

Report of Strategic Policy Manager

Subject: Proposed designation of Cresswell Quay as a Conservation Area

Purpose of Report

This report seeks approval to initiate public consultation for designating Cresswell Quay as a Conservation Area. Cresswell Quay is one of the most scenic villages within the National Park and is highly significant as a very early coal port, retaining several buildings of architectural importance.

A map showing the proposed draft boundary is attached at Appendix A.

This report also seeks approval for the preparation of a draft appraisal and management plan. A report of consultations and the draft appraisal and management plan will be the focus of a further report in the Autumn for eventual adoption as supplementary planning guidance.

Background

Conservation Areas are 'areas of special architectural or historic interest, the character of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance'. Their introduction under the 1967 Civic Amenities Act resulted from the growing awareness that as well as individual buildings, trees and features, whole areas could be of interest and value. Typically, historic cores of cities, towns and villages are designated conservation areas, with a total of 500 such areas across Wales. There are a total of 14 Conservation Areas in the National Park.

The designation of a conservation area at Cresswell Quay would recognise the special architectural and historic interest of the village and would ensure that future development either preserves or enhances the character and appearance of the conservation area. The designation would introduce controls over the demolition of buildings which would require conservation area consent and affords greater protection of works to trees. Officers consider that part of the special interest of Cresswell Quay is the relationship between the village, the estuary and its wooded setting, which is unusual in a Pembrokeshire context.

Legal Background

The focus of this report is on Conservation Areas, which include unlisted and listed buildings which make a major contribution to the historic environment. Local planning authorities have the power (under Section 69 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990) to designate as conservation areas, any area of special architectural or historic interest. They represent the settlements

of greatest architectural and historic importance within the National Park and are a key and finite resource.

Section 69 of the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 imposes a duty on Local Planning Authorities to review these conservation areas from time to time.

Programme

To date, the Conservation Areas within the National Park have been designated in-house. However, Cresswell Quay is the home of the Buildings Conservation Officer and to avoid any potential conflict of interest or wider public misconception, the public consultation will be undertaken by Linda Jones of Babb Architects, Whitland and Emily Holder, Conservation Assistant, supported by members of the Strategic Policy team.

The work will also include the drafting of a Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan to follow the format of the existing plans for each of the Authority's Conservation Areas. This would be prepared and reported to NPA in the Autumn. The proposal to similarly adopt this as supplementary planning guidance.

Initial engagement with key landowners and the three community councils of the area have taken place. A public drop-in event is planned for early August. Information on the Conservation Area consultation will also be promoted at events including the Pembrokeshire County Show and Martletwy Local Show during the summer period.

Legal Considerations

These are dealt with in the body of the report.

Financial considerations

The Authority has sufficient budget for the external consultant, consultation and engagement.

Welsh language considerations

Appendix B Draft Integrated Assessment considers the impacts of the proposal on the use of the Welsh language. The process of designating a conservation area, including the consultation and engagement will be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Welsh Language Standards (Welsh Language Measure (Wales) 2011). The proposal is considered to have a positive impact on Welsh language and culture. The designation of a conservation area would preserve and enhance buildings of special architectural and historic interest, thereby preserving the historic and cultural identity of an area, including Welsh traditions and heritage.

Biodiversity Duty and Decarbonisation

In summary, the proposals are likely to have a positive effect on the Authority's biodiversity duty and a neutral impact its decarbonisation agenda.

Equality issues and Diversity

Consultation and a community engagement event will take place with the local community in Cresswell Quay, with an opportunity for questions and views invited on the area of the proposed Conservation Area designation. The local Pysgah Chapel has been identified as a suitable venue and officers will ensure the venue is accessible and takes account of reasonable adjustment needs of participants. Information on the Conservation Area consultation will also be promoted at events including the Pembrokeshire County Show and Martletwy Local Show during the summer period. The responses from the consultation and engagement will inform the final decision on the conservation area designation.

The planning system seeks to progress legitimate aims by managing the development and use of land in the public interest to contribute to achieving sustainable development. It reconciles the needs of development and conservation, securing economy, efficiency, and amenity in the use of land, and protecting natural resources and the historic environment. Human rights under Articles 1 (right to peaceful enjoyment to property), 8 (right to respect for the home, private and family life) and 14 (right to equality), are the most relevant ones. Proportionality means that the measure which interferes with the right must strike a fair balance between the aim and the right which it interferes with.

Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act

The proposals fit well within the Well-being Goals and the 5 Ways of Working.

Conclusion

That formal consultation and engagement be initiated with regard to designating Cresswell Quay a Conservation Area as shown on the map attached at Annex A. Early engagement has already taken place with some key groups, however further public engagement is planned for the summer period. The final decision on whether to designate a Conservation Area and the precise boundary for that would be determined by the National Park Authority following the public consultation exercise.

