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From: Alice Pyper
Sent: 11 January 2021 16:53
To: tomosj@pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk
Subject: RE: Upper Eweston Farm - Informal Consultation - response required by the 11th Jan

Hi Tomos

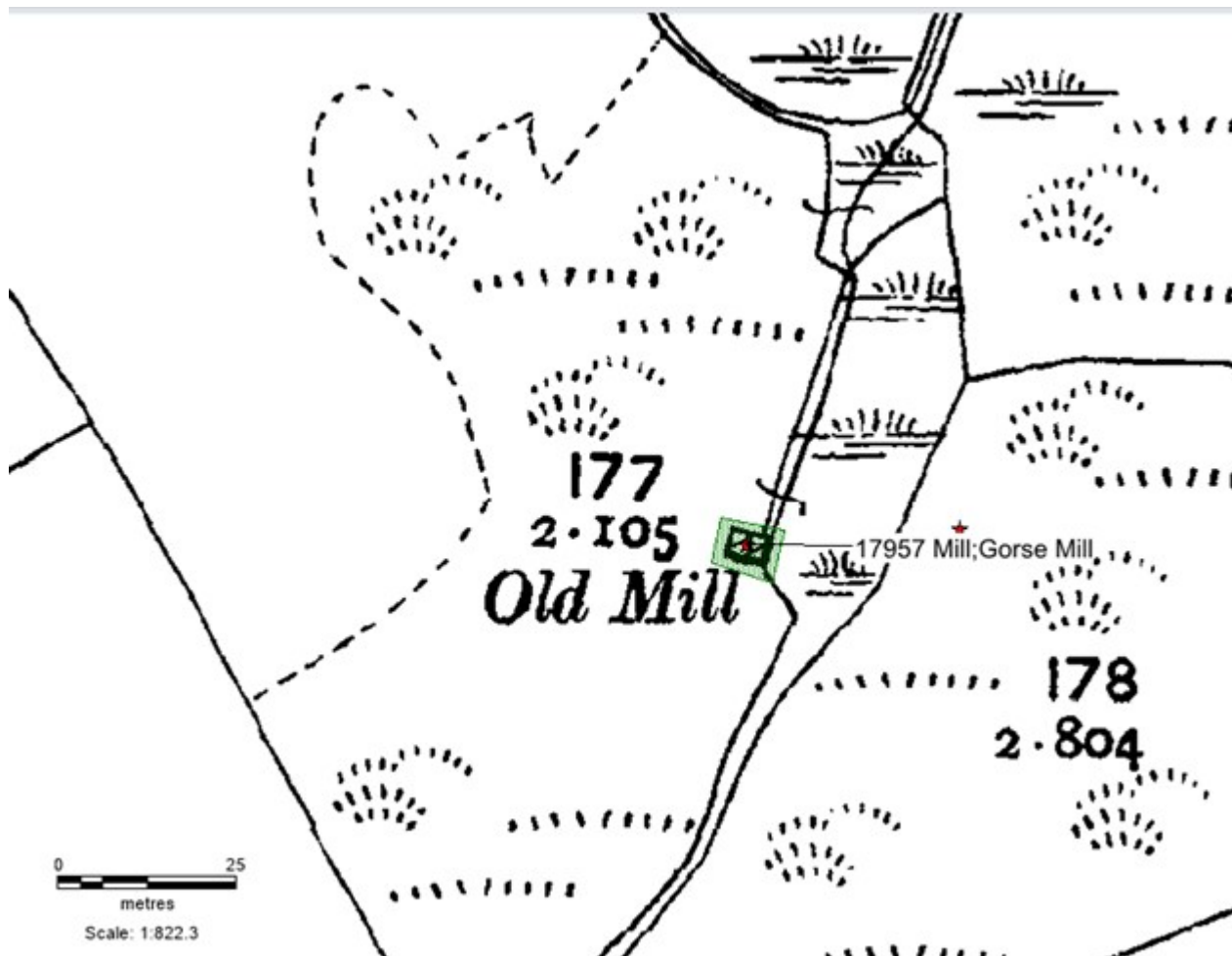
I've had a look at the HER and historic maps and have identified the following features. This is an area of historic coal workings, so there may be unrecorded earthworks associated with this industry.

The maps below have the 2nd edition Ordnance Survey maps as a background. These features should be avoided in the planting scheme, with a generous buffer around them (at least 10m). The guidance in UKFS (6.3) should be followed in the planting design.

