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Wrexham County Borough Council
The Guildhall
Wrexham
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Dyddiad/Date: 29 November 2023

Annwyl Syr/Madam/Dear Sir/Madam,

BWRIAD/PROPOSAL: CREATION OF NEW ACCESS ROAD AND LOADING BAY

LLEOLIAD/LOCATION: PANDY WOOD PANDY WREXHAM

Thank you for consulting Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru (CNC)/Natural Resources Wales (NRW) about the above, which we received on 06 November 2023.

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

Protected Sites

Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)

We have considered the information submitted in support of the above application. Based on the information submitted, we consider that the proposed development is not likely to damage the features for which Pandy Quarries is of special interest.

Special Area of Conservation (SAC)

We note the application site is within the catchment of the River Dee and Bala Lake Special Area of Conservation (SAC). As you are aware, on the 21st January 2021, we published an evidence package outlining phosphorus levels for all river SACs across Wales. In line with our [Planning Advice](#) (August 2023), under the Habitats Regulations, Planning Authorities must consider the phosphorus impact of proposed developments on water quality within SAC river catchments.

However, the application as submitted is unlikely to increase the amount of phosphorus entering the catchment. Therefore, we are satisfied that the proposal is not likely to have a significant effect on the River Dee and Bala Lake SAC.

Protected Species

We recommend you seek the advice of your in-house ecologist to determine if there is a reasonable likelihood of bats, a European Protected Species, being present within the

application site. If so, in accordance with Technical Advice Note 5: Nature Conservation and Planning (paragraph 6.2.2) a bat survey may be required.

The survey should be carried out in accordance with 'Bat Surveys; Good Practice Guidelines 3rd Edition' published by the Bat Conservation Trust 2016.

We therefore have no comments to make on the application, as submitted. Please consult us again if any survey undertaken finds that bats are present at the site, and you require further advice from us.

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.

Yn gywir / Yours faithfully

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