# Application Ref: NP/19/0449/CAC

Case Officer	Rob Scourfield		
Applicant	Mr & Mrs R Cha	aston	
Agent	Mr John Sutton, Alresford Surveying Associates		
Proposal	Demolition of existing outbuilding		
Site Location	Rock House, Feidr Brenin, Newport, Pembrokeshire,		
	SA42 0RY		
Grid Ref	SN04923967		
Date Valid	30-Aug-2019	Target Date	17-Dec-2019

The application is referred to the Development Management Committee for consideration in tandem with NP/19/0448 on which application the officer's recommendation differs to that Newport Town Council

### Consultee Response

Natural Resources Wales: Concern - NRW have significant concerns and would object if conditions are not attached.

PCNPA Planning Ecologist : Preliminary Ecological Survey required

PCNPA Tree and Landscape Officer: Conditional Consent

PCNPA Access Manager: Conditional Consent

PCNPA Planning Ecologist: Conditional Consent

#### Public Response

The application has been appropriately advertised, and no responses have been received at the time of this report.

#### **Constraints**

Common Land CROW Access LDP Green Wedge LDP Mineral Safeguard Historic Landscape Rights of Way Inland - within 50m Regionally Important Geological Sites ROW Coast Path - within 10m NPA Foreshore - within 25m Recreation Character Areas Article\_4\_Directions Affordable Housing Submarkets Seascape Character Areas

## Policies considered

Please note that these policies can be viewed on the Policies page of Pembrokeshire Coast National Park website -<u>http://www.pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk/default.asp?PID=549</u>

PPW10 SPG17 - Conservation Area Proposals TAN 24 - The Historic Environment

#### **Officer's Appraisal**

#### Background & Description

Rock House is situated along the sea-facing Parrog, a bay-windowed Victorian house set on a stone-built terrace above the shoreline. The property is located within Newport Parrog Conservation Area. The outbuilding is situated to the south-east of the house within the garden area.

The outbuilding is single-storey, constructed of cement-rendered masonry; slate roof. It measures some 5x5 metres. Single doorway facing the house; two small gable lights. The south-west gable end acts as a retaining wall for the car parking area above. The building originally extended much further towards the shore - this section was mostly demolished several years ago, the footprint and some of the walling incorporated as garden features. The existing floor level of the outbuilding results in flooding during exceptional high tides.

#### Constraints

The site lies within Newport Parrog Conservation Area.

#### **Relevant Planning History**

NP/19/0448 - Two-storey side extension, two single-storey rear extensions etc - under consideration

#### **Current Proposal**

The proposal seeks the demolition of a building within the conservation area, this to allow development, which is under consideration (ref. NP/19/0448).

#### Key Issues

The application raises the following planning matters:-

- Legislative/policy requirements
- Impact of the demolition on the conservation area
- Control of demolition
- Biodiversity

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### Legislative/Policy Requirements

S. 72 of the 1990 Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act refers to the control of demolition of buildings in conservation areas. TAN 24 states that applications for consent to demolish buildings within a conservation area should be assessed with a general presumption in favour of retaining buildings which make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the conservation area. In cases where a building makes little or no such contribution, it is advised that a Planning Authority will normally need to have full information about what is proposed for the site after demolition. Consent for demolition should not be given unless there are acceptable and detailed plans for redevelopment. The merits of any proposed development are material considerations in deciding whether consent should be given for the demolition of an unlisted building in a conservation area.

The accompanying application proposes a scheme of development which justifies the demolition of the outbuilding.

#### Impact of the development on the conservation area

The demolition of the building is not considered to affect the character and appearance of the conservation area. Whilst of some historic interest, the outbuilding is a truncated structure with largely modern finishes and detail. Its immediate setting has been rather altered (part-demolition, creation of car-parking area). This also has some impact on the character of Rock House, itself modernised in part.

#### Control of demolition

It is a policy requirement that demolition should not take place until a contract for carrying out redevelopment work has been made and planning permission granted. As a result, a condition has been suggested that restricts demolition until a proposal for redevelopment has been approved and contracted.

#### **Biodiversity**

Both the PCNPA Ecologist and Natural Resources Wales object to the proposed scheme and at the date of this report, their response is awaited to revised/additional information that has been submitted by the applicant. A verbal update will be provided to Members at Committee.

#### **Conclusion**

The demolition is required to allow the development of the site for a dwelling that is being considered under planning application NP/19/0448. It is concluded that the proposed demolition would not harm either the character or appearance of the conservation area.

