

Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979

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2 Monument to which application applies

Index no	SM5297	Name	Caledonian Canal. Corpach Locks and Basin.	
Local Authority	Highland Council	Grid Ref		
Description of location of land	Western entrance to the Caledonian Canal.			

3 Pre-application discussions

Have you undertaken pre-application discussions with Historic Environment Scotland? (If yes, please give details below)	Y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>I have had e-mail correspondence and telephone conversation with Kevin Grant. It was agreed that the charging point and associated works would have a minimal to negligible effect on the setting of the canal. It is also highly unlikely that the excavation work will disturb archaeological remains or historic buried structures as the excavations are being undertaken across an area of hard-standing and reinforced concrete, and the construction of these surfaces has entailed considerable ground disturbance in the past.</p> <p>It was also agreed that the extent of the Scheduled Area as shown on the polygon mapping was inaccurate and according to the Scheduling Legal Document that the Scheduled Area extended further, and covering the majority of the car park.</p>	

4 Summary of proposed works (max 20 words)

Installation of electric car charging point, ducting and associated signage at Corpach Car Park Caledonian Canal

5 Description of proposed works

Scottish Canals are trialling electric car charging points across the canal network and Corpach is one of these locations. The charging unit will be located in the NW corner of the current car park (See Figs 1 and 2)

The proposed work will include the installation of a car charging unit (see Fig 3 document 'NHS Grampian' for a picture of the unit). The foundation of this unit will measure 1100mm x 700mm for the concrete base and in this case the foundation would be flush to the ground, with no raised plinth.

There will be a feeder pillar next to the charging unit with the following dimensions 1194mm (h) x 350mm (d) x 800mm (w) (see Fig 3. document 'NHS Grampian' for a picture of the feeder pillar)

The power supply for the charging unit will be taken from an existing power cable that runs East West across the car park (Fig 2). The new cable will be installed in ducting which will be placed in a 15m long excavated trench with a depth of circa 550mm and a width of 300mm (See Fig 4 (Fig A in Trench Guide)).

The car park at this location sits on top of a modern culvert that encloses the water course '*Allt Bad Abrach*'. There is enough depth between the top of the culvert and the modern surface for the excavation of the ducting trench.

Heritage Impact Assessment

As noted above the construction of the car park and the culvert will have entailed previous ground disturbance, and the ducting trench will sit within the modern make-up of the car park. It is highly unlikely that any underground putative historic remains exist or will be impacted upon by the excavations for the ducting, charging unit or signage.

The work will not affect the setting of the monument, as much of the installation will be below the current surface and the charging unit and signage is an expected element within car parks and is clearly a modern addition, and their location will not impede the principal views along the East West axis of the Canal, nor interrupt views of significant historic structures like the lighthouse and the entrance to the canal.

Environmental Impact assessment

Otters have been seen at Corpach along the coast, but not on the Allt Bad Abrach burn which runs in a culvert below the car park. The burn is adjacent to the railway line with the lighting for the railway line at Corpach illuminating the burn and car park overnight, as seen in the Google image below. The car park is well used, with visitors using it daily and car movements occurring throughout the day. The site is also popular with dog walkers. The high usage of the car park and the proximity of the railway will deter otter from transiting along the Allt Bad Abrach burn.

As the proposed project is limit in a small area of trenching work within an existing concrete pad and is expected to take no more than three days to complete it is not expected to have any impact on otter. Any excavations left overnight will be fenced off/covered to protect nocturnal animals from falling in.

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6	List of plans, drawings and other documents accompanying application (continue on separate sheet if necessary)			
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1.	EHC832 V1 Proposed Plan.	Fig 1.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Site Photographs	Fig 2.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	NHS Grampian	Fig 3.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Trench Guide	Fig 4.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7	Nature Conservation – Protected Places and Species																
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8	Other information relevant to application

9	Declaration	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I hereby apply for scheduled monument consent for the works described in this application and shown on the accompanying plans and drawings. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I confirm that the information I have given on this form is true and accurate.		
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On behalf of	Scottish Canals	
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