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Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeology

Our ref: NEW1692/MJ

## ARCHAEOLOGICAL PLANNING

Head of Planning and Economic Regeneration  
Newport City Council  
Civic Centre  
NEWPORT  
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5th March 2025

Dear Sir

**Re: New dwelling:**  
**Summerleaze Cottage, Green Street, Redwick.**  
**Pl.App.No.: 24/1036**

Thank you for notifying us of this application; consequently we have reviewed the detailed information contained on your website. **The proposal will require archaeological mitigation.**

The information in the Historic Environment Record (HER) curated by this Trust shows that the proposed development site is located within the Gwent Levels Registered Historic Landscape (HLW (Gt) 2), specifically the Redwick Character Area (HLCA006), as defined within the *Register of Landscapes of Outstanding Historic Interest in Wales*. It is also located within the Archaeologically Sensitive Area. Redwick is the largest village in the Gwent Levels, which is a reclaimed marshland that has been exploited by humans for at least 6000 years. Although settlement is likely to have occurred in the prehistoric and Roman periods in the area, the present village was probably established in the early 12th century. It appears to have been a Norman foundation following English land tenure patterns and as such was surrounded by large open fields, which were not enclosed until a Parliamentary Enclosure Act was passed in 1850. As an English style village the settlement is likely to have been nucleated, centred on the church of St. Thomas (first recorded in 1270) and the triangular area surrounding it formed by three roads. A review of historic mapping shows a structure with a similar footprint to Summerleaze Cottage, in approximately the same position, on Ordnance Survey (OS) maps dated 1888-1915.

The proposed development involves the construction of dwelling and formation of access, parking and turning area. Whilst we note the cottage itself is not listed, it is located within an archaeologically sensitive area, and inside a Registered Historic Landscape. Therefore, it is possible that buried archaeological remains could be encountered during the groundworks.

Therefore, in order to mitigate the impact of the development on the archaeological resource we recommend that a condition, for a programme of archaeological work,

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taking the form of an archaeological watching brief during the groundworks required for the development, should be attached to any consent granted.

We envisage that this programme of work would take the form of a watching brief during the groundworks required for the development, with detailed contingency arrangements including the provision of sufficient time and resources to ensure that any archaeological features or finds that are located are properly investigated and recorded; it should include provision for any sampling that may prove necessary, post-excavation recording and assessment and reporting and possible publication of the results.

To ensure adherence to the recommendations we recommend that the condition should be worded in a manner similar to model condition 24 given in Welsh Government Circular 016/2014

*No development shall take place until the applicant, or their agents or successors in title, has secured agreement for a written scheme of historic environment mitigation which has been submitted by the applicant and approved by the local planning authority. Thereafter, the programme of work will be fully carried out in accordance with the requirements and standards of the written scheme.*

Reason: *To identify and record any features of archaeological interest discovered during the works, in order to mitigate the impact of the works on the archaeological resource.*

We also recommend that a note should be attached to the planning consent explaining that:

*The archaeological work must be undertaken to the appropriate Standard and Guidance set by Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA), [CIfA regulations, standards and guidance](#) | [Chartered Institute for Archaeologists](#) and it is recommended that it is carried out either by a CIfA Registered Organisation or a MCIfA level accredited Member [Looking for an archaeologist?](#) | [Chartered Institute for Archaeologists](#).*

If you have any questions or require further advice on this matter please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

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