

Title of Report:	Department for Communities (DfC): Consultation on Proposed Listings.
Committee Report Submitted To:	PLANNING COMMITTEE
Date of Meeting:	27 th October 2021
For Decision or For Information	For Decision

Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)		
Strategic Theme	Cohesive Leadership	
Outcome	Our elected members work collaboratively and make decisions	
	on an evidence led basis and in line with its policies.	
Lead Officer	Principal Planning Officer	

Budgetary Considerations: Not applicable in this case		
Cost of Proposal		
Included in Current Year Estimates		
Capital/Revenue		
Code		
Staffing Costs		

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals. Not applicable in this case.			
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:	
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:	
Rural Needs Assessment	Screening Completed	Yes/No	Date:	
(RNA)	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:	
Data Protection Impact	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:	
Assessment (DPIA)	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:	

1.0 <u>Purpose of Report</u>

1.1 To present the Department for Communities: Historic Environment Division (DfC) advance notice of listings to the Council.

2.0 Background

2.1 DfC wrote to Council on 17th September 2021 seeking comment (by 29th October 2021) on a number of proposed listings within the Borough, under Section 80 (1) of The Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 (see Appendix 1).

2.2 The proposed listings are as follows:

Reference	Address
HB03/05/035	County Boundary Stone, 30 Rectory
	Road, Ballyversal, Coleraine
HB03/06/021	County Boundary Stone, 264 Loughan
	Road, Colebreene, Coleraine
HB03/06/022	County Boundary Stone, 104 Seacon
	Road, Drumaduan, Ballymoney
HB03/07/021	County Boundary Stone, 11
	Magherabouy Road, Ballywillian,
	Portrush
HB03/07/023	County Boundary Stone, 116 Gateside
	Road, Ballywillian, Coleraine
HB04/01/016	County Boundary Stone, 27
	Ballywindelland Road, Ballymoney

3.0 Options

3.1 Option 1: Agree to support the listings: or

Option 2: Agree to oppose the listings.

4.0 <u>Recommendation</u>

It is recommended that the Planning Committee agree to either Option 1 or Option 2 (above) and agree to the Head of Planning responding to DfC:HED on behalf of Council.

Appendices:

Appendix 1: DfC:HED consultation with the Council setting out the proposed listings.



ADVANCE NOTICE OF LISTING

Head of Planning County Hall Castlerock Road COLERAINE BT51 3HS Historic Environment Division Heritage Buildings Designation Branch Ground Floor 9 Lanyon Place Town Parks Belfast BT1 3LP Direct Tel No: 9056 9281

Our Ref: Various

Date: 17th September 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

LISTING OF BUILDINGS OF SPECIAL ARCHITECTURAL OR HISTORIC INTEREST

RE: 6 COUNTY BOUNDARY STONES, DETAILS AS ATTACHED

At present, the listing of the above-mentioned property is being considered under section 80(1) of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011.

I would welcome receipt of your offices views on the proposed Listing within 6 weeks of the date of this Letter. *Comments received outside this period will not normally be considered.*

Please find enclosed a copy of the location map together with a copy of our Second Survey Report of the building for your information. Where this letter refers to building(s), this term includes all types of structures.

Yours faithfully

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Enc: Second Survey HBC Report Location Map



List of County Boundary Stones

Our Ref.	Address
HB03/05/03Ì	County Boundary Stone, 30 Rectory Road, Ballyversal, Coleraine
HB03/06/021	County Boundary Stone, 264 Loughan Road, Colebreene, Coleraine
HB03/06/022 County Boundary Stone, 104 Seacon Road, Drumaduan, Ballymoney	
HB03/07/021 County Boundary Stone, 11 Magherabouy Road, Ballywillia Portrush	
HB03/07/023 County Boundary Stone, 116 Gateside Road, Ballywillian, Coleraine	
HB04/01/016	County Boundary Stone, 27 Ballywindelland Road, Ballymoney

Conservation Area	No	Survey 1	Not_Listed	OS Map No	13/7SE
Industrial Archaeology	No	HED Evaluation	B2	IG Ref	C9027 3484
Vernacular	No	Date of Listing		IHR No	
Thatched	No	Date of Delisting			
Monument	No			HGI Ref	
Area of Townscape Character					
Local Landscape Policy Area				SMR No	
Historic Gardens Inventory					
Vacant N/A					
Derelict Yes					

Owner Category

Building Information

Exterior Description and Setting

Boundary marker deliniating the County Antrim and County Derry boundary, of cast/ stamped concrete, set in rural location at W side of Rectory Road, 7km SE Portrush, 6km ENE Coleraine and 10km NNW Ballymoney.

