

**STATEMENT OF DISPLAY OF A SITE NOTICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH A.2(b) PART 31 OF SCHEDULE 2 OF THE GENERAL PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT ORDER 1995**

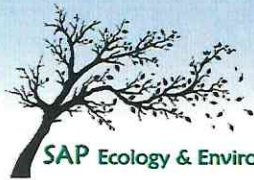
I give notice that on: .....15TH MAY 2023.....

The applicant/agent has erected a site notice (copy attached) which will be displayed for not less than 21 days in the period of 28 days beginning with the date on which the application was submitted to the Council relating to the submission of the prior notification of demolition application to Cumberland Council (Copeland Area)

Relating to site: .....ROBERTSON MEMORIALS.....  
.....LOW ROAD.....  
.....WHITEHAVEN CA28 9HS.....

**Note:**

The applicant must display a site notice on or near to the land on which the building to be demolished is sited and must leave the notice in place for not less than 21 days in the period of 28 days beginning with the date on which the application was submitted to the Council



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Ms Suzanne Reid  
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Westhill  
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Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023

Dear Ms Reid,

**Bats & Birds: Robertson memorials, Low Road, Whitehaven**

Further to our conversation on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May, please find the results of both the preliminary assessment and bat activity survey of the Garage at Low Road, Whitehaven.

*Introduction*

Robertson Memorials, Whitehaven, propose to demolish an existing garage structure which abuts the office at Low Road, Whitehaven. The proposals are currently going through planning (ref:TA/2023/296) and the requirement for bat and bird surveys have been highlighted prior to approvals.

S.A.P Ecology & Environmental Ltd were contacted and commissioned to complete a preliminary building assessment and subsequent bat activity survey of the garage.

The preliminary assessment was completed by Mrs Sarah Parkin BSc (Hons), ACIEEM, NE Bat survey licence 2015-11580-CLS-CLS on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023. The assessment was undertaken during the daytime hours and comprised both an internal and external building inspection where direct evidence of bat and bird occupation was recorded. All areas of the structure could be seen and accessed.

The activity survey was completed by competent bat surveyor Mrs Lesley Grey on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2023. A vantage point was chosen during the daytime assessment which ensured to cover all access/egress features suitable for bats. In line with BCT good practice guidelines (Colins, 2016) the survey commenced 15 minutes prior to dusk and continued for 90 minutes after sunset. Any visual emergence/return was recorded along with any notable activity.

All surveys were carried out in line with good practice guidelines and there were no survey limitations recorded.

*Results – Preliminary Assessment*

The garage is a single story 'lean-to' style building of brick and wooden support beam construction (plate 1). A steel lintel is present above the door and a length of boarded up 16 pane windows present on the eastern aspect. The roof consisted of corrugated roof panels on top of wooden lintels and external roof trim on both the northern and southern ends.

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Plate 1: External view of Garage.



Plate 2: Internal Garage.

Upon close inspection no bat droppings could be found within the property. Externally all areas were tightly sealed with the exception of the eastern aspect above the guttering where the corrugated roofing provided gaps to the internal wooden lintel beam within. This feature, along with the garage's location within the surrounding environment afforded the building a low suitability for roosting bats.

No bird nests or evidence of historic nesting was present.

#### Results – Activity Survey

Table 1: Summary of survey conditions.

Type of Survey	Date	Sunrise/sunset time	Temp start (°C)	Temp finish (°C)	Weather
Dusk	29/05/2023	21:33	10	10	There was no wind, 15% clear skies.

Weather conditions were good and viable throughout the survey. Multiple bat passes were recorded during the survey for both the Noctule Bat (*Nyctalus noctule*) and Common Pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus pipistrellus*). No roosts were identified within the garage.

#### Discussion

The preliminary roost assessment recorded a low suitability for roosting bats, and as such a subsequent emergence survey was carried out. The results of this survey confirmed that no bats are currently roosting within the garage structure or within a 5m radius. As no bat roosts are present the current proposals of demolition will not lead to a negative impact on any bats or their roosts. The proposals will also not have any effect on the surrounding foraging habitat.

