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Dear James,

Llywernog Sett Metal Mine Remediation Draft SAN

Thank you for asking Dyfed Archaeological Trust to comment on the Draft Environmental Screening Advice Note for Llywernog Sett Metal Mine Remediation. First I must apologise for the delay in returning a response to this consultation.

From the information provided I'm not sure of the extent or scope of the works and therefore have not attempted a screening in this instance, (for a screening to take place please forward a boundary against which the Historic Environment Record can be queried). However Llywernog is a significant complex of historic features which includes nationally important designated sites; Scheduled Monument (CD 158) and a number of listed buildings (Record Numbers, 7567, 16074, 16075, 16076). Any works affecting the scheduled monument or its setting will need to be carried out in consultation with Cadw, and works to listed structures will also need consent.

I note that the installation of flow monitoring structures is deemed as 'low' environmental risk, I'd be grateful to know more about this work to understand any potential impact on historic environment features.

With regards to the remedial intervention works I understand the extent is currently unclear but this is likely to be of 'medium' risk. It is advisable to understand the historic environment resource more fully early in the planning stage and therefore an archaeological desk-based assessment (DBA) should be undertaken early in the process which can help inform the proposed works, minimising the impact to the historic features and to develop an appropriate mitigation strategy.

The DBA should adhere to the standards and guidance provided by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA) (2014, updated 2020 <https://www.archaeologists.net/codes/cifa>). A Written Scheme of Investigation for the DBA should be agreed with DAT-HM in advance.

I hope these comments are helpful, but please get back to me if you wish to discuss further,

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