Recommendation

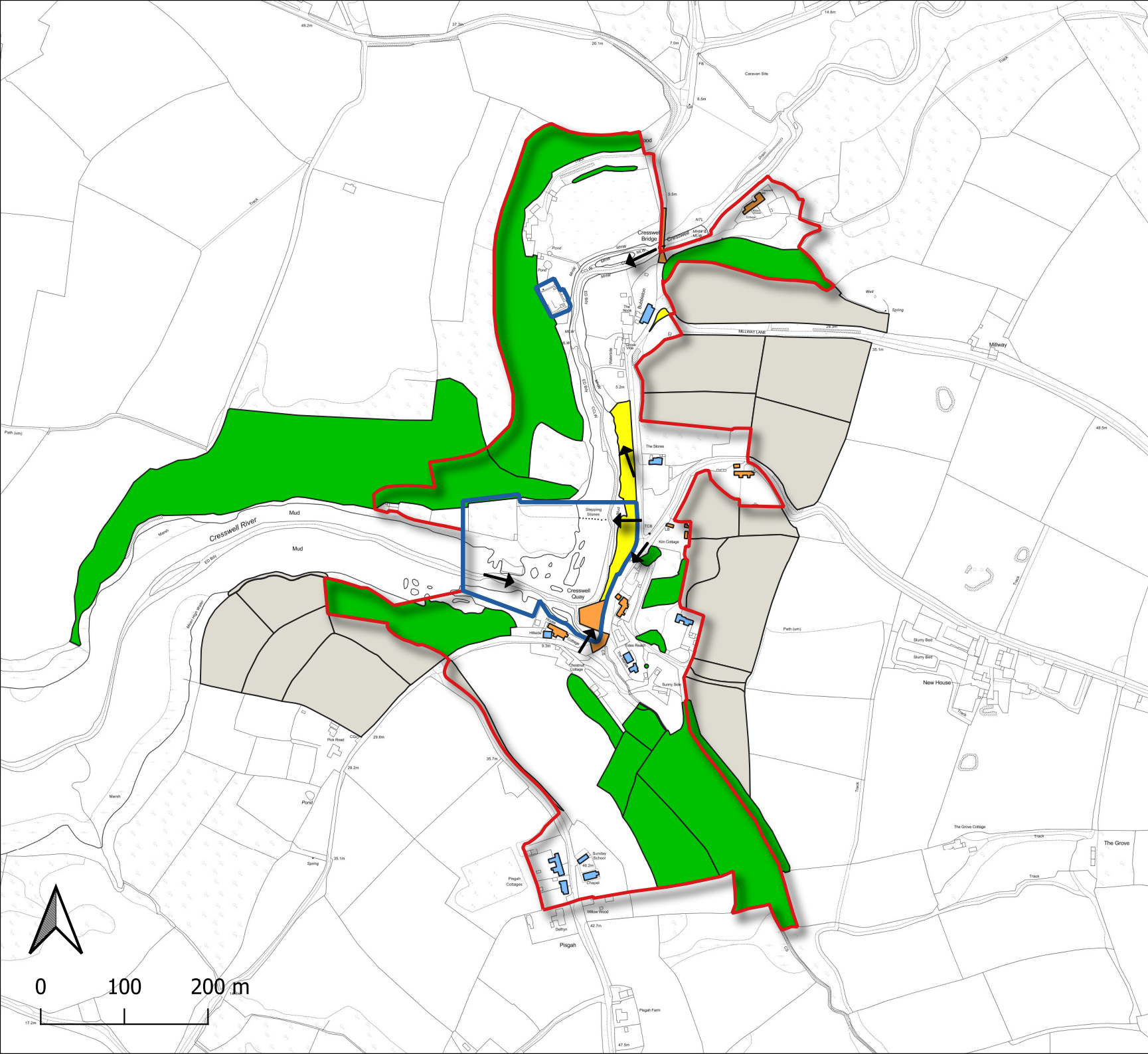
Members are asked to approve:

1. That formal public consultation and engagement proceeds with regards to designating Cresswell Quay a Conservation Area as set out on the map attached at Appendix A;
2. The drafting of a Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan for Cresswell Quay.

A report of consultations and the draft appraisal and management plan will be the focus of a further report to Members in the autumn.

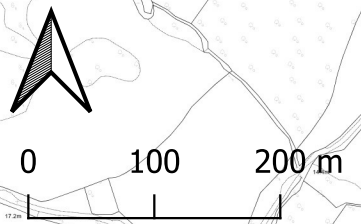
Cresswell Quay Proposed Conservation Area


- ➔ Key Views
- Registered Parks and Gardens
- Scheduled Ancient Monument
- Proposed Conservation Area
- Listed Buildings
- Tree Preservation Order/
Trees Important to Setting
- Essential Open Areas
- Positive Buildings
- Areas Important to Setting
and Character of The
Proposed Conservation Area



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PCNPA Integrated Assessment Template

Title of what is being Assessed: Proposed Conservation Area at Cresswell Quay

Is this a staged Integrated Assessment: Yes, the Draft Integrated Assessment will be reviewed following the public consultation period.

This document is a multi-purpose tool ensuring the appropriate steps are taken in our plan, policy and decisions making processes to:

- Comply with the Public Sector Equality Duty (we are required to assess equality impacts under the Welsh Specific duties.)
- Demonstrate that we have shown due regard to the need to reduce inequalities of outcome resulting from socio-economic disadvantage when taking strategic decisions under the Socio-Economic Duty.
- Ensure we are considering impact on Health and Well-being
- Ensure consideration of the Welsh Language Standards.
- Ensure we are considering the Section 6 Biodiversity Duty and wider decarbonisation considerations in our plans and decision-making processes.
- Ensure we are considering the Well-being Goals for Wales, 5 Ways of Working under the Well-being of Future Generations Act and any relevant future trends/ horizon scanning information.

