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Dear Sir/Madam

Planning Application – Decking to rear of property, 34 Grove Park Drive, Newport, NP20 6YE

Thank you for your letter of 12 June inviting our comments on the information submitted for the above planning application.

This response is based on the advice provided by Cadw's Historic Environment Planning Officer.

Advice

Having carefully considered the information provided, we have no objection to the proposed development in regards to the registered historic park and garden listed in our assessment of the application below.

The national policy and Cadw's role in planning are set out in Annex A.

AssessmentRegistered Park and Garden**PGW(Gt)20(NPT) Bryn Glas**

This planning application is for the Installation of decking at 34 Grove Park Drive, Newport, NP20 6YE.

The above designated historic asset is located inside 500m of the proposed development.

The proposed development is located adjacent to the northern boundary of registered park and garden PGW(Gt)20(NPT) Bryn Glas. The grounds at Bryn Glas, Newport are registered for their historic interest as the survival, in an urban area, of a late nineteenth century garden and the remains of a walled kitchen garden, associated with Bryn Glas House (Listed Building 3003).



The gardens have group value with the listed house and gardener's cottage. Bryn Glas gardens and pleasure grounds lie to the south and east of Bryn Glas house. All were originally set in surrounding countryside.

The proposed development is for the installation of a garden decking area. This will extend some 5m from the rear (south) elevation of a dwelling at first (ground) floor level supported on pillars and enclosed with open vertical boarding. The decking will be fronted with a glass balustrade.

The dwelling and surrounding housing does not form part of the historical setting of the registered park and garden and will be visible only from a limited area of the boundary which at this location is densely wooded. As such, whilst there may be a very slight visual change in the view from the registered park and garden this will not have any effect on the way that it is experienced, understood and appreciated. Consequently, the proposed development will not have an unacceptably damaging effect upon the setting of the registered park and garden PGW(Gt)20(NPT) Bryn Glas.

Yours sincerely,

Laura Cooper
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Annex A

Our role

Our statutory role in the planning process is to provide the local planning authority with an assessment concerned with the likely impact that the proposal will have on scheduled monuments, registered historic parks and gardens, registered historic landscapes where an Environmental Impact Assessment is required and development likely to have an impact on the outstanding universal value of a World Heritage Site. We do not provide an assessment of the likely impact of the development on listed buildings or conservation areas, as these are matters for the local authority.

It is for the local planning authority to weigh our assessment against all the other material considerations in determining whether to approve planning permission.

National Policy

Applications for planning permission are considered in light of the Welsh Government's land use planning policy and guidance contained in Planning Policy Wales (PPW), Technical Advice Notes and related guidance.

PPW [Planning Policy Wales - Edition 12 \(gov.wales\)](https://gov.wales/planning-policy-wales-edition-12) explains that it is important that the planning system looks to protect, conserve and enhance the significance of historic assets. This will include consideration of the setting of an historic asset which might extend beyond its curtilage. Any change that impacts on an historic asset or its setting should be managed in a sensitive and sustainable way.

The conservation of archaeological remains and their settings is a material consideration in determining a planning application, whether those remains are a scheduled monument or not. Where nationally important archaeological remains are likely to be affected by proposed development, there should be a presumption in favour of their physical protection in situ. It will only be in exceptional circumstances that planning permission will be granted if development would result in a direct adverse impact on a scheduled monument (or an archaeological site shown to be of national importance)

[Technical Advice Note 24: The Historic Environment](#) elaborates by explaining that when considering development proposals that affect scheduled monuments or other nationally important archaeological remains, there should be a presumption in favour of their physical preservation in situ, i.e. a presumption against proposals which would involve significant alteration or cause damage, or would have a significant adverse impact causing harm within the setting of the remains.

Historic Parks and Gardens

PPW also explains that local authorities should value, protect, conserve and enhance



the special interests of parks and gardens and their settings included on the register of historic parks and gardens in Wales and that the effect of a proposed development on a registered park or garden or its setting should be a material consideration in the determination of a planning application.