM84931089
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Picket post at the WAAF Communal Site. Single storey square plan, cement rendered 'temporary brick', corrugated asbestos cement gable roof. Built per AMWD drawing 7125/41. RJC Thomas 1993

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Now the reception and living quarters for the caravan park. Modified. A Pyper2014.



Figure 128: Former picket post now converted

PRN 101571

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** Water Pumphouse

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / DEMOLISHED BUILDING

CONDITION Near destroyed

STATUS *pcnp*

NGR SM83681039

COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Rectangular plan concrete floor raft, with two raised concrete machinery beds, located by the stream. A Pyper 2014

PRN 101576

NAME RAF TALBENNY
TYPE Transformer Kiosk

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE
CONDITION Near intact/ Near Destroyed
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM82990995

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Square concrete floor enclosed by a brick blast wall.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / No upstanding remains of this site could be identified. Presumed levelled. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 101577

NAME RAF TALBENNY TYPE sewage works PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE **CONDITION** Near intact/ Not known

STATUS pcnp
NGR SM85111122
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as the Sewage disposal works, associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a sewage works plant, a destructor house and a tool house. These were constructed in brick and temporary brick. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Access to site not gained. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 102516
NAME RAF TALBENNY
TYPE Gun Emplacement
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM8364112372
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A pair of precast concrete rings side by side located in a hedge line to the north of Talbenny airfield. These are gun pits for Light Anti-Aircraft guns, and also referred to as 'Motley Stalk gun emplacements'. The rings are 1.5m in diameter and stand approximately 0.83m high with an internal flange. Located and fenced off within a hedgebank. A Pyper 2012.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION A pair of precast concrete rings intact. A Pyper 2012.

PRN 105942
NAME RAF TALBENNY
TYPE gun emplacement
PERIOD modern
EVIDENCE EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Intact STATUS None recorded NGR SM8274411877 COMMUNITY The Havens COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A pair of precast concrete rings side by side located in a hedge line to the northwest of Talbenny airfield. These are gun pits for Light Anti-Aircraft guns, and also referred to as 'Motley Stalk gun emplacements'. The rings are 1.5m in diameter with an internal flange. Located within a hedgebank. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105943

NAME RAF TALBENNY **TYPE** battle headquarters

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

CONDITION Not known STATUS None recorded NGR SM8378212250 COMMUNITY The Havens COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Rumoured location of a partially built battle headquarters. RAF Aerial photographs indicate an area along the north side of the hedgerow and in the corner of the field to the west an area of disturbance and construction. A hexagonal plinth appears to have been constructed in the field. Local tradition is that this area was identified to be the location of a Battle Headquarters for Talbenny airfield. It is thought to have been never fully constructed. Modern APs indicate that the field has been cleared. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105944
NAME RAF TALBENNY COMMUNAL SITE
TYPE military camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE COMPLEX
CONDITION various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM84521147
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as the Communal site associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a range of buildings providing services and support for the airfield, such as Officers Mess, Squash court, dining Room, stores and WAAF barrack huts. These mostly were temporary brick buildings, though some were 'Seco' and 'Laing' hutting. When visited in 2014 the dining room, gymnasium and chapel all survive, but many of the other buildings have been demolished to foundations. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105945

NAME RAF TALBENNY SICK QUARTERS

TYPE infirmary
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE COMPLEX
CONDITION various
STATUS None recorded

NGR SM84781127 COMMUNITY The Havens COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as the Sick Quarters Site associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of Sick Quarters, Ambulance Garage and Mortuary, Barrack hut and Ablutions. These were temporary brick buildings. When visited in 2014 the Mortuary and garage survive as does the picket post, and two of the three parallel ranges of the former sick quarters survive. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105946
NAME RAF TALBENNY OPERATIONS BLOCK
TYPE military headquarters
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE COMPLEX
CONDITION various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM84221176
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as the Operations Block site associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a range of buildings including the Operations block, a Pigeon loft Airmen's Quarters. These were built in brick, timber and Nissen huts. When visited in 2014 only the operations block itself survives, the other buildings have been demolished to foundations. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 129: RAF Talbenny Operations block

PRN 105947

NAME RAF TALBENNY SITE NO 1

TYPE military camp

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE COMPLEX
CONDITION various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM85021196
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as Site No. 1 associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a range of buildings providing accommodation for the Sergeants and Airmen These mostly were temporary brick buildings, and one 'Nissen' hut. When visited in 2014 the most of the quarters and drying blocks survive. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105948
NAME RAF TALBENNY SITE NO 2
TYPE military camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE COMPLEX
CONDITION Near Destroyed
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM84671189
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as Site No 2 as associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a range of buildings providing accommodation for Sergeants and Airmen. These were a mix of temporary brick buildings and 'Laing' hutting. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Access for site visited not gained, though modern 2009 APs suggest that the site has been demolished and fields returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 105949

NAME RAF TALBENNY SITE NO 3

TYPE military camp PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded NGR SM84751156

