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From: Arnall, Guy
Sent: 31 October 2025 08:51
To: Aldous, Catherine (Senior Planning Officer)
Subject: RE: Planning Consultation Request for case ref: 25/0799 (St Woolos Primary School Stow Hill Newport South Wales NP20 4DW) (FULL)

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Hi Catherine

Re: SITING OF 3 NO. SHIPPING CONTAINERS WITHIN SCHOOL GROUNDS

The site in question is within the curtilage of - and located directly to the north of - the Grade II Listed asset, included as an *"Impressive, well-designed early C20 school building."*

The asset is described as:

'Baroque style. Two storeys of red brick with Portland stone dressings on tall brown stone basement (ground falls steeply to R); large small-pane sash and casement windows. Centre block of 5 bays has central frontispiece with, on top floor, open segmental pediment on Ionic columns with blocking. Small pediment above with inscription "1904 St Woolos Schools". Recessed bay to each side of centre block. To each end projecting gabled block whose upper floor has Venetian window with inner light enclosed in segmental pediment on blocked columns. Entrance forecourt enclosed by stone wall with brick piers; iron railings between piers.'

Impact upon Conservation Area Setting

St. Woolos Conservation Area is located immediately to the south of the site. Considering the low visibility of the proposed within available views from the CA, impact upon the Setting of St. Woolos Conservation Area will be none.

Impact upon Belowground Archaeology

The proposed site is also located within the Archaeologically Sensitive Area of the Town Centre. Map regression shows that this early-C20 school was constructed upon the site of c.1700 almshouses. Upon this basis, there may be potential for belowground archaeology. However, considering that the containers are simply set upon the existing hardstanding, I cannot see there will be an issue to this regard. I see that *Heneb* have been consulted.

Impact upon Setting

Considering these containers are not proposed to be attached to the building, this is a question of setting impact upon the listed asset.

Principal views of the listed asset are available from Stow Hill, where the building is set upon higher ground behind the raised pavement, increasing its grandeur within the street scene. This is particularly noticeable as one approaches up the hill from the north, where the decorative north-eastern corner (and part of the side elevation) is very prominent due to the sloping ground, the subtle change in orientation of the building line, and the ornate resolution of this corner - where the engaged columns to upper storeys turn the corner. This setting contributes positively towards the significance of the asset.

It is proposed to locate 3 no. containers upon the tarmac-finished, and narrow tapering yard area directly to the north of the listed asset, the first being set flush with the north-eastern corner of the building. This area is bounded to the north by the end-of-terrace property at no.72 Stow Hill, to the south by the school building (against which the

containers are proposed to be located) and to the east by the low, curtilage-listed boundary wall (constructed of snecked pennant stone, red-brick piers, and railings).

As such, it is considered that the proposed 2438mm high (blue-finished) containers will be very prominent within the northerly approach to the asset, directly obscuring views of the stone basement elevations and visually distracting from the principal asset. There will be harm to the setting of the asset – and therefore its significance.

Many thanks,

Guy Arnall

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Sent: 24 October 2025 13:53
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Subject: Planning Consultation Request for case ref: 25/0799

Dear Principal Heritage Officer

Please find attached correspondence from Newport Council with regards to planning application:

App Number: 25/0799
Address: St Woolos Primary School Stow Hill Newport South Wales NP20 4DW
Proposal: SITING OF 3 NO. SHIPPING CONTAINERS WITHIN SCHOOL GROUNDS

submitted on 18 September 2025.

View details of 25/0799 at Newport Council - Planning Online:

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Your sincerely
Development Management