

## HIGHLAND KIRKYARDS: Ross and Cromarty Pilot Proforma



1. Name of Kirkyard: Gruinard House  
(From HER) (Gruinard Burial Ground – Highland Council)

2. National Grid Reference: NG 9601 9209

3. Civil Parish: Gairloch

4. Description: Graveyard in use with no church in use or redundant. The burial ground is roughly triangular in shape. The oldest burials are in the south-west corner of the site, where the ground is decidedly raised, although it is hard to tell why. The eastern and northern sides of the burial ground are flatter and contain the more recent burials. There are flat unreadable slabs on the ground and uprights from the late 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.

5. Setting: Rural. The site is found on the east side of Gruinard Bay. It overlooks the bay to the west, with wooded hills to the south and east. To the north is a house. The road passes along the east side of the site. At the south end the land drops down to a small stream.

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6. Designations and Significance: This site has no significant buildings and does not appear to be older than the nineteenth century.

Scheduled Ancient Monument

Listed Building

7. Elements:

Boundary Walls: The boundary walls are drystone rubble and roughly triangular in shape. At the south end above the stream, the wall is retaining.

Railings, Gates and Gateways: A black metal farm style gate is set at the northern part of the triangle, set into modern wooden gatepiers.

8. Ownership of Kirkyard:

Highland Council

Private

Other

9. Risk: The wall above the stream at the south end has partly collapsed or has been taken apart. There is a pile of rubble and earth here.

On BANK?  No

10. Ancillary Issues: ACCESS: Just off the road there is enough space to park one car. A gate leads to a grass track which is kept short and maintained. Within the site there are two straight gravel paths at the east side where the most recent burials are. In the south-west, older part, the ground is more uneven and raised. INTERPRETATION: There is no interpretation on site.