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as Site No 3 associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a range of buildings providing accommodation for Sergeants and Airmen. These were a mix of temporary brick buildings and 'Laing' hutting. APs suggest that the site has been demolished and fields returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Access for site visited not gained, though modern 2009 APs suggest that the site has been demolished and fields returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 105950

NAME RAF TALBENNY SITE NO 5

TYPE military camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE
CONDITION Near Destroyed
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM84721100
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as Site No 5 associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a range of buildings providing accommodation for Officers, Sergeants and Airmen. These were a mix of temporary brick buildings and 'Laing' hutting. APs suggest that the site has been demolished and fields returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The site has been demolished and fields returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 105952
NAME RAF TALBENNY SITE NO 6
TYPE military camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE COMPLEX
CONDITION Near Destroyed
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM84451078
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as Site No 6 associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a range of buildings providing accommodation for Officers, Sergeants and Airmen. These were a mix of temporary brick buildings and 'Laing' hutting. The site has been demolished and fields returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The site has been demolished and returned to agriculture. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105953
NAME RAF TALBENNY SITE NO 7
TYPE military camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE COMPLEX
CONDITION Near Destroyed
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM84101079
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as Site No 5 associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a range of buildings providing accommodation for Officers, Sergeants and Airmen. These were a mix of temporary brick buildings and 'Laing' hutting. The site has been demolished and fields returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The site has been demolished and fields returned to agriculture. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105954

NAME RAF TALBENNY SITE NO 8

TYPE military camp PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

CONDITION Near Destroyed

STATUS None recorded
NGR SM84091057
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as Site No 8 associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a range of buildings providing accommodation for Officers, Sergeants and Airmen. These were a mix of temporary brick buildings and 'Laing' hutting. In addition this site also had a Wireless Transmitting station. The site has now been demolished. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The site has been levelled and the field returned to agriculture, however the landowner is aware that there is potentially submerged air raid shelters that survive below ground. This could not been confirmed during the site visit, though rough areas of ground may correspond to their former location. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105955

NAME RAF TALBENNY SITE NO 9

TYPE military camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE COMPLEX
CONDITION various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM84301124
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as Site No 9 associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a range of buildings providing accommodation for Officers, Sergeants and Airmen. These were a mix of temporary brick buildings and 'Laing' hutting. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION All but the picket post (prn 101533) has been demolished on this site and returned to an agricultural use, pasture. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105956

NAME RAF TALBENNY SITE NO 10

TYPE military camp PERIOD Modern EVIDENCE COMPLEX CONDITION various STATUS None recorded NGR SM85091175

COMMUNITY The Havens **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as Site No 10 associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a range of buildings providing accommodation for Officers, Sergeants and Airmen. These were temporary brick buildings. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Seven temporary brick buildings survive at Site No 10, though most are in a poor if derelict condition. Air raid shelters and other minor buildings marked on the plan appear to have been demolished. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105957

NAME RAF TALBENNY WAAF COMMUNAL SITE

TYPE military camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE COMPLEX
CONDITION various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM85041085
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as WAAF Communal Site associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of a range of buildings providing services and accommodation for Sergeants and Airwomen including a dining room and institute and recreational room. These were a mix of temporary brick buildings and 'Nissen' hutting. When visited in 2014 the site was a caravan park. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Now the site of a mobile home and caravan park. Some of the former WAAF buildings survive but others have been demolished to ground level and now provide hardstandings for caravans. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105958

NAME RAF TALBENNY WAAF SITE NO 1

TYPE military camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION Near Destroyed
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM85301094
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the Air Ministry map as WAAF Site No 1 associated with RAF Talbenny. This consisted of accommodation for Sergeants and Airwomen. These temporary brick construction and 'Nissen' huts. When visited in 2014 the site appeared to have been redeveloped. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Many of the buildings survive and have been adapted and reused. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105959

NAME RAF TALBENNY MF/DF STATION

TYPE radio station

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION Near Destroyed
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM85451075
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Identified on the air ministry plan as MF/DF (medium frequency direction finding) Station. This consisted of a timber wireless telegraph hut and a standby set house and four masts. When visited in 2014 the site had been cleared and returned to agriculture. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The site has been levelled and has now been returned to agricultural use. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 105960

NAME RAF TALBENNY
TYPE radio station
PERIOD modern
EVIDENCE DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE
CONDITION Near Destroyed
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM82780987
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

MF/DF Station marked on the Air Ministry plan of Talbenny airfield dispersed sites. Possibly a mast would have occupied this site, no trace of a structure was identified. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Access to field not gained, but recent aerial photograph coverage suggests that the site has been demolished. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105961

NAME RAF TALBENNY
TYPE radio station
PERIOD modern
EVIDENCE DEMOLISHED STRUCTURE
CONDITION Near Destroyed
STATUS None recorded
NGR SM82461047
COMMUNITY The Havens
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

HF/DF Station marked on the Air Ministry plan of Talbenny airfield dispersed sites. Possibly a mast would have occupied this site, no trace of a structure was identified. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Access to field not gained, but recent aerial photograph coverage suggests that the site has been demolished. A Pyper 2014

RAF TEMPLETON

PRN 101649
NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE Airfield
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION Various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN09701139
COMMUNITY Templeton / Begelly
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Templeton airfield was a satellite to Haverfordwest, both becoming Coastal Command Support bases. It was opened in 1943 and one of its primary roles was the training of aircrews in general reconnaissance and the use of Leigh Lights, for submarine searching and identification. The airfield closed in 1945. (from I, Jones. 2007. Airfields and Landing Grounds of Wales: West). Templeton had three runways; the main runway SW-NE 1600 yards, NW-SE 1400 yards and NNW-SSE 1100 yards.

