

ROUTE PLAN

Limited parking is available on the A27 roadside at Ronague (**SC244 725**). Please do not park at **WP01** as this is a private lane.

From **WP01** Follow the stoney lane 650 metres

WP02 Do not enter plantation, turn left and follow stony track 600 metres

WP03 Pass quarry entrance and continue 120 metres

WP04 Enter plantation and follow path 360 metres

WP05 Turn right and follow path upwards 180 metres

WP06 Turn left past forest road (leading back to entrance) and follow grassy path 220 metres

WP07 Do not turn right but continue slightly downhill before resuming gentle climb 560 metres

WP08 Staying within plantation boundary, turn right and follow path 320 metres

WP09 Follow path to the right, still at plantation boundary 310 metres

WP10 Bear left, at junction, along boundary path 700 metres

WP11 Turn right and continue following boundary, divert through trees to join forest road just inside entrance 370 metres

WP12 Exit plantation through kissing gate and retrace your steps back 650 metres to the main road at **WP01**.

10 metre Ordnance Survey Grid References -

WP01 SC2442 7242	WP07 SC2346 7339
WP02 SC2413 7299	WP08 SC2345 7391
WP03 SC2359 7287	WP09 SC2375 7385
WP04 SC2352 7286	WP10 SC2369 7359
WP05 SC2343 7320	WP11 SC2422 7331
WP06 SC2361 7323	WP12 SC2411 7300

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WARDEN'S WALKS Earystane

Warden's Walks are available as a series of leaflets, each with a detailed map and route description. They are also available on our website. They should be used in conjunction with the Outdoor Leisure Map 1:25,000 series.

This is a walk of 5 kilometres, about 3 miles. Approx. 2 hours. It involves a gentle climb to Earystane plantation before following its southern boundary westwards. Then passing northwards through the wood and following the eastern boundary, returning to the starting point in Ronague. The going is generally good but may be wet under foot in places.

The land on which this plantation sits is owned by the Isle of Man Water Authority, but managed by DEFA. It was planted during the period 1964 to 1968 and contains the main conifer species of Lodgepole pine and Sitka spruce. A small slate quarry situated in the south western corner of the plantation is still worked by a local firm.

At several points along the route the walker will be rewarded with some splendid views across the Island and beyond. Look carefully over the moorland surrounding Earystane and you may even spot a hen harrier hunting for its prey.

Should the walker wish to explore further afield, a footpath to the north of the plantation passes through the heathland of 'Cringles Great Park' which leads to the Sloc Road.

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WARDEN'S WALK



Earystane

5 kilometres, 3 miles. Approx. 2 hours



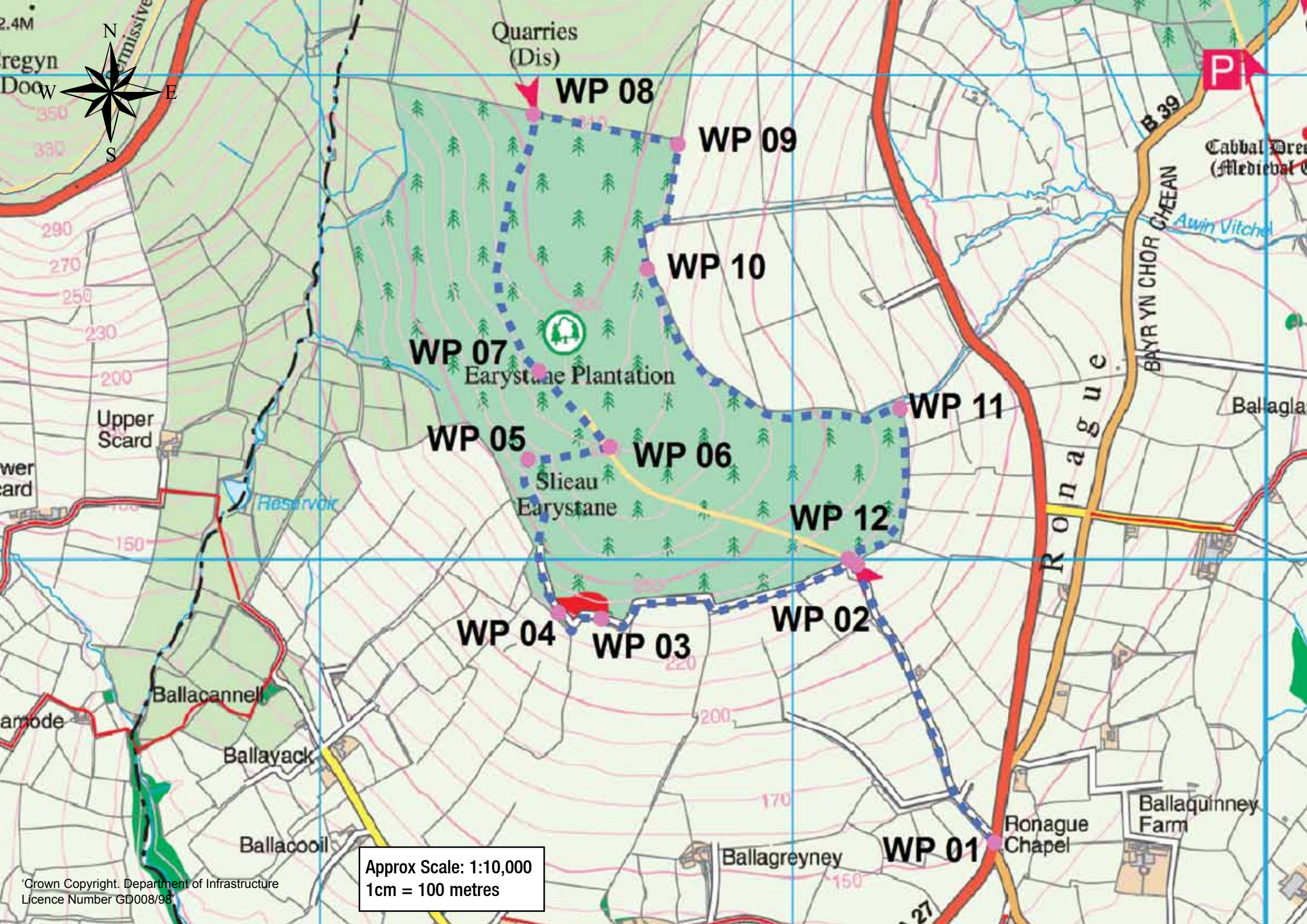
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1cm = 100 metres

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