

Note to Local authority archaeologists about CBAWM's consultation and advocacy role

The Council for British Archaeology West Midlands (CBAWM) is keen to comment on strategic issues, including planning policy documents and non-statutory guidance, relating to any aspect of the historic environment- archaeological remains, historic buildings and historic landscapes- within the West Midlands region (Herefordshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire, Warwickshire, West Midlands county [Birmingham, Coventry, Dudley, Sandwell, Solihull, Walsall, Wolverhampton] and Worcestershire). This is in addition to the Council for British Archaeology's national role as statutory consultee on proposals that have a substantial impact on listed buildings.

Drawing on its experience and knowledge of the region, CBAWM can suggest modifications or additions to policies and guidance to reinforce and strengthen your local authority's stance. We can also comment on proposals for site management and public interpretation, whether or not they are the subject of a formal consultation process. CBAWM will not normally comment on development proposals affecting individual sites.

Please ensure that CBAWM is on your authority's consultation lists and please draw our attention to any issues on which you think our comments may be helpful. If you are able to provide it, background information is always useful to enable us to make informed comments, and we are keen to discuss issues with you.