Benefits of undertaking an Integrated Assessment:

- Gain a better understanding of those who may be impacted by the plan, decision, policy, or practice.
- Better meet differing needs and become more accessible and inclusive.
- Enable planning for success – identifies potential pitfalls and unintended consequences before any damage is done.
- Prevent poor decisions, or worse, having to reverse decisions, thus avoiding cost and reputational implications.
- Demonstrate decisions are thought through and have taken into account the views of those affected.
- Enable us to manage expectations by explaining the limitations within which we are working (e.g. budget)
- Help avoid risks and improve outcomes for individuals.
- Remove inappropriate or harmful practices and eliminate institutional discrimination.
- Ensure we put the Welsh and English Language on an equal footing.
- Ensure we are embedding biodiversity and decarbonisation considerations in everything that we do.

Section 1 – Details of the Strategic Plan, Policy, or Decision

Name of Strategic Plan, Policy or Decision being assessed	Proposed designation of Cresswell Quay as a Conservation Area.
Department/ Service Area	Planning
Officer Responsible for Impact Assessment	Name: Emma Gladstone (Stage 1 pre consultation)
Responsible Senior Manager	Name: Sara Morris Title: Director of Placemaking, Decarbonisation and Engagement
Timetable for the Assessment	A report to the National Park Authority on 24 July seeks approval for a formal public consultation to designate Cresswell Quay a Conservation Area. The consultation would run for a 6 week period. A draft Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan for Cresswell Quay will be prepared and presented to the National Park Authority in the Autumn for approval for formal public consultation.
Monitoring and Review of Assessment	See above under Timetable for the Assessment.
STAGE 1 (PRE PUBLIC CONSULTATION): Chief Executive Sign Off – Completed Assessment and Summary/ Recommendations	Sign off date:

Section 2 – Aims and Overview of the Strategic Plan, Policy, or Decision

What is its proposed purpose?
<p>To designate Cresswell Quay as a Conservation Area. The purpose of a designated Conservation Area is to ‘preserve and enhance’ the special historic or architectural interest of an area and help ensure that future development has regard to that special interest.</p> <p>Conservation Areas are ‘areas of special architectural or historic interest, the character of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance’. Their introduction under the 1967 Civic Amenities Act resulted from the growing awareness that as well as individual buildings, trees and features, whole areas could be of interest and value.</p> <p>Cresswell Quay is considered appropriate for Conservation Area designation as it is one of the most scenic villages within the National Park and is highly significant as a very early coal port, retaining several buildings of architectural importance.</p>
Is it new or existing and under review?
<p>It would be new if taken forward.</p>
What will change as a result of it and/or what changes are being proposed?
<p>Conservation area consent is required for the demolition of an unlisted building in a conservation area, with some exceptions. Applications for conservation area consent for demolition within a conservation area will require a heritage impact statement.</p> <p>Anyone proposing to cut down, top, or lop a tree in a conservation area must give the local planning authority six weeks’ notice, during which time the authority can decide whether to protect that tree with a Tree Preservation Order. This requirement does not apply to trees under a certain size, or those that are proven to be dead, dying, or dangerous.</p> <p>All planning applications within a conservation area must demonstrate that development has preserved or enhanced the character or appearance of the conservation area. Designation does not prevent development, but helps to ensure that it is appropriate in form, scale, material and design such that it would not harm the setting and would help to positively enhance the area’s unique character.</p>
What are its anticipated notable outcomes (positive and negative)?
<p>Positive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ The designation of Cresswell Quay as a Conservation Area would add additional protection and ensures that changes in

the conservation area either preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the area. This will ensure new development is of good quality and protects important architectural features and buildings of historic interest.

- The additional protection of the historic environment ensures that proposals are compatible with the strategy of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Local Development Plan 2, the purposes of National Parks and the special qualities of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park, which includes distinctive settlement character, rich historic environment and cultural heritage. The purposes of National Parks are to:
 - Conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife, and cultural heritage of the area.
 - Promote opportunities for the public understanding and enjoyment of the special qualities of the Parks.

The duty to foster the economic and social well-being of local communities within the National Park is in pursuit of those purposes.

Note that these policies and strategies have also been subject to a relevant Impact Assessment.

- The designation of a Conservation Area is the positive management of an area which could bring social, economic, cultural and environmental benefits. As stated in Planning Policy Wales “The historic environment is a finite, non-renewable and shared resource and a vital and integral part of the historical and cultural identity of Wales. It contributes to economic vitality and culture, civic pride, local distinctiveness and the quality of Welsh life. The historic environment can only be maintained as a resource for future generations if the individual historic assets are protected and conserved.” (paragraph 6.15).
- The designation of Cresswell Quay as a Conservation Area provides an opportunity to consult the local community which has a positive impact on encouraging participation in public life.

Negative:

- Individual landowners who wish to demolish a building would be required to obtain Conservation Area Consent. No application fee is required for those proposals, however, costs may be incurred where a planning consultant is engaged.
- Individual landowners who propose to cut down, top, or lop a tree would be required to give the local planning authority six weeks’ notice.

