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Our ref: A63423/HB

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

12th September 2024

FAO: Joanne Davidson

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF 42 NO. DWELLINGS, LANDSCAPE
PLANTING AND ASSOCIATED WORKS**

Monbank Development Site, Cardiff Road, Newport, South Wales

Pl.App.No.: 24/0678

Thank you for consulting us about this application; consequently we have reviewed the detailed information contained on your website.

Information in the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) shows that there are no records or designated sites located within the application area. A review of the historic Ordnance Survey maps (dating from 1884 to 1937) shows the presence of railway sidings, later known as the Monmouthshire Bank Sidings, several small structures, embankments and earthworks, associated with the railway, located within the area. The Monmouthshire Bank Sidings along with the adjacent Whitehead Steel Works were constructed on former marshland, which was reclaimed in the medieval period.

It is noted from previous development within the immediate vicinity, and from the application's submitted documents that the site has undergone extensive clearance and relatively recent reclamation and remediation works. These works were comprised of the dismantling and removal of the railway lines, and the levelling and raising of ground levels. It is also noted that the levels of made ground (comprised of a mixture of fill and reworked natural materials) may range from c2m to over 5m depth below ground level. There is also further information from the submitted documents that the site was also registered as an historical landfill site.

Consequently, it is considered that there will not be a detrimental impact upon the buried archaeological resource and it is unlikely that significant archaeological remains will be encountered during the course of the development.

As a result, there is unlikely to be an archaeological constraint to this proposed development and therefore, as the archaeological advisors to your Members, we have no objections to the positive determination of this application. The record is not definitive however, and should

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any remains be disturbed or encountered during the works please contact this division of the Trust.

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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