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Subject: [DKIM:INVALID] P/2021/0288 Erection of Garage and Conversion of bans at Moss Bank Farm, Borrass Road, Borrass - Archaeological Watching Brief
Attachments: Archaeological Watching Brief.docx; Contractors Information.doc; ARCHAEOLOGY AND PLANNING IN WALES 8 MARCH 2021.pdf

Dear Sir or Madam

Thank you for the consultation on this application.

Information held within the Historic Environment Record indicates that the new double garage will be erected within a general area of archaeological potential related to a possible Roman farmstead or villa. Archaeological recording on the nearby Borrass quarry extraction site has revealed the extensive traces of a Roman field system focussing on the area now covered by Moss Farm. There is some potential that a Roman building complex survives beneath Moss Farm and may be revealed by the construction of new foundations.

This advice did not appear on the earlier house application near the frontage in dec 2019 as we were moving offices at the time and the earlier application was missed.

Accordingly we would recommend that an archaeologist is contracted to be present throughout the duration of top soiling, foundation trench cutting, and service trench excavation works 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 (Edition 10 Nov. 2018).

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 NMR, 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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