Approximately 300x600x150mm, the marker is positioned in dense grass verge with mature dense hedgerow immediately behind. Base is not visible.

Lettering approximately 25 to 35mm high is cast/ stamped into front face, reading "COUNTY

BOUNDARY ANTRIM DERRY". The horizontal "ANTRIM" and "DERRY" are interlaced with the vertical 'Boundary' using the "A" and "Y".

The marker is heavily weathered, covered in litchen and moss, and exhibiting severe damage/ loss of cast face to upper and top surfaces. The upper lettering is illedgible, the "M" is missing from "ANTRIM", however the "DERRY" remains crisp. The marker tilts backwards to NW.

Interior Description N/A

Architects

Historical Information

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Criteria for Listing

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Historical Interest
R. Age
Z. RarityS. AuthenticityY. Social, Cultural or Economic Importance

Evaluation

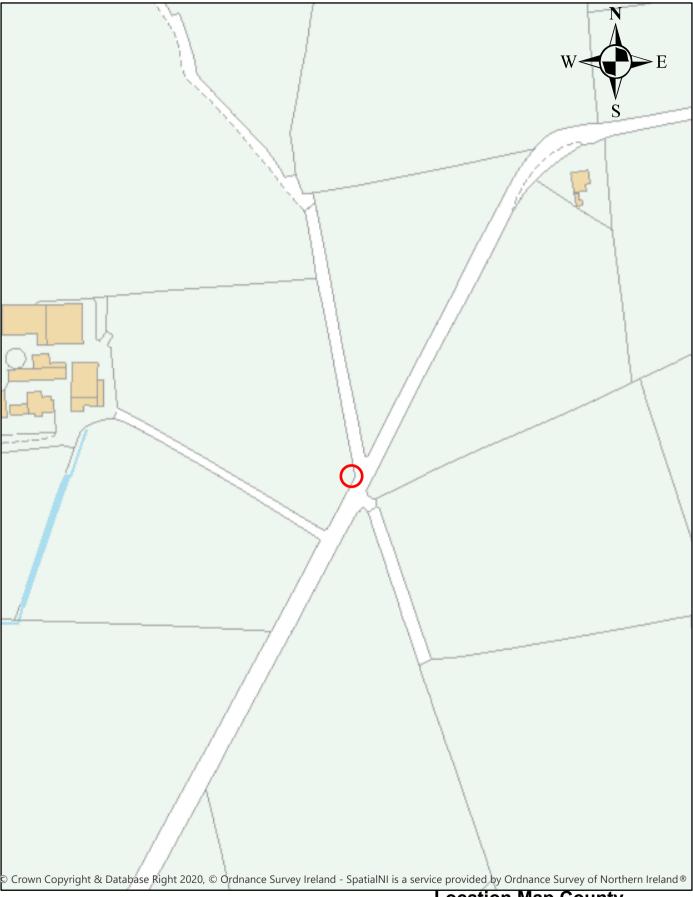
Small, inscribed concrete boundary 'stone', one of a set in their original settings and locations on various country roads in the area NW of Ballymoney and E and SE of Coleraine, Portrush and Portstewart, all marking the land boundary between the counties of Antrim and Londonderry. Their date is uncertain, their age is not known, but the concrete construction and the styling of the inscription suggests that they date from the very late 19th or early 20th century; it is possible that they may be associated with the introduction of County Councils following the 1898 Local Government (Ireland) Act. Though small in size and simple in detailing, these unusual boundary markers are of special interest, being of local and historical importance.

Replacements and Alterations

If inappropriate, Why?

