Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru
Natural Resources Wales

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Eich cyf/Your ref: P/2025/0177

Wrexham County Borough Council
The Guildhall
Wrexham
LL11 1AY

Date: 13 March 2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

**PROPOSAL: INSTALLATION OF 2 NO EXTERNAL AIR SOURCE HEAT PUMP UNITS**

**LOCATION: UNITS 4-6, WYNNSTAY INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, RUABON, LL14 6EN**

Thank you for consulting Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru (CNC)/Natural Resources Wales (NRW) about the above, which we received on 11 March 2025.

**We have no objection to the proposed development as submitted and provide the following advice.**

**Protected Sites**

*Foul drainage*

We note the application site is within the catchment of the River Dee and Bala Lake Special Area of Conservation (SAC). In line with our *Advice to Planning Authorities for Planning Applications Affecting Nutrient Sensitive River Special Areas of Conservation* (28 June 2024), under the Habitats Regulations, Planning Authorities must consider the impact of proposed developments on water quality within SAC river catchments.

However, recognising the specific nature of the application submitted, we are satisfied that there is unlikely to be a source of additional nutrients and/or a pathway for impacts. As such, in our opinion, it would be reasonable for your Authority to screen out this proposal as not likely to have a significant effect on the River Dee and Bala Lake SAC in relation to nutrient inputs.

**Other Matters**

Our comments above only relate specifically to matters included on our checklist, *Development Planning Advisory Service: Consultation Topics* (September 2018), which is published on our website. We have not considered potential effects on other matters and do not rule out the potential for the proposed development to affect other interests.

We advise the applicant that, in addition to planning permission, it is their responsibility to ensure they secure all other permits/consents/licences relevant to their development. Please refer to our website for further details.

If you have any queries on the above, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,

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