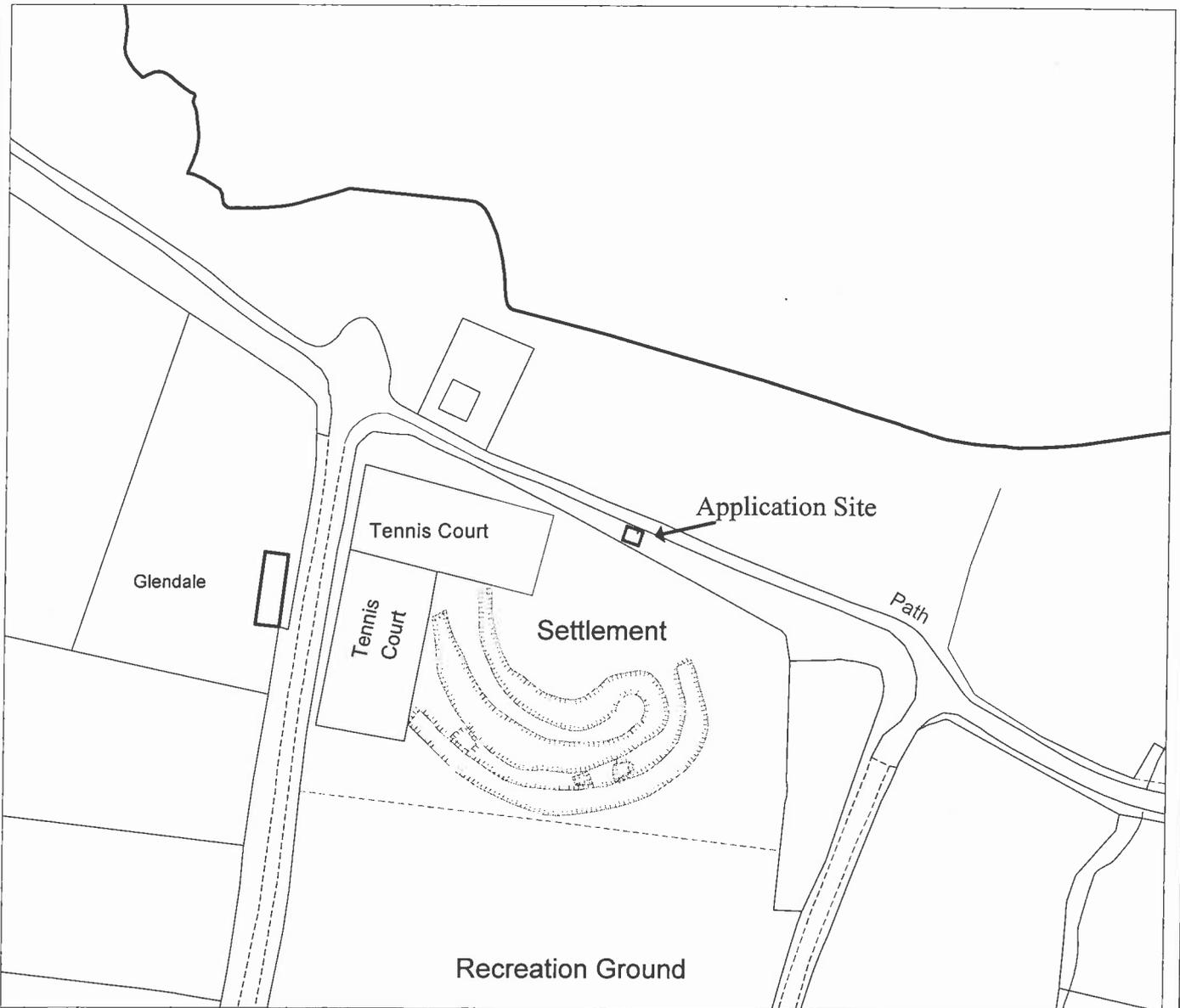
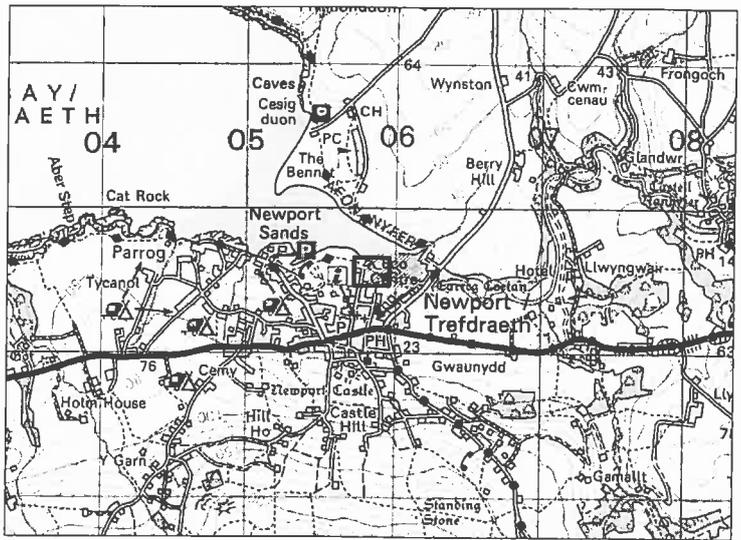
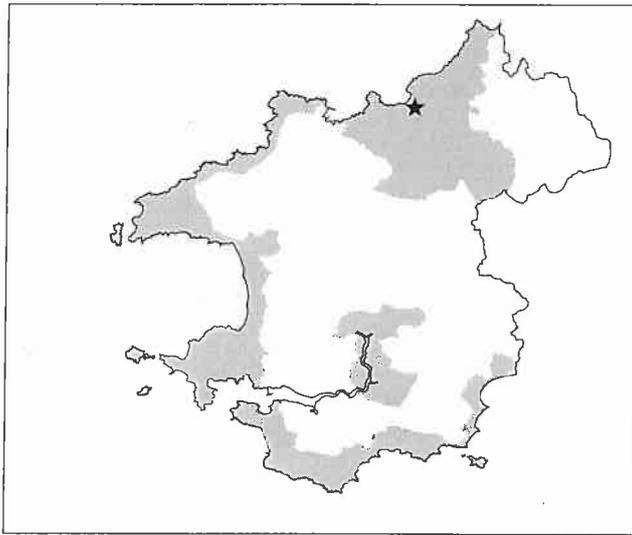