There were 27 frying pan hardstandings arranged mostly to the west north and east sides of the airfield. Only one T2 hangar was built at the technical area to the northwest of the perimeter track. An instructional site was also located in the northwest corner of the site. The airfield and technical area lie within three roads; the A4115, the Templeton Yerbeston road and a minor road between the two.

The MoD still use the site for training and it is also grazed by sheep. In 2011 the runways still survive intact, though gradually eroding. Many of the frying pan hardstandings survive although the concrete has been removed from those on the western edge and they are now visible only be differential vegetation growth.

Most buildings within the airfield site itself have been removed (marked as Aerodrome Site on the Air Ministry plan). However the platforms and bases do survive and the potential for buried archaeology within the airfield is high. In addition the petrol installation structures on the northeastern perimeter track survive as concrete footprints. Notable structures which do survive are; the blast shelter PRN 102519, and a transformer plinth PRN 102521. The bomb sites lie to the south and west of the airfield and the living quarters to the north and west. The Uniter building located on the south side of the airfield with the two associated masts is a cold war military communication installation (PRN 102518). A Pyper 2012.

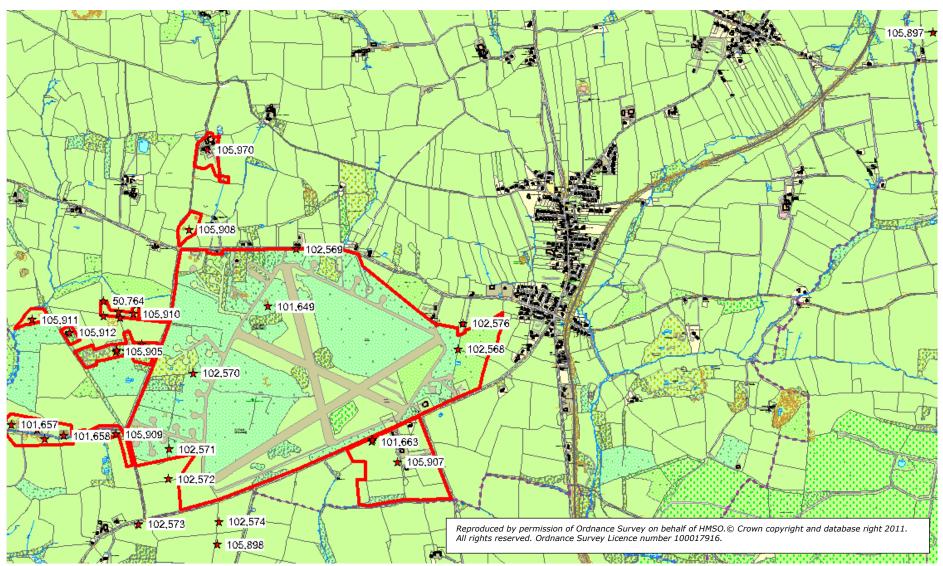


Figure 130: Map showing RAF Templeton sites

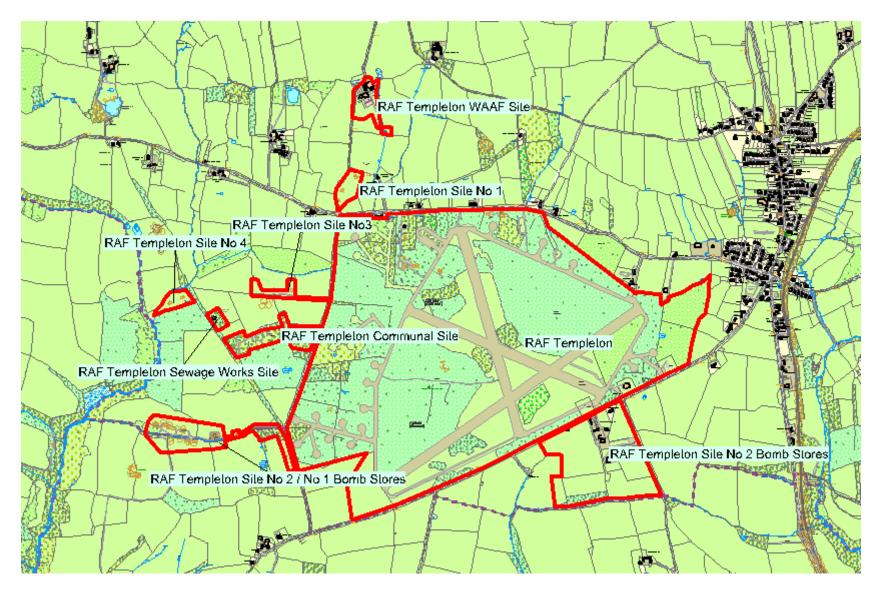


Figure 131: Map showing RAF Templeton dispersed sites

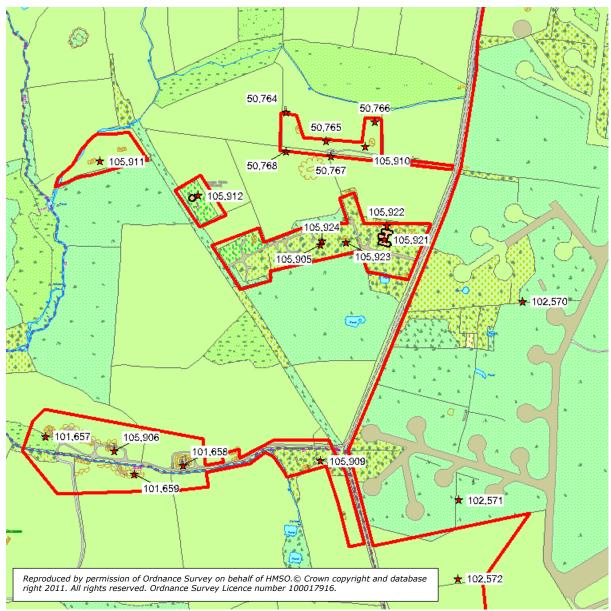


Figure 132: RAF Templeton bomb stores and dispersed sites

PRN 50764
NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE Air Raid Shelter
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Extant Structure
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0882011420
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A "Stanton" air-raid shelter. Prefabricated design, consisting of sections which could be bolted together to form different lengths. A main entrance at one end flanked by a brick blast wall mounded up by earth. At the other end is a chimney-type structure, the escape hatch. Covered over by earth. The air raid shelter is currently covered with thorn trees on the main body of the building. A Pyper 2013

CONDITION DESCRIPTION The building appears to be in a reasonably stable condition.



Figure 133: Interior of the Stanton Air Raid Shelter

PRN 50765
NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE Air Raid Shelter
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Extant Structure
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN08901136
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A "Stanton" air-raid shelter. Prefabricated design, consisting of sections which could be bolted together to form different lengths. A main entrance at one end flanked by a brick blast wall mounded up by earth. At the other end is a chimney-type structure, the emergency exit. Covered over by earth. The air raid shelter is currently covered with

thorn trees on the main body of the building. A Pyper 2013

PRN 50766
NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE Air Raid Shelter
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Extant Structure
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0900011400
COMMUNITY
COUNTY unitary

HER DESCRIPTION