PRN 17957 Gorse Mill SM8727023499

'Old Mill' is recorded on the historic Ordnance Survey maps, although only named on the 1907 2nd ed. Possibly located on the same site as medieval mill (PRN 12476) shown on Rees' map (1932) Shown as ruinous on modern maps (M.Ings, 2013)

The site was visited as part of the Cadw funded Mills Survey of 2012-14. The current owner told me that it was a gorse mill, used to grind gorse to produce feed for horses. It is a square, gable-ended building of stone rubble, now roofless but the walls stand to full height. It stands below a sharp slope, within a pasture field at the edge of woodland. The entrance is in the south-facing side wall and there is a small, square window in the east-facing gable. Thick vegetation prevented access to the interior and obscured the water-management features, which extended into the woodland to the north. No mill machinery was evident. A wheel-pit was identified adjacent to the east-facing gable (M.Ings, 2013)



PRN 106375 COAL WORKINGS SM86732290

Former coal workings labelled as A 'LINE OF SHALLOW PITS' on the 1921 Geological Survey map. Part of coal working sites in the vicinity of Wenlla. A.Day. March 2015.

Modern aerial photography shows improved pasture at the recorded NGR and there is no indication of any obvious above ground remains. Not visited during 2015 fieldwork. A.Day. March 2015.

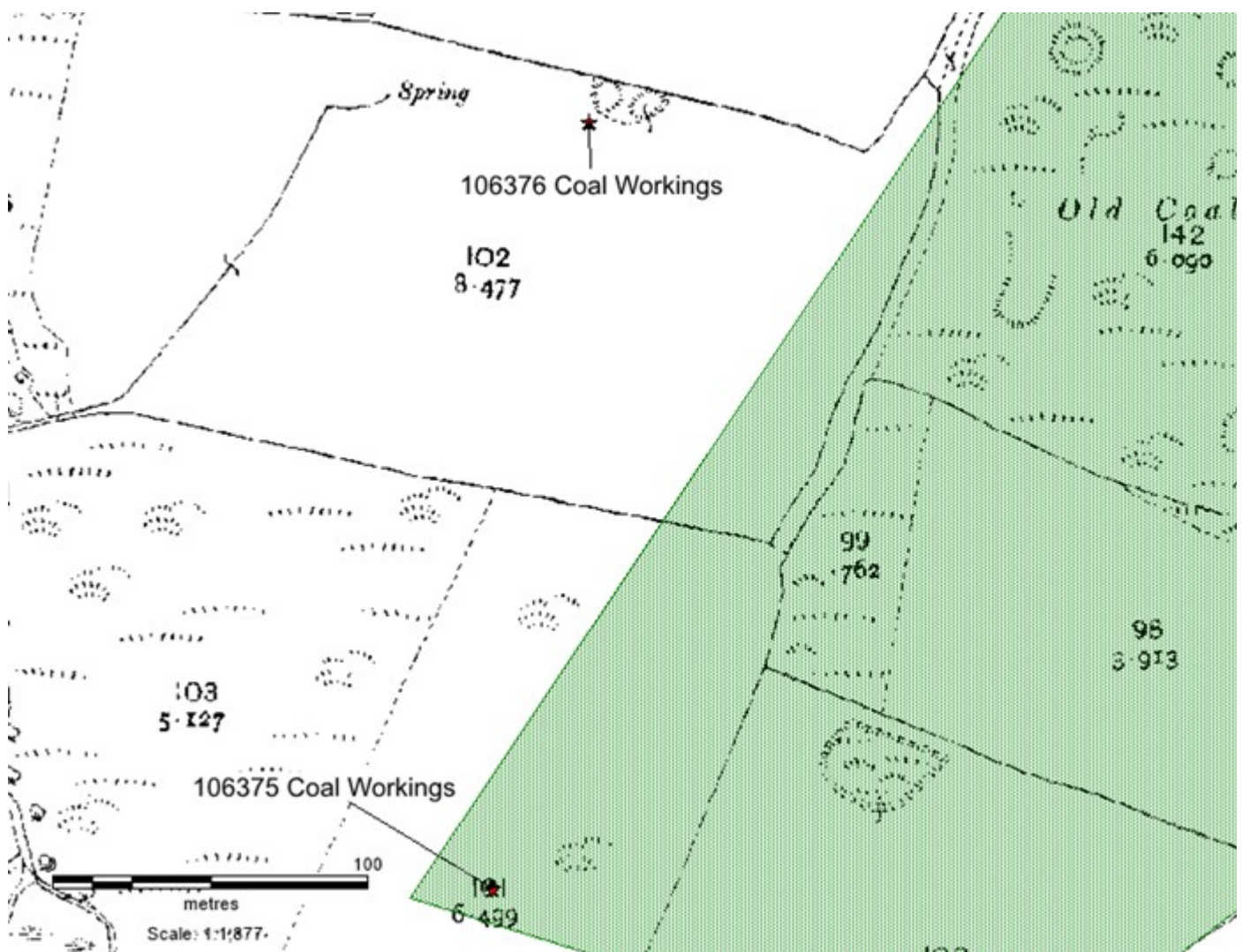
A 'LINE OF SHALLOW PITS' is marked running SSW-NNE for 220m across this field on the 1921 Geological Survey map. F Murphy 2014

PRN 106376 COAL WORKINGS SM86772314

A 'LINE OF OLD PITS' running SW-NE is labelled on the 1921 Geological Survey map, indicating the position of former coal workings in the vicinity of Pantier. A.Day. March 2015.

