

# Recording Place-Names

- Place-names are an interesting and important topic which captures part of the history of your community, and your farm.
  - The names you use on a day-to-day basis may be perfectly normal to you, but they may be of great national interest
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# Who records and archives the names?

- The Welsh Place-Name Society has visited communities across Wales to record names and to provide support and guidance for people to record names before they disappear completely.
  - These names are identified on the society's digital map, and archived by the National Library, for the future.
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# Welsh Place-Name Society

Entering names using the [www.streetmap.co.uk](http://www.streetmap.co.uk) website.

Here is a set of slides showing how to record at home, and how to send information to us in a document, to be transferred to the map.

# Prepare

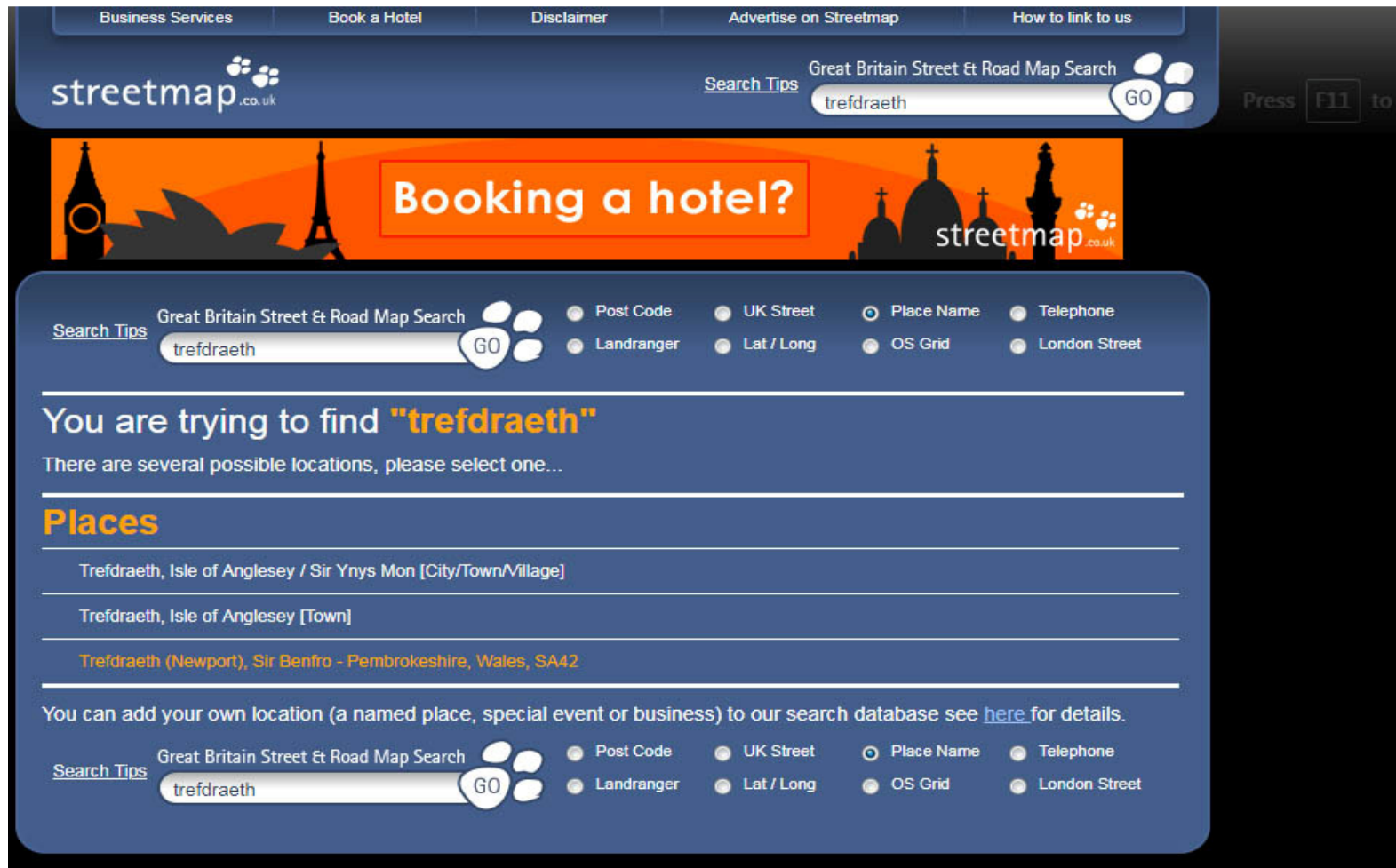
- Prepare a new document such as Microsoft Word or similar
- We need your name and address
- Note the name, such as field, old building, river pool, coast, rock, hill or old ruin, etc.
- State the name of the nearest village or town or river (in the case of the names of pools), or the part of the coast. Add the National Grid Number if possible. You can do this through [streetmap.co.uk](http://streetmap.co.uk) below.

