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Dear Sir/Madam

Planning Application – Proposed detached dwelling with detached garage and associated works, Mill House, Mill Lane, Castleton, Cardiff, CF3 2UT

Thank you for your letter of 9 April 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.

AssessmentScheduled Monument**MM131 Wentloog Castle**

This planning application is for a detached dwelling and garage at Mill House, Mill Lane, Castleton, Cardiff, CF3 2UT.

The above designated historic assets are located inside 500m of the proposed development.

The proposed development is located some 45m north of scheduled monument MM131 Wentloog Castle. The monument comprises the remains of a medieval earthwork castle. The site consists of a steep-sided flat-topped circular mound around 5m high, measuring around 25m in diameter across the base and 14m across the summit.



The motte has previously been landscaped and turned into a garden feature, with a path created up the south side of the mound to the summit which has been levelled and a seating area and flower beds formed. This garden has now fallen into disuse. The sides of the motte are covered in Rhododendrons and yew trees. The castle was located to control the dryland immediately to the north of the Wentloog Level. The significant views were therefore southwards in an arc from northeast to southwest. The landscape surrounding the castle has been significantly altered, initially by the construction of a large Victorian House (later turned into a hotel immediately to the southeast of it. This building has since been demolished and replaced with a modern housing estate.

The proposed development is for a two-storey detached house and detached garage.

The proposed development is not located in the significant view from the castle and is only visible from it in one very limited view between other two storey houses on the opposite side of Mill Lane. As such whilst there may be a very slight visual change in the view from the monument 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 scheduled monument MM131.

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.