

## Heritage Update

The draft heritage strategy report was sent to Historic Scotland for review in October 2008 and a detailed reply was received in January 2009. Parts of the report require further information and justification to back up the conclusions and this is being further developed. Historic Scotland is continuing to show their interest and commitment to Dounreay through two site visits.

In February the area inspector for scheduled monuments viewed the Dounreay Castle to review its condition following some concerns about the safety of personnel working in the Castle's vicinity. The north wall has a significant lean. Recommendations on stabilising the Castle to prevent it falling down have been received and are being reviewed by management.

The Chief Inspector and Head of Listing are due to visit Dounreay on 19th March to discuss their views on the heritage strategy and to receive an update on the revisions. Once Historic Scotland, Dounreay Management and the NDA are happy with the draft strategy contents the report will be presented to the DSG Environmental Sub-Group. Interested stakeholders and the general public will also be asked for their views before the strategy is finalised.

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