General Comments

Monitoring Notes – since Date of Survey





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Location Map County Boundary Stone 30 Rectory Rd Coleraine

 Title:
 HB03/05/038

 Scale:
 1:2000

Address	HB Ref No HB03/06/021
County Boundary Stone	
264 Loughan Road	
Colebreene	
Coleraine	
Extent of Listing	
Boundary Marker	
Date of Construction	
1900 - 1919	
Townland	
Colerbreene Lower	
Current Building Use	
Boundary Marker	
Principal Former Use	
Boundary Marker	

Conservation Area	No	Survey 1	Not_Listed	OS Map No	21-11SW
Industrial Archaeology	No	HED Evaluation	B2	IG Ref	C8923 2714
Vernacular	No	Date of Listing		IHR No	
Thatched	No	Date of Delisting			
Monument	No			HGI Ref	
Area of Townscape Character	No				
Local Landscape Policy Area	No			SMR No	
Historic Gardens Inventory	No				
Vacant N/A					
Derelict Yes					

Owner Category

Building Information

Exterior Description and Setting

Boundary marker deliniating the County Antrim and County Derry boundary, of cast/ stamped concrete, set in rural location at E side of Loughan Road, 7km SE Coleraine, 6km WNW Ballymoney.

Approximately 300x600x150mm, the marker is positioned in grass verge with dense hedge behind. Base is not visible.

Lettering approximately 25 to 35mm high is cast/ stamped into front face, reading "COUNTY BOUNDARY ANTRIM DERRY". The horizontal "ANTRIM" and "DERRY" are interlaced with the vertical 'Boundary' using the "A" and "Y".

The marker is lightly weathered and upright. Damage is evident to the cast surface to top, core exposed, and to bottom left of front face, "D" from "DERRY" is missing.

Interior Description N/A

Architects

Historical Information

This 'stone' is one of six similar markers set along rural roadsides in the area north and west of Ballymoney and east and south of Coleraine, Portstewart and Portrush, all demarcating the land boundary between Counties Antrim and Londonderry - and in particular a change in the direction of the line of that boundary. Their age is not known, but the concrete construction and the styling of the inscription suggests that they date from the very late 19th or early 20th century; it is possible that they may be associated with the introduction of County Councils following the 1898 Local Government (Ireland) Act. Their origins would certainly appear to have been obscure by 1940, for a photograph of what seems to be the stone in Glebe (Ballywillan) townland [see HB03/07/023] in the 21 May edition of the Belfast Telegraph of that year is captioned 'A curious county boundary stone'.

This particular example, on Loughan Road northwest Ballymoney, is marked for the first time on the OS map of 1950.

Aside from the six known still-extant stones, there was at least one other, along Newbridge Road to the east of this site, but this was removed in c.2020.

References - Primary sources

1 'Belfast Telegraph', 21 May 1940, p.10

2 OS maps 1:1250/2500 - 1950, 1970, 1982

Secondary sources

- 3 Wilson, Dr. Peter, 'Marking the boundaries" Portrush Heritage Group Heritage Newsletter (Issue 36, 6 February 2021)
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Architectural Interest	Historical Interest
J. Setting	R. Age
K. Group value	S. Authenticity Y. Social, Cultural or Economic Importance Z. Rarity

Evaluation

Small, inscribed concrete boundary 'stone', one of a set in their original settings and locations on various country roads in the area NW of Ballymoney and E and SE of Coleraine, Portrush and Portstewart, all marking the land boundary between the counties of Antrim and Londonderry. Their date is uncertain, their age is not known, but the concrete construction and the styling of the inscription suggests that they date from the very late 19th or early 20th century; it is possible that they may be associated with the introduction of County Councils following the 1898 Local Government (Ireland) Act. Though small in size and simple in detailing, these unusual boundary markers are of special interest, being of local and historical importance.