Detail the budget implications relating to it?

The Authority has sufficient budget for the external consultant, consultation and engagement.

Indicate which groups of people will be, or potentially could be, impacted upon by its implementation (e.g. service users, employees, volunteers, people living in particular communities)? Please include any equality or socio-economic disadvantaged groups likely to be affected

Residents and owners of properties in the designated conservation area of Cresswell Quay. Planning/Enforcement Officers. Members.

Is the policy related to, influenced by, or affected by other policies or areas of work (internal or external) and any assessments carried out on them?

Yes, the Local Development Plan 2 and its associated Assessments, i.e. Strategic Environmental Appraisal, Sustainability Appraisal, Habitats Regulations Assessment, Equalities Impact Assessment.

Section 3 – Considering the Evidence and Assessing Impact

This section considers what data, information, consultation, and engagement feedback has been reviewed as part of the plan, policy, or decision development process. Relevant information will then be used to assess potential impact of the plan, policy or decision and potential mitigating action needed. Gaps in data and knowledge are also noted.

Equality/ Socio Economic Disadvantage and Inequality of Outcomes/ Health Inequalities and Outcomes

Depending on what is being assessed you can either take a thematic approach or a group focused approach, please speak to the Performance and Compliance Co-ordinator to find out what approach will best suit what you are assessing.

If it is not suitable to include detailed evidence information, data, and engagement/ consultation feedback in the table itself, please attach this information as an Appendix and make summary reference to them in the table when needed.

Group focused Impact Approach

Protected Characteristics / Socio Economic Disadvantage and Inequality of Outcomes/ Health and Well-being Outcomes and Inequalities	Do you have evidence or reason to believe that this will or may affect any of the following Protected Characteristics/ Socio Economic Disadvantage and Inequality of Outcome/ Health and Well-being Outcomes and Inequalities? Consider both positive and negative impacts. Reference relevant evidence and information from engagement feedback.	Response/ Mitigation/ Any additional actions needed
Age	The designation of a conservation area at Cresswell Quay would recognise the special architectural and historic interest of the area. All development must either preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the conservation area. With regard to age, there is an aging population in Pembrokeshire and a high proportion of older people live in the Cresswell Quay area. This may impact on the need for buildings to be adapted to be	Will re-consider potential impacts following consultation

	<p>accessible to all. Within a Conservation Area, all development, including any adaptations to make buildings accessible would need to be of a good design which is sensitive to the character and appearance of the conservation area. This will ensure new development is of good quality and protects important architectural features and buildings of historic interest.</p> <p>All households in the proposed designated Conservation Area will be notified of the consultation by letter. An engagement event will be held in the local community to ensure that information is accessible to all age groups. Information on the Conservation Area consultation will also be promoted at events including the Pembrokeshire County Show and Martletwy Local Show during the summer period.</p> <p>Development proposals in the Conservation Area would be subject to planning permission and would be determined in accordance with the policies of Local Development Plan 2. Local Development Plan 2 was subject to an Equality Impact Assessment ¹ which screened all policies against potential impact on protected characteristics under the Equality 2010. The Authority considered relevant evidence to understand the likely or actual effect of policies and practices on protected groups.</p> <p>This included ensuring Local Development Plan policies do not unlawfully discriminate, identifying any adverse impacts on protected groups, considering how the policy or practice could better advance equality of opportunity and considering whether the policy would affect relations between different groups. Where negative impacts were identified mitigating action or explanatory information was provided.</p> <p>In terms of demonstrating 'due regard' the assessment was considered at distinct stages by Officers and Members in terms of the Preferred Strategy, consultation for the Local Development Deposit Plan and Focussed Changes. The Matters Arising Changes were screened for equality impacts, none of the proposed Matters Arising Changes were considered to result in any negative equality impacts for people with protected</p>	<p>period and representations received.</p>
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¹ <https://www.pembrokeshirecoast.wales/planning/planning-policy/local-development-plan-2/>

characteristics under the Equality Act 2010 and no further assessment was considered necessary.

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Aged 15 years and under	51	21	39	13
Aged 16 to 24 years	15	6	15	5
Aged 25 to 34 years	20	8	20	7
Aged 35 to 49 years	38	16	37	12
Aged 50 to 64 years	54	23	81	27
Aged 65 years and over	60	25	108	36
Total	238	10	300	100

Disability

The designation of a conservation area at Cresswell Quay would recognise the special architectural and historic interest of the village. All development must either preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the conservation area. With regard to disability, access to buildings would need to be of a good design which is sensitive to the character and appearance of the conservation area to ensure buildings and the area is accessible to all.

All households in the proposed designated Conservation Area will be notified of the consultation by letter. Officers of the Authority will also hold an engagement event in the local community. Two suitable public venues of The Cresselly Arms and the local Pisgah Chapel were identified. Due to the timing of the event over the summer season, the Cresselly Arms may be very busy, so the local Pisgah Chapel is considered to be the most suitable venue. The venue will need to be accessible to all, including those with a disability. A letter notifying those of the consultation will also advertise the event and can detail that people can let officers know if they need any reasonable adjustments in the venue, with a hearing loop etc.

