Site no.: Q2

Site name: Gaick Plateau

Grid reference: [NN 69199 81191]; [NN 71640 88011]; [NN 81455 82054]; [NN 83550 78789]; [NN 87900 76348]; [NN 85879 75630]; [NN 90821 76437]; [NN 94219 78110]; [NN 94130 83289]; [NN 96744 81665]; [NN 98125 83628]; [NN

95784 84929]; [NN 83159 87530]; [NN 85246 87606]

Locality: High plateau lying to the east of the Pass of Drumochter

GCR Status: N/A

GCR No.: N/A

Type: Landform assemblage

Description: The Gaick Plateau is underlain by a sandy in situ weathering product (regolith) of the micaceous psammite bedrock that supports a rich sward of Sub-Arctic-Alpine vegetational communities.

Justification: The Gaick Plateau is an excellent example of high level plateaux in Scotland. The plateau includes a fragile mosaic of vegetation, peat and bare ground with both relict and active periglacial features.

References