

Consultation response from Cornwall Archaeological Unit

Planning application: P/16/111

Demolition of existing dwelling and replacement with purpose built workspace for the processing of shellfish/fish.

Kenython, Norrad, Bryher

Thank you for consulting HEP Archaeology on this application. We have consulted the Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Historic Environment Record and note that there is a prehistoric findspot (a prehistoric mortar, MCO30710) in the garden of Kenython. We note that the proposal involves demolishing the concrete plinth on which the present building stands and enlarging the footprint of the building. We therefore consider it prudent that an archaeological watching brief should be carried out during the early stages of groundworks, undertaken by a suitably qualified organisation or individual, and subject to a Condition attached to planning consent. This is in accordance with the provisions of NPPF Section 12, paragraph 141.

We recommend that if consent is given that a single archaeological recording condition of sections A-D inclusive, which includes words recommended by the Association of Local Government Archaeological Officers (ALGAO), should be inserted as follows: A) No demolition/development shall take place/commence until a programme of archaeological work including a Written Scheme of Investigation has been submitted to and approved by the local planning authority in writing. The scheme shall include an assessment of significance and research questions, and: 1. The programme and methodology of site investigation and recording, 2. The programme for post investigation assessment, 3. Provision to be made for analysis of the site investigation and recording, 4. Provision to be made for publication and dissemination of the analysis and records of the site investigation, 5. Provision to be made for archive deposition of the analysis and records of the site investigation, and 6. Nomination of a competent person or persons/organisation to undertake the works set out within the Written Scheme of Investigation. B) No demolition/development shall take place other than in accordance with the Written Scheme of Investigation approved under condition (A). C) The development shall not be occupied until the site investigation and post investigation assessment has been completed in accordance with the programme set out in the Written Scheme of Investigation approved under condition (A) and the provision made for analysis, publication and dissemination of results and archive deposition has been secured. D) The archaeological recording condition will normally only be discharged when all elements of the WSI including on site works, analysis, report, publication (where applicable) and archive work has been completed.

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