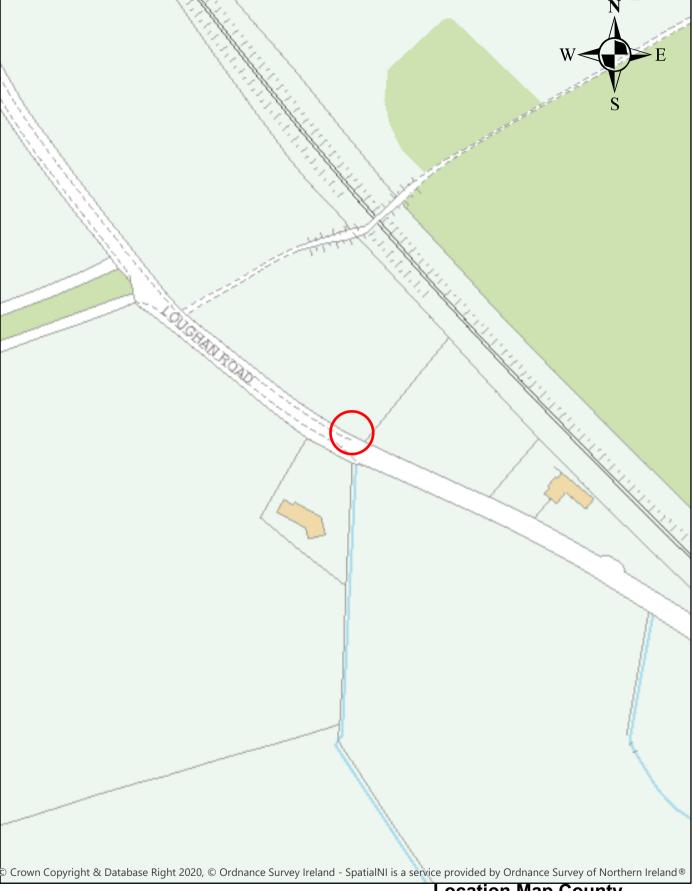
Replacements and Alterations

None

If inappropriate, Why?

General Comments

Monitoring Notes – since Date of Survey





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Location Map County Boundary Stone 264 Loughan Road Coleraine Title: HB03/06/021 Scale: 1:2000

Address	HB Ref No HB03/06/022
County Boundary Stone	
104 Seacon Road	
Drumaduan	
Ballymoney	
Co. Antrim BT53 6QA	
BT55 OQA	
Extent of Listing	
Boundary marker	
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Date of Construction	
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Current Building Use	
Boundary Marker	
Principal Former Use	
Boundary Marker	

Conservation Area	No	Survey 1	Not_Listed	OS Map No	21/3SE
Industrial Archaeology	No	HED Evaluation	B2	IG Ref	C9118 2960
Vernacular	No	Date of Listing		IHR No	
Thatched	No	Date of Delisting			
Monument	No			HGI Ref	
Area of Townscape Character	No				
Local Landscape Policy Area	No			SMR No	
Historic Gardens Inventory	No				
Vacant N/A					
Derelict Yes					
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Owner	Category	Local Govt
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Building Information

Exterior Description and Setting

Boundary marker deliniating the County Antrim and County Derry boundary, of cast/ stamped concrete, set in rural location at N side of Seacon Road, 4km SE Coleraine and 5km NW Ballymoney.

Approximately 300x600x150mm, the marker is positioned in dense grass verge. Base is not visible.

Lettering approximately 25 to 35mm high is cast/ stamped into front face, reading "COUNTY BOUNDARY ANTRIM DERRY". The horizontal "ANTRIM" and "DERRY" are interlaced with the vertical 'Boundary' using the "A" and "Y".

The concrete core is visible centre/ top/ front where damage to the cast surface is evident. The marker tilts slightly to NE.

Interior Description N/A

Architects

Historical Information

This 'stone' is one of six similar markers set along rural roadsides in the area north and west of Ballymoney and east and south of Coleraine, Portstewart and Portrush, all demarcating the land boundary between Counties Antrim and Londonderry - and in particular a change in the direction of the line of that boundary. Their age is not known, but the concrete construction and the styling of the inscription suggests that they date from the very late 19th or early 20th century; it is possible that they may be associated with the introduction of County Councils following the 1898 Local Government (Ireland) Act. Their origins would certainly appear to have been obscure by 1940, for a photograph of what seems to be the stone in Glebe (Ballywillin) townland south of Portrush [see HB03/07/023] in the 21 May edition of the Belfast Telegraph of that year is captioned 'A curious county boundary stone'.

This particular example, on Seacon Road northwest of Ballymoney, is marked for the first time on the OS map of 1950.

Aside from the six known still-extant stones, there was at least one other, along Newbridge Road just south of this site, but this was removed in c.2020.

References - Primary sources

1 'Belfast Telegraph', 21 May 1940, p.10

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Secondary sources

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Architectural Interest	Historical Interest
J. Setting K. Group value	R. Age S. Authenticity
	Y. Social, Cultural or Economic Importance Z. Rarity W. Northern Ireland/International Interest
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Evaluation

