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Email Body

Good morning [Redacted – Regulation 13 Personal Data]

Yesterday afternoon a small group visited [Redacted – Regulation 13 Personal Data], 's cupmark site. I was interested in recording the stone using oblique light - see enclosed. As expected, the shadows cast by the fence that bisects the stone was an issue. Nevertheless, the results were fairly positive. I can now confirm that this discovery has the largest number of cupmarks in central and South Wales - 93+ cupules.

I have asked [Redacted – Regulation 13 Personal Data], permission to undertake a geophysical survey within the field where the stone is located. This will hopefully happen in late Spring next year. If you decide to Schedule the site in the meantime, I am happy to apply for a Section 42 Licence if and when.

Finally, [Redacted – Regulation 13 Personal Data], and myself visited the scheme exhibition last night and had a lengthy but positive chat with the wind farm promoters. I note that both Headland Archaeology and Wessex are involved. I did express one concern, that of the reliance on desk-based information without the support of a systematic walkover survey. Clearly, this cupmarked stone should have been flagged-up as it was within a designated narrow corridor that leads south of the substation west of Llanfabon. I did suggest that a qualified prehistorian should be present when groundworks begin on the common (a small price to pay given the discoveries that have already been made). I will send in this suggestion before the end of the Consultation period (the deadline is the 9th of January 2023).

Take care,

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