At the time of writing S.A.P Ecology & Environmental can confirm that there are currently no recorded ecological constraints relating to bats or birds present within the garage highlighted for demolition.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch should you require any further information or wish to discuss any aspect of this letter report.

Yours sincerely,

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Ecological Consultant

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Ref KLH

Robertsons Memorials  
Low Road  
WHITEHAVEN  
Cumbria

Method Statement to Complete Work:-

Details of work to be carried out:

Demolition of garage/store

Remove roof

Other remarks:

Work date commencement to be confirmed. We expect the work to take approx. 5 days. It will be carried out on weekdays during the hours of 9am – 4.30pm for the adjacent neighbours.

All necessary PPE will be worn .

The method of works will be:

Brick up existing window

Remove/recycle roof sheets and timber frame

Reduce/remove walls by hand and mini digger will load rubble onto trailer.

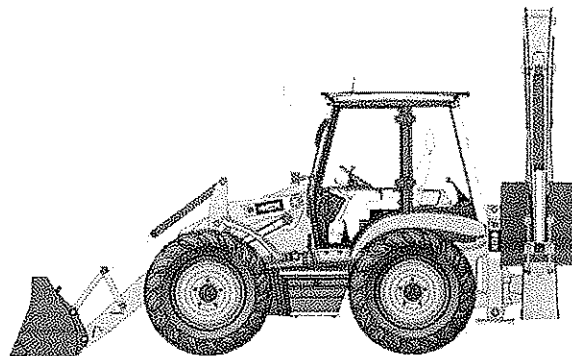
Dust suppression to be used as necessary.

Site will be left clear to existing concrete floor.

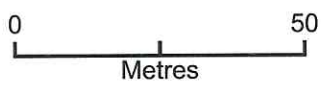
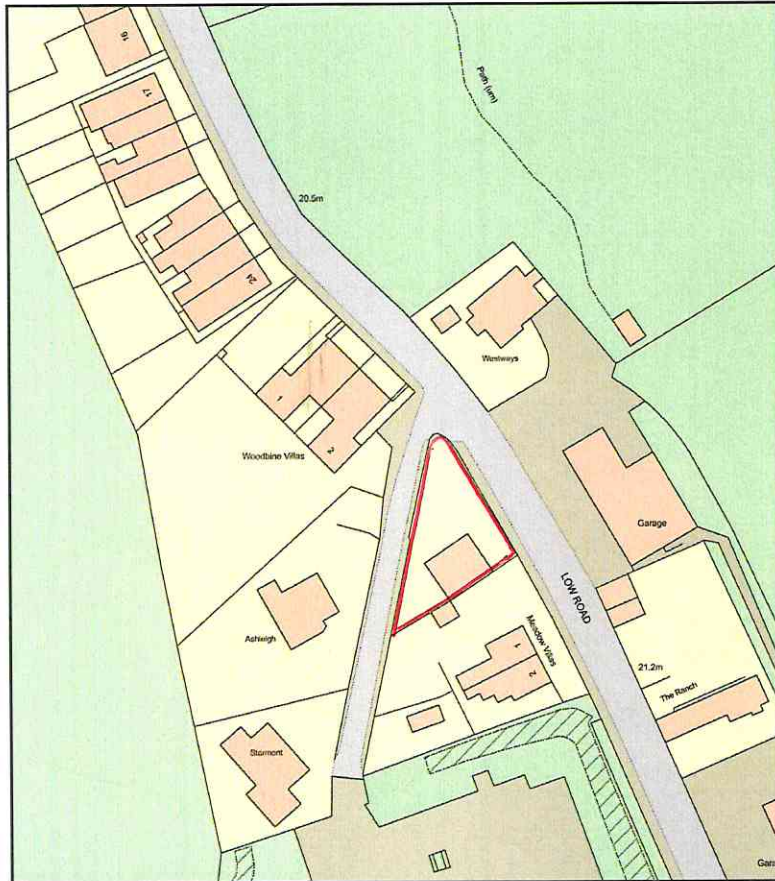
Remaining office wall will be plaster coated rendered with new guttering and down spouts fitted

Installation of water pipe to be added.