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Land in front of Tennis Courts, Long Street, Newport

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Application Type: Full
Reference: 10/531 Grid Ref. SN058395
Applicant: Ms K Lindley,
Agent Ms Evans PCNPA
Proposal: Interpretation panel
Site Location: Land in front of tennis courts, nr end of Long Street, Newport, Pembrokeshire
Description:

The application is on the agenda as the agent is an officer of the Authority.

Approval is sought for the provision of an interpretation panel to be sited adjacent to the public footpath and tennis courts at the end of Long Street, Newport. The panel will provide an enhanced level of interpretation to the old castle whilst also providing this in sustainable local materials. The panel will add to the public understanding and enjoyment of the castle and will cause minimal visual intrusion, with sympathetic siting within the landscape. As such, officers consider that the current proposal is acceptable and can be supported.

Consultee Response:

NEWPORT TOWN COUNCIL: We would like to draw your attention to the fact that Newport Town Council in their capacity of Trustees of the Newport Playing Field Charity manage the Playing Field including the site of the old Castle. The old Castle is the subject of the interpretation panel. Considering the above we have no objection but make no recommendation.

TRANSPORTATION & TECHNICAL SERVICES: No objections.

DYFED ARCHAEOLOGICAL TRUST: No comment received

Public Response:

None to date.

Officers Appraisal:

Policies:

LDP Policies –

Policy 1 - National Park Purposes and Duty

Policy 3 – Newport Local Centre

Policy 8 – Special Qualities

Policy 11 – Protection of Biodiversity

Policy 13 – Historic Landscapes Parks and Gardens

Policy 15 – Conservation of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park

Policy 29 – Sustainable Design

Policy 30 – Amenity

PPW 3 chapters -

4 (Planning for Sustainability)

5 (Conserving and Improving Natural Heritage and the Coast)

6 (Conserving the Historic Environment)

11 (Tourism, Sport and Recreation)

Technical Advice Notes -

5 (Nature Conservation and Planning)

12 (Design)

Supplementary Planning Guidance –

3 (Sustainable Design)
8 (Validation of Planning Applications)

Officers Appraisal:

Background & Description

The proposal for this interpretation panel stems from community liaison with the community expressing a wish to mark the site of the Old Castle in Newport. The community consider the site to be a very important site in the development of Newport, yet many locals and most visitors are unaware of its significance. Current work at Nevern has highlighted this again, as the two sites are closely linked, both in terms of physical distance and historical significance.

