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Our ref: NEW1726/MJ

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

24th June 2026

Dear Sir

Re: Proposed garden room in rear garden:
19 Pentwyn Terrace, Marshfield, Cardiff.
Pl.App.No.: 26/0399

Thank you for consulting us about this application; consequently we have reviewed the detailed information contained on your website and can confirm that **the proposal will require archaeological mitigation.**

We have consulted the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) and note The application area is situated within the Newport Archaeologically Sensitive Area (ASA), and c.50m from the boundary of the Gwent Levels Registered Landscape of Outstanding Historic Interest. Located on the intersection between the solid geology of the Old Red Sandstones and the alluvial marshes of the Wentlooge Level, it is a likely site for settlement in all periods, allowing the exploitation of the wooded hills, the good agricultural land of the lower slopes and the marshland of the Levels.

The suitability of such geological interfaces as likely settlement sites is clearly demonstrated in the immediate area by the medieval settlements of Marshfield, Coedkernew and Blacktown, where archaeological evaluation has shown evidence of the medieval settlement of the area. The historic Ordnance Survey maps of 1833 and 1886 show a small settlement marked as Three Elms, with buildings, a trackway and a well located to the south east of the development area.

The proposal involves the construction of a garden room in rear garden. Whilst the works are of small scale, the proposal is in an area of high archaeological potential, where nearby, previous archaeological works have revealed evidence of Medieval settlement. As such, there is potential to encounter buried archaeological material during the groundworks.

Therefore, it is our recommendation that a condition requiring the applicant to submit a detailed written scheme of investigation for a programme of

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archaeological work to protect the archaeological resource should be attached to any consent granted by your Members.

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), (www.archaeologists.net/codes/cifa) and it is recommended that it is carried out either by a CIfA Registered Organisation (www.archaeologists.net/ro) or an accredited Member.

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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