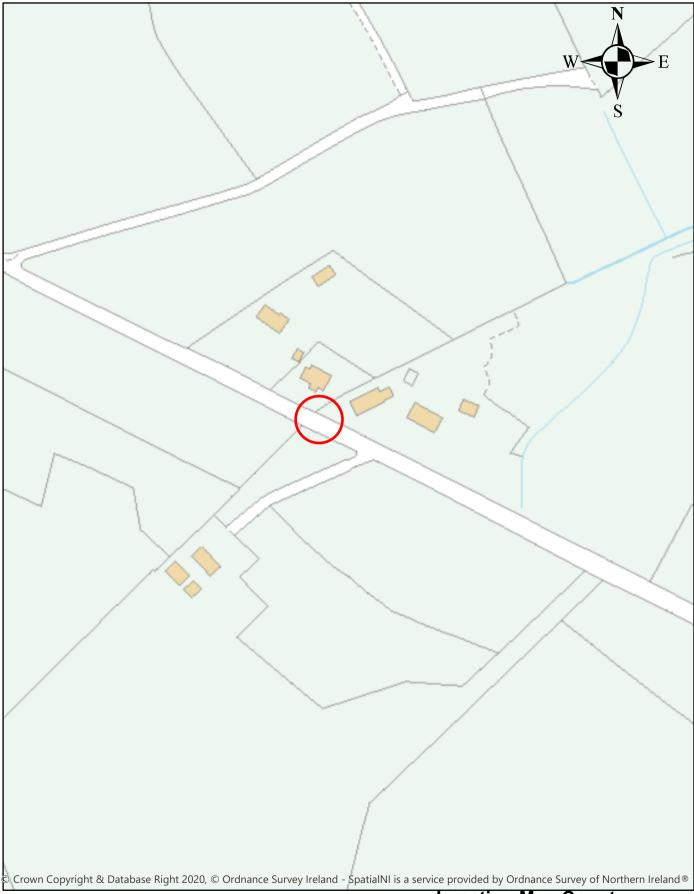
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Replacements and Alterations None

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General Comments

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Location Map County Boundary Stone 104 Seacon Rd Ballymoney

 Title:
 HB03/06/022

 Scale:
 1:2000

Address	HB Ref No HB03/07/021
County Boundary Stone	
11 Magherabuoy Rd	
Ballywillian	
Portrush	
Extent of Listing	
Boundary Marker	
Date of Construction	
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Boundary Marker	and the second of the second
Principal Former Use	
Boundary Marker	

Conservation Area	No	Survey 1	Not_Listed	OS Map No	06/14NW
Industrial Archaeology	No	HED Evaluation	B2	IG Ref	C8685 3873
Vernacular	No	Date of Listing		IHR No	
Thatched	No	Date of Delisting			
Monument	No			HGI Ref	
Area of Townscape Character	No				
Local Landscape Policy Area	No			SMR No	
Historic Gardens Inventory	No				
Vacant N/A					
Derelict No					

Owner Category

Building Information

Exterior Description and Setting

Boundary marker deliniating the County Antrim and County Derry boundary, of cast/ stamped concrete, set in rural location at N side of Magheraboy Road, 2km SSE Portrush.

Approximately 300x600x150mm, the marker is positioned in grass verge between field access and private house access, a mature tree and hedgerow are immediately behind.

Lettering approximately 25 to 35mm high is cast/ stamped into front face, reading "COUNTY BOUNDARY ANTRIM DERRY". The horizontal "ANTRIM" and "DERRY" are interlaced with the vertical 'Boundary' using the "A" and "Y".

The marker is weathered and exhibits severe damage/ surface loss to upper right sections of both front and back faces. The "COUNTY" lettering is severly weathered, the "Y" is missing. Most upper letters are partly missing..

The marker is tilted to both NE and SE, rendering the integral cast base visible. Integral cast base is approximately 100/ 150mm wide all round, depth is undetermined.

Interior Description N/A

Architects

Historical Information

This 'stone' is one of six similar markers set along rural roadsides in the area north and west of Ballymoney and east and south of Coleraine, Portstewart and Portrush, all demarcating the land boundary between Counties Antrim and Londonderry - and in particular a change in the direction of the line of that boundary. Their age is not known, but the concrete construction and the styling of the inscription suggests that they date from the very late 19th or early 20th century; it is possible that they may be associated with the introduction of County Councils following the 1898 Local Government (Ireland) Act. Their origins would certainly appear to have been obscure by 1940, for a photograph of what seems to be the stone in nearby Glebe (Ballywillin) townland south of Portrush [see HB03/07/023] in the 21 May edition of the Belfast Telegraph of that year is captioned 'A curious county boundary stone'.

