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Dear Cathy,

## **Section 87 - Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2023 Port Talbot Dock Unloaders**

Thank you for your letter of 9 June 2025 about a Certificate of Immunity from listing in respect of the three unloader cranes in Port Talbot Dock.

Section 75 of the Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2023 (the 2023 Act) places a duty on the Welsh Ministers to list buildings of special architectural or historic interest. To qualify for listing, candidate buildings must be of nationally significant architectural or historic interest and must satisfy published listing criteria. Where these are met, the Welsh Ministers are under a duty to list but cannot do so otherwise.

Under Section 87 of the 2023 Act the Welsh Ministers may, on the application of any person, issue a certificate stating that they do not intend to list a building. During the 5 years beginning with the day the certificate is issued, the Welsh Ministers may not list the building or serve notice under Section 78(1) of the 2023 Act of a proposal to list the building.

Cadw undertakes the functions of the Welsh Ministers and, having carefully considered your request, we have concluded that the uploaders do not meet the criteria for listing as they are not architecturally distinguished, not original to the deep-water harbour opened in 1970 and all three cranes have been modified since they were installed. Accordingly, I hereby certify that the Welsh Ministers do not intend to list the Port Talbot Dock Unloaders and this letter constitutes a formal Certificate of Immunity from listing.

Yours Sincerely,

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