

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL

FIELD MONUMENTS



ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES AND MONUMENTS RECORD

1 SITE CODE	H	N	H	7	8	S	E	0	0	2
2 NGR	N	H	7	8	0	5	8	2	1	4
3 QUAL	CE									

4 DISTRICT ROSS & CROMARTY	5 PARISH TAIN	6 SITE NAME TAIN CASTLE
7 AREA STATUS	8 SITE STATUS	9 REGIONAL STATUS
10 GENERIC TYPE CASTLE	11 CONCORDANCE OS NH 78 SE 2	12 FORM SITE OF
13 DIMENSIONS	14 PERIOD/DATE 16th C	15 DATING METHOD DOC
16 RELATIONSHIP OF ELEMENTS	17 CONDITION DESTROYED	18 SHAPE
19 THREAT AND DATE	20 LAND USE LAND BUILT UPON	21 GEOLOGY
22 SOILS	23 VEGETATION	24 HYDROLOGY/DRAINAGE
25 RELIEF GENTLE HILLSLOPE	26 ASPECT ENE	27 ALTITUDE 15m OD

28 EXCAVATION (EXCAVATOR: DATE: EXTENT: QUALITY)	
29 BIBLIOGRAPHY (AUTHOR: DATE: TITLE: JOURNAL OR PUBLISHER: VOLUME: DETAIL)	
1. ORDNANCE SURVEY: 1907: 6" MAP 2. ORDNANCE SURVEY: 1871: OBJECT NAME BOOK: : 29: p25 3. ORDNANCE SURVEY: 1906: 25" MAP 4. SOC. ANT. SCOT.: 1979: ARCH. SITES & MONS. OF EASTER ROSS: RCAHMS: p31, No. 265	
30 GROUND PLAN NO.	31 GROUND PHOTO NO.
32 SLIDES NO.	33 HR. AP. NO.
34 NMR. AP. NO.	35 OTHER AP. NO.: SOURCE
36 ARCHIVE AND LOCATION	
37 GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY	38 SAMPLES
39 PALYNOLOGY	40 NUMERICAL DATES: RANGE: LAB NO.
41 SMALL FINDS	42 MUSEUM/LOCATION
43 OTHER	

44 NAME & ADDRESS OF OWNER	45 ATTITUDE OF OWNER
46 NAME & ADDRESS OF TENANT	47 ATTITUDE OF TENANT

48 ACCESS & RESTRICTIONS		
49 NAME & ADDRESS OF FINDER/RECORDER: DATE	50 RECORDER: DATE AM: 30.5.1985	51 CHECK: DATE DY 6.6.1985

52 TEXT

"(Name at NH 78118216) Tain Castle (In ruins)". (1)

"The last traces of the castle were removed from this site about 1820. There is no account of it earlier than the 16th C. It may have been the official residence of the hereditary bailies of Tain." (2)

"Local enquiries indicate its suspected position as being, or having been, where the 'Railway Hotel' now stands at NH 78058214. From time to time during road repairs etc within the area, excavations have exposed underground passages (now sealed) extending from the grounds of St. Duthus church. These are suspected to have connected with the castle, but definite evidence is lacking." (OSFI: WDJ: 18.5.1963)

"See plan HNH 78 SE 005." (3)