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Our ref: NPT0491/RD

ARCHAEOLOGICAL PLANNING

Head of Planning
Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
The Quays
Brunel Way
Baglan Energy Park
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SA11 2GG

13th May 2026

Dear Sir

Re: Request for a formal Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Screening Opinion under Regulation 6 of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Wales) Regulations 2017 for a proposed solar development and associated works and infrastructure which will generate up to 6 Megawatts (MW) on land to the north of Giants Grave Road, Neath, SA11 2LP.
Land North Of Giants Grave
Pl.App.No.: P2026/0255

Thank you for consulting us regarding this screening request.

We do not have the legal expertise to determine whether or not an Environmental Impact Assessment is required; however, there are archaeological and cultural heritage issues which need to be addressed in order to determine the impact of the proposals on the historic environment.

Information in the Historic Environment Record (HER) indicates that there are some known sites on the periphery of the proposed development, largely related to industrial development and related transport infrastructure. It is also apparent that the application area has been subject to a degree of modern disturbance, which is likely to have had an adverse effect on any potential archaeological remains that may have been present. We also note the proposal is for a solar development, which has a relatively restricted impact on below-ground features.

Overall, the archaeological impact of the proposed development is unlikely to be significant.

As a result, it is our opinion that it is unlikely there will be a significant impact on the buried archaeological resource by the proposed development and therefore there are no historic environment grounds for an environmental impact assessment to be required.

If you have any questions or require further information on this matter please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Yours faithfully

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