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Head of Planning and Economic Regeneration
Newport City Council
Civic Centre
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16th March 2026

FAO: Vicky Quinn

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Prior notification for proposed new agricultural building for the dry storage of hay and secure storage of machinery.

Pencoed Castle Farm, Pencoed Lane, Llanmartin, Newport, NP18 2ED

Pl.App.No: 26/0144

Thank you for notifying us of 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 reviewed the area against the information in the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) which shows as follows:

The proposed works are within the Park Boundary of the Registered Historic Park and Garden of Pencoed Castle (PGW(Gt)3(NPT)). Pencoed Castle mostly dates to the 13th century and is a Grade II* Listed Building (Cadw ref. 2904). The gatehouse, garden and long barn are of 16th century origin, and the castle underwent further remodelling during the 20th century. Both the gatehouse and long barn are also Grade II Listed Buildings (Cadw refs. 17076 and 3090). The property also has a dovecote and evidence of a forecourt. Whilst the farmhouse on site was built after 1918 and is a Grade II Listed Building (Cadw ref. 3089). A review of the 1st – 3rd Edition (1883, 1901, 1920) historic Ordnance Survey maps show no archaeological features in the works area.

The proposal involves the erection of a steel frame agricultural building located within the park boundary of a Registered Historic Park and Garden and in proximity to several Listed Buildings associated with Pencoed Castle. As such, the site lies within an area of high archaeological sensitivity. Whilst the proposed works are relatively small in scale, the associated groundworks have the potential to encounter significant buried archaeological remains or disturb existing features. Therefore, it is our recommendation that a condition requiring the applicant to submit a detailed written scheme of investigation for a programme of archaeological work to protect the archaeological resource should be attached to any consent granted by your Members.

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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/ifa) 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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