We will ensure venue used for consultation is accessible and take account of reasonable adjustment needs of participants.

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considered to be the most suitable venue out of the limited options available in Cresswell Quay. There are no village halls in Cresswell Quay and the local pub was considered to potentially be too busy during the summer period.
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Religion	#	%	#	%
No religion	81	34.18	92	31.08
Christian	139	58.65	188	63.51
Buddhist	1	0.42	1	0.34
Hindu	0	0	2	0.68
Jewish	0	0	0	0
Muslim	0	0	0	0
Sikh	0	0	0	0
Other religion	0	0	1	0.34
Not answered	16	6.75	12	4.05
Total	237	100	296	100

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Sex

There is no potential impact.

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	Sex	#	%	#	%	
	Female	113	47.48	158	52.67	representations received.
	Male	125	52.52	142	47.33	
	Total	238	100	300	100	
Sexual Orientation	There is no potential impact. See previous for Age					Will re-consider potential impacts following consultation period and representations received.
Marriage and Civil Partnership	There is no potential impact. See previous for Age.					Will re-consider potential impacts following consultation period and representations received.
Socio economic disadvantage and inequalities of outcome (Equality Act 2010 context)	<p>The designation of a Conservation Area at Cresswell Quay would introduce controls on demolition with the requirement to obtain Conservation Area Consent. The Authority is also required to be notified regarding proposed works to trees. All proposals for development are required to demonstrate that the development either preserves or enhances the character and appearance of the conservation area. This can be achieved with good design.</p> <p>In relation to submitting the application for Conservation Area Consent there would be a period of engagement with those affected. This means there would be an opportunity for any person to submit observations on the proposal. This means that the process of introducing a Conservation Area would: -</p>					Will re-consider potential impacts following consultation period and representations received.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ reduce the probability of the discrimination caused when members of the public do not receive information about changes that affect them or who feel that they do not have the ability to influence. ➤ require seeking the opinion of those who are affected. <p>The assessment of proposals could, however, lead to a refusal of consent. The planning system in Wales plays a crucial role in managing land use and development. Its purpose is to ensure the efficient and sustainable use of land while balancing the needs of development and conservation. This is particularly important in a National Park. Applicants can appeal the Authority's decision.</p>	
Intersectionality considerations	See previous for Age and Socio economic disadvantage and inequalities of outcome	See response in Age and Socio economic disadvantage and inequalities of outcome.
Health and Well-being Outcomes and Inequalities	<p>The proposed conservation of buildings and heritage and protection of trees would have positive impacts on health and well-being.</p> <p>The introduction of controls over proposed works to trees would encourage their protection which directly benefits the natural environment and indirectly encourages healthier behaviours and increased physical activity levels. Protection of trees would also protect biodiversity and habitats. Trees also play a critical role in mitigating climate change through carbon sequestration, heat reduction, improving air and water quality and supporting biodiversity and ecosystem resilience.</p>	Will re consider potential impacts following consultation period and representations received.

Public Sector Equality Duty Considerations

How does the Strategic Plan, Policy or Decision being assessed promote equality of opportunity?	The proposed designation and consultation would allow people the opportunity to influence what is happening in their community. The Conservation Area designation would also introduce a clear policy objective for development proposals to either preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the conservation area which is a clear and equitable policy objective.
How does the Strategic Plan, Policy or Decision promote good relations?	<p>Consultation on the proposed designation and on individual applications for conservation area consent and planning applications would ensure representations are considered, thereby promoting good relations.</p> <p>The refusal of permission for conservation area consent or planning permission could cause bad feeling.</p>
Does this Strategic Plan, Policy or Decision have the potential to cause unlawful direct or indirect discrimination?	The main aim of the designation is to preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the conservation area. Therefore, it is not acting based on any illegal discrimination, harassment, or persecution.
Does this Strategic Plan, Policy or Decision have the potential to exclude certain group of people from obtaining services, or limit their participation in any aspect of public life?	Consultation on the proposed designation and on individual applications for conservation area consent and planning applications would ensure representations are considered promoting inclusivity. The proposed venue for the engagement event will be assessed to ensure it is accessible and take account of reasonable adjustment needs of participants.
Will any of what is being assessed by wholly or partly carried by contractors or in partnership with other organisations. If yes, what steps will you take to comply with the General Equality Duty in regard to	<p>Yes</p> <p>If yes, what steps will you put in place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Requiring Exploratory Workshops and regular meetings as part of the commission - Requiring the preparation of an Integrated Impact Assessment of the proposal - Requiring papers to be prepared for workshops, Committee meetings including the preparation of reports of consultations on feedback from consultations carried out.

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Data/ Engagement Gaps

Do you have any data/ engagement gaps?	<p>A map showing the proposed Conservation Area designation is shown in Appendix A of the Committee Report. This map will form part of the public consultation.</p> <p>Potential impacts will be re considered following the consultation and will inform the National Park Authority's final decision on the Conservation Area designation.</p>
If yes, can further information be obtained or additional engagement to fill any of these data gaps?	See previous answer.

