

Historic Environment Scotland Àrainneachd Eachdraidheil Alba

Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979 Scheduled Monument Consent Decision Notice

Case ID	201506651	Index No	M10403
Scheduled Monument	Balnagask motte, Baxter Place, Aberdeen		
Location/Address	City of Aberdeen		
Proposed Works	Excavation of two trial pits adjacent to retaining boundary wall		

Historic Environment Scotland hereby **grants** scheduled monument consent for the works detailed below, subject to the attached condition.

Consented Works:

- a) Excavation of two trial pits adjacent to retaining boundary wall

as described in your application dated 21 January and the following supporting documents:

- 1) Site location plan – H1135.01 rev A
- 2) Email from applicant dated 15 March 2016 confirming that the application is for trial pits only, and that any further work would be subject to a separate application.

Conditions referred to above

1. No works associated with the excavation of the trial pits shall take place until the applicant has submitted to, and had approved in writing by Historic Environment Scotland a written scheme of investigation (WSI) to cover the archaeological works. This WSI should include a timetable for the works as well as an updated trench location plan to show at least one of the trial pits orientated so that the short side is adjacent to the retaining wall and the long side runs towards the motte.

Reason: to ensure that archaeological information is recovered and recorded to a satisfactory standard.

Reasons for the Decision:

Subject to compliance with the schedule of conditions, the works proposed are considered acceptable in meeting the terms of national policy for scheduled monuments, and also accounting for other material considerations.

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