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To: planning_admin
Subject: P/2016/0212 St Marys Church, High Street, Overton - Extension to North Aisle - Scheme of Archaeological Investigation Condition
Attachments: Advice on Commissioning Archaeological Work.doc; Contractors List 2016.doc

Dear Sir or Madam

Thank you for the consultation on this application.

The development lies at the core of the medieval historic village of Overton and within the churchyard of the present 15th - 15th century church. The location of the extension in the angle between the tower and north aisle occupies a small area that may contain earlier medieval burials and could also produce evidence of earlier church structures, which are known to have occupied the site in the 7th-12th and 12th-14th centuries.

The foundation trenches, service trenches and new floor level may all impact this earlier archaeology and we would therefore recommend that an appropriate level of investigation takes place to recover information on any structural features and burials. In this case we would recommend that an archaeological contractor is engaged to initially remove the topsoil and other non-archaeological soils and then excavate the footprint of the extension fully down to the maximum depth of disturbance proposed for the foundation design. All archaeological features impacted by the development would be fully excavated and reported upon.

In this case the condition would be:

Suggested planning condition to facilitate a scheme of archaeological investigation/excavation as a condition of consent.

No development shall take place within the application area until the applicant, or their agents or successors in title, has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a written scheme of investigation, which has been submitted by the applicant and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The archaeological programme of work will be undertaken and completed in accordance with the relevant Standards and Guidance laid down by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists. 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: markwalters@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.

Reason: To secure preservation by record of all archaeological remains which will be impacted by the development

The applicant will need to engage an archaeological contractor to do this work in accordance with a written brief which will be produced by this office on request. In response to the brief the archaeological contractor would supply the applicant with a quote and a written scheme of investigation (WSI). The WSI of the chosen contractor should be sent to me for approval before the commencement of the investigation.

I have attached an advisory list of archaeological contractors who may wish to tender for this work together with a guidance note explaining how the applicant should commission archaeological works. Please forward both of these documents to the applicant so that they are fully informed on the process.

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

Kind regards

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