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To: planning_admin
Subject: P/2016/0059 Extension to south side of Tir Y Fron, Llangollen Road, Ruabon - Offa's Dyke - 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 extension application.

Information retained within the Historic Environment Record indicates that the proposed 3.8m x 4.1m extension on the south side of the existing house will directly overlie the unscheduled sub-surface remains of the former alignment of Offa's Dyke. The dyke survives as an earthwork immediately to the north and south where it is protected as a scheduled ancient monument (SAM De 141 Offas Dyke section south of Tatham Bridge).

At the location proposed for the extension we anticipate that sub-surface remains of the base of the former bank and possibly the eastern edge of the backfilled western ditch may be encountered during excavations to insert foundations and services.

We would therefore recommend that the applicant is required to engage an archaeological contractor to excavate the area of the extension in advance of foundation insertion so that any archaeology associated with Offa's Dyke which may be impacted by the development scheme can be fully recorded. This advice is provided in accordance with the guidance set out in Welsh Government Planning Policy Wales (Edition 8, Jan 2016), Circular 60/96 - Archaeology and Planning (Dec 96).

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

I have attached a guidance note for the applicant on commissioning archaeological works and an advisory list of archaeological contractors who may wish to tender for the work.

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

Kind regards

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