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This gazetteer provides information regarding sites discussed in the Viking Wind Farm ES Addendum. A full copy of the original gazetteer is located in Appendix 13.1 of the 2009 ES.

Site No:	27
Name:	Laxo
Alternative Names:	Knowe Of Brulland
Type of Site:	Cairn
NMRS Number:	HU46SW 4
Grid Reference:	HU 4452 6348
Status:	Scheduled Ancient Monument
Description:	<p>A cairn standing on an outcrop of rock. At the base, where there is an arrangement resembling a kerb of large and widely spaced stones, it is roughly oblong, measuring some 60' north-south by 50' east-west. Its rectangular shape may have been produced by the surrounding patches of cultivation, as the upper part of the mound is almost circular. Its present height is not more than 10'. Several large stones, one of which is set on edge, are exposed on top. RCAHMS 1946. Visited 1930.</p> <p>Generally as described by RCAHM, except that the centre of the cairn has been removed by quarrying. Surveyed at 1/2500. Visited by OS (RL) 30th May 1968.</p>



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Site No: 83
Name: Hill Of Dale
Type of Site: Chambered Cairn
NMRS Number: HU46NW 3
SMR Number: 544
Status: Scheduled Ancient Monument
Grid Reference: HU 4129 6994
Description: HU 409 699. A heel-shaped cairn rises a few feet above the moorland. The peat nearby is about 4' deep. Partial excavation by RCAHM (RCAHMS 1946), in 1935 revealed the plan and showed that the centre had been disturbed, and removal of stones along the axis down to ground level failed to reveal any structure. There is no entrance through the facade.
Cairn material stretches forward from the facade for as much as 12' giving the cairn a circular appearance and almost hiding the facade walling except for the pillar-stones. This is probably an ancient feature and not due to dilapidation or excavation.
An adze-shaped object of steatite, roughly cut to shape with a metal knife was found among the cairn-stones and is now in the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland (NMAS). (BG 324) (Henshall 1963; Bryce 1940).

Visited by AOC Archaeology Group 27/09/05. Partially excavated it is visible from some distance as a large pile of rubble survives in roughly circular form approximately 6.5m in diameter. What appears to be the entrance is marked by an orthostat although it is now infilled with rubble. The entrance faces south-east and commands an impressive view across the landscape in that direction

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Site No:	173
Name:	Graven
Alternative Names:	Meshe O'Stanes
Type of Site:	Chambered Cairn
NMRS Number:	HU47SW 1
Map reference:	HU 4050 7271
Description:	<p>A probable round chambered cairn, known as "Meshie O' Stanes". It is composed of large round boulders and stands about 5' above the moor, but is really much larger as the peat has grown round it to a depth of at least 3'. It is otherwise clear of vegetation. It appears to be circular with a diameter of about 35', without any sign of kerb or walling or of an entrance passage.</p> <p>A little south of the centre is exposed a small rectangular chamber 5 ft. long by 3 ft. 4 ins. maximum width and depth. Below the stone forming the SW angle of the chamber is a space which may be the inner end of a passage Henshall 1963; RCAHMS 1946).</p> <p>A cairn, almost certainly chambered, as described and illustrated by Henshall. Visited by OS (NKB) 26th May 1968.</p>

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Site No:	291
Name:	East Burrafirth
Alternative Names:	Zet 57; Hayfield
Type of Site:	Chambered Cairn
NMRS Number:	HU35NE 1
Map reference:	HU 3637 5766
Status:	Scheduled Ancient Monument
Description:	<p>A well-defined turf-covered chambered cairn, 30ft. in diameter and up to 3ft. high lies on a knoll on the hillside, in moorland, but near enclosed pasture, at about 30' OD. The chamber, in the centre, is trefoil-shaped and built of massive walling of which no more than three courses are visible. The entrance passage evidently runs from the SE side, but is ill-defined. Two large displaced slabs lie in the chamber, and one in the entrance (Henshall 1962; Calder 1965). A chambered cairn at HU 3635 5766 generally as described by Henshall. Although the outline is indefinite, the position of 3 stones in a concave arc on the SE side and indicate a heel-shape, although as the centre one is definitely displaced and the most southerly one, though earthfast, probably fortuitous, the evidence is far from conclusive. Surveyed at 1/2500. Visited by OS (AA) 12 June 1968.</p>

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Hayfield

Site No:	313
Name:	Skeo of Gossaford
Type of Site:	Cairn
NMRS Number:	HU36NW 6
Map reference:	HU 3405 6676
Status:	Scheduled Ancient Monument
Description:	A denuded cairn, extremely dilapidated, for the most part reduced to its foundations. It seems to have been oval in plan, measuring 56' N - S and 52' E - W. No internal structure is traceable. (RCAHMS 1946). The very mutilated remains of a cairn of bare stones spread to 17.0m in diameter and about 0.5m high. No internal features visible; a good prominent site.

