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Subject: [DKIM:INVALID] P/2021/0702 Garage extension and landscaping to frontage at Park House, Castle Street, Holt - Archaeological Watching Brief
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Dear Mared

Thank you for the consultation on this application.

Information retained within the Historic Environment Record indicates that the proposed new garage foundations and the deeper hard landscaping works to the frontage will impact an area within the medieval historic core and Conservation Area of Holt. With regard to the conservation Area the Built heritage Conservation officer should be consulted.

The plot and frontage area lies within the medieval historic core and may originally have included late medieval and post medieval structures built in brick or timber framing. The plots occupied by later houses often include intact earlier sub-surface archaeology as shown for example by the finding of post medieval refuse pits with pottery at the Ingledene property to the west, which also included a previously unrecorded timber frame structure. The garage foundation excavations and ground reduction for the hard landscaping on the frontage may all reveal earlier archaeology on this plot.

Accordingly, we would recommend that an archaeologist is contracted to be present throughout the duration of new foundation excavations for the extensions so 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 relating to an Archaeological Watching Brief. The archaeologist should be working in accordance with an approved written scheme of investigation (WSI).

A suitable condition to facilitate the contracted watching brief is provided below:

Suggested planning condition to facilitate an archaeological watching brief

The developer shall ensure that a suitably qualified archaeological contractor is present during the undertaking of any ground works in the development 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 (The Offices, Coed y Dinas, Welshpool, SY21 8RP Email: mark.walters@cpat.org.uk Tel: 01938 553670). After approval by the Local Planning Authority, a copy of the report and resulting archive should also be sent to the Historic Environment Record Officer,

Clwyd-Powys Archaeological Trust for inclusion in the regional Historic Environment Record and 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 standard brief for this work and information on archaeological contractors that the applicant may wish to engage. Please forward this information to the applicants so that they are fully aware of the requirements.

Should you wish to discuss the above recommendations do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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