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Subject: [DKIM:INVALID] FAO: TF RE: P/2023/0030 at Wisteria Cottage, Church Road, Worthenbury, Wrexham
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Attachments: [ARCHAEOLOGY AND PLANNING IN WALES 8 MARCH 2021.pdf](#)
[January 23 CPAT Contractors Information.pdf](#)
[January 23 CPAT Watching Brief General Requirements.pdf](#)

Good afternoon,

Regarding the application referenced above.

Information retained within the Regional Historic Environment Record indicates that the proposed extension is within the Medieval Core of Worthenbury. These sites often contain sub-surface archaeology including former extensions, rubbish pits, former plot boundary ditches, garden features and artefacts from other periods. Therefore, works on this site should take place under the condition of an **archaeological watching brief**, including any foundation trench cutting, and ground levelling in order that an adequate record of any archaeological features revealed by these works can be made. This advice is in accordance with the guidance set out in TAN 24 (May 2017) and Planning Policy Wales (Feb 2021).

The archaeologist should be part of a **recognised professional archaeological organisation** working to the Standard and Guidance of the **Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIFA)** relating to an Archaeological Watching Brief. The archaeologist should be working in accordance with an approved written scheme of investigation (**WSI**) and should preferably be part of a Registered Archaeological Organisation with the CIFA.

A suitable condition to facilitate the contracted watching brief is provided below along with a guidance note for the applicant on how to commission archaeological works.

The condition in this case would be:

Archaeological Watching Brief

Suggested planning condition to facilitate an archaeological watching brief:

*The developer shall ensure that a suitably **qualified archaeological contractor** is present during all the ground reduction for the application area so that an archaeological watching brief can be conducted. The archaeological watching brief must meet the standards laid down by the **Chartered Institute for Archaeologists** Standard and Guidance for archaeological watching briefs.*

A copy of the resulting report should be submitted to the Local Planning Authority and the Development Control Archaeologist, Clwyd-Powys Archaeological Trust (41 Broad Street, Welshpool, Powys, SY21 7RR Email: neil.bayliss@cpat.org.uk Tel: 01938 553670).

After approval by the Local Planning Authority, a copy of the resulting report should also be sent to the Historic Environment Record Officer, Clwyd-Powys Archaeological Trust for inclusion in the regional Historic Environment Record and a copy of the report and whole project archive should also be sent to the National Monuments Record, RCAHMW.

Reason: *To secure preservation by record of any archaeological remains which may be revealed during ground excavations for the consented development.*

I have attached a brief for the **watching brief** and guidance on sources of archaeological contractors who may wish to tender for this work. The chosen archaeological contractor will

need to submit a **WSI** (written scheme of investigation) document to neil.bayliss@cpat.org.uk for approval before they can commence works on site.

The attached documents should be forwarded to the applicant/agent so that they are fully aware of the requirements.

Please contact me if you wish to discuss this advice or require more information.

Kind regards,

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