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Watermill Lodge, Watermill, St Mary's TR21 ONS

Change of use of land for provision of mobile shepherd's hut for 2 visitors and new access on Northern boundary

Thank you for consulting us on this application. We have consulted the Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Historic Environment Record and note that Watermill Cottage is a Grade II Listed Building (DCO14323; MCO57998) of 18th century origin and that there is a record of a prehistoric holed stone in the garden of the cottage (MCO31769). We also note that the area lies within land characterised as Anciently Enclosed Land, a type known to be rich in archaeological potential.

For these reasons we recommend that archaeological recording is undertaken should any new breaches be made in the boundary wall during the creation of the new access. This should record a section through the boundary to include any associated ditches, if present.

This mitigation should be secured by Condition which includes words recommended by the Association of Local Government Archaeological Officers (ALGAO), 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.