A "Stanton" air-raid shelter. Prefabricated design, consisting of sections which could be bolted together to form different lengths. A main entrance at one end flanked by a brick blast wall mounded up by earth. At the other end is a chimney-type structure, the emergency exit. Covered over by earth. The air raid shelter is currently covered with scrub on the main body of the building. A Pyper 2013



Figure 134: One of three air raid shelters which survive at Templeton

NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE Military Building
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Demolished Structure
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN08911133

NGR SN08911133
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

PRN 50767

A concrete hut platform formerly siting a temporary airfield building at RAF Templeton. A Pyper 2013

A low concrete and iron construction about 0.5m high. Unknown whether structure is a sunken building or hard standing for temporary building of which the top section has been removed. Largely grassed over. A Pyper 2013

PRN 50768

NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE Military Building
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Demolished Structure
CONDITION Near Destroyed
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0882011340
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A concrete platform for a temporary building on the airfield dispersed site. A Pyper 2014.

A low concrete, brick and iron construction about 0.5m high and partially banked up with earth. Unknown whether structure is a sunken building or hard standing for temporary building of which the top section has been removed. Covered with scrub and thorn trees of a considerable size. A Pyper 2004

PRN 101657
NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE bomb store
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE EXTANT BUILDING
CONDITION Near intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN08331076
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Components Store identified on the Air Ministry plan, described by Roger JC Thomas in 1993 as, Single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered brick, flat asphalted reinforced concrete roof. Two rooms accessed by doors in south wall. Grills near floor & ceiling. Located within a 10 ft. high earth revetment enclosure. Built per AMWD drawing 18185/40. As described and though doorless, intact when visited in 2013 A Pyper.

PRN 101658
NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE bomb store
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE / COMPLEX
CONDITION Near intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN08611070
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A bomb store or 'Pyrotechnic and incendiary store' identified on the Air Ministry plan. Described by Roger Thomas as, Parallel pair of single storey, rectangular plan, cement rendered brick, flat asphalted re-inforced concrete roofed stores. Ventilation grilles nr. floor & ceiling. Located within a 10 ft. high earth revetment enclosure. Built per AMWD drawing 18185/40. As described when visited in 2013, A Pyper.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Door-less and with trees growing around them, but essentially intact. A Pyper 2013



Figure 135: Remains of bomb stores at RAF Templeton

PRN 101659

NAME RAF TEMPLETON TYPE bomb store PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE / RUINED STRUCTURE