Modern aerial photography shows improved pasture at the recorded NGR and there is no indication of above ground remains, but remains may exist in the hedge boundary between the two fields. Not visited during 2015 fieldwork. A.Day. March 2015.

A 'LINE OF OLD PITS' running SW-NE is labelled on the 1921 Geological Survey map. F Murphy 2014



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Hope this helps,

Please get in touch if you need any further information.

Best wishes

Alice

From: Sarah Mellor [mailto:SarahMe@pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk]

Sent: 14 December 2020 16:19

To: Park Direction Service; Philip Lees; Ian Meopham

Subject: Upper Eweston Farm - Informal Consultation - response required by the 11th Jan

Hi all

Third and final woodland planting consultation. This is an informal consultation prior to land purchase. I have explained that without planting detail then any response will be caveated. Responses by the 11th Jan please. Thanks

Sarah

From: Duncan Winton <duncan@treesandtimber.co.uk>

Sent: 06 December 2020 16:38

To: Sarah Mellor <SarahMe@pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk>

Subject: Re: Tree Planting

Hi Sarah,

Thanks for getting back to me and agreeing to give an officer opinion.

I've attached 2 maps, one of the rough location and the second a more accurate field plan.

In terms of what we would want to plant, there is no firm plan on percentages of various species or indeed total numbers yet, as we haven't even made an offer to buy the farm at this point. I'm more interested really to find out how flexible a stance the park is likely to have with regards to planting a woodland in this position.

I am a professional forester and have a definite interest in the silviculture of productive forests and thus would be keen to plant a significant proportion of conifers. But I also have a background of working in the coppice sector and would also like to plant a decent chunk of mixed broadleaves. On top of that I feel we need to be aware that planting trees now should be done with a view to how our climate might be in 30, 40 or even 100 years time, and I am also interested in planting some novel unusual species that may seem marginal now but might thrive as our climate warms, (thinking things like tulip trees, handkerchief trees, black walnut, turkish beech etc.)

In short, we would like to create a diverse and resilient mixed species woodland that will be a role model of a new woodland that can generate an income, lock up carbon, support the local environment and enhance the landscape. I'd be really happy to work with you, if we do end up buying the land, to come up with a planting plan and species mix that meets your criteria, but it would be great to know at this stage how prescriptive those criteria are likely to be.

Very much looking forward to hearing from you.

All the best,

Duncan

On Wed, 2 Dec 2020 at 10:28, Sarah Mellor <SarahMe@pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk> wrote:

Hi Duncan

Yes I am very happy to take a look and give you an 'officer opinion'. For this I would need a map of the location which also shows species to be planted.

Thanks

Sarah

From: Mike Higgins <mikehi@pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk>
Sent: 30 November 2020 14:41
To: Duncan Winton <duncan@treesandtimber.co.uk>
Subject: RE: Tree Planting

Good afternoon Duncan,

Thank you for your correspondence.

I have forward your email to Sarah Mellor our Biodiversity Officer who will be likely to offer some more detailed advice on your initial proposal or point you in the right direction.

Kind regards

Mike

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Trees and Hedge Management: <https://www.pembrokeshirecoast.wales/planning/planning-advice/trees-and-hedge-management/>



From: Duncan Winton <duncan@treesandtimber.co.uk>
Sent: 30 November 2020 14:34
To: Mike Higgins <mikehi@pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk>
Subject: Tree Planting

Dear Mike,

Meirion Williams from Pembroke Design recommended that I drop you a line - he is a friend of my mother-in-law.

I am a Forest Manager and Forestry Contractor based in Bristol, my wife grew up in North Pembrokeshire and we're hoping to move to the area within the next couple of years (before our kids start school).

We have seen a property that we really like which is in the National Park, between Roch and Penycwm. It is a farm with roughly 95 acres of which around 30 are already wooded and the rest is down to winter grazing and summer silage. Although in brief discussion with the current owner it sounds as though it may have been more wooded historically and there is evidence of infrastructure used for extracting pit props during the first world war.

I would be interested, if we bought it, in planting the majority of it up with trees. Obviously it's no secret that there is a lot of political appetite for woodland creation at the moment but I thought it would still be wise to consult with you to get the point of view of the Park Authority on woodland creation within the Park. I will also consult with the relevant person at NRW. A search on the Glastir Woodland Creation

Opportunities Map shows that the bulk of the land scores 5-8 and some of it scores higher, but I assumed that the Park Authority would have a view on medium scale woodland creation.

If you would be able to give me any advice I'd really appreciate it. As I'm sure you can imagine, we wouldn't want to spend a lot of money on a property that we subsequently find we're unable to manage as we had envisaged.

I look forward to hearing from you.

All the best,

Duncan Winton

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