

6 October 2025

Dear

ATISN 25130 – Pre-application engagement or change of status of Cadw managed sites in the Pumsaint area

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 8 September. You asked for:

Information regarding any pre-application engagement agreements, changes in site status, or “scheduled monument consent” changes that have been made to Cadw-managed sites in the Pumsaint or Cothi valley area. If so, please list the sites affected, with the specific changes or agreements that have been reached with what parties.

Our response

The information you requested is provided below.

There are no heritage sites owned or directly managed by Cadw in this area.

There are scheduled monuments in the area for which Cadw is responsible for the operation of the scheduled monument consent (SMC) regime (Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2023). Cadw is also a statutory consultee in the planning process with respect to scheduled monuments. As a consultee, we provide pre-application advice, but do not use pre-application agreements. Cadw has not signed any agreements with any parties.

Cadw has provided pre-application advice in respect of two proposed windfarm schemes which are in the Developments of National Significance planning application system and processed two scheduled monument consent applications for a related road junction improvement scheme affecting Pumpsaint Roman Fort Scheduled monument.

DNS CAS-02650-B0P0M9 - Waun Maenllwyd Wind Energy Hub

To date, Cadw has given pre-application advice on four occasions for this DNS scheme:

- 1) Cadw was consulted for non-statutory pre-application advice by the developer in October 2022 on a proposed heritage and road widening appraisal. Cadw identified that the following scheduled monument would be affected:
 - CM226 Pumpsaint Roman Fort

2) Cadw was consulted by Carmarthenshire County Council Planning Services in July 2023 for statutory pre-application advice for a proposed access route to a wind energy park at Maenllwyd (PRE/01658). Cadw identified that the following scheduled monument would be affected:

- CM226 Pumpsaint Roman Fort

3) Cadw provided advice in July 2023 to PEDW in response to a scoping opinion for the contents of an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) to be submitted in support of an application for the Waun Maenllwyd Wind Energy Hub. Cadw identified the following scheduled monuments within 5Km of the developer's zone of theoretical visibility (ZTV, i.e. the theoretical zone from which an object can be seen) to blade tip and requested that they be considered in the assessment:

- CD022 Tomen Llanio
- CD047 Four Inscribed Stones in Church
- CD120 Roman Roads and Vicus W of Llanio Roman Fort
- CD129 Llanio Roman Fort and Bathhouse
- CD137 Cairns and Ring Works S of Bryn Rhudd
- CD182 Burnt Mound North of Glanrhocca
- CD185 Blaen Brefi Longhouses
- CD199 Cyrnau Long Hut
- CD200 Cors Blaen Cothi Deserted Rural Settlement
- CD210 Round Cairns c. 400m SE of Lan Fawr
- CD223 Crug Round Cairn
- CD240 Penrhiwllwydog Round Cairn
- CM168 Esgair Ffraith Round Cairns
- CM169 Carn Fawr Round Cairn
- CM218 Cairns & Stone Circle S of Pen-y-Raglan-Wynt
- CM224 Cairn Groups on Garn Fawr
- CM363 Craig Twrch round cairn
- CM364 Carn Nant-yr-ast round cairn

4) In January 2024, Cadw provided pre-application advice to the developer regarding the scheme's road access heritage appraisal. Cadw identified that the following scheduled monument would be affected:

- CM226 Pumpsaint Roman Fort

DNS CAS-02917-K8D5Z2- 2024-01-17 - Bryn Cadwgan Energy Park

To date, Cadw has given pre-application advice on three occasions for this DNS scheme:

1) Cadw was consulted for non-statutory pre-application advice by the developer in October 2023 on a proposed energy park. Cadw did not provide a detailed

response as the consultation was a notification that the development was being proposed. It gave an indication of the number of turbines but insufficient detail to enable a detailed response to be provided.