Equality/ Socio Economic Disadvantage and Inequality of Outcomes/ Health Inequalities and Outcomes - Summary/ Recommendation from Assessment to be included in Committee/ Leadership Team Report

<p>Equality Summary/ Recommendation from Assessment:</p> <p>The potential impact is positive.</p> <p>Consultation and a community engagement event will take place with the local community in Cresswell Quay, with an opportunity for questions and views invited on the area of the proposed Conservation Area designation. The local Pysgah Chapel has been identified as a suitable venue and officers will ensure the venue used is accessible and take account of reasonable adjustment needs of participants. Information on the Conservation Area consultation will also be promoted at events including the Pembrokeshire County Show and Martletwy Local Show during the summer period. The responses from the consultation and engagement will inform the final decision on the conservation area designation.</p>

Socio Economic Disadvantage and Inequality of Outcomes Summary/ Recommendation from Assessment: It is recommended that the Conservation Area designation would be of benefit in terms of addressing socio economic disadvantage and inequality. There would be an opportunity for any person to submit observations on the proposed designation of the conservation area. In relation to submitting the application for Conservation Area Consent there would be a period of engagement with those affected. This means that the process of introducing a Conservation Area would: -

- reduce the probability of the discrimination caused when members of the public do not receive information about changes that affect them or who feel that they do not have the ability to influence.
- require seeking the opinion of those who are affected.

The assessment of proposals could, however, lead to a refusal of consent. The planning system in Wales plays a crucial role in managing land use and development. Its purpose is to ensure the efficient and sustainable use of land while balancing the needs of development and conservation. This is particularly important in a National Park. Applicants can appeal the Authority's decision.

The designation of a Conservation Area at Cresswell Quay would introduce controls on demolition and the requirement to obtain Conservation Area Consent and notify the Authority regarding proposed works to trees.

Health Inequalities and Outcomes Summary/ Recommendation from Assessment:

Positive impact through the conservation of buildings and protection of trees which would have positive impacts on health and well-being.

Welsh Language

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Area	Do you have evidence or reason to believe that this will or may impact on the Welsh Language in any of the following areas? Consider both positive and negative impacts. Reference relevant evidence and information from engagement feedback.	Response/ Mitigation/ Any additional actions needed																																																																	
Use of Welsh Language	<p>The process of preparing and consulting on the Conservation Area designation would need to be in accordance with the requirements of the Welsh Language Standards (Welsh Language Measure (Wales) 2011).</p> <p>The proposed designation would preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the area. This would include the preservation and enhancement of buildings of special architectural and historic interest, thereby preserving the historic and cultural identity of an area, including Welsh traditions and heritage.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="5">Census 2021 Data</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th colspan="4">Output Area</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Speak Welsh</th> <th>W00003008</th> <th>W00003008</th> <th>W00002974</th> <th>W00002974</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Aged 3 years or over: Cannot speak Welsh</td> <td>201</td> <td>87.39</td> <td>266</td> <td>90.17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Aged 3 years or over: Can speak Welsh</td> <td>29</td> <td>12.61</td> <td>29</td> <td>9.83</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>230</td> <td>100</td> <td>295</td> <td>100</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="5">Census 2021 Data</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th colspan="4">Output Area</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Welsh Language Skills</th> <th>W00003008</th> <th>W00003008</th> <th>W00002974</th> <th>W00002974</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Can understand spoken Welsh only</td> <td>18</td> <td>7.79</td> <td>13</td> <td>4.39</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Can speak, read and write Welsh</td> <td>23</td> <td>9.96</td> <td>20</td> <td>6.76</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Can speak and other combinations of skills in Welsh</td> <td>6</td> <td>2.60</td> <td>9</td> <td>3.04</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Other combination of skills in Welsh</td> <td>3</td> <td>1.30</td> <td>12</td> <td>4.05</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Census 2021 Data						Output Area				Speak Welsh	W00003008	W00003008	W00002974	W00002974	Aged 3 years or over: Cannot speak Welsh	201	87.39	266	90.17	Aged 3 years or over: Can speak Welsh	29	12.61	29	9.83	Total	230	100	295	100	Census 2021 Data						Output Area				Welsh Language Skills	W00003008	W00003008	W00002974	W00002974	Can understand spoken Welsh only	18	7.79	13	4.39	Can speak, read and write Welsh	23	9.96	20	6.76	Can speak and other combinations of skills in Welsh	6	2.60	9	3.04	Other combination of skills in Welsh	3	1.30	12	4.05	<p>Welsh Language Standards to be complied with.</p> <p>Positive that designation would preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the area.</p> <p>Will re consider potential impacts following consultation period and representations received.</p>
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Number of Welsh Speakers	See above.					See above.
Fluency and Confidence of Welsh speakers and learners to use Welsh	See above.					See above.
Sustainability of Welsh Language Communities	See above.					See above.
Welsh Language Standards	See above.					See above.
Other considerations	The designation of Cresswell Quay as a Conservation Area would preserve or enhance the cultural and historic buildings and assets in the area which may have Welsh language traditions.					

