

Application Ref: NP/11/380

Application Type	Full
Grid Ref:	SN13690482
Applicant	Ms Kate Lindley, Planed
Agent	Ms Kim Colebrook, Can Do Team
Proposal	Installation of 2 Interpretation Panels.
Site Location	The Promenade & The Plantation, Sandy Hill Road, Saundersfoot, Pembrokeshire
Case Officer	Brian Canning

Summary

This application is brought before the Development Management Committee as it proposes to erect information panels at two sites in Saundersfoot, one of which is in the ownership of the NPA. It is considered that the proposed panels represent a sensitive and acceptable approach to providing public information regarding the industrial history of Saundersfoot. They are not considered to cause any detrimental visual impact and will help promote public understanding of the history of the area. The application is therefore considered to comply with the relevant policies of the LDP and as such is recommended for approval.

Consultee Response

Saundersfoot Community Council: No objection

Public Response

No third party consultee responses received to date.

Policies considered

LDP Policy 01 - National Park purposes and duty
LDP Policy 07 - Countryside
LDP Policy 08 - Special Qualities
LDP Policy 10 - Local Sites of Nature Conservation or Geological Interest
LDP Policy 15 - Conservation of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park
LDP Policy 29 - Sustainable Design
LDP Policy 30 - Amenity
LDP Policy 53 - Impacts on traffic
PPW4 Chapter 04 - Planning for Sustainability
PPW4 Chapter 05 - Conserving and Improving Natural Heritage and the Coast
PPW4 Chapter 06 - Conserving the Historic Environment

Officer's Appraisal

Background & Description

Saundersfoot has a thriving industrial past related to the coal industry which is largely unknown, and the application seeks to provide information panels which will inform and enhance the visitor experience as well as improving local residents' knowledge of the area.

Current proposal and Analysis

The application seeks permission for 2 interpretation panels at the following locations: -

- (i) The Harbour/Promenade – This panel will be located just behind the line of the existing row of benches along the promenade, where the paving is level. This is within the Saundersfoot Conservation Area. The panel will be 1.8m long by 0.84m wide and set at a maximum height of 1.06m. The frame will be made from western red cedar which has been shown to be more resilient to coastal conditions. The panel aims to tell the story of the harbour when it was a coal port through the use of historic images, and will then point people to more information at the Tourist Information Centre or to follow the Discovery Trail developed by the Interpretation team at the NPA.
- (ii) The Plantation – This is a small wooded amenity area in the ownership of the NPA located off Sandy Hill Road directly to the east of the Scandinavian Heights housing development. The panel will be located adjacent to the footpath entrance to the amenity area off Sandy Hill Road and will be visible from this road. The panel will measure 0.9m by 0.6m, and aims to explain to residents and visitors that this wooded area was once a very early mining area, where the coal was initially 'picked' from the surface of the coal measures, and later on mined using the most basic of mining techniques.

The panels will be sited in positions where there is unrestricted public access which will maximise potential viewing numbers. As a result of their scale and design they are not considered to be visually obtrusive and there will be no adverse impact on the character of the Conservation Area in respect of the Harbour panel, nor to the character of the area in the vicinity of Sandy Hill Road/Scandinavia Heights. In addition the panels will also contribute to the Public's understanding of the area as part of the National Park Authority's statutory duties. No objections to their siting have been received. Consequently, the application is considered to comply with the relevant policies of the LDP and can be supported.

