



Photographic Survey of Capel Y Bryn, Gelli Road, Llanelli

Summary

Proposal:

Discharge of condition application to discharge Condition 13 of planning application PL/05251

Location:

Capel Y Bryn, Gelli Road, Llanelli, SA14 9AD

Date:

September 2023

Project Reference:

S22.228

Client:

Mrs Sapphire Chappell

Product of:

Asbri Planning Limited
Suite D, 1st Floor
220 High Street
Swansea
SA1 1NW

Prepared by:

Ffion Goodland – Graduate Planner

Approved by:

Rob Davies - Associate

Disclaimer:

This report has been prepared for the sole and exclusive use of client whom it was commissioned and has been prepared in response to their particular requirements and brief. This report may not be relied upon by any other party.

The Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 shall not apply to this report and the provisions of the said Act are expressly excluded from this report. This report may not be used for any purpose other than that for which it was commissioned. This report may not be reproduced and/or made public by print, photocopy, microfilm or any other means without the prior written permission of Asbri Planning Ltd.

The conclusions resulting from this study and contained in this report are not necessarily indicative of future conditions or operating practices at or adjacent to the Site. Much of the information presented in this report is based on information provided by others. That information has neither been checked nor verified by Asbri Planning Ltd.

Context

Planning permission for the proposed conversion of a vacant chapel into one dwelling at Capel Y Bryn, Gelli Road, Llanelli was granted by Carmarthenshire County Council on the 22nd August 2023. Condition no.13 attached to planning permission PL/05251 reads as follows;

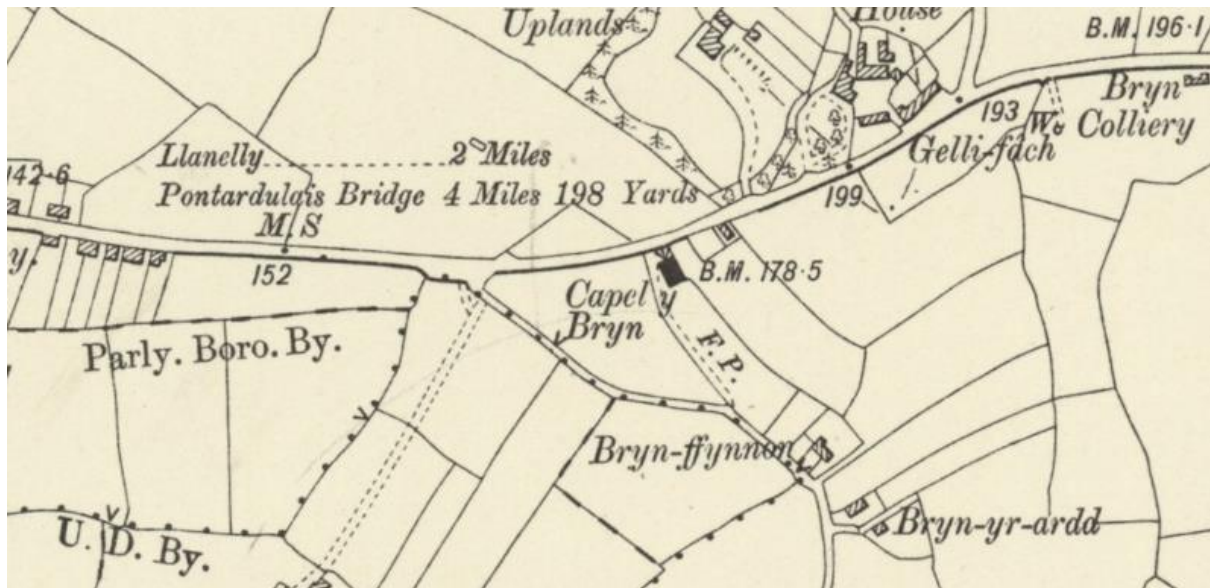
"Development shall not begin until a photographic survey of the existing building has been carried out in accordance with guidelines provided by the Local Planning Authority's archaeological advisors – Dyfed Archaeological Trust Development Management. The resulting photographs should be approved by the Local planning authority prior to the commencement of development and deposited with the regional Historic Environment Record, held and maintained by the Dyfed Archaeological Trust, Corner House, 6 Carmarthen Street, Llandeilo, Carmarthenshire, SA19 6AE, (Tel 01558-823121).

Reason: To ensure a photographic record of the building remains."

