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Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
The Quays
Briton Ferry
SA11 2GG

Dyddiad/Date: 15 July 2026

Annwyl Syr/Madam/Dear Sir/Madam,

Bwriad/Proposal: Construction of four semi-detached dwellinghouses, estate road and associated infrastructure

Lleoliad/Location: Pentwyn Road, Cynonville, Port Talbot, SA13 3HH

Thank you for consulting Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru/Natural Resources Wales (NRW) about the above, which we received on 07 July 2026.

We have **no objection** to the proposed development as submitted and provide the following advice.

Protected species

Otter

We note that the information submitted in support of the above application (Preliminary Ecological Assessment by Ecological Services Ltd, dated May 2025) has identified that parts of the periphery of the application site and land adjacent are suitable for otter use, with connectivity to watercourses north and east of the site.

We recommend that you discuss the need to secure further measures and avoidance measures with your internal ecological advisor.

Ancient woodland

We note that the site is located adjacent to ancient woodland. We refer you to standing advice on our [website](#) for planning proposals that may affect ancient woodland.

This guidance is designed for use by planning authorities when making decisions on development proposals affecting ancient woodland.

Other matters

The advice in this letter relates to matters which are included on our [consultation topics list](#). We do not rule out the potential for the proposed development to affect other environmental interests that are not included on this list.

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.

Advice for the developer

Pollution Prevention

During the construction phase you should take any precaution to prevent contamination of surface water drains and local watercourses. Oils and chemicals should be stored in bunded areas and spill kits should be readily available in case of accidental spillages. For further guidance please refer to Guidance for Pollution Prevention (GPP) 5: Works and maintenance in or near water, and GPP 6: Working on construction and demolition sites, which are available on the [NetRegs website](#).

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

Yn gywir / Yours faithfully,

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