

RE: Planning Consultation Request for case ref: 26/0234



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To Ostler, Marnie (Planning Officer)

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Hi Marnie

Re: PROPOSED NEW AGRICULTURAL ACCESS TO SERVICE EXISTING FARM BUILDINGS AND FARM HOLDING

SM MM133 (Pen-y-Lan Camp) is located some way to the south of the proposed. It is described by Cadw as:

The monument comprises the remains of a univallate hillfort, which probably dates to the Iron Age period (c. 800 BC - AD 74, the Roman conquest of Wales). The hillfort is situated on the top of a low ridge in a cultivated field. It is a circular earthwork measuring 73m in diameter consisting of a gently sloping bank or scarp around a flat interior. On the N side there is a bank with a small internal height (not more than 0.3m) and an external height of 1.8m. Outside this is a sloping berm, and then a gently sloping scarp 1.5m high. On the E side there is a scarp 1.5m high with a faint ditch outside it. On the S side there is a bank with a small internal height (similar to the north side), and with an external height of 1.5m. At the E end there is no external ditch, but at the W end the bank is steeper and there is an external ditch with a depth of 1.2m. On the W side there is a very low scarp and no external ditch. The hillfort has been reduced by ploughing.

The monument is of national importance for its potential to enhance our knowledge of later prehistoric defensive organisation and settlement. The site forms an important element within the wider later prehistoric context and within the surrounding landscape. The site is well preserved and retains considerable archaeological potential. There is a strong probability of the presence of evidence relating to chronology, building techniques and functional detail.

The scheduled area comprises the remains described and areas around them within which related evidence may be expected to survive.

Due to the form and location of the SM asset – and the nature of the works, I cannot see that this proposal would impact upon the way in which the asset is understood, experienced and appreciated. However, I see that Cadw have been consulted and will defer to them in the first instance.

Many thanks,

Guy Arnall

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