This particular example, on Magherabuoy Road south of Portrush, is marked for the first time on the OS map of 1939, although it does not appear on any later editions.

Aside from the six known still-extant stones, there was at least one other, along Newbridge Road northwest of Ballymoney, but this was removed in c.2020.

References - Primary sources

1 OS maps 1:1250/2500 - 1939

2 'Belfast Telegraph', 21 May 1940, p.10

Secondary sources

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K. Group value	S. Authenticity Y. Social, Cultural or Economic Importance Z. Rarity

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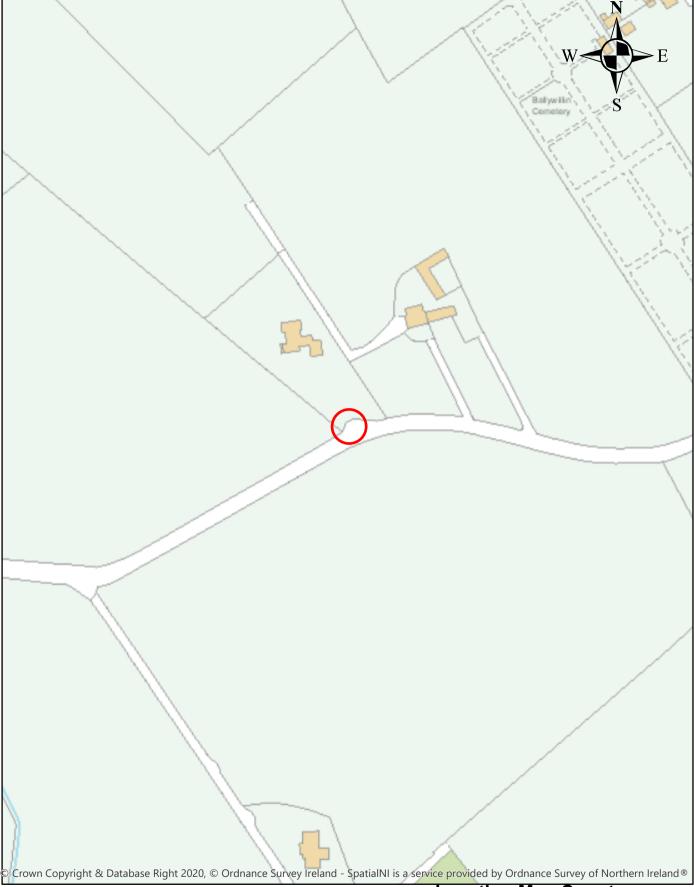
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Replacements and Alterations None

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General Comments

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Location Map County Boundary Stone 11 Magherabuoy Rd Portrush Title: HB03/07/021 Scale: 1:2000

Address	HB Ref No HB03/07/023
County Boundary Stone 116 Gateside Road Glebe Ballywillian BT56 8NP	
Extent of Listing	
Boundary marker	
Date of Construction 1900 - 1919	SAN SAN AND SAN SAN AND SAN AN
Townland Glebe (Ballywillan)	
Current Building Use	and the second
Boundary Marker	
Principal Former Use	
Boundary Marker	

Conservation Area	No	Survey 1	Not_Listed	OS Map No	06/14NW
Industrial Archaeology	No	HED Evaluation	B2	IG Ref	C8720 3869
Vernacular	No	Date of Listing		IHR No	
Thatched	No	Date of Delisting			
Monument	No			HGI Ref	
Area of Townscape Character	No				
Local Landscape Policy Area	No			SMR No	
Historic Gardens Inventory	No				
Vacant N/A					
Derelict Yes					

Owner Category

Building Information

Exterior Description and Setting

Boundary marker deliniating the County Antrim and County Derry boundary, of cast/ stamped concrete, set in rural location at W side of Gateside Road, 2km SSE Portrush.

Approximately 300x600x150mm, the marker is positioned in grass verge, a direction sign and road name sign are immediately adjacent to SSE and bus stop adjacent to NNW. Base is not visible.

Lettering approximately 25 to 35mm high is cast/ stamped into front face, reading "COUNTY BOUNDARY ANTRIM DERRY". The horizontal "ANTRIM" and "DERRY" are interlaced with the vertical 'Boundary' using the "A" and "Y".

The marker is lightly weathered, undamaged and upright, A small hole centre/ top/ front to the cast surface is evident.

