Application Ref: NP/12/0114

Application Type: Full  
Grid Ref: SS08369751  
Applicant: Mrs Libby Taylor  
Agent:  
Proposal: Interpretation Panel  
Site Location: Picnic Area, Skrinkle Haven, Manorbier, Pembrokeshire  
Case Officer: Brian Canning

Summary

This application is brought before the Development Management Committee as it proposes to erect an information panel on land which is in the ownership of the National Park Authority. It is considered that the panel represents a sensitive and acceptable approach to providing public information regarding the history and character of the area. It will not have any detrimental visual impact, and is considered to comply with the relevant policies of the LDP. As such, approval is recommended. As the committee date predates the public consultation expiry date the recommendation is for delegation to officers.

Consultee Response

Countryside Council for Wales: No objection  
Manorbier Community Council: No Response Received  
Dyfed Archaeological Trust: No objection

Public Response

No third party consultee responses received to date.

Policies considered

LDP Policy 01 - National Park Purposes and Duty  
LDP Policy 07 - Countryside  
LDP Policy 08 - Special Qualities  
LDP Policy 10 - Local Sites of Nature Conservation or Geological Interest  
LDP Policy 15 - Conservation of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park  
LDP Policy 29 - Sustainable Design  
LDP Policy 30 - Amenity  
LDP Policy 53 - Impacts on traffic  
PPW4 Chapter 04 - Planning for Sustainability  
PPW4 Chapter 05 - Conserving and Improving Natural Heritage and the Coast  
PPW4 Chapter 06 - Conserving the Historic Environment
Officer's Appraisal

Background & Description
The National Park Authority acquired the 44 acre site of Skrinkle in 1983 with the aim of managing it for conservation and opening it up for public access. The application relates to the erection of an interpretation panel to alert people to the interesting history of the site, the conservation success under NPA management and to encourage walking and exploration of the area.

Current proposal
The panel will be 900mm x 600mm set on timber posts at a maximum height of 1350mm, and where possible produced using local materials. The illustrations will show Skrinkle as a military base in the past and the biodiversity Skrinkle now boasts as a result of NPA management. The panel will have an aerial map of the area, which will illustrate the extent of open access land, the National Trail, local footpaths and sites of interest. It will be sited on a mown, managed parcel of land at the end of an easy access path in close proximity to the car park and Coastal Path National Trail. The scale and design of the structure is not considered to be visually obtrusive and no objections to the siting have been received. Consequently the application is considered to comply with the relevant policies of the LDP and can be supported.

Recommendation
That power be delegated to the Chief Executive(National Park Office)/Director of Park Direction and Planning/Head of Development Management to grant planning permission for this development, subject to appropriate conditions and subject to no valid planning objections (which cannot be overcome by condition).
Lectern

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Diagram of a lectern with dimensions and annotations:
- 4 no. 12mm dowels
- 2 no. 100x50mm oak panel supports
- 2 no. 150x100mm oak uprights
- 100x50mm oak bracing bars
- Fixing nuts & washers to be recessed into timber supports

Note: It is important to maintain a gap of at least 5mm between too of vertical posts and underside of panel.