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Newport City Council
Civic Centre
Newport
NP20 4UR

Dyddiad/Date: 25 March 2024

Annwyl Syr/Madam/Dear Sir/Madam,

BWRIAD/PROPOSAL: CONVERSION OF EXISTING CHURCH TO 9NO. FLATS.

LLEOLIAD/LOCATION: ST PAUL'S CHURCH COMMERCIAL STREET NEWPORT NP20 1LU.

Thank you for consulting Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru (CNC)/Natural Resources Wales (NRW) about the above, which we received on 20 March 2024.

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

European Protected Species

The Update Bat and Nesting Bird Survey by Acer Ecology, dated May 2022, has identified bats were not using the application site. We therefore have no adverse comments to make in relation to bats on the application as submitted.

Protected Sites

The application site is located within 450m River Usk (Lower Usk) Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI). We consider the proposed development is not likely to damage the features for which the SSSI is of special interest if the developer adheres to standard pollution prevention guidelines. Further information on standard pollution prevention guidelines is provided under the 'Advice for the developer' section below.

Other Matters

Our comments above only relate specifically to matters included on our checklist, *Development Planning Advisory Service: Consultation Topics* (September 2018), which is published on our [website](#). We have not considered potential effects on other matters and do not rule out the potential for the proposed development to affect other interests.

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.

Advice for the Developer

Due to the proximity of the site to watercourses, all works at the site must be carried out in accordance with Guidance for Pollution Prevention (GPP) 5: Works and maintenance in or near water, and GPP 6: Working on construction and demolition sites, which are available on the [NetRegs website](#).

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

Yn gywir / Yours faithfully

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Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg a byddwn yn ymateb yn Gymraeg, heb i hynny arwain at oedi./Correspondence in Welsh is welcomed, and we will respond in Welsh without it leading to a delay.