The application site is located along Gelli Road within the residential suburb of Llwynhendy, to the northeast of Llanelli town centre. The property fronts onto Gelli Road, which connects Bryn to the village of Llangennech. In terms of immediate surroundings, the site is located within a largely residential area, with a mixture of semi-detached and detached properties surrounding the site to the east and west. The wider surroundings of the site include a convenience store and petrol station (locally known as Gelli Garage), and Bryn and Trallwm Sports and Social Club.



The chapel currently lies vacant, and was constructed in 1841. A review of historical Ordnance Survey Maps demonstrates its presence within the Bryn community since 1888. It was rebuilt and extended in 1856 with further refurbishments including a front extension provided in 1914. The chapel was once the hub of the Bryn community as a venue for weddings, funerals, weekly services, tea mornings and Sunday school devices. The chapel closed its doors to the public between 2019-2020 due to the diminishing size of the congregation.



In accordance with Condition 13 a photographic survey has been undertaken. Access to all areas of the chapel were provided by the client.

Exterior

Please note that all directions are referenced in relation to the front facing elevation



Site entrance



External façade



Section of the front gates (right-hand side)



Site location and the adjacent Clos y Capel access which leads to 8no. dwellings



Site location and the adjacent Clos y Capel access which leads to 8no. dwellings



Rear and left-hand side of chapel



Rear of the chapel



Rear of the chapel



Small outbuilding at the right hand side of the chapel



Right hand side of chapel



Right hand side of the chapel



Right hand side of chapel



Right hand side of chapel



Graveyard located to the rear of the site



Graveyard located to the rear of the site



Graveyard located to the rear of the site



Graveyard located to the rear of the site



Graveyard located to the rear of the site

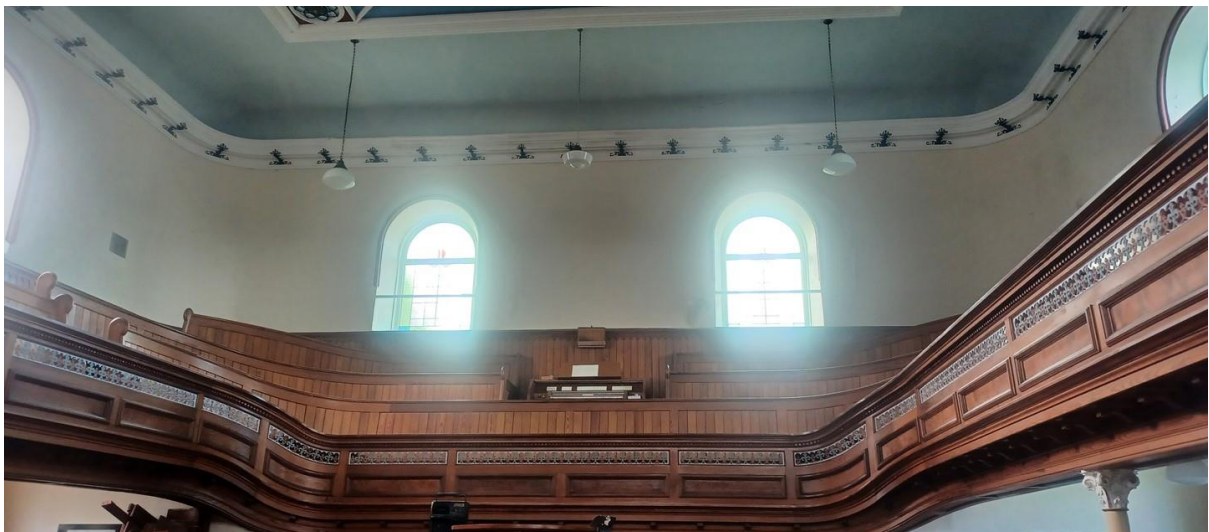
Interior



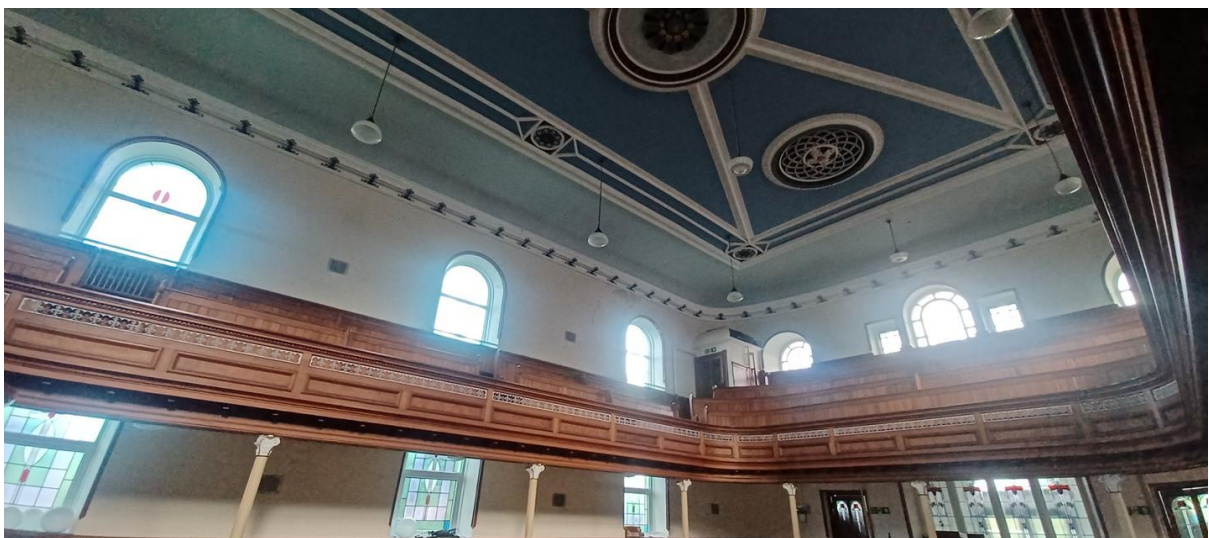
Building interior from the first floor



Building interior from the first floor



View of the chapel's organ from the ground floor



Views of the first floor and the ceiling



Building interior from the pulpit



Interior to the right of the pulpit



Interior to the left of the pulpit



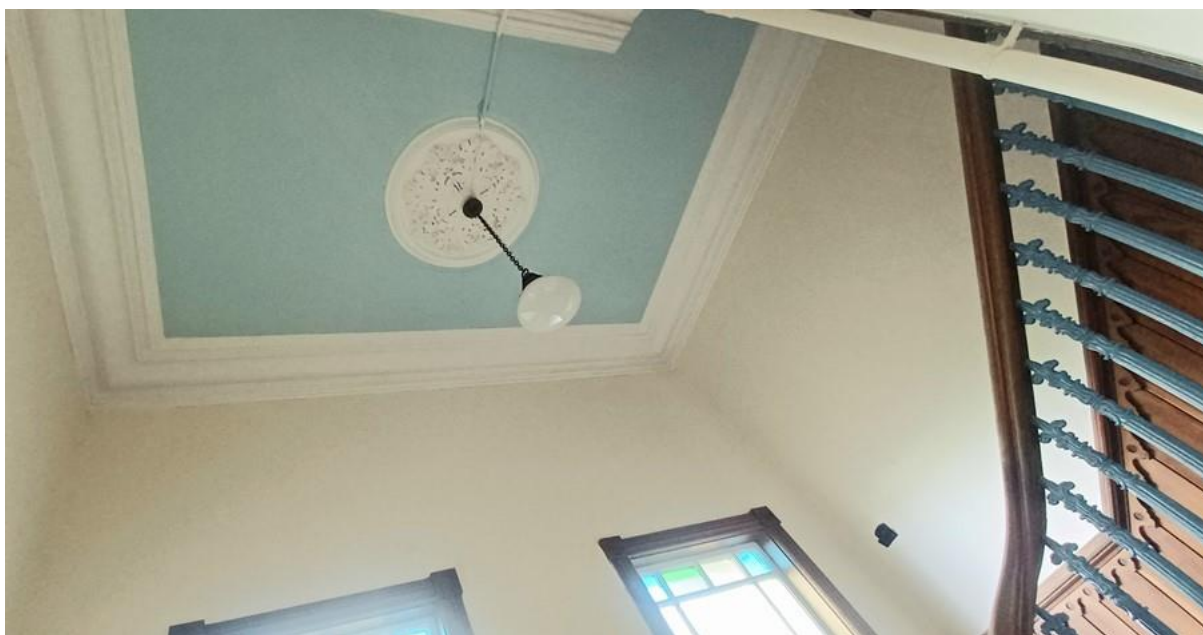
Building interior from the left-hand side of the pulpit



Building interior from the right-hand side of the pulpit



Chapel ceiling



Chapel ceiling within the stairwell to the first floor



Staircase and windows leading to the first floor



Stairwell leading to the first floor



Stained-glass window



Chapel ground-floor door with stained-glass window panes



Chapel pulpit



Chapel fireplace



'Duw cariad yw' pulpit wood carving



Ground floor piano



Reverend memorial plaque



Reverend memorial plaque