

Alice Pyper

From: Alice Pyper
Sent: 08 March 2022 10:28
To: Isabel Macho
Cc: Louise.Mees@gov.wales
Subject: RE: Land adjacent to Carms Town foot ball ground, CM234 Carmarthen Roman Town (Part of)

Hi Isabel and Louise

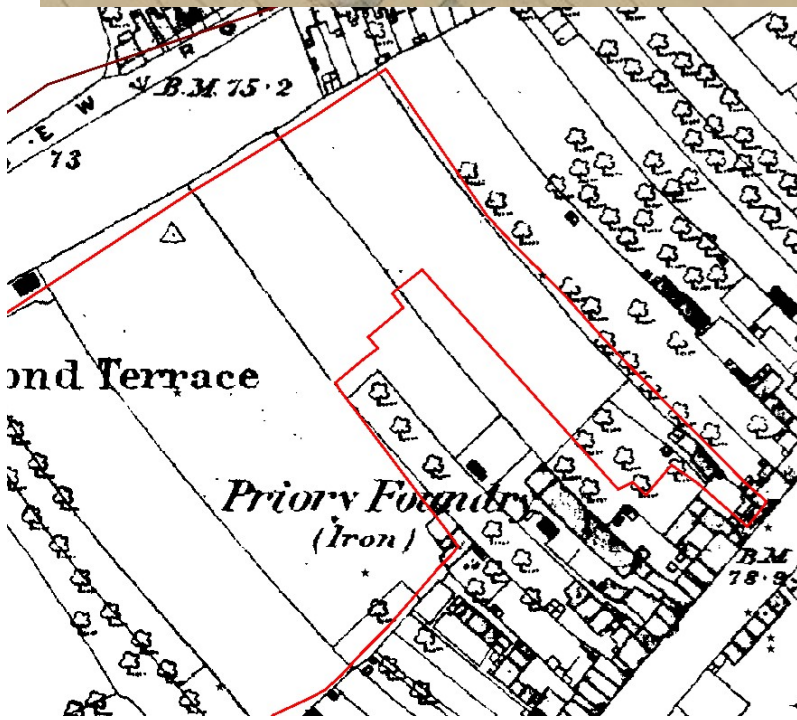
Sorry for the delay looking into this, March is running away from me, as usual!

I've had a look to see what we've got for this area in the HER, and it's a bit of blank space in terms of any investigations or archaeological work carried out there. Of course there have been a lot of investigations in the immediate vicinity –

- To the east - 105-111 Priory Street 1980 – 1984 Excavations
- To the southeast - Priory Street, Carmarthen Excavations, 2018
- To the southwest - Carmarthen Town Football Ground Pitch Replacement Watching Brief 2017
- To the northwest - Priory Street Carmarthen, Watching Brief 2018

These will provide information on what the expected depths of archaeology should be.

The historic mapping (Tithe & 1st and 2nd edition OS) shows this area as long plots running behind the streetside properties of Priory Street, which included the Iron Foundry, and show a boundary of some sort ran northwest to southeast dividing the area in two.



St Peters Parish Tithe 1839 and 1st edition OS 1890 – Scheduled area shown in red.

I also note we have 76 records for Portable Antiquities – Roman coins – however I'm not confident the location is accurate.

Let me know if you need any further information – Louise I expect you have copies of these reports, but let me know if there is anything you need. As it's scheduled, I'll defer any further comments to Louise!

Best wishes both, hope you are enjoying the sunshine!

Alice

From: Isabel Macho <IMacho@carmarthenshire.gov.uk>

Sent: 24 February 2022 13:42

To: Alice Pyper <A.Pyper@DYFEDARCHAEOLOGY.ORG.UK>

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Subject: FW: Land adjacent to Carms Town foot ball ground, CM234 Carmarthen Roman Town (Part of)

Hi Alice

Hope you are warmer than I am up the road!

Can you have a look at the emails below to and from Louise re a square of green space between to Richmond Park School and the football ground in Carmarthen.

Do you have an archaeological info that would dictate what we might do to undertake some GI improvements for the school who use it at the moment?

Catch up soon.

Isabel

From: Louise.Mees@gov.wales <Louise.Mees@gov.wales>

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Hi Isabel,

Scrub and tree root growth is damaging to buried archaeological features, remains and deposits and is not recommended for scheduled monuments where the primary purpose is for preservation in situ. That said, tree planting can be considered in previously disturbed areas, such as where tree have already caused root damage. Although excavation is damaging to monuments it rarely amounts to complete archaeological sterilisation. Previously excavated areas may only be considered for tree planting if all traces of archaeological remains have been removed.

Any works which may damage the ground surface require scheduled monument consent.

It is the applicant's responsibility to provide full justification for the work and sufficient information to enable Cadw to determine the application. In this case we require an assessment of the potential impact of tree planting on archaeological remains, referring to excavation reports and land management history. We also consider the impact works on the appearance and setting of the monument, including how proposals affect access, interpretation and understanding of sites.

If there is insufficient information to establish the likely impacts of tree planting on buried archaeological remains it is possible to undertake an archaeological evaluation under Class 7 Consent (to be granted by Cadw) to determine the nature and extent of archaeological remains.

The first steps are to gather together the archaeological information and management history. Dyfed Archaeological Trust will hold information in their Historic Environment Records. I can also check our records.

I hope this helps. We can discuss further as information comes to light.

All the best,

Louise



Louise Mees

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For us all, to keep.

From: Isabel Macho <IMacho@carmarthenshire.gov.uk>

Sent: 23 February 2022 09:13

To: Mees, Louise (ESNR - Tourism, Heritage & Sport - CADW) <Louise.Mees@gov.wales>

Subject: Land adjacent to Carms Town foot ball ground

Hello Louise,

How are you doing. Nice to see you briefly with Matthew at Pont Du recently. I see that we have used cement again to do the repairs!!

I am interested in an area of green space, which is part of Richmond Park School, used as a grassed play area where they hold the school sports and use it in the spring and summer – square yellow area with red dot below. It used to be an open area but it was fenced off by the County Council Education Department nearly 10 years ago and has helped to stop people letting their dogs use it and do their business there.

Over the years they have planted a number of small shrubs / saplings but only a couple have survived. The section of conifer trees were planted up over 40 years ago and with the recent storms some have come down. The residents Committee of Richmond Terrace have cut down some in recent years but in truth it is just very messy there.

The grass area has very poor drainage and underneath is part of the SAM for Roman town etc. Extensive archaeological survey work was undertaken I understand when they built the school in the late 1980's.

We would like to explore a project for planting/enhancement of this area to provide a more interesting area for the school to use. Not excavation but possibly some tree planting? What are our constraints?

Cheers

Isabel



Isabel Macho

(NB I work Tues-Fri)

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