Recommendation

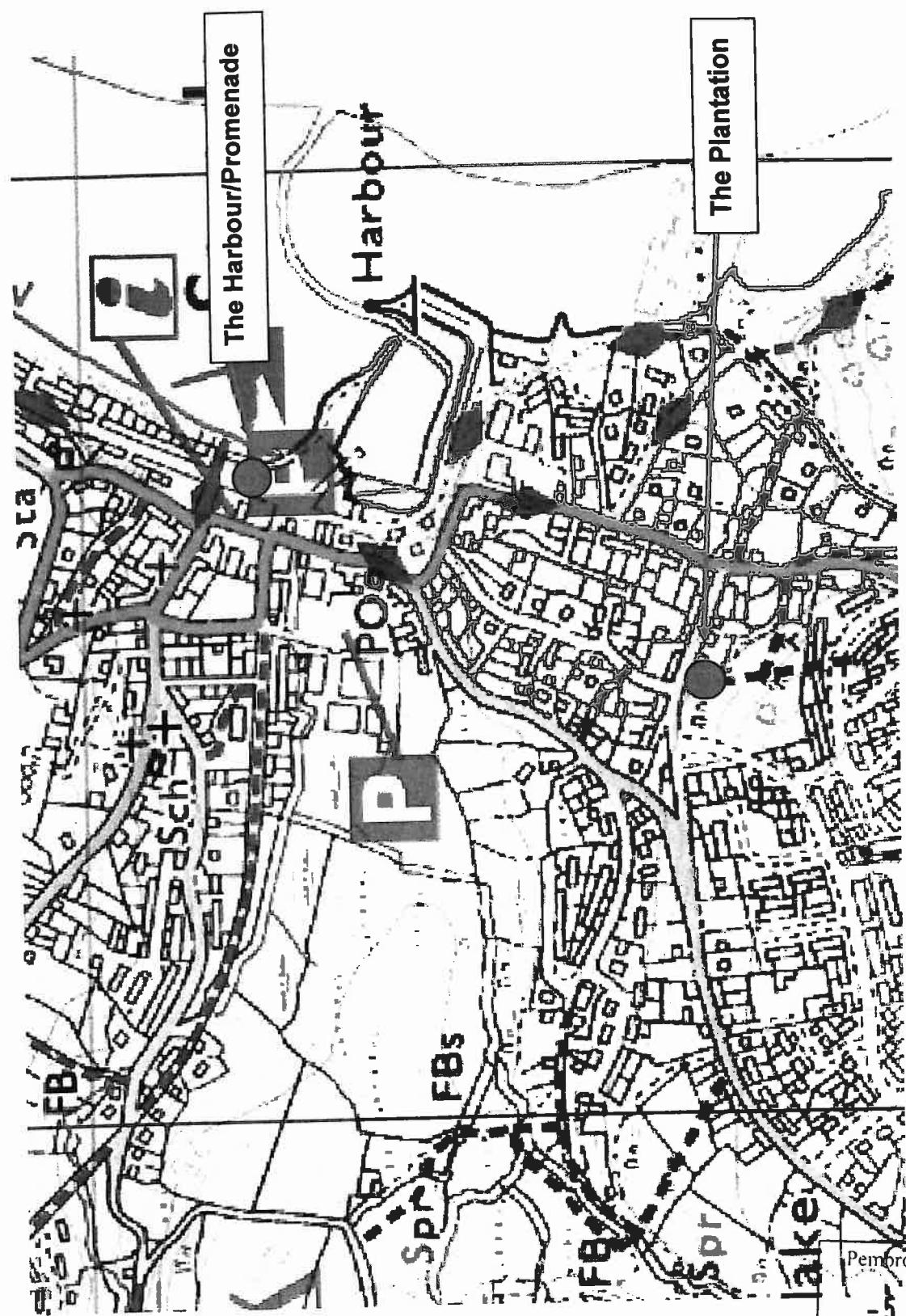
That planning permission be granted.