## **Recommendation**

That planning permission be granted, subject to the approval of the planning application NP/19/0448 (including the approval of all associated reserved matters), and subject to the following conditions:-

The development shall begin not later than five years from the date of this decision.
Reason: Required to be imposed pursuant to Section 91 (1) of the Town

**Reason**: Required to be imposed pursuant to Section 91 (1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

- The development shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans and documents:759.19.BLP, 106/01, 106/02, 106/03, 106/04, 106/05, 759.19A, 759.19B, 759.19C, 759.19.PE-RW, 759.19.RP, 759.19.D and Design and Heritage Statement received 9/08/19, Preliminary Ecological Appraisal and Bat Scoping and Inspection Survey received 3/12/19, Planning Statement on Proposals for an External Lighting Scheme received 17/12/19 and the Construction and Environmental Management Plan received 16/12/19.
  Reason: In order to be clear on the approved scheme of development in the interests of protecting visual amenity and the special qualities of the National Park. Policy: Local Development Plan – Policies 1 (National Park Purposes and Duty), 8 (Special Qualities), 15 (Conservation of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park) and 29 (Sustainable Design).
- 3. The works of demolition hereby authorised shall not be carried out before a contract for the carrying out of the works for which planning permission has been granted under reference NP/19/0448 (including all associated reserved matters approval) has been made. The demolition works shall not take place more than 3 months before the commencement of these works. **Reason**: To ensure a proper standard of development and appearance in the interests of conserving the character and appearance of the conservation area.
- 4. No development, demolition or site clearance shall take place until there has been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority a scheme relating to the immediate landscape. The approved scheme shall include the following details:-

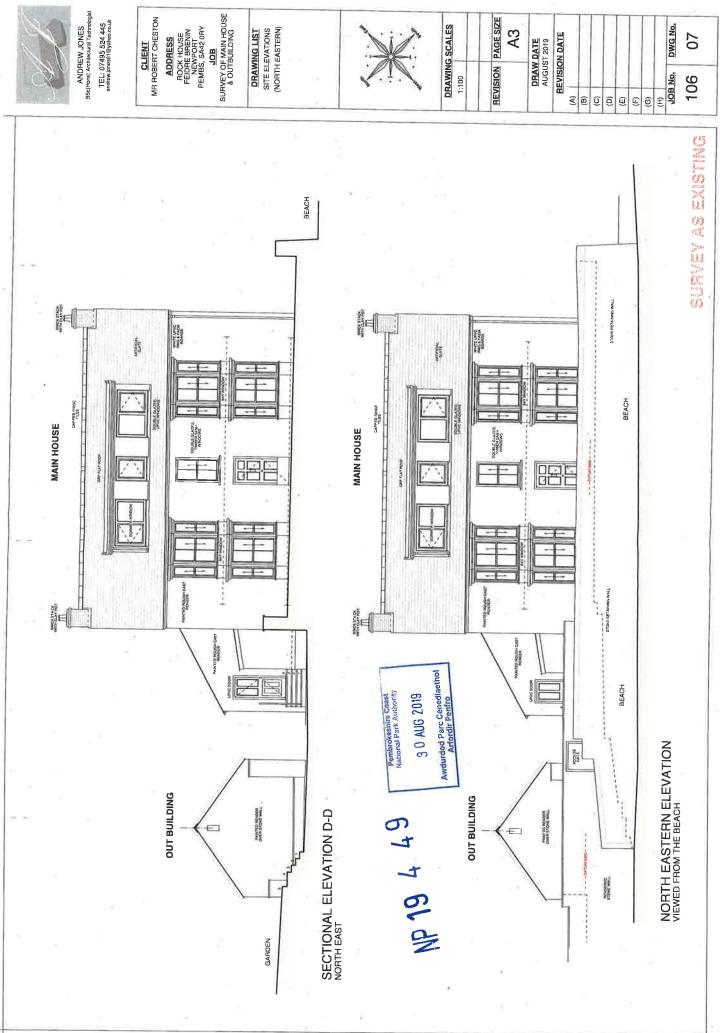
• Protection of any trees on and immediately adjacent to the site for the duration of the development

