

HIGHLAND KIRKYARDS: Ross and Cromarty Pilot Proforma



1. Name of Kirkyard: Church of Scotland, Kinlochluichart, graveyard
(From HER) (Kinlochluichart & Strathgarve Church)

2. National Grid Reference: NH 3165 6266

3. Civil Parish: Contin

4. Description: Rural parish parliamentary church in use in small graveyard. There are only around ten gravestones, but there is an impressive classical temple memorial to Louisa, Lady Ashburton, d.1903. The site is flat apart from a raised bank upon which sits the monument

5. Setting: Rural. The church sits immediately to the south of the A832, and trees screen the site from the road. Situated at the west end of Loch Luichart, the site has views of trees and hills to the south. The site is in a valley which slopes up to the north.

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6. Designations and Significance:

The church and burial ground were B listed 25 March 1971, (HB 1774).

The church is Thomas Telford, 1825, a modified standard Parliamentary T-plan design.

The tomb to Lady Ashburton is unusual in design and function, burial enclosures or mausolea are more common.

Scheduled Ancient Monument

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7. Elements:

Boundary Walls: There are no walls, only a fence surrounding the site, made of wire and wooden posts.

Railings, Gates and Gateways: There is an entry gate in the north boundary fence. Painted green metal gatepiers with round white tops and a green gate. A couple of steps lead down to the gate.

Kirk in Use: The modified parliamentary T-plan church is orientated east-west. 1825 Thomas Telford. There is a bellcote on the west gable and a small cross finial on the east gable. The north wall contains two tall and two short round arched windows. The east gable has one tall arched window. The entrance is at the east end of the south wall and the church is harled on the west gable only.

Other Built Elements: The monument to Louisa Lady Ashburton lies to the west of the church. It is designed as classical temple tomb and has an inscription on the steps on the north side, to Louisa Lady Ashburton...Born March 5 1827 died February 1903. The tomb sits on a grass covered mound. There is a carved open book with the inscription, 'The word of God is life'

8. Ownership of Kirkyard:

Highland Council

Private

Other

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9. Risk: The church is in use and the burial ground is well maintained. The monument to Lady Ashburton is in a good condition.

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10. Ancillary Issues:

ACCESS: Semi-circular small road branches off main road, where cars can park in front of the church. There is a gravel path leading to the door at the south-east corner.

INTERPRETATION: There is no interpretation.