

Thank you for consulting us on this application. We have consulted the Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Historic Environment Record and note that the building in question is an artificer's shop (MCO30531) comprising a smithy and fitter's shop. The building is first recorded on the 1907 OS 6" map although the plans for the building were drawn up in 1901. The structure was built to serve the Woolpack and Steval gun batteries, both of which are Scheduled Monuments (DCO605 and DCO606). The building is therefore of some significance.

Although it seems likely that this application will benefit the historic structure it is unclear from the submitted information what impacts there may be on it, and whether any of the structures earmarked for demolition are of any historic value. We therefore consider it advisable that this application should be supported by a Heritage Statement. This Statement should comprise two parts: a Statement of Significance that identifies the heritage asset(s) affected, including its setting, and assesses the heritage significance of the identified asset(s) and its setting, sensitivities, and capacity for change (focussing on the building itself and its relationship with the SMs); and a Heritage Impact Assessment that summarises the proposals, assesses likely impacts on significance, and identifies any harm, and, if necessary, provides a Mitigation Strategy.

We cannot advise further until the appropriate Statement has been provided. This application should not be determined before this Statement is received and we have had an opportunity to comment further. This Statement should be carried out by a suitably qualified organisation or individual in accordance with accepted national guidelines. This is in accordance with the provisions of NPPF Section 12, paragraph 128