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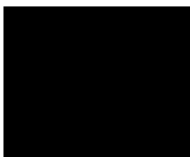
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Dear Martin,

### **Land at High Boydstone, North Ayrshire: Archaeological Trial Trenching Report**

Please find attached Guard's report presenting the results of the trial trenching at the above site. As indicated previously to Paul, the trenching established conclusively that the cropmarks recorded previously within the site are not archaeological in origin; trenches crossed the 'enclosure' at five points but no features corresponding with the cropmarks were present. A number of undated features were recorded. These included a broad linear feature containing a dump of stone, that appears to broadly correspond with a hollow and a burn that formerly crossed the Site, pits of various sizes. Charcoal and artefacts were entirely absent. Given that the DBA established that this area was uncultivated in the mid-18<sup>th</sup> century, whilst the surrounding area was cultivated, my opinion is that the features and episode of stone dumping are likely to represent to 18th/19th century agricultural improvement and have little archaeological interest. I would therefore suggest that no further works are necessary. I would of course be happy to discuss.

Yours sincerely,  
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