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Site No:	319
Name:	Hill Of Burravoe
Type of Site:	Cairns
NMRS Number:	HU36NE 2
Map reference:	HU 3640 6740
Status:	Scheduled Ancient Monument
Description:	<p>Two dilapidated cairns almost impinging on each other. Much of their material has been taken to build an adjoining sheep-fold and they are now mere heaps of debris not more than 3'6" high. In size the stones used in their construction run to 3' 6" x 18" x 12".</p> <p>'A' - has measured about 53' N-S and 60' E-W. At its SE side stands an upright stone, 2' 3" high and 1' 3" by 1'10" across the faces.</p> <p>'B' - has measured about 40' N-S and 44' E-W. No trace of a chamber is visible in either but each seems to have had a built kerb (RCAHMS 1946)</p> <p>Kerbstones can be seen amongst the debris around most of the perimeter of cairn 'B', giving a diameter of 9.7m. No trace of a chamber or cist.</p> <p>Cairn 'A' is a denuded heel-shaped cairn. The up- right stone in the E. is now almost prostrate, another similar stone stands upright in the W. Between the two are three or four stones set on edge,</p>

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indicating a straight facade 20.5m long. From the facade to the back of the cairn, the latter a broad bank of peat with stones showing through, measures c.12.5m. Kerbstones extend for some distance in a slight curve from each upright before disappearing into the peat bank. There is no sign of a passage, but in the centre of the cairn is a confused jumble of large stones, probably the remains of a chamber whose plan cannot now be determined. Re-surveyed at 1/2500. Visited by OS (AA) 6 June 1968.



Hill of Burravoe

Site No:	327
Name:	Hill Of Crooksetter
Type of Site:	Chambered Cairn
NMRS Number:	HU47NW 1
Map reference:	HU 4175 7589
Status:	Scheduled Ancient Monument
Description:	A heel-shaped chambered cairn, rather ruined and measuring 28' from facade to back and about 35' in greatest width. The facade, facing SE, is about 32' across. The foundation of the wall-face can be traced intermittently round the cairn. An inner wall-face can be traced for a short distance at the back. Across the facade there are the remains of a straight wall-face, best seen towards its west end. It is of smaller stones and is down the

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slope of the knoll from the facade, perhaps intended to retain a blocking in front of it.

At present there are no definite signs of a chamber, but where the chamber might be expected to lie; there is a modern marker cairn. (Henshall 1963; Calder 1956).

Chambered cairn, as described and illustrated by Henshall, at HU 4185 7585. Visited by OS (NKB) 26th May 1968.



Site No:	328
Name:	Hill Of Crooksetter
Type of Site:	Chambered Cairn
NMRS Number:	HU47NW 2
Map reference:	HU 4209 7561
Status:	Scheduled Ancient Monument
Description:	A heel-shaped chambered cairn about 25 ft. from front to back about 40 ft. across the facade and about 5 ft. high. It appears to be recessed into the slope of the hill and the facade faces the side of the hollow but this recessed hollow may be due largely to differential formation of peat, of considerable depth on the hillside but only slight over the cairn itself. The almost flat facade faces ESE. The back of the cairn is indistinct and the NE corner of the facade is too disturbed to be able to trace it. "A modern marker cairn has been built on top of the centre of the cairn. A number of large stones are partly exposed to the SW of the marker but none

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can confidently be claimed as part of a passage, chamber or cist." (Henshall 1963). A chambered cairn, as described and illustrated by Henshall, at HU 4209 7561. Visited by OS (NKB) 26th May 1968.