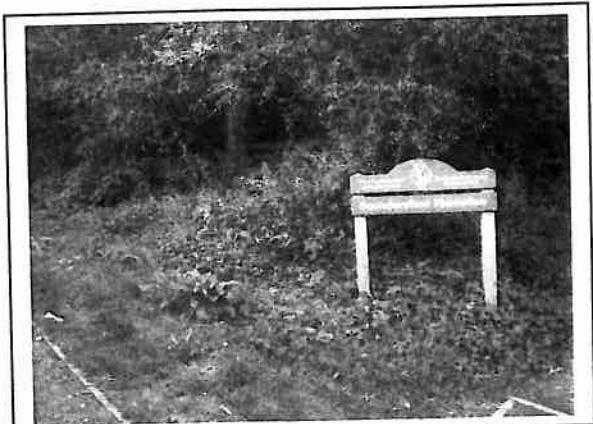
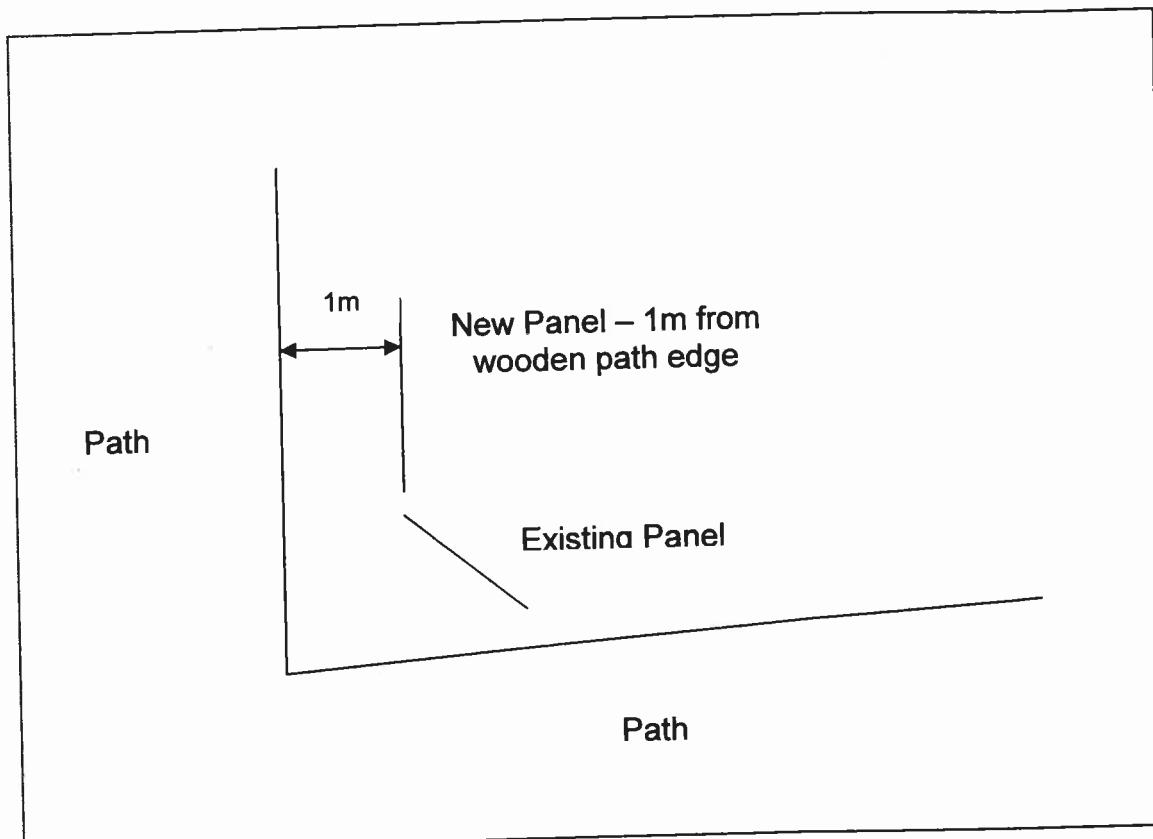
Conditions / Reasons / Informatives

Standard Conditions relative to time and compliance with submitted plans.

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Location Plan





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WHAT'S IN THE WOODS?
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**As you walk through this pleasant local woodland,
have you ever stopped to wonder why the ground is
full of irregular ridges and mounds?**

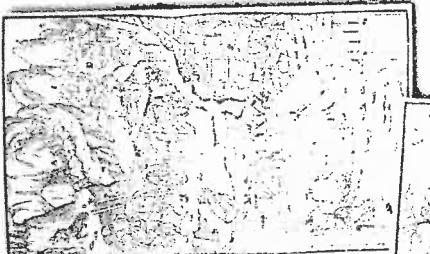
The troughs andumps are the visible remains of small coal pits and their spoil tips. Saundersfoot, like much of this area, sits on the edge of the South Wales coal measures. This means that coal can be found relatively close to ground level.

Archaeologists think that these pits could be up to 500 years old. They certainly pre-date the large scale mining that was typical of the area in the 19th century.

Local coal, anthracite, burns at a very high temperature and is smokeless so it was in demand for industries such as brewing and for making agricultural lime.

You probably have central heating, but for many centuries, coal was an important domestic fuel. Local people tended not to use anthracite as it burned so hot that it wore out the iron fire backs that sat in the hearth. Instead, thin cinders or coal was mixed with local clay to create bricks that provided long lasting heat.

For generations, the **Llano Estacado** served as a Pleistocene and modern wetland around it. In the 1920s, species like this were plentiful until a timber brevet, in which most of the nation's growing demand for timber following the First World War, took over. The **Platirhynchus** became "unusual" in the Pennsylvania coastal plain, according to a 1930s study. The land around here, and now "out-of-state," were built in the 1970s, the **Pennsylvanian** Coast National Park, a **monotreme** replaced natural habitat with its urban landscape setting. They are examples of how nature will reclaim even the most **deserted** land.



