

Merthyr Tydfil County Council
The Planning Division
Unit 5 Triangle Business Park
PENTREBACH
Merthyr Tydfil, Mid Glamorgan
CF48 4TQ

Date: 16/12/2025
Our Ref: PLA0091842
Your Ref: P/25/0312

Dear Sir/Madam,

Grid Ref: SO050058 305062 205840

Site: Old Saw Mill, Court Street, Merthyr Tydfil

Development: Demolish existing units and construct five new units and associated parking

We refer to your planning consultation relating to the above site, and we can provide the following comments in respect to the proposed development.

This site is crossed by a public sewer with the approximate position being marked on the attached statutory public sewer record. In accordance with the Water Industry Act 1991, Dwr Cymru Welsh Water requires access to its apparatus at all times in order to carry out maintenance and repairs. Having regard to the proposed drawings, it appears the proposed development would be situated directly above the public asset, which has a protection zone measured 3 metres either side of the centreline. Please note, the distance specified for this protection zone is indicative and based on industry standard guidelines. However, the depth of the asset will need to be verified on site which may infer a greater protection zone. For completeness, we recommend the developer refer to their title deeds to confirm if there are any covenants or restrictions associated with the asset crossing the proposed development site.

In this instance, it appears there is sufficient space and scope to divert the asset to enable the development to be positioned outside the protection zone. However, the developer will require an application under Section 185 of the Water Industry Act 1991, and we are unable to support the planning application until a scheme has been technically approved for the diversion of the asset. It is also recommended that the developer contact our Plan and Protect team (PlanandProtect@dwrcymru.com) to carry out a survey to verify the location of the asset and establish their relationship to the proposed development, in the first instance.

Accordingly, for the reasons outlined above, we offer a **Holding Objection** until such time as additional/amended information has been submitted and request we are re-consulted on receipt of this information.

Our response is based on the information provided by your application. Should the proposal alter during the course of the application process we kindly request that we are re-consulted and reserve the right to make new representation.

If you have any queries please contact the undersigned on 0800 917 2652 or via email at developer.services@dwrcymru.com

Please quote our reference number in all communications and correspondence.

Yours faithfully,

Bethan Davies
Development Planning Officer
Developer Services



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