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Annwyl Syr/Madam / Dear Sir/Madam,

**BWRIAD / PROPOSAL: DEMOLITION OF THE EXISTING ST. BARUCS CHURCH AND REDEVELOPMENT TO PROVIDE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF 4NO. ONE-BEDROOM APARTMENTS OVER TWO STOREYS AND ASSOCIATED WORKS.**

**LLEOLIAD / LOCATION: CHURCH OF SAINT BARUC, PHYLLIS STREET, BARRY**

Thank you for consulting Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru / Natural Resources Wales about the above, which we received on 22/06/2021.

**We have concerns with the application as submitted because inadequate information has been provided in support of the proposal. To overcome these concerns, you should seek further information from the applicant regarding land contamination. Further details are provided below.**

### **Land Contamination**

We note reference in the submitted SAB Drainage Strategy (20.4764 Sab Drainage Strategy) to the following document:

- Geotechnical and Geo-Environmental Site Investigation Report – 010321-16393-01

Without sight of this report, it is unclear whether or not there will be any excavation/ground reprofiling required for the proposed development foundations and therefore it is unclear on the degree of interaction that there may be with the Made Ground and also what the environmental quality of the Made Ground may be.

Therefore, we would require the above document be submitted in support of this proposal and that it is made available to us so that we can review it and provide comments.

### **European Protected Species**

We note that preliminary survey, as reported in the document 'Bat Scoping Survey - St Barrwcs Church, Phyllis Street, Barry' by Ecological Services Ltd dated 13 June 2020, noted some potential bat access points within the building between purlins and wall. Therefore, bat presence cannot entirely be ruled out on the basis of inspection alone. We recommend you seek the advice of your in-house ecologist on the need and potential scope of any further surveys of the building. Any surveys should be carried out in accordance with 'Bat Surveys; Good Practice Guidelines 3rd Edition' published by the Bat Conservation Trust 2016.

Please consult us again if any further survey undertaken finds that bats are present at the site and you require further advice from us.

### **Other Matters**

Our comments above only relate specifically to matters included on our checklist, *Development Planning Advisory Service: Consultation Topics* (September 2018), which is published on our [website](#). We have not considered potential effects on other matters and do not rule out the potential for the proposed development to affect other interests.

We advise the applicant that, in addition to planning permission, it is their responsibility to ensure they secure all other permits/consents/licences relevant to their development. Please refer to our [website](#) for further details.

If you have any queries on the above, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yn gywir / Yours faithfully

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