CONDITION Near destroyed/ Damaged

STATUS None recorded **NGR** SN0851010683 **COMMUNITY** Templeton **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Sunken, rectangular, slag floored, earthen enclosure, formerly containing two parallel Nissen store huts. Both of which have been dismantled leaving rectangular concrete floors. Enclosure reached by a flight of concrete steps. Very overgrown when visited. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 101663

NAME RAF TEMPLETON **TYPE** Fuzing Point Building

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE EXTANT BUILDING

CONDITION Intact STATUS None recorded NGR SN10251067 COMMUNITY Templeton COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Duplicate record - see PRN 102541. 24 ft. span 'Nissen' hut. Rectangular plan, painted corrugated galvanized steel clad on steel frames, fair-faced brick gable walls. Loop-road passes through the structure via large vehicle doorways in each gable. Built per AMWD drawing 7900/42.

PRN 102541
NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE Bomb Fuzing Point
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN10251067
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Bomb Fuzing Point Building. 24 ft. span Nissen hut, corrugated iron sections and brick and breeze block built gable walls with double sized entrances at either end. Blocked with breeze blocks at west end, metal gates (probably replacements) at east end. A concrete road loop passes through the structure via double width doors in each gable end. based on Roger Thomas's description. A. Pyper, 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Building appears intact - only seen from a distance, and appears to be in use as low grade agricultural store. A Pyper 2013.



Figure 136: Bomb fuzing building at RAF Templeton

PRN 102568

NAME RAF TEMPLETON **TYPE** Gun Emplacement

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Near Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN1071211163
COMMUNITY Templeton

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Two circular concrete rings placed side by side at the junction of two field banks. Also referred to as Motley Stalk gun emplacements, they are gun pits for Light Anti-Aircraft guns. Built within the field bank. Approx 1.60m deep and 0.9m across. The bottom is silted up. Located in thick blackthorn hedge. L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Both rings have broken down sides. The bottom of both rings are silted up and contain leaf litter. Surrounded by thick blackthorn. L.Meek May 2013.



Figure 137: Motley stalk gun emplacements in the hedgerow are RAF Templeton

PRN 102569

 $\textbf{NAME} \ \mathsf{RAF} \ \mathsf{TEMPLETON}$

TYPE Gun Emplacement

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Near Intact

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SN0984911696

COMMUNITY Templeton **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Two circular concrete rings, side by side. Also referred to as Motley Stalk gun emplacements, they are gun pits for Light Anti-Aircraft guns. Built within and placed on the hedgerow bank. A lot of vegetation overgrowth. L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Both rings have sides that have broken down. L.Meek May 2013.

PRN 102570

NAME RAF TEMPLETON

TYPE Gun Emplacement

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Intact

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SN0930111034

COMMUNITY Templeton

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Two complete, circular, concrete rings. Situated on the hedgebank. Also referred to as Motley Stalk gun emplacements, they are gun pits for Light Anti-Aircraft guns. L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Both rings are intact but filled with water. L.Meek May 2013.



Figure 138: Remains of one of four Motley Stalk gun emplacements

PRN 102571
NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE Gun Emplacement
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN09171063
COMMUNITY Templeton

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Situated within the hedgerow bank are the remains of two concrete rings (the bases). Also referred to as Motley Stalk gun emplacements, they are gun pits for Light Anti-Aircraft guns. Surrounded in scrub overgrowth. L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Only the circular concrete ring bases are situated within the hedgerow. Very little remains of the two rings. Their height is barely higher than ground level. L.Meek May 2013.



Figure 139: Fragmentary remains of a Motley stalk gun emplacement

NAME RAF TEMPLETON **TYPE** Transformer Plinth

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Intact
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0916910470
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Square shaped, corrugated, red brick building, with a red brick blast wall parallel to it. No roof. Within the main section are two ceramic outlets and an indent on the floor. Also an iron bracket fitting on the floor, possibly for electrical purposes. Difficult to identify from site plan but may be Transformer plinth for the Main Beacon, which forms part of the Standard Beam Approach landing system for aircraft landing at night and in poor visibility. L. Meek May 2013.



Figure 140: Brick transformer plinth

PRN 102573
NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE Main Beacon
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0900810228
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Main Beacon, a red brick, rectangular, concrete structure, now used for cattle. Height=150cm. North East end is open. South West end has a large entry; one pier has been demolished. The Main Beacon forms part of the Standard Beam Approach blind landing system to assist aircraft landing at night or in poor visibility. It forms part of three beacons lined up on the main runway (Inner Beacon PRN 102576, Outer Beacon PRN 105897). L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION One pier on the South West end of the structure has been demolished. L.Meek May 2013.



Figure 141: Main beacon for the Standard Beam Approach blind landing system at RAF Templeton

NAME RAF TEMPLETON

TYPE Rest Hut
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Building
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0943910243
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Rectangular, temporary red brick, concrete structure with corrugated asbestos roof. Some windows and their frames are still intact. Adjoining room on the South side. Entrance on the North side. Identified as 'Rest Hut' on the air ministry plan probably associated with the site of a High Frequency Direction Finding station nearby (PRN 105898). Interior walls cream paint finish still surviving. Switch gear and electrical cabling in the corner with 3 ceramic outlets in the floor. Remains of chimney flute and stove pipe. L.Meek May 2013.