Data/ Engagement Gaps

Do you have any data/ engagement gaps?	<p>A Map showing the proposed designated Conservation Area has been prepared and will form part of the consultation.</p> <p>Responses will be considered before the National Park Authority make a final decision and designation of a Conservation Area.</p> <p>Potential impacts will be re considered following the consultation.</p>
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If yes, can further information be obtained or additional engagement to fill any of these data gaps?	See above.
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Welsh Language - Summary/ Recommendation from Assessment to be included in Committee/ Leadership Team Report

<p>Welsh Language Summary/ Recommendation from Assessment:</p> <p>The process of designating a conservation area will be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Welsh Language Standards (Welsh Language Measure (Wales) 2011. The preservation and enhancement of buildings of special architectural and historic interest would preserve the historic and cultural identity of an area, including Welsh traditions and heritage.</p>

Section 6 Biodiversity Duty and Decarbonisation

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Please note: For National Park Management Plan and Local Development Plan separate Sustainability Appraisal (incorporating Strategic Environmental Assessments) are required.

Area	Do you have evidence or reason to believe that this will or may impact on the Biodiversity or Decarbonisation in any of the following areas? Consider both positive and negative impacts. Reference relevant evidence and information from engagement feedback.	Response/ Mitigation/ Any additional actions needed
Natural Environment - Biodiversity	Designating a Conservation Area at Cresswell Quay would require prior notification for any works to trees. The introduction of controls over proposed works to trees would encourage their protection which directly protects biodiversity and habitats. Trees also play a critical role in mitigating climate change through carbon sequestration, heat reduction,	This is a positive outcome.

	<p>improving air and water quality and supporting biodiversity and ecosystem resilience.</p> <p>Any development proposals in the Conservation Area would be required to demonstrate that the proposal would either preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. In determining a planning application, the LPA would make decisions in accordance with the adopted development plan, comprising of Future Wales and the adopted Local Development Plan 2.</p> <p>The framework of the Local Development Plan 2 would be used to assess proposals, in particular Policy 10 Sites and Species of European Importance, Policy 11 Nationally Protected Sites and Species and Policy 12 Local Areas of Nature Conservation.</p> <p>All public bodies must conserve biodiversity when carrying out their functions; historic areas and structures can be significant resources for biodiversity, providing important habitats, for example, for bats, birds and insects, lichens and other flora.</p>	
Natural Environment – Air, Land and Water Quality	<p>See above response.</p> <p>In terms of the LDP 2 framework, the following policies would be used to assess proposals; Policy 9 Light Pollution, Policy 12 which deals with Sites of Geological Interest, Policy 29 Sustainable Design, Policy 30 Amenity, Policy 31 Minimising Waste, Policy 32 Surface Water Drainage, Policy 34 Flooding and Coastal Inundation.</p>	This is a positive outcome.
Natural Environment – Access to Open and Green/ Blue Spaces	See above response to Natural Environment - Biodiversity	This is a balanced outcome ensuring that access is managed to avoid harm to the National Park.

Built Environment – Built Heritage	The proposed designation would preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the area. This would include the preservation and enhancement of buildings of special architectural and historic interest, thereby preserving the historic and cultural identity of an area, including Welsh traditions and heritage.	This is a balanced outcome ensuring that the historic environment is not harmed.
CO2 Emissions or Mitigations	Designating a Conservation Area at Cresswell Quay would require prior notification for any works to trees. The introduction of controls over proposed works to trees would encourage their protection. Trees also play a critical role in mitigating climate change through carbon sequestration, heat reduction, improving air and water quality and supporting biodiversity and ecosystem resilience.	This is a positive outcome.
Co2e Sequestration / Storage	See above response to CO2 Emissions or mitigations	This is a positive outcome.
Adapting to the effects of Climate Change	See above response to CO2 Emissions or mitigations Proposals would be considered against the policies of the Local Development Plan 2 in particular, Policy 34 Flooding and Coastal Inundation and its supporting policies.	This is a positive outcome.
Resources Use – Energy efficiency and consumption	Impacts here are likely to be limited. See above for CO2e Emissions or Mitigations commentary.	Neutral impact.
Resources Use – Prevention, reduction, re- use, recovery, or recycling waste	No identified impact	No impact
Resource Use - Sustainable Procurement	No identified impact	No impact

Transport – Accessible Transport Provision	No identified impact	No impact
Transport – Sustainable Modes of Transport	No identified impact	No impact
Any other considerations	N/A	

Data/ Engagement Gaps

Do you have any data/ engagement gaps?	<p>A map showing the proposed Conservation Area designation is shown in Appendix A. This map will form part of the public consultation.</p> <p>Potential impacts will be re considered following the consultation and will inform the National Park Authority’s final decision on the Conservation Area designation.</p>
If yes, can further information be obtained or additional engagement to fill any of these data gaps?	See above.

Section 6 Biodiversity Duty and Decarbonisation - Summary/ Recommendation from Assessment to be included in Committee/ Leadership Team Report

<p>Section 6 Biodiversity Duty and Decarbonisation Summary/ Recommendation from Assessment:</p> <p>In summary the proposals are likely to have a positive effect on the Authority’s biodiversity duty and a neutral impact its decarbonisation agenda.</p>
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Consideration of 7 Well-being Goals for Wales and 5 Ways of Working under the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act and any relevant future trends/ horizon scanning information

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Well-being Goals/ Ways of Working	How have the following been taken into account? Reference relevant evidence and information from engagement feedback.	Response/ Mitigation/ Any additional actions needed
A Prosperous ² Park/ Pembrokeshire/ Wales	See commentary under ‘Socio economic disadvantage and inequalities of outcome.’	A positive impact
A Resilient ³ Park/ Pembrokeshire / Wales	Please see commentary under ‘Section 6 Biodiversity and Decarbonisation duty’ above and see commentary under ‘Socio economic disadvantage and inequalities of outcome’.	A positive impact
A Healthier ⁴ Park/ Pembrokeshire / Wales	Please see commentary under ‘Health and Well-being Outcomes and Inequalities’	A positive impact
A More Equal ⁵ Park/ Pembrokeshire / Wales	The potential impact is positive. See commentary under ‘Socio economic disadvantage and inequalities of outcome’.	A positive impact
A Park/ Pembrokeshire/ Wales of Cohesive ⁶ Communities	The potential impact is positive. Properly protected and enhanced conservation areas can improve the quality of life and well-being for everyone.	Positive Impact.

² An innovative, productive, and low carbon society which recognises the limits of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change); and which develops a skilled and well-educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work.

³ A nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with healthy functioning ecosystems that support social, economic, and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (for example, climate change).

⁴ A society in which people’s physical and mental well-being is maximised and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood.

⁵ A society that enables people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances (including their socio-economic background and circumstances).

⁶ Attractive, viable, safe, and well-connected communities.

	See commentary under ‘Socio economic disadvantage and inequalities of outcome.’	
A Park/ Pembrokeshire / Wales of Vibrant Culture & Thriving Welsh Language ⁷	The potential impact is positive. The designation of a conservation area would promote and protect buildings of architectural and historic interest, thereby protecting culture, heritage and Welsh traditions. There are clear synergies between the specific duty to preserve or enhance conservation areas, as required by the 1990 Act, and the general duty to promote and protect heritage, as set out in the 2015 Act. Properly protected and enhanced conservation areas can improve the quality of life and well-being for everyone.	Positive Impact.
A Globally Responsible ⁸ Park/ Pembrokeshire / Wales	The conservation area designation would preserve or enhance the special historic or architectural interest of an area, thereby, being responsible in preserving historic assets for future generations.	Positive outcome
Long Term ⁹	The conservation area designation considers the long term impact of proposals and is required to preserve or enhance the special historic or architectural interest of an area, thereby, being responsible in preserving historic assets for future generations.	Positive outcome.
Prevention ¹⁰	The conservation area designation prevents development that would neither preserve nor enhance the special historic or architectural interest of an area.	Positive outcome.
Integration ¹¹	The proposed Conservation Area designation would align with a number of identified Special Qualities of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park	The assessment has identified positive impacts in terms of biodiversity and

⁷ A society that promotes and protects culture, heritage, and the Welsh language, and which encourages people to participate in the arts, and sports and recreation.

⁸ A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental, and cultural well-being of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global well-being.

⁹ The importance of balancing short-term needs with the need to safeguard the ability to also meet long-term needs.

¹⁰ How acting to prevent problems occurring or getting worse may help public bodies meet their objectives.

¹¹ Considering how the public body’s well-being objectives may impact upon each of the well-being goals, on their other objectives, or on the objectives of other public bodies.

	<p>of: cultural heritage, rich historic environment, distinct settlement character and richness of habitats and biodiversity.</p> <p>The National Park Authority's Corporate and Resources Plan 2023 to 2027 identifies priorities in relation to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Boosting biodiversity and halting its decline - Destination Net Zero for the National Park - People being healthier and happier and more connected to nature and heritage. - People have a chance to live work and enjoy the National Park 	<p>contributions towards mitigating carbon emissions, ensuring greater inclusivity in decision making are also identified.</p>
Collaboration ¹²	<p>The designation of a conservation area at Cresswell Quay will be consulted on with the local community and stakeholders. The Authority is also organising a drop in engagement event in the local community to discuss any concerns and answer questions. Key stakeholders, such as Cadw would be consulted.</p>	<p>Collaboration continues.</p>
Involvement ¹³	<p>An initial meeting has taken place with the local Town and Community Councils at Carew, Martletwy and Jeffreyston. There would also be wider public consultation on the proposal before a final decision is made regarding progressing.</p>	<p>Involvement continues.</p>
Horizon Scanning – Future Trends Considerations	<p>There will be a need to monitor future development and review the Cresswell Quay Conservation Area, if progressed.</p>	

WFG: 7 Well-being Goals for Wales / 5 Ways of Working and Future Trends/ Horizon Scanning summary/ recommendation from Assessment:

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¹² Acting in collaboration with any other person (or different parts of the body itself) that could help the body to meet its well-being objectives.

¹³ The importance of involving people with an interest in achieving the well-being goals and ensuring that those people reflect the diversity of the area which the body serves.

The proposals fit well within the Well-being Goals and the 5 Ways of Working.

Section 4 – Follow up Actions – for inclusion in Integrated Assessment Log for Monitoring

Action	Responsible Officer	Timescales
Review this draft Integrated Assessment following the public consultation	Sara Morris Director or delegated Officer	October 2024
Welsh Language Standards to be complied with during preparation and approval process.	Sara Morris	Ongoing
Review accessibility of venue for public engagement	Sara Morris Director or delegated Officer	July 2024

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