• Details of any proposed landscaping

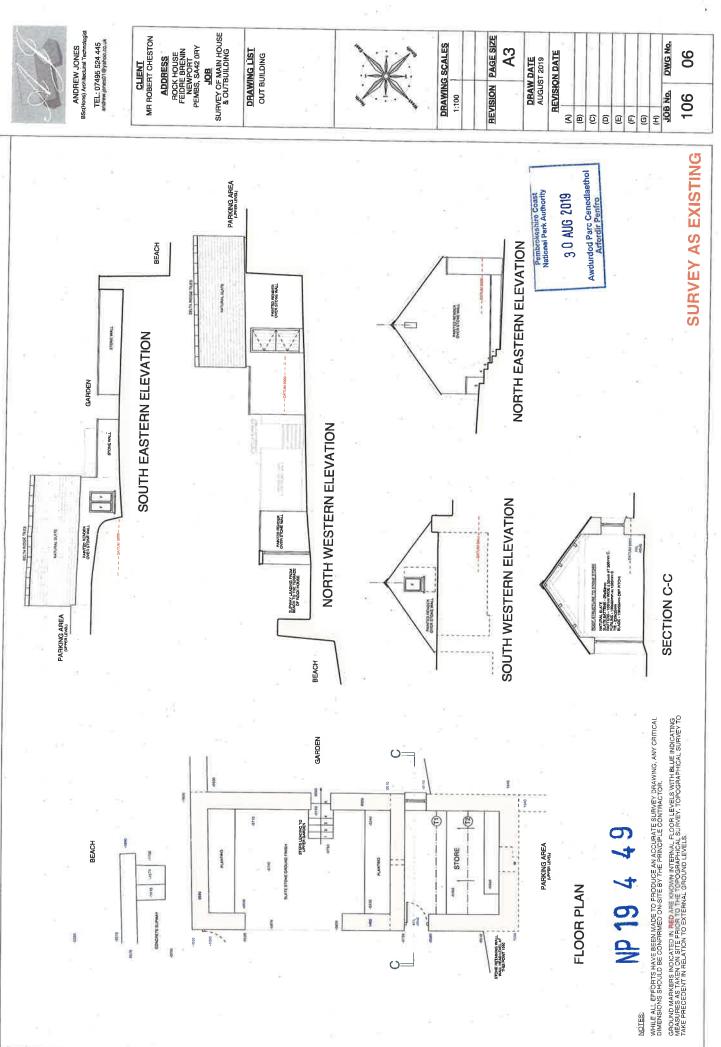
• Details of the implementation of the landscaping scheme **Reason**: In the interests of maintaining a suitable scheme of landscaping to protect the visual amenity of the area, to maintain the special qualities of the landscape and habitats through the protection, creation and enhancement of links between sites and their protection for amenity, landscape and biodiversity value. Policy: Local Development Plan -Policies 1 (National Park Purposes and Duty), 8 (Special Qualities), 11 (Protection of Biodiversity), 15 (Conservation of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park), 30 (Amenity).

# Informative

The applicants attention is drawn to the attached comments of the Authority's Access Officer

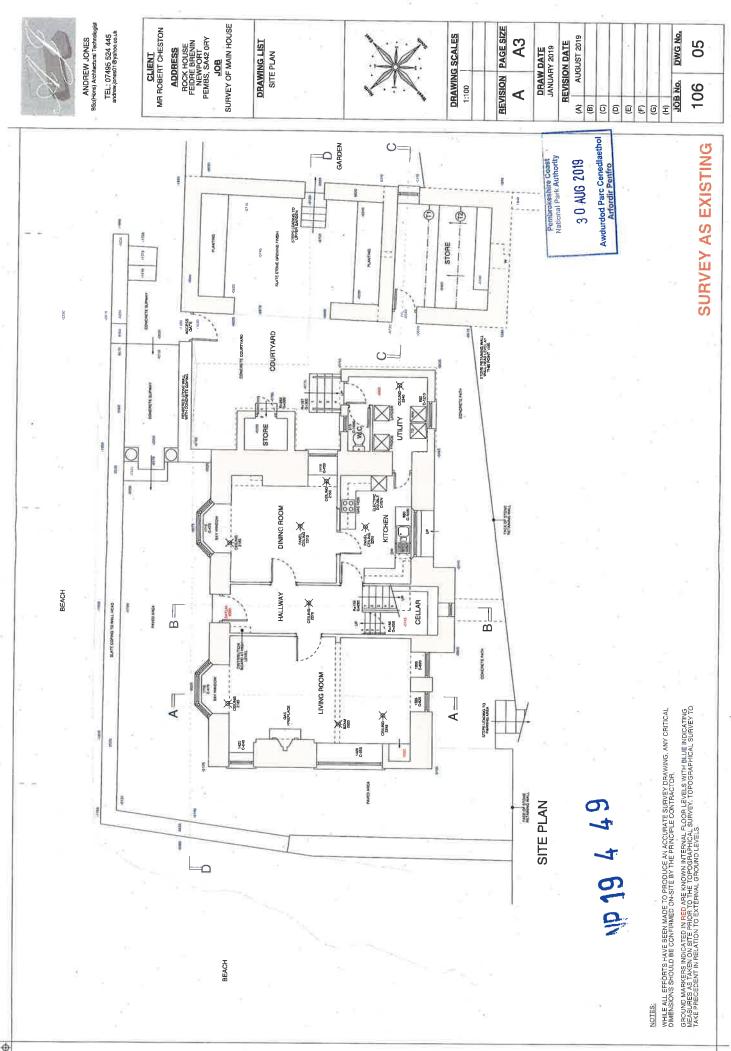


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