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Our ref: A65245/RD

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Head of Planning
Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council
Unit 5
Triangle Business Park
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18th May 2026

Dear Sir

Re: Creation of a new entrance on the northern elevation, together with replacement sash windows, installation of new external timber doors and renovation of the rendered elevations. Refurbishment of the basement level, including waterproofing of walls and floor, installation of new floor slabs and associated reconfiguration of the internal spaces and installation of a moveable acoustic wall/screen
Canolfan Soar Pontmorlais High Street Merthyr Tydfil CF47 8UB
Pl.App.No.: P/26/0057

Thank you for consulting us about this application; consequently we have reviewed the detailed information contained on your website.

We have consulted the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) and note that the proposal is located in an area of archaeological potential. It is within the Merthyr Tydfil Registered Historic Landscape, specifically the Historic and Commercial Core Character Area (HLCA001), and the Merthyr Tydfil Town Centre Conservation Area. The HER also notes the presence of an adjacent Corn Mill which is visible on historic Ordnance Survey mapping, although it is noted as being 'destroyed'. As the submitted HIA notes 'the application site forms the basement level of the old school building, which is Grade II curtilage listed to the principal parent building, the Zoar Chapel. Historically there was a relationship between the application site and the principal listed building, with the application site providing Sunday school facilities for the chapel'.

However, the current application is for a new entrance, replacement windows, renovations etc. As such, the proposal is relatively limited in scale and numerous modern features are apparent. Overall, it is unlikely that archaeologically significant material will be encountered during the course of the proposed works.

As a result, there is unlikely to be an archaeological restraint to this proposed development and consequently, as the archaeological advisors to your Members, we have no objections to the positive determination of this application. The record is not definitive, however, and features may be disturbed during the course of the work. In this event, please contact this division of the Trust.

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

Yours faithfully

R. Dunning

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