- 2) Cadw provided advice in January 2024 to PEDW in response to a scoping opinion for the contents of an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) to be submitted in support of an application for the Bryn Cadwgan Energy Park. Cadw identified the following scheduled monuments within the application area and requested that they be considered in the assessment:

- CM218 Cairns & Stone Circle S of Pen-y-Raglan-Wynt
- CM200 Dolaucothi Roman Aqueduct
- CM224 Cairn Groups on Garn Fawr

Cadw also identified the following scheduled monuments within 5km of the developer ZTV to blade tip and requested that they be considered in the assessment:

- CD136 Stone Circle and Associated Structures on Bryn y Gorlan
- CD199 Cynau Long Hut
- CD200 Cors Blaen Cothi Deserted Rural Settlement
- CD210 Round Cairns c. 400m SE of Lan Fawr
- CD223 Crug Round Cairn
- CD240 Penrhiwllwydog Round Cairn
- CD241 Cefn Cnwcheithinog Standing Stone
- CD253 Pen y Gurnos Round Barrow
- CD254 Blaen Nant-y-Rhiw Round Cairn
- CD255 Carn Saith-Wraig Round Cairns
- CM168 Esgair Ffraith Round Cairns
- CM169 Carn Fawr Round Cairn
- CM208 Dolaucothi Gold Mines
- CM210 Annell Aqueduct (lower section)
- CM211 Annell Aqueduct (upper section)
- CM212 Hut at upper end of Annell Roman Aqueduct
- CM213 Cothi Roman Aqueduct
- CM215 Nant-y-Mwyn Lead Mine Engine House, Rhandir-Mwyn
- CM237 Roman Water Tank E of Brunant Farm
- CM298 Esgair Gaeo Deserted Rural Settlement
- CM299 Burnt Mound on Esgair Ferchon
- CM300 Maen Bach Standing Stone
- CM301 Mynydd Mallaen Standing Stone
- CM302 Crugiau Merched Cairns
- CM304 Cefn y Bryn Ring Cairn
- CM305 Pen Cerrigiddos Round Cairns
- CM339 Banc Maes-yr-Haidd barrows
- CM341 Cerrig Cedny round cairn
- CM342 Carn Twrch round cairn
- CM352 Troedrhiwhir Mountain ring cairn

- CM353 Troedriwhir standing stone
 - CM363 Craig Twrch round cairn
 - CM364 Carn Nant-yr-ast round cairn
 - CM365 Bryn Bedd round barrow
 - CM391 Chambered Tomb 500m SW of Bryn Mawr (proposed scheduling)
- 3) Cadw was consulted by the developer in August 2025 for statutory pre-application advice on a proposed access route to a wind energy park at Bryn Cadwgan. Cadw identified that the following scheduled monuments needed to be considered in the assessment:
- CD210 Round Cairns c. 400m SE of Lan Fawr
 - CD240 Penrhiwlwydog Round Cairn
 - CD241 Cefn Cnwcheithinog Standing Stone
 - CD254 Blaen Nant-y-Rhiw Round Cairn
 - CD255 Carn Saith-Wraig Round Cairns
 - CM301 Mynydd Mallaen Standing Stone
 - CM300 Maen Bach Standing Stone
 - CM302 Crugiau Merched Cairns
 - CM169 Carn Fawr Round Cairn
 - CM343 Nant Gwyn Round Cairn & Standing Stone
 - CM364 Carn Nant-yr-Ast Round Cairn

CM226 Pumpsaint Roman Fort

Under the Historic Environment Act (Wales) 2023 Cadw is responsible for designating scheduled monuments and operates the scheduled monument consent (SMC) regime in Wales.

Cadw has provided advice and determined two applications for scheduled monument consent for CM226 Pumpsaint Roman Fort.

- 1) SMC for archaeological evaluation. Consent issued 2023 for two phases of archaeological evaluation of the junction area. Work completed.
- 2) SMC for revised road junction. Consent issued in 2025 but works not yet commenced.

Cadw has not undertaken any changes in site status to scheduled monuments in the Pumpsaint or Cothi valley area.

Next steps

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

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Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

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Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
SK9 5AF

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely