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DC Consultatio

Subject: RE: Planning Application Consultation 20NP0044 Land to the east of Harbottle Castle, Harbottle,

Northumberland

**Date:** 15 September 2020 14:49:08

Dear Susannah,

I am supportive of the principle of developing this structure to secure a positive use and for its long term future. It is pleasing to see the care taken by the applicant to integrate the values, significance and setting of an area of archaeological/historic building/historic landscape interest.

The Heritage Statement has given extensive consideration of the significance of heritage assets in the area of which this building forms part. The 19<sup>th</sup> century parkland and associated planting and landscaping form part of this significance. There is also a 20<sup>th</sup> century military camp of archaeological and historical significance.

My initial concern was regarding the small extension and associated drainage/treatment plant. This is acceptable, however, as designed to appear subservient to the main building and is acceptable on the basis that it does not detract from the main building. I am also concerned about the change in roof level and removal of adjoining wall but this is acceptable in order to bring the building into positive use and I am pleased to see the limited removal of internal walls to accommodate a practical layout whilst at the same time allowing for the buildings historical development to be read (i.e. as formerly separate dwellings)

**The access track** cuts straight across the historic park from the nearest access point. Whilst recognising the benefits of this layout, I have significant concerns that it is not in keeping with the setting of the parkland and would like to see the access follow the curve of the parkland boundary. This might utilise the access from the existing agricultural building and pass behind/north of the remains of the former military camp, or east from the access point and northwards. I do not consider the direct line access to be appropriate in an historical setting. However, I accept the principle of allowing the track to "green" over, it is acceptable on the assumption that the integrity of the historic parkland setting is not diminished.

The building has been the subject of an historic building survey. It would be helpful if the applicant could include the drawings from that report in this application. This negates the need for further historic building recording to be carried out prior to development.

I welcome the proposal to save an historic building and its historic setting. It is imperative that design features from the  $19^{th}$  century are retained and that the materials are in keeping with the original construction in order to restore the building without loss of integrity or character.

If you require any further explanation or detail I would be happy to provide this. On the basis that the 2006 drawings provide an accurate historical record (in accordance with a Level 1 Historic Building Record), no further work is required.

Kind regards,

Chris

From: DC Consultation

Sent: 01 September 2020 15:26

To: Chris Jones

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Please see the attached consultation regarding a planning application which has been received by Northumberland National Park Authority. Full details can be viewed at http://nnpa.planning-register.co.uk/plaPlanningAppDisplay.aspx?AppNo=20NP0044

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