Current proposal

This current application seeks to fulfil the enhanced interpretation of the Old Castle through the provision of an interpretation panel sited adjacent to the Castle grounds along side the coast path.

Key Issues

- Siting and Design
- Amenity and Trees
- Highways, Accessibility and Parking

Siting and Design:

The current application seeks consent for a panel in the form of a lectern and supported by oak frames. The panel will be located outside the perimeter of the Old Castle, which is a Scheduled Ancient Monument and adjacent to the coast path which runs from the Parrog along the waters edge to the iron bridge. The panel will be made from glass reinforced polyester (GRP) and supported off two oak posts sourced from managed woodlands. There will be minimal archaeological and environmental disturbance as the panel will be located on land which has previously been disturbed through the provision of the adjacent footpath.

Amenity and Trees:

The proposal is considered to enhance the amenity of the area through enhanced interpretation of the castle attraction and associated access paths and walks within the area and is easily accessible from the adjacent coast path.

Given the siting of the current proposal no trees are considered to be affected through the installation of the oak posts.

Conclusion

It is considered that the current proposal will provide an enhanced level of interpretation to the Old Castle and its surrounding area whilst also providing this in sustainable local materials. The panel will add to the public understanding and enjoyment of the castle and will cause minimal visual intrusion, with sympathetic siting within the landscape. As such, officers consider that the current proposal is acceptable and can be supported.

Recommendation:

The application be delegated to officers to issue consent on receipt of satisfactory consultee responses and subject to appropriate conditions.

Conditions / Reasons / Formatives

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Other Material

Detailed Plans

Location Plan (dated 9/12/2010)

Site Plan (dated 9/12/2010)

Design details for panels 1 (dated 9/12/2010)

Illustration of Castle (dated 9/12/2010)

