Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru
Natural Resources Wales

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Eich cyf/Your ref: P/2026/0017

Wrexham County Borough Council
The Guildhall
Wrexham
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Dyddiad/Date: 25 March 2026

Annwyl Syr/Madam/Dear Sir/Madam,

BWRIAD/PROPOSAL: RENEWAL OF EXISTING EXTERNAL PATHS, STEPS AND TARMACADAM AREA, GULLIES AND HANDRAILS AND GRAVELBOARD RETAINER TO REAR

LLEOLIAD/LOCATION: 1-4 GLENDOWER PLACE, HANMER, WHITCHURCH, SY13 3DF.

Thank you for consulting Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru (CNC)/Natural Resources Wales (NRW) about the above, which we received on 17 March 2026.

We have no objection to the proposed development as submitted and provide the following advice.

Protected Sites and Foul Drainage

River Dee and Bala Lake Special Area of Conservation (SAC)

We note the application site is within the catchment of the River River Dee and Bala Lake Special Area of Conservation (SAC). In line with our Advice to Planning Authorities for Planning Applications Affecting Nutrient Sensitive River Special Areas of Conservation (22 October 2025), under the Habitats Regulations, Planning Authorities must consider the impact of proposed developments on water quality within SAC river catchments.

However, recognising the specific nature of the application submitted, which meets the screening criteria set out in our Advice, we are satisfied that there is unlikely to be a source of additional nutrients and/or a pathway for impacts. As such, in our opinion, it would be reasonable for your Authority to screen out this proposal as not likely to have a significant effect on the River Dee and Bala Lake SAC in relation to nutrient inputs.

Hanmer Mere Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)

The application site is located 10m from the Hanmer Mere Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) & Midland Meres & Mosses Phase 2 (Wales) Ramsar site.

We have considered the information submitted in support of the above planning application. Based on the information submitted, we consider that the proposed development is not likely to damage the notified features of the protected site, providing the developer adheres to standard pollution prevention measures. Further information can be found here; gpp-5-works-and-maintenance-in-or-near-water.pdf.

Modifications to the proposed development may affect our view, and should merit a further consultation with us.

Other Matters

The advice in this letter relates to matters which are included on our consultation topics list. We do not rule out the potential for the proposed development to affect other environmental interests that are not included on this list.

We advise the applicant that, in addition to planning permission, it is their responsibility to ensure they secure all other permits/consents/licences relevant to their development. Please refer to our website for further details.

If you have any queries on the above, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yn gywir / Yours faithfully,

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