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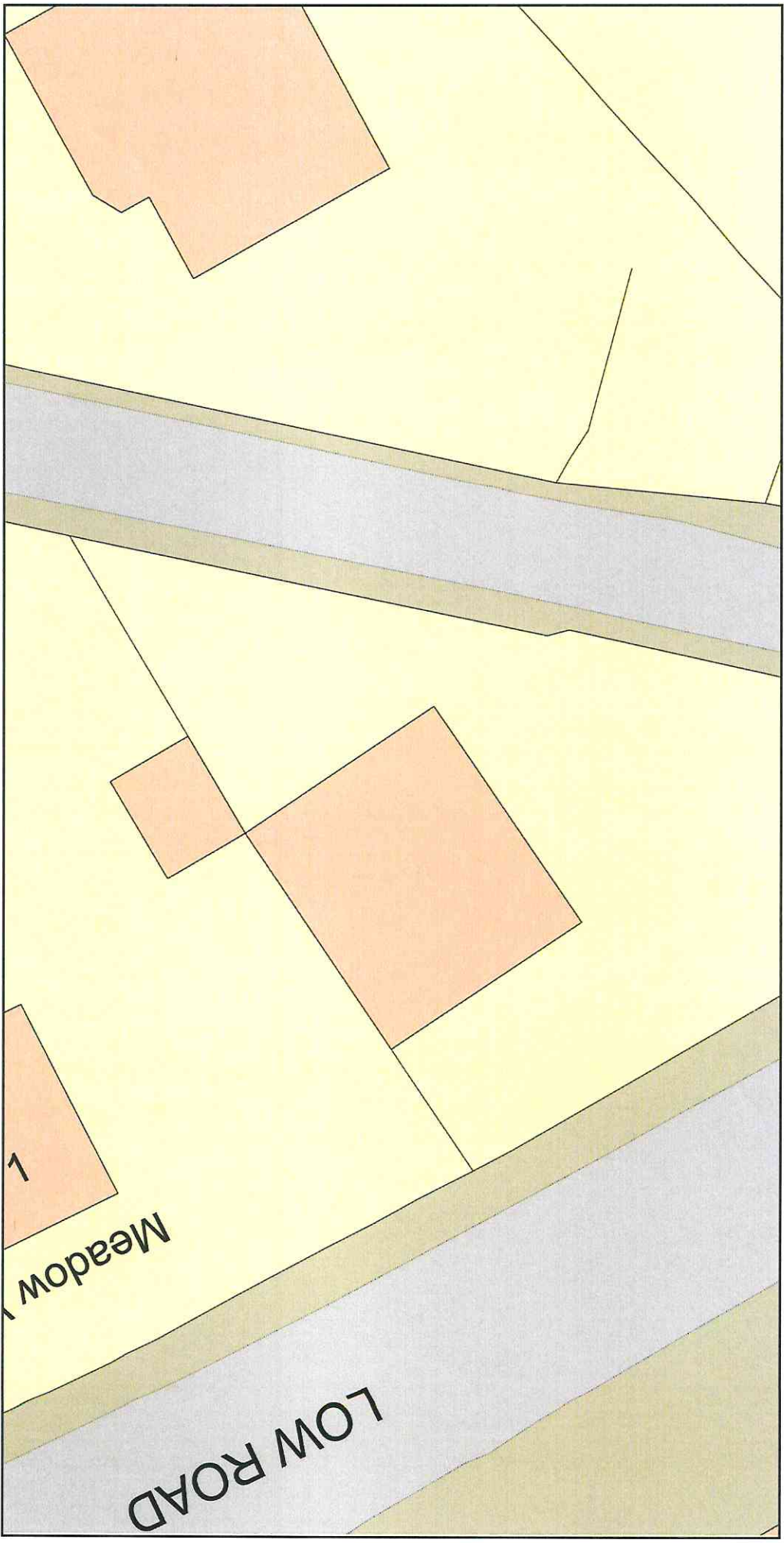


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