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Site No:	449
Name:	Sound
Type of Site:	BANK (EARTHWORK)
SMR Number:	5481
Map Reference:	HU 3768 5069
Description:	<p>Hill boundary in the form of a earthen and stone bank which is 1.5m wide and 0.7m high. Two short sections of dry-stone walling exist SE of the boundary which until recently probably acted as sheep shelters; however originally they may have been early field boundaries.</p> <p>This site could not be located during a recent walkover survey of 4 proposed sites for Wind Measurement Masts. Its position is supposedly close to the route as it passes SW of the Weisdale Hill summit. The peat appears to be stable in this area. As it is impractical to put an exclusion zone around a feature which could not be located, there is no viable recommendation to be made. (White 1998; Lynn 2005)</p>
Site No:	450
Name:	Hill of Sound
Type of Site:	CIST (Undated)
SMR Number:	2407
Map Reference:	HU 3780 5053
Description:	<p>Very ruinous, set stones are still visible. There are several lumps of white quartz around it.</p> <p>This site could not be located during a recent walkover survey, despite extensive searching. (Williamson no date; Lynn 2005)</p>
Site No:	451
Name:	Hill of Sound
Type of Site:	CHAMBERED CAIRN (Undated)
SMR Number:	7910
Map Reference:	HU 38000 51400
Description:	<p>The site of a chambered cairn was verbally reported to Val Turner and Chris Dyer by Ian Tait (Curator of Collections, Shetland Museum and Archives) on 29th June 2009. He reported an approximate grid reference. The site lies a short distance to the north of the existing radio station masts.</p>
Site No:	452
Name:	Burn of Weisdale
Type of Site:	STRUCTURE (Prehistoric Uncertain - 500000 BC to 850 AD)

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SMR Number: 8105
Map Reference: HU 40208 57986
Description: A site visit by V. Turner and C. Dyer (Shetland Amenity Trust Archaeology Section) on 3rd July 2009 identified the site of a likely oval prehistoric house, approximately 250m to the west of the Burn of Weisdale.
The feature measures approximately 10m north-south by 8m east-west and consists of a raised oval platform, surrounded by a number of stones set on edge, with an undulating interior.
The short length of vegetation within, and immediate adjacent to, the monument visibly contrasts with the thicker vegetation and dense sward of the peat moorland.
(Dyer 2009)

Site No: 453
Name: Loch of Skellister
Type of Site: CAIRN (Undated); CIST (Undated)
SMR Number: 8109
Map Reference: HU 46460 56530
Description: A site visit by C. Dyer and J. Outram (Shetland Amenity Trust Archaeology Section) on 17th February 2010 identified the site of a cairn or possible cist marginally above the 100m contour, east of Loch of Skellister.
The cairn has approximate dimensions of 1m square and is not marked on the current Ordnance Survey basemap or indeed the OS First Edition. It is sited approximately 300m east of the Loch of Skellister.
The cairn is not located on the summit of the hill east of Loch of Skellister, as one may more conventionally expect a marker cairn to be positioned. Other larger stones are visible in close proximity to this feature although appear to represent glacial erratics below the peat formation, which in places is suffering from serious erosion through the sinuous path of water courses.
(Dyer 2010)

Site No: 454
Name: Weisdale
Type of Site: Sheepfold
SMR Number: N/A
Map Reference: HU 3718 5365
Description: A small semi-circular enclosure marked as a 'sheep buil' is shown at this location on a map of Weisdale dating to 1856.

Site No: 455
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Type of Site: Sheepfold
SMR Number: N/A
Map Reference: HU 3648 5477
Description: A small semi-circular enclosure marked as a 'sheep bul' is shown at this location on a map of Weisdale dating to 1856.

Site No: 456
Name: Weisdale
Type of Site: Sheepfold
SMR Number: N/A
Map Reference: HU 3659 5491
Description: A small semi-circular enclosure marked as a 'sheep bul or Hoove' is shown at this location on a map of Weisdale dating to 1856.

Site No: 457
Name: Kergord
Type of Site: Road
SMR Number: N/A
Map Reference: HU 3900 5582
Description: The line of a public road. The NGR shown is the centre point. The road ran from Kergord Road in a WNW direction to Lamba Water. It is shown on a map of Weisdale dating to 1856 but is not shown on the later OS first edition maps. Land north of the road is shown to be owned by David D Black Esquire and the land to the south of the road is owned by Mr Hugh Jamieson.

Site No: 458
Name: Weisdale
Type of Site: Sheepfold
SMR Number: N/A
Map Reference: HU 4161 5625
Description: A small semi-circular enclosure marked as a 'sheep bul' is shown at this location on a map of Weisdale dating to 1856.

Site No: 459
Name: Stone of Shalderscord
Type of Site: Boundary Marker
SMR Number: N/A
Map Reference: HU 3884 5771
Description: Labelled as the stone of Shalderscord on a map dating to 1756