Photos

N/A

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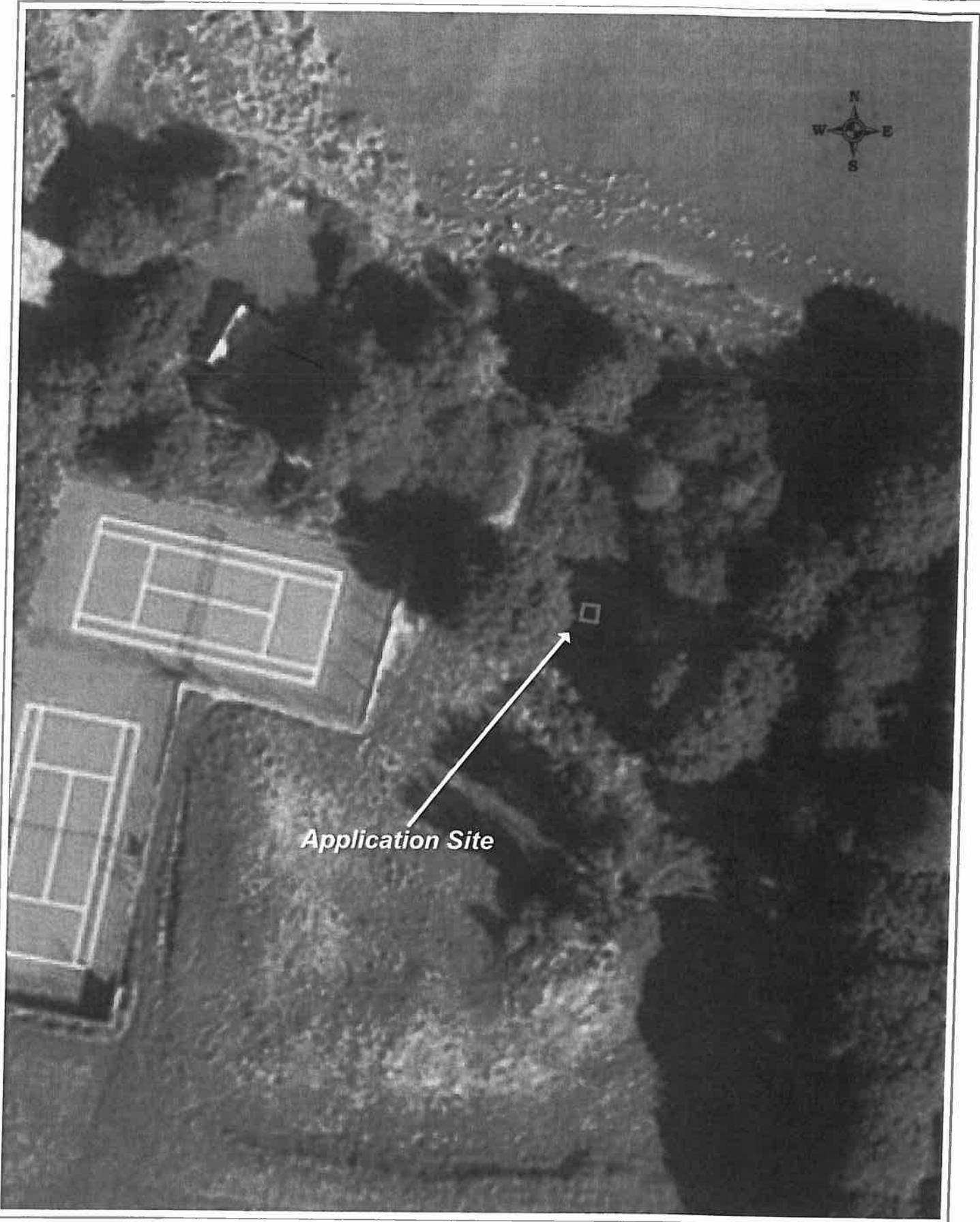
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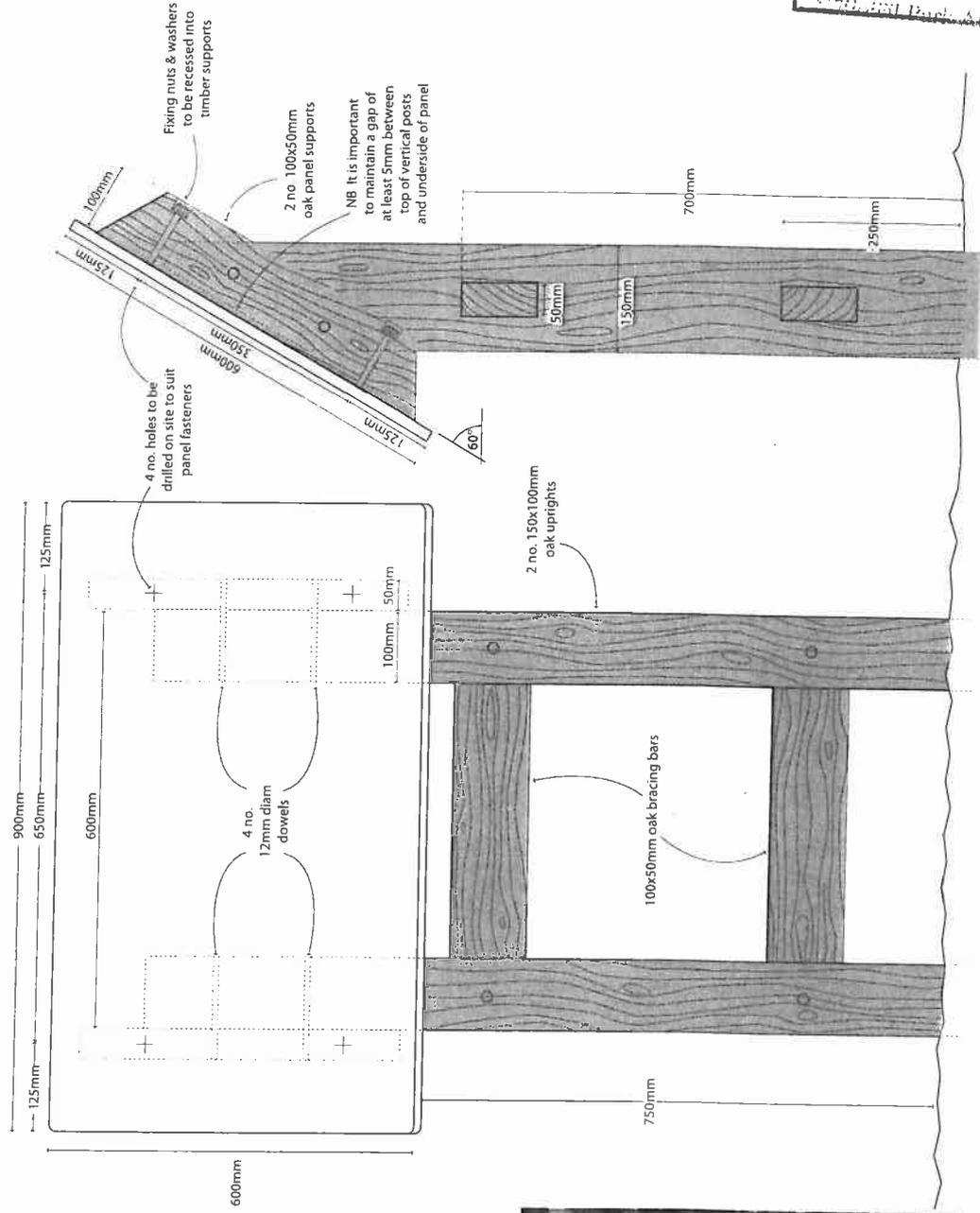