# Using the Streetmap.co.uk website

- This website of contemporary Ordnance Survey maps allows you to locate a name on a map.
- Locate a name using the little red arrow visible on maps in this website.
- The next slides will guide you through the easy process using a Pembrokeshire location as an example.

[www.streetmap.co.uk](http://www.streetmap.co.uk)

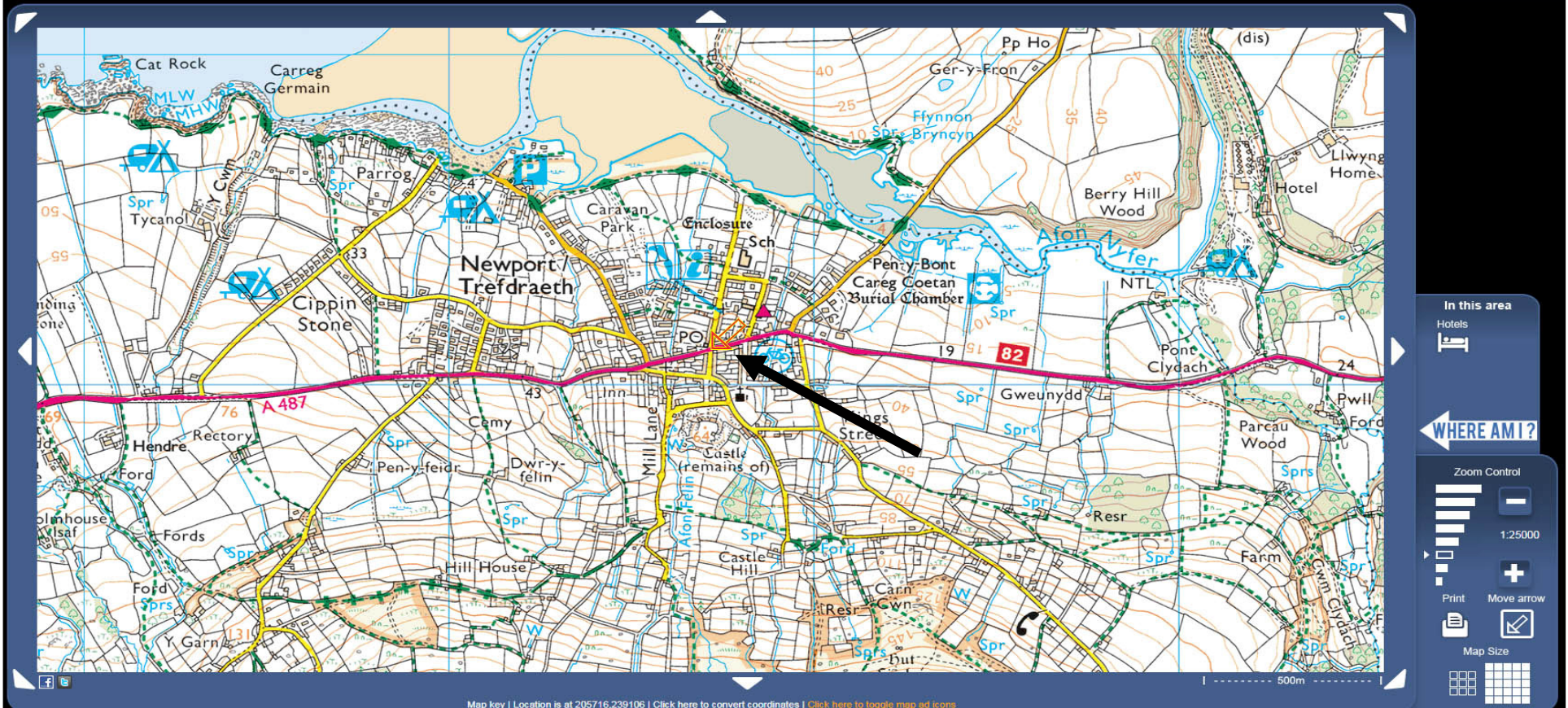
Open the link above.



