

MEMORANDUM

From: Chief Officer, Environment & Technical **To:** Chief Officer Economy & Planning
FAO: Sharon Holman
Our Ref: ET/DC/PP/P/2025/0824 **Your Ref:** P/2025/0824
Date: 12/11/2025

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

PROPOSAL: NEWID DEFNYDD ADEILAD ATEGOL O YSTAFELL CIST/ TWB POETH I ANNEDD BRESWYL ANNIBYNNOL / CHANGE OF USE OF ANCILLARY BUILDING FROM A BOOT/HOT TUB ROOM TO AN INDEPENDENT RESIDENTIAL DWELLING

LOCATION: CROFT COTTAGE, PENYGELLI ROAD, COEDPOETH, WREXHAM, LL11 3RW

I refer to your consultation / email dated 04/11/2025 in respect of the above.

Access

The proposed development site is located on Penygelli Road which is an unclassified road subject to a 20mph speed limit.

Based on typical speeds of 20mph, any proposed / existing shared access would require visibility splays of 2.4 x 25m in both directions measured to the centreline of the adjoining highway in accordance with Manual for Streets.

Visibility from the existing access is currently inadequate providing splays of approximately 2.4 x 10m to the north and 2.4 x 7m to the south measured to the centreline of the adjoining highway. Visibility is impeded in both directions by the existing boundary walls.

The submitted visibility layout plan (Drg. No. 001 Rev P01) indicates splays of 2.0 x 45m in both directions measured to the nearside edge of the adjoining highway. The LHA would not support the use of a 2.4m setback in this instance.

The LHA recommends the applicant provides a suitably scaled revised layout plan indicating splays of 2.4 x 25m in both directions measured to the centreline of the adjoining highway in accordance with Manual for Streets.

The existing shared access is approximately 6.1m wide and surfaced with loose bound materials. If the application is supported, the LHA recommend any proposed shared access includes the following:-

- Minimum 5m of hard bound paving.

- No gates to be erected.
- Aco drain or similar where the access falls towards the highway.

Parking & Turning Provision

Adequate parking & turning provision will be required at the development site in accordance with LPGN 16 / 21 requirements.

It is not clear from the submitted information as to the number of bedrooms at the existing property and proposed dwelling. It is assumed that the existing dwelling is 3 bedroom and the proposed dwelling is 1 bedroom. If this is the case, then the provision of 4 parking spaces would be considered acceptable. **The LHA recommend the applicant confirms this detail.**

Swept Paths (Drq. No. 001 Rev P02)

The submitted swept path details indicate the turning movements of a 4.2m long car within the site and exiting the site. **The LHA recommend that a large car (ie/ 5m in length) is used to demonstrate suitable turning.** The submitted details do not include details of the car entering the site from both directions. **The LHA recommend that this detail is provided.**

The submitted plan appears to indicate a 7.5m wide access and a 4.5m wide carriageway fronting the site. It is assumed that it is proposed to widen the access from 6.1m to 7.5m to improve access. However, the 4.5m wide carriageway indicated fronting the site is only approximately 3.8m wide. **The LHA recommend this detail is indicated/ amended on a revised swept plan.**

Cycle Parking / Storage

Adequate cycle parking / storage facilities will be required for each dwelling to accord with the minimum cycle parking standards set out in LPGN 16 / Active Travel Guidance. **The Local Highway Authority (LHA) request a suitably scaled plan indicating all proposed cycle parking / storage provision** (including annotated dimensions).

Conclusion

In conclusion, the LHA request the following information:-

- **Visibility Splays**
The LHA recommends the applicant provides a suitably scaled revised layout plan indicating splays of 2.4 x 25m in both directions measured to the centreline of the adjoining highway in accordance with Manual for Streets.

- **Parking & Turning Provision**

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- Cycle Parking / Shelter

Further details will be required in relation to cycle parking / storage to accord with the minimum cycle parking standards set out in LPGN 16 / Active Travel Guidance. **The Local Highway Authority (LHA) request a suitably scaled plan indicating all proposed cycle parking / storage provision** (including annotated dimensions).

Supplementary Notes

The applicant's attention should be drawn to item nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 of the supplementary notes.

KW Edwards

Contracts and Engineering Manager

On behalf of Chief Officer, Environment & Technical

Appendix

Highways Development Control Standard Advisory Note

In the interests of maintaining highway safety, and to avoid obstruction of the public highway (in contravention of the Highways Act), The Applicant is advised to coordinate with the highway authority at highwayroadworks@wrexham.gov.uk in advance of commencement of the development/works with respect to:

- 1. Skip, scaffolding, hoarding or A frame/signage (Permit required for these items, if on the public highway);*
- 2. Use of a parking space for a set down/delivery area;*
- 3. Record a dilapidation survey of the adjacent carriageway prior to commencement (to avoid being asked to repair damage by the Applicant whilst carrying out their works);*
- 4. If any lane closure or obstruction of the highway is required for a crane or similar;*
- 5. Protection against dust and debris blowing onto the public highway*
- 6. Construction traffic parking locally avoiding nuisance to others;*
- 7. If the Applicant's scope of work includes new apparatus in the highway, such as new mains services then a Section 50 licence will be required. Insurances and demonstration of competency to carry out works in the public highway will be required.*

8. Lowering of kerbs or minor pavement alterations require Section 184 / 171 agreement. Insurances and demonstration of competency to carry out works in the public highway will be required.
9. A section 278 agreement works agreement is required for more significant alterations to the existing highway
10. Any temporary works affecting traffic lights, [pedestrian/cycle road crossings, or bus stops require pre-planning and permits;
11. For applications with a private driveway (either existing or proposed) connecting onto the public highway, the following conditions of approval apply:
 - No surface water from the applicants site should be allowed to drain onto the public highway,
 - The first 5m* minimum (for residential property) should be hard paved, avoiding gravel or loose chippings form spreading.
 - No gate should be built in a location where it would result in a car obstructing the highway whilst being unlocked, and it should not swing out and over a pavement or any other part of the highway.

**The hard paved length and set back if required is subject to the applicants proposed vehicular length*

The applicants should allow a minimum of 4 weeks' notice for any of the above standard requirements, and 6-8 weeks for lane closures & road closures (lead times may change without notice subject to workload and complexity). Any works involving Trunk roads should be coordinated separately and directly with the North & Mid Wales trunk Road Agency. For larger sites with a significant impact upon the highway, a Construction Traffic Management Plan will be required.