Interior Description N/A

Architects

Historical Information

This 'stone' is one of six similar markers set along rural roadsides in the area north and west of Ballymoney and east and south of Coleraine, Portstewart and Portrush, all demarcating the land boundary between Counties Antrim and Londonderry - and in particular a change in the direction of the line of that boundary. Their age is not known, but the concrete construction and the styling of the inscription suggests that they date from the very late 19th or early 20th century; it is possible that they may be associated with the introduction of County Councils following the 1898 Local Government (Ireland) Act. Their origins would certainly appear to have been obscure by 1940, for a photograph of what seems to be this stone ('near Ballywillan, Portrush') in the 21 May edition of the Belfast Telegraph of that year is captioned 'A curious county boundary stone'.

This particular example, on Gateside Road south of Portrush, is marked for the first time on the OS map of 1939.

Aside from the six known still-extant stones, there was at least one other, along Newbridge Road just northwest of Ballymoney, but this was removed in c.2020.

References - Primary sources

- 1 OS maps 1:1250/2500 1939, 1966, 1979
- 2 'Belfast Telegraph', 21 May 1940, p.10

Secondary sources

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Location Map County Boundary Stone 116 Gateside Rd Glebe

 Title:
 HB03/07/023

 Scale:
 1:2000

Address	HB Ref No HB04/01/016
County Boundary Stone 27 Ballywindelland Rd Ballywindelland Lower TD Ballymoney	
Co. Londonderry BT53 6QT	
Extent of Listing Boundary Marker	
Date of Construction 1900 - 1919	
Townland Ballywindelland Lower	?
Current Building Use	
Boundary Marker	
Principal Former Use	
Boundary Marker	

Conservation Area	No	Survey 1	Not_Listed	OS Map No	21/11NE
Industrial Archaeology	No	HED Evaluation	B2	IG Ref	C9035 2768
Vernacular	No	Date of Listing		IHR No	
Thatched	No	Date of Delisting			
Monument	No			HGI Ref	
Area of Townscape Character	No				
Local Landscape Policy Area	No			SMR No	
Historic Gardens Inventory	No				
Vacant N/A					
Derelict Yes					

Owner Category

Building Information

Exterior Description and Setting

Boundary marker deliniating the County Antrim and County Derry boundary, of cast/ stamped concrete, set in rural location at N side of Ballywindelland Road, 5km NW Ballymoney, 7.5km SE Coleraine.

Approximately 300x600x150mm, the marker is positioned in dense grass verge with mature hedgerow immediately behind. Base is not visible.

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'Boundary' using the "A" and "Y".

The marker is lightly weathered with edge damage evident all round on both front and rear faces. The marker faces NE and tilts backwards slightly to SW.

Interior Description

Architects

Historical Information

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This particular example, on Ballywindelland Road north of Ballymoney, appears to be marked for the first time on the OS map of 1970.

Aside from the six known still-extant stones, there was at least one other, along Newbridge Road just northwest of Ballymoney, but this was removed in c.2020.

References - Primary sources

- 1 'Belfast Telegraph', 21 May 1940, p.10
- 2 OS maps 1:1250/2500 1970, 1982

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Criteria for Listing

NB: In March 2011, revised criteria were published as Annex C of Planning Policy Statement 6. These added extra criteria with the aim of improving clarity in regard to the Department's explanation of historic interest. For records evaluated in advance of this, therefore, not all of these criteria would have been considered. The criteria used prior to 2011 are published on the Department's website under 'listing criteria'.

Architectural Interest	Historical Interest
J. Setting	R. Age
K. Group value	S. Authenticity Y. Social, Cultural or Economic Importance Z. Rarity

Evaluation

Small, inscribed concrete boundary 'stone', one of a set in their original settings and locations on various country roads in the area NW of Ballymoney and E and SE of Coleraine, Portrush and Portstewart, all marking the land boundary between the counties of Antrim and Londonderry. Their date is uncertain, their age is not known, but the concrete construction and the styling of the inscription suggests that they date from the very late 19th or early 20th century; it is possible that they may be associated with the introduction of County Councils following the 1898 Local Government (Ireland) Act. Though small in size and simple in detailing, these unusual boundary markers are of special interest, being of local and historical importance.

Replacements and Alterations None

If inappropriate, Why?

General Comments

Monitoring Notes – since Date of Survey





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Location Map County Boundary Stone 27 Ballywindelland Rd

 Title:
 HB04/01/016

 Scale:
 1:2000