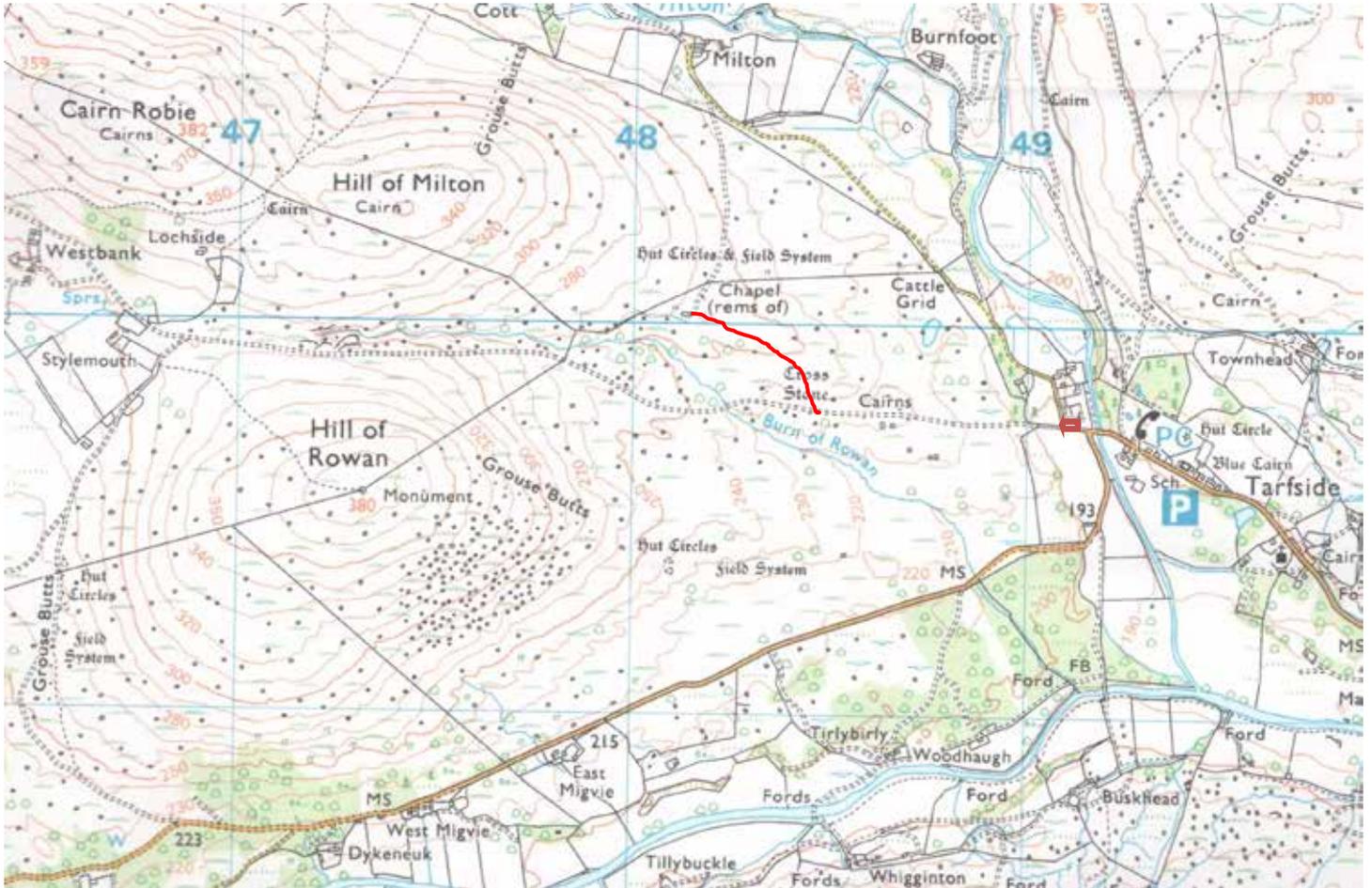


Route to the site of the 2nd St Drostan's Church via the Cross Stone

The path starts at the field gate to the south west of the existing St Drostan's Church and the Cross Stone is approximately 800 yards up this path on the left hand side. Then follow rough path from the Cross Stone over the side of the hill opposite Hill of Rowan



Church Site Looking South West towards Maule Monument



Church Site looking East



The 2nd Church was probably built near the site of the First St Drostan's Church which was burned down during the 1745 rebellion. Shortly after the arrival of Rev James Brown in 1763, the building of the 2nd Church was begun and completed by 98 men of the congregation. They collected stones from the hills and within a week had the walls standing and, within 3 weeks, the roof was thatched with heather, and the floor laid with earth and gravel. It was 74 ft. long and 14 ft. wide and was used until the 3rd Church was opened in 1811. (The 3rd Church was located near where the Lodge is now).

Route from the Cross Stone to the site of the Church



Note the tree on north west hillside, the church lies behind this to the right.



Pointing the way to the rough path to the church, note Cross Stone in foreground. (See photo below)



Showing rough path to left of pile of stones and landmark tree in far distance, keep to side of hill to avoid boggy ground.



Looking up the rough path towards the trees.



The path runs between rock outcrops.



Note the large rock on the right.



Note old tree on right, and very poor track through bracken.



Just past "landmark" trees looking back down very indistinct path.



Site of the Church. Note the landmark tree in the background and painted corner stone marker.



The Cross Stone