

Cais am Gydsyniad Heneb Gofrestredig / Scheduled Monument Consent Application

Application details

Applicant details	
Title	-
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Monument(s) to which application relates. If you are unsure of the monument(s) name or number you can search our database, Cof Cymru	
Name (if any) of monument	Clawdd Mawr, Mynydd Caerau
Address or location	SS894947
Monument Number	GM231
National Grid reference (Eastings/Northings)	-

Description of proposed works.
<p>The works for which scheduled monument consent is sought comprise the installation of an installation of underground cables (UGC) below an existing trackway which crosses the Clawdd Mawr, Mynydd Caerau. This application is made as part of a proposed grid connection connecting the DNS consented Upper Ogmore Wind Farm to the National Grid. The connection would consist of a 66 kilovolts (kV) overhead line (OHL) and UGC. Due to reasons of local topography and the position of the monument, it is not possible to avoid the monument altogether in the route of the connection. Construction of the UGC will involve placing cables within ducts; the ducts themselves will be within a trench. An open cut method will be used, where the duct is laid directly into a trench of up to 1.5m depth. The ducts are placed at the bottom of the trench, and the excavation around the cables is then filled with sand before the remaining excavation is backfilled with the excavated material.</p> <p>Construction activities will be entirely contained within the footprint of the existing track, which was widened and reinforced with aggregate as part of the construction of the Llynfi Afan Wind Farm, and has an existing series of utilities installed beneath it. Mitigation measures also make provisions for protective fencing during construction to avoid accidental damage to extant remains, as well as a toolbox talk for ground teams. These measures will be set out within a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP). Whilst ground disturbance will occur within the boundary of the scheduled monument, this will be contained within the track, and it is not considered to impact any archaeological remains which contribute to the evidential value of the asset.</p>

Documentation accompanying application (e.g. Plans, Drawings).
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Any other information relevant to the application.

Cadw has been consulted on the design of the project, and following Cadw's advice the grid connection has been designed to avoid oversailing the scheduled monument and to route an underground section of the cable through the existing road which crosses the monument. These design changes were agreed as acceptable in principle by Cadw on the (13/10/2025).

In a statutory consultation meeting held on (19/09/2025) WSP received positive feedback from Neil Maylan of Cadw on the updated proposal. Neil considered WSP to have acknowledged previous suggestions from Cadw on the proposed route design, also noting that the scheduled area had been granted a buffer in the most recent plan, which should ensure there are no adverse effects on the dyke.

Neil requested that WSP consider a lightweight fence around certain areas of the dyke, as well as the provision of a toolbox talk for the construction phase. In line with these suggestions, WSP has outlined the following measures to mitigate any disturbance of the scheduled monument:

- The erection of temporary fencing demarcating the scheduled monument where it is crossed by the proposed underground cable within the existing trackway.
- The inclusion of the scheduled monument on construction phase site plans.
- The provision of a toolbox talk or briefing to the construction site team to identify working methods to ensure avoidance of impacts during the delivery of works.

I/We hereby apply for Scheduled Monument Consent for the works described in this application and shown on the accompanying plans and drawings.

Name Cameron Kilpatrick
On behalf of National Grid Electricity Distribution

Details of agent (where the applicable)

Name of agent Simon Atkinson
Address of agent -
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Certificate of Ownership

The Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2023

Cadw may refuse to consider an application for scheduled monument consent unless one of the following declarations signed by or on behalf of the applicant is included with the application.

It is an offence to make a statement which you know to be false or misleading.

Certificate in accordance with Chapter 3, section 15(1) (b) of the Act

(b) a declaration that the applicant has given notice to all the persons (other than the applicant) who, at the beginning of that period, were owners of the monument, of the things required by subsection (2) and any regulations under subsection (3),

Owner details

Owner/Occupier of monument (if not the applicant)	
Title	-
Name	Robert Jenkin Haydock
Address	1952 Mill Street Terrace, Portland, Oregon, USA
Postcode	97201
E-mail address	N/A
Telephone number	-

If the monument has multiple owner/occupiers please provide their details here.

Occupier:
Name: Mr Howells
Address: Gelli Farm, Cymer, Port Talbot
Postcode: SA13 3NN
Email: N/A
Telephone: 07976 219931

Declaration

Declaration
I confirm that I have the relevant authority to make this application and that the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and nothing has been falsely stated or concealed.

Date
* 14/11/2025