

10th July 2024

## NRW Heritage Management Advice Request – DFRS20240072 - Flood Risk Activity Permit Application

Dear Stephen,

Thank you for reaching out to us regarding the dredging consultation. This proposed work is located within the highly archaeologically sensitive area of St David's Cathedral Close. Upon reviewing our records, I noticed that we previously conducted a consultation for dredging in 2022 (ref: DFR/S/2022/0077), which was just a short distance from your current enquiry.

All of the archaeological sensitivities highlighted in that response remain relevant, and I have listed them below for your convenience.

I couldn't find any details indicating whether dredging has previously taken place in the immediate area of this current enquiry. Therefore, I advise proceeding with the utmost caution. If dredging has not been conducted previously, there is the possibility that the riverbed and crossing point could be rich in artefacts. In such a case, it would be prudent to have an archaeologist present to monitor for any significant finds.

We advise proceeding with extreme caution and sensitivity during the dredging operations. It is crucial that vehicles and machinery do not cause any damage to the surrounding structures. Furthermore, all dredged materials must be disposed of carefully, ensuring they are not placed within the scheduled areas.

For reference, I am copying this response to the Cadw regional inspector, Louise Mees.

## **Archaeological Sensitivities:**

Scheduled Areas (marked in red hatchings): Bishop's Palace (SM PE006) Free School (PE442) Chanter's Orchard (PE440)

Listed Buildings (marked with blue triangles): Retaining Wall on SE side of River Alun, Grade II (12549) Footbridge, Grade II (12550) Cathedral Hall, Grade I (12538)

Other Historic Environment features are marked with green circles, and the whole area lies within the St David's conservation area.

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There is always the possibility for previously unknown remains to survive within this area of which we have no knowledge. Should further archaeological features or finds be identified it is important that Heneb – The Trust for Welsh Archaeology, Heritage Management Dyfed region is informed and further information and advice can then be provided as required.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any further clarification.

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