This is the opening page.

In the box by "GO" enter your village name.

- Here, as an example is the name of Newport. Note there are several places with the same name so a list will be displayed. In this case we see two Newports in Wales, one in Anglesey and the other in Pembrokeshire. Click on the appropriate name, Pembrokeshire in this case.
- Remember that the map shows names in each British country.
- Over 50 names are displayed if you enter "Newport"!!
- The next slide shows the map with the name you have selected.



Note the red arrow in the middle of the map (on the tip of the black arrow). This is the location of Newport.

These slides will lead you to the location of a lime kiln on nearby Parrog beach.

- Note the blue area beside the map, displayed on the right.
- We have "Zoom Control" and "Move Arrow".
- **Zoom Control.**
- This resizes the map. You can select a map:
- either
- 1:50,000 by clicking on the fourth box from the bottom
- or
- 1:25,000, the third box from the bottom, as you can see here. The box is blue. This is the most detailed map as it indicates field boundaries. This is the map we suggest you use.
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- “Move Arrow”
  - Note the yellow arrow.
  - The location of the red arrow on the map indicates a map reference, so the arrow needs to be moved to the name to indicate its location.
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- How to move the arrow:
    1. Click on the square below "Move arrow" containing an arrow.
    2. Now click on the location of the name on the map, and you will see that the arrow has moved.





Note that the red arrow has moved to near the letter P on a blue background in the map. This is the location of the lime kiln on Parrog beach we want to record.

- Go to the box at the top of the screen which says
- <https://www.streetmap.co.uk> .....
- Copy all the link (ctrl A and paste ctrl P) to a Word document. See an example below:

<https://www.streetmap.co.uk/map.srf?x=205210&y=239655&z=120&sv=205210,239655&st=4&ar=y&mapp=map.srf&searchp=ids.srf&dn=780&ax=205210&ay=239655&lm=0>

# Getting the map reference

At the bottom of the map you will see:

“Click [here](#) to convert coordinates”. Click on the word ‘here’ and you will get this:

OS X (Easting) 205221 OS Y (Northings) 239646 Nearest

**Post Code** SA42 0RP

Lat (WGS84) N52:01:15 (52.020951) Long (WGS84)

W4:50:25 (-4.840183) **Lat,Long** 52.020951,-4.840183

**Nat Grid SN052396 / SN0522139646**

This is the number we need.

# Getting the map reference 2

Here are two map references, one with 6 figures and the other with 10:

From the last slide **Nat Grid** SN052396 / SN0522139646.

A 6 figure grid reference is fine for fields, etc., but if specifying a stone in a river, or a very small location, then a 10 figure reference is better.

# How to send the information to us

- Create a Microsoft Word document or similar.
- Make sure we get the information below:
- Your name and address.
- The name of the location you have entered together with other names for the same location, if any. It is very common for a field name and the story behind the name to change over the years.
- Copy <https://www.streetmap.co.uk> .....  
(everything in this box) by copying and pasting it into a Word document in full. It can be long.
- Email the document to [mapio.cellc@gmail.com](mailto:mapio.cellc@gmail.com)