Figure 142: Rest hut for High Frequency Direction Finding installation nearby.

PRN 102576
NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE navigation aid
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN1074011300
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Inner Marker Plinth consisting of a concrete floor. Around 40 years ago the structure was

adapted as a store for gliders, it is now used for farming activity. Part of a Standard Beam Approach blind landing system, to assist aircraft landing at night or in poor visibility. It lines up with two other beacons (Main beacon PRN 102573 and Outer beacon PRN 105897) and the main SW - NE runway. L.Meek May 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Only the concrete plinth survives with the structure having

been adapted first for gliders then for agricultural purposes. A Pyper 2013.



Figure 143: Only the concrete plinth from the beacon survives with a shed built over it

PRN 105897

NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE navigation aid
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Extant Structure
CONDITION Not known
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN13241285
COMMUNITY Lampeter Velfrey
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Outer Marker Plinth located at Princes Gate. A rectangular red brick structure which lines up with two other beacons (Main Beacon PRN 102573, Inner PRN 102576) and the main SW - NE runway. Part of a Standard Beam Approach blind landing system, to assist aircraft landing at night or in poor visibility. A Pyper February 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Access not gained.

PRN 105898

NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE Navigation Aid
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Documentary Evidence
CONDITION Near Destroyed
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN09431012
COMMUNITY Lampeter Velfrey

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Marked on the RAF Templeton Air Ministry plan as HF/DF Station (Siting plan only) (High Frequency Direction Finding). Located in a field to the south of the airfield. It is unclear if this structure was ever built. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION It is not clear if this site was ever constructed, no trace is visible in the field where it is identified. Site visited 2013. A Pyper.

PRN 105905

NAME RAF TEMPLETON COMMUNAL SITE

TYPE Military Camp
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN08891115
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF Templeton Communal Site, is located to the west of the airfield. Described on the Air Ministry plan as consisting of Brick (Permanent and Temporary) buildings including the Officers & Sergeants mess, Dining room, ration store, Institute, airmen's showers and ablutions and other facilities. When visited in 2013 the site retains a variety of features, many buildings have been demolished, but the dining room survives (PRN 105921) a couple of blast shelters (PRNs 105922, 105923). Elsewhere the concrete platforms of buildings survive. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Situated in a very overgrown piece of ground, much bramble and scrub obscuring the military remains. Those buildings that survive are in a poor and fragile condition. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 105906

NAME RAF TEMPLETON NO 1 BOMB STORES

TYPE Military Store
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN08471073
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF TEMPLETON AIRFIELD No 1 Bomb Stores, located to the western edge of the airfield. Consisting, according to the Air Ministry site plan, of two Incendiary stores, a components store, and pyro and incendiary store. Substantial fragments of the buildings and encircling blast banks survive within a grazed field. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Located in agricultural grazing, the bomb stores are still surviving though the blast banks eroded in places and the stores themselves derelict. A Pyper 2013.

NAME RAF TEMPLETON NO 2 BOMB STORES

TYPE Military Store
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN10391056
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF TEMPLETON AIRFIELD No 2 Bomb Stores, located to the southeastern edge of the airfield. Consisting, according to the Air Ministry site plan, of an ultra-heavy fuzing point building (PRN 102541) and a number of stores are identified as unfinished or not built and may never have been built. Concrete road layout survives and is now occupied by a coal merchants. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Unclear how much was constructed that was marked on the Air Ministry plan, though the fuzing building still survives and the concrete road layout. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 105908

NAME RAF TEMPLETON SITE NO 1

TYPE Military Quarters

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Complex

CONDITION various

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SN09281180

COMMUNITY Templeton

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF TEMPLETON AIRFIELD No 1, located to the north edge of the airfield. Consisting, according to the Air Ministry site plan, of Officers, sergeants and airmen's quarters and associated latrines and picket post. These buildings were both temporary brick and Nissen huts and associated with Air Raid shelters. Site is now grazed and buildings removed, though two semi-sunken Stanton air raid shelters survive. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Though the buildings and hutting has been removed, there are two surviving Stanton Air Raid shelters surviving within the field. The air raid shelters have mature trees growing over the earth covered mounds. A Pyper 2013.



Figure 144: One of the remaining Air Raid Shelters

NAME RAF TEMPLETON SITE NO 2

TYPE Military Quarters

PERIOD Modern **EVIDENCE** Complex **CONDITION** various **STATUS** None recorded **NGR** SN08891071 **COMMUNITY** Templeton **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF TEMPLETON AIRFIELD SITE No 2, located to the western edge of the airfield. Consisting, according to the Air Ministry site plan, of Officer's, sergeants and airmen's quarters and latrines. Also associated Air Raid shelters and picket post. Buildings either temporary brick or Nissen huts. Some derelict structures including a picket post and a number of air raid shelters survive in an area of dense scrub and thorn, some building platforms are also visible. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION In an area of dense scrub growth and heavy cattle poaching. Many of the buildings are damaged and difficult to identify in the dense vegetation. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 105910

