

APPLICATION FOR SCHEDULED MONUMENT CONSENT

PROPOSED WORK AT: DE246 – Deeside Slate Works

ANNEX A: ADVICE OF CADW'S INSPECTORATE OF ANCIENT MONUMENTS
APPENDED TO THE LETTER ON BEHALF OF THE WELSH ASSEMBLY
GOVERNMENT DATED:

PRESENT STATE OF THE MONUMENT:

Very large scheduled area covering the processing facilities of a well-preserved but unconsolidated ruins of a 19th century slate-works and its associated infrastructure of dams, leats, tracks, cuttings and tram ways. The area affected by this application comprises part of a former tramway towards the northern end of the scheduled area running through pasture fields. Here, an established dirt track between two fields crosses the earthworks of the tram-road, which are denuded in this position and are being churned up by vehicles.

ASSESSMENT OF EFFECT OF WORKS ON MONUMENT:

This application is to place a layer of crushed, locally sourced stone over the surface of the tram-road for the width of the track to prevent further vehicle rutting. This is to entail no excavation into the monument but the building up of a protective layer over an existing surface. Whilst the proposed surface will interrupt the line of the tramway this represent a small scale intervention that prevents further erosion and will simply stabilise what is effectively already a break due to the present level of vehicle rutting. I therefore recommend that scheduled monument consent is given, subject to the following conditions:

ADVICE:

1. That Cadw is given two weeks notice in writing (e mail is acceptable) of the start of works in order for its representatives to monitor on-site activity;
2. that Cadw's representatives are afforded access to the site during works;
3. that the proposed surface is limited to the width of the existing track;
4. that Cadw must approve in advance any alterations or modifications to the proposed scheme;
5. That Cadw is given two weeks notice in writing (e mail is acceptable) on the completion of works;
6. that the site is left in a stable and tidy condition.

Signed: Will Davies

Date: 24/11/2015