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Newport City Council
Civic Centre
Newport
NP20 4UR

Dyddiad/Date: 02 June 2026

Annwyl Syr/Madam/Dear Sir/Madam,

Bwriad/Proposal: PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF 1NO. NEW BT STREET HUB, INCORPORATING 2NO. DIGITAL 75" LCD ADVERT SCREENS, AND ASSOCIATED BT PHONE KIOSK REMOVAL

Lleoliad/Location: BT Street Hub, Outside 28 Skinner Street, Newport

Thank you for consulting Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru/Natural Resources Wales (NRW) about the above, which we received on 21 May 2026.

We have no objection to the proposed development as submitted and provide the following advice.

Designated Sites

From the information provided, we consider that the proposal may affect the River Usk Special Area of Conservation (SAC) and have identified pollution as a potential impact pathway to features of the site.

However, we consider the above pathway would not result in an adverse effect if the developer adheres to standard pollution prevention guidelines. Further information on standard pollution prevention guidelines is provided under the 'Advice for the developer' section below.

As the competent authority under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended), it is for your Authority to carry out the test of Likely Significant Effects for the proposed development. Should you conclude that the proposal is likely to have a significant effect on a SAC/SPA/Ramsar site, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects, an appropriate assessment must be made of the implications of the project for that site in view of its conservation objectives. You must for the purposes of the

assessment consult NRW and have regard to any representations we make within such reasonable time as you specify.

Flood Risk

The planning application proposes less vulnerable development (Communications Kiosk). The Flood Map for Planning identifies the application site to be at risk of flooding and within Flood Zone 2 and 3 Sea.

Given the scale and nature of the proposed development (and in the absence of a flood consequences assessment) we consider the proposals could be acceptable, subject to the developer being made aware of the potential flood risks and consequences. We would also expect the developer to take the opportunity to incorporate flood resilient design where feasible.

Guidance on resilient design can be found in Chapter 13 of Technical Advice Note 15: Development, flooding and coastal erosion, dated 2025, which references advice from Construction Industry Research and Information Association, including a Code of Practice and Guidance for Property Flood Resilience.

We provide advice on our website [Natural Resources Wales / Preparing for a flood](#) which may be useful for the developer of the proposal.

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.

Advice for the developer

Appropriate pollution prevention measures must be employed to protect surface water drains and the nearby watercourse during construction. Guidance for Pollution Prevention (GPP) documents are available on the [NetRegs Website](#).

We refer in particular to Guidance for Pollution Prevention 5: Works and maintenance in or near water, and Pollution Prevention Guidelines 6: Working at construction and demolition sites.

If you have any queries about the above, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yn gywir / Yours faithfully,

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Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg a byddwn yn ymateb yn Gymraeg, heb i hynny arwain at oedi./Correspondence in Welsh is welcomed, and we will respond in Welsh without it leading to a delay.