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Dyddiad/Date: 21 September 2026

Annwyl Ms Sanders/Dear Ms Sanders

Bwriad/Proposal: Prior notification for the installation of 140M of underground soft duct.

Lleoliad/Location: Common Farm, Broad Street Common, Nash, Newport, NP18 2AZ.

Thank you for consulting Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru/Natural Resources Wales (NRW) about the above, which we received on 2 September 2026.

We advise that the following matters are relevant to this prior notification of demolition application.

Protected sites

We note that the proposed development site is within the Gwent Levels - Nash & Goldcliff Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).

From site photos it doesn't appear that the location poses a risk to any watercourses. We advise that any tracking of vehicles/plant is confined to the clear and plentiful hard standing areas to minimise poaching of verges and the potential mobilisation of suspended solids. Road surfaces leading to and from site should be kept clear of debris to avoid diffuse runoff or pollution. The methods outlined in the [Guidance for Pollution Prevention \(GPP\) documents | NetRegs](#) should be implemented at all stages of the development as best practices to ensure the protection of the local environment. The most relevant documents to this work are GPPs 1, 4, 5, 6, 8, 13, 20, 21 and 22.

We note that the SSSI assent: Assent ref no: A005546/1 available on your website expired on 22 April 2026. We can confirm that a new assent has been applied for but at time of writing no decision has yet been made on whether to grant this application.

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 about the above, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yn gywir/Yours faithfully,

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