NAME RAF TEMPLETON SITE NO 3

TYPE Military Quarters

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Complex

CONDITION various

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SN08981135

COMMUNITY Templeton

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF TEMPLETON AIRFIELD SITE No 3, located to the western edge of the airfield. Consisting, according to the Air Ministry site plan, of Officer's, sergeants and airmen's quarters and latrines. Also associated three Air Raid shelters and picket post. Buildings either temporary brick or Nissen huts. Three air raid shelters (PRNs 50764, 50765,

50766) survive and some concrete hut platforms (PRN 50768, 50767) and some of the concrete road layout. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION All the buildings have been removed from site 3 though the concrete road layout, 3 semi-sunken air raid shelters and a couple of hut platforms survive. Air raid shelters all overgrown with trees and scrub growing on the earth covered roofs. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 105911
NAME RAF TEMPLETON SITE NO 4
TYPE Military Quarters
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION various
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN08441132
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF TEMPLETON AIRFIELD SITE No 4, located to the west of the airfield and the communal site (PRN 105905). Consisting, according to the Air Ministry site plan, of Officer's, sergeants and airmen's quarters and latrines. Also associated Air Raid shelters and picket post. Buildings either temporary brick or Nissen huts. Air raid shelters and some concrete hut platforms survive. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Located in an area of rough ground and scrub, the structures that survive some buildings and air raid shelters are very overgrown. A Pyper 2013

PRN 105912
NAME RAF TEMPLETON SEWAGE WORKS
TYPE Sewage Works
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Complex
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0864011250
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

RAF TEMPLETON AIRFIELD Sewage works, located to the western edge of the airfield between Site no 4 and the communal site. Consisting, according to the Air Ministry site plan, of a destructor house and works, in permanent brick and concrete. The site was visited in 2013 and was very overgrown and located in a small woodland plantation, no upstanding remains though concrete structures are visible. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Sewage works, very overgrown in dense woodland plantation. No upstanding buildings but concrete structures survive. A Pyper 2013.

PRN 105921

NAME RAF TEMPLETON **TYPE** military building

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE RUINED BUILDING
CONDITION Damaged
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN0902011160
COMMUNITY Templeton
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A range of three interconnecting parallel temporary brick buildings. Roofed in corrugated asbestos. Identified on the Air Ministry plan as a dining room. Central range were the kitchens and the outer dining rooms. A Pyper 2014.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Dining room associated with airfield is in a poor condition, derelict with missing roof sheets, doors and windows missing, and vegetation and ivy penetrating the building. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 145: The remains of the dining room at the communal site

PRN 105922
NAME RAF TEMPLETON
TYPE air raid shelter
PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Intact STATUS None recorded NGR SN0902411189 COMMUNITY Templeton COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A brick built blast shelter, now extremely overgrown and inaccessible. Follows a standard design. 1941-47, Airfield Blast Shelter, now derelict. There are others marked on the Air Ministry plan but inaccessible under current conditions. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Apparently intact though very overgrown with brambles and scrub. A Pyper 2014

PRN 105923

NAME RAF TEMPLETON TYPE air raid shelter PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Intact STATUS None recorded NGR SN0894211154 COMMUNITY Templeton COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A brick built blast shelter, located within the communal site of RAF Templeton. Consisting of a rectangular structure within which are a series of doglegged walls with earth banked up around it. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Surviving within conifer woodland, very good condition. A Pyper 2014



Figure 146: Blast shelter at the communal site

PRN 105924

NAME RAF TEMPLETON

TYPE water tank
PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE EXTANT STRUCTURE

CONDITION Intact STATUS None recorded NGR SN0889211158 COMMUNITY Templeton COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Concrete built water tank, identified on the Air Ministry plan and still surviving when visited in 2013. A Pyper 2013.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION Intact water tank - holding water!

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Figure 147: Water tank on the communal site

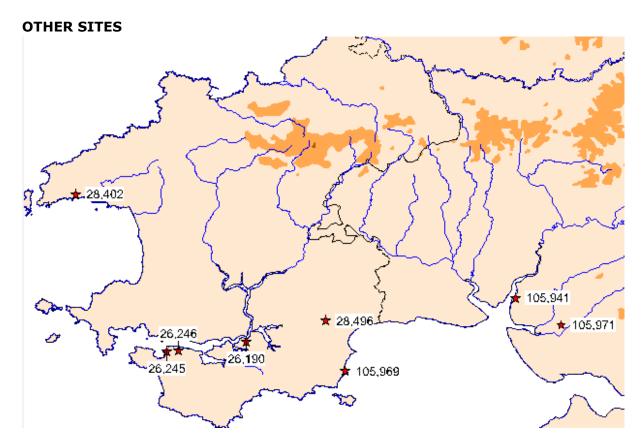


Figure 148: Map showing locations of other sites mentioned in gazetteer

NAME RAF FERRYSIDE
TYPE military base
PERIOD Modern
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN36851062
COMMUNITY St Ishmael
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

The timber huts and a single temporary brick building remain on the east side of the Carmarthen road. Likely to be the base for the RAF Air Sea Rescue established at Ferryside in the Second World War, using high speed launches to pick up crews that had ditched in Carmarthen Bay. A Pyper 2014.