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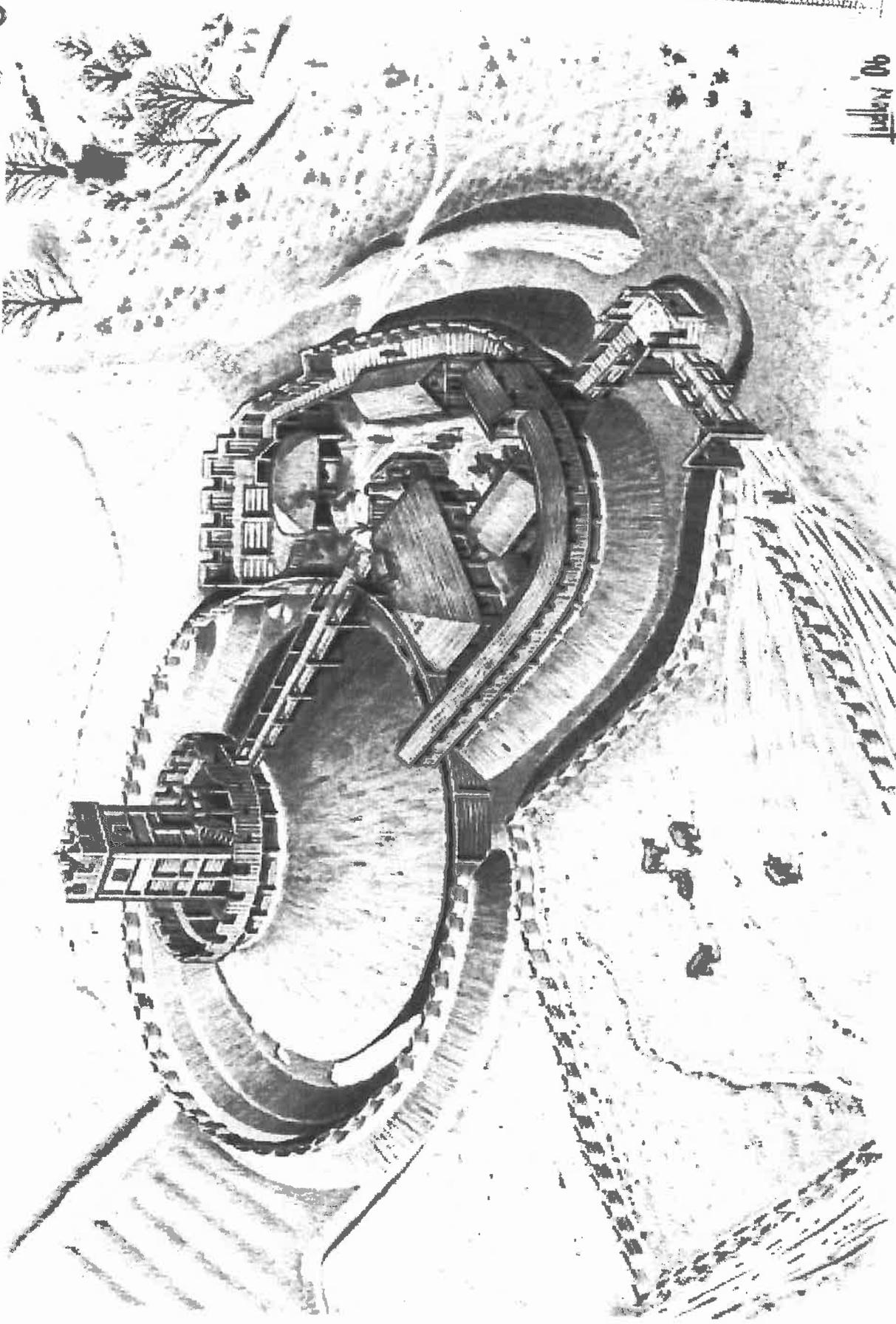


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