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Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeology

Our ref: A65468/JBHD

ARCHAEOLOGICAL PLANNING

Head of Planning and Economic Regeneration
Newport City Council
Civic Centre
NEWPORT
NP20 4UR

29th June 2026

Dear Sir

Re: Proposed Change of Use from Industrial Unit (B1/B2/B8) to Gymnastics Centre (D2) and Associated Works:
Block A Boss Park, Stephenson Street, Newport.
Pl.App.No.: 26/0406.

Thank you for consulting us about this application; consequently we have reviewed the detailed information contained on your website.

We have consulted the regional Historic Environment Record and note that the area is within the former area of the Levels, adjoining the former course of the Usk, within the Archaeologically Sensitive Area of the Gwent Levels, where buried land surfaces resulting from land reclamation from the sea, and subsequent water management, which has resulted in the preservation of significant archaeological deposits.

Information in the HER shows that archaeological mitigation was undertaken in the area ahead of changes in 1997, which did not encounter any archaeological deposits of significance. The report noted the deposits and disturbance during and following the creation of the Orb Works in the late 19th century, and that some estuarine deposits were recorded. More recent archaeological information ahead of 23/0477 noted in our response of August 2023 showed c2m of disturbed and made ground. Given this information, it is unlikely that significant archaeological deposits would be encountered associated with this proposal.

Consequently, as the archaeological advisors to your Members, we have no objections to the positive determination of this application. The record is not definitive, however, and features may be disturbed during the course of the work. In this event, please contact this division of the Trust.

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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