Figure 149: Timber hutting associated with RAF Air Sea rescue base at Ferryside

PRN 105969
NAME RAF TENBY
TYPE military base
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE
CONDITION Not known
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN13600057
COMMUNITY Tenby
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Royal Air Force marine section store. The Headquarter of No 48 Air Sea Rescue Unit was located at Laston. House. Description based on RJC Thomas 1993. A Pyper 2014

PRN 26190

NAME OF DECOY COMMAND POST PD1 COSHESTON HALL

TYPE Bombing Decoy

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE None/ DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

CONDITION Not known

STATUS pcnp

NGR SN00050457

COMMUNITY Cosheston **COUNTY** Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Nightime bombing decoy to draw bombers away from Pembroke Dock. Built 1941-43, consisting of a Command Post/Bombing Decoy. Single storey, brick built, flat concrete roof. Entrance located at NE corner of the east wall, flanked by sloped concrete blast walls. Hatch in roof located centrally against the south wall. Two salt glazed cable ducts in east wall. RJC.Thomas, 18.01.93. No site visit in 2014 A Pyper.

PRN 26245

NAME QF/SF COMMAND POST PD3 SAWDERN POINT

TYPE Bombing Decoy

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Near Intact/ Not known

STATUS pcnp

NGR SM8918603226 COMMUNITY Angle COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A bombing decoy set up to mimic fires started by bombing Pembroke Dock. Built 1941-43 site consists of a Bombing Decoy/Command Post. A single storey, brick built, flat concrete roof, square plan. Entrance protected by sloping concrete walls located at south east corner of south wall. Hatch in roof set centrally against west wall. Salt glazed pipe cable ducts in south wall. Whole structure set into hedge line. Modern opening in south wall acts as a window. RJC.Thomas, 23.01.93. When visited in 2013 site could not be found, it is unclear if the site has been destroyed or obscured by vegetation in the hedgerow. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 26246

NAME QF/SF COMMAND POST PD2 EAST POPTON FARM

TYPE Bombing Decoy

PERIOD Modern

EVIDENCE Structure

CONDITION Intact/ Not known

STATUS *None recorded*

NGR SM90760335

COMMUNITY Hundleton

COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

A bombing decoy set up to mimic fires started by bombing Pembroke Dock. Built 1940-43, Bombing Decoy/Command Post, present use store. A single storey, brick built, flat concrete roof, three bay rectangular plan. East bay occupied by control post, central bay by a lobby, and the west bay contains an engine room. Entrance to lobby protected by sloped flanking blast walls. Hatch set centrally in roof against the east wall of the command post. RJC.Thomas, 23.01.93. Access to site could not be gained from the refinery. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 28402

NAME CAER BAWDY BAY

TYPE Military Camp/ Searchlight Battery

PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure/ Complex
CONDITION Destroyed/ various
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM76822477
COMMUNITY St Davids and the Cathedral Close
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Site of a searchlight battery. Searchlight bases located in the field to the west of the road and to the east a temporary brick rest hut. A Pyper 2014

CONDITION DESCRIPTION / Earthworks in the field to the west of the road suggest below ground remains of the searchlight bases, whilst to the east of the road an intact hut survives, temporary brick and corrugated asbestos roof. A Pyper 2014.

PRN 28496
NAME 78 'Q' SITE BEGELLY
TYPE Bombing Decoy
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Near Intact/ Not known
STATUS None recorded
NGR SN10900746
COMMUNITY Begelly
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Bombing decoy designed to draw bombers away from RAF Carew Cheriton. Built c1941-43, Command Post, Bombing Decoy, now derelict. Single storey, steel framed, corrugated zinc sheeting, curved profile, earth covered. Entrance in west gable protected by stepped brick walls. Eastern gable abutts a brick built lobby accessed by an entrance in the north wall flanked by brick blast walls. Hatch in roof over. Internal doorway in eastern wall of lobby allows access to a parabolic pre-cast concrete bolted panel engine room with a raised concrete engine bed. RJC.Thomas, 19.01.93. Site not visited A Pyper 2014.

PRN 28644
NAME TREEHILL FARM
TYPE Bombing Decoy
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Structure
CONDITION Destroyed/ Near Destroyed
STATUS pcnp
NGR SM7720208681
COMMUNITY Marloes and St Brides
COUNTY Pembrokeshire

HER DESCRIPTION

Bombing decoy built 1941-43, now demolished. RJC.Thomas, 28.01.93. Site not visited A Pyper 2014.

PRN 28644
NAME
TYPE Bombing Decoy
PERIOD Modern
EVIDENCE Documentary Evidence
CONDITION Not Known
STATUS
NGR SN431069
COMMUNITY Kidwelly
COUNTY Carmarthenshire

HER DESCRIPTION

An airfield decoy site for RAF Pembrey. Q Type which would simulate the landing lights of an active airfield, to draw enemy aircraft away from RAF Pembrey. References suggest it was operational between Aug 1941 and Aug 1942. Site not visited. A Pyper 2014

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