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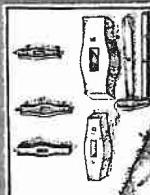
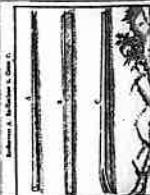
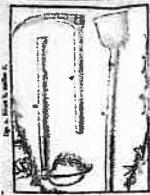
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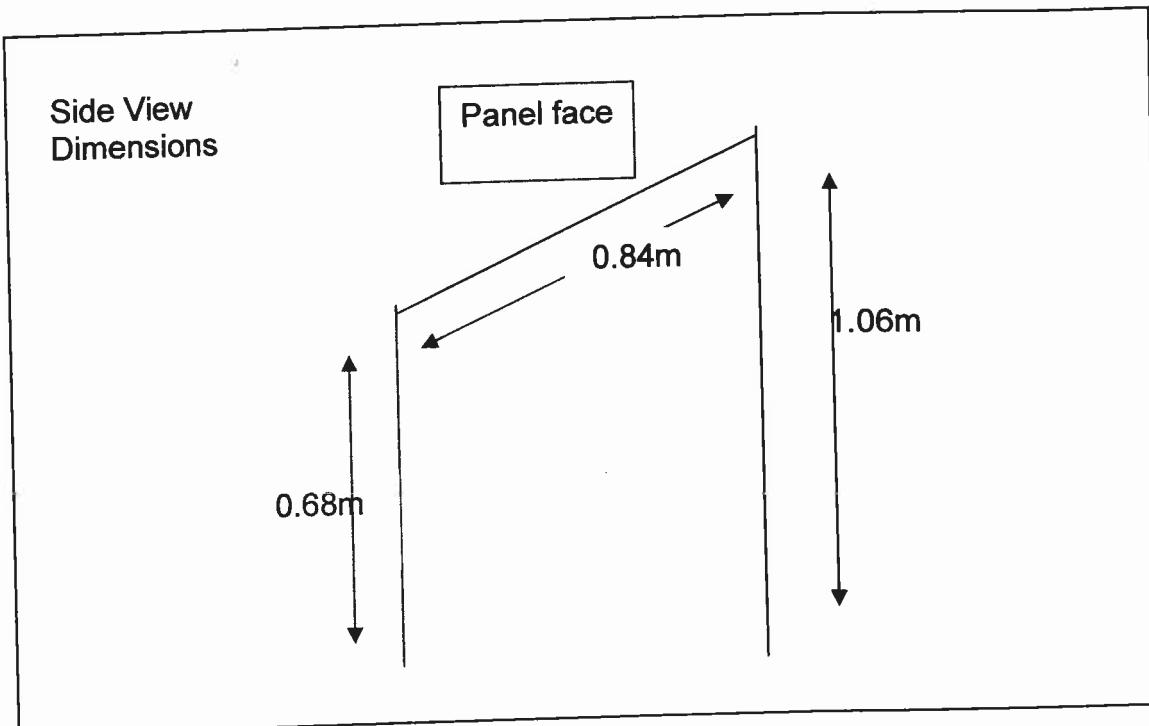


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The design of the unit is exactly as the existing one on the opposite side of the Anchor/flag pole. The dimensions will be 1.80m x 0.84m and the maximum height will be 1.06m. As this will be a permanent panel, there will not be a need for a Perspex panel an centre bar.



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HARBOURING A SECRET PAST • ANGORI'R GORFFENNOL CUDD

Saundersfoot and the Pembrokeshire coal trade • Saundersfoot a masnach i o Sir Benfro

Mae'n arodd dyfarnyddiau mor warhawd fyddai genni dŵr yn y fan hym tua 150 o flymwydodd ym di - pan nodid go iedig yn ddi'r harbwr ar y rhwngffordd a'r wylfa ei Metra. Sgwrs addifeudy o a longau hond! Gwylod a ddu'n twm.

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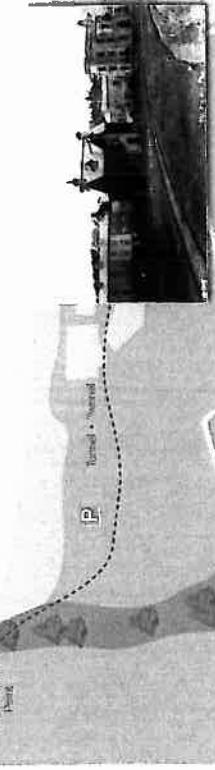
It's hard to imagine how different this waterfront looked around 150 years ago - when locally-mined coal was brought to the harbour by sail and then loaded onto a never-ending line of ships to be taken to Cardiff and beyond.

Coal trains ran along the coast, passing the shops on Balaen Street, now called The Strand. You may have noticed the parallel black lines in town in the numbers? There are remnants from a series of the railway history

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