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Dear Ian

Sorry to contact you once again but there is another concern of mine which may be worthy of your attention.

Today in the post I received a copy of a document headed Mont Orgueil Castle- List of SSI's at March 2006.

The document indicates in excess of fifty different areas etc of the castle each apparently listed individually as a Site of Special Interest. It also appears to suggest that the list is added to and declared an SSI on the completion of work to that particular area.

I do not believe this is the correct procedure to use in dealing with a SSI protected building .

As I understand the provisions of the current planning legislation with regard to the term Site of Special Interest relates to the protection of a building in its entirety , in this case the castle ,and not to be used as a piecemeal definition of the term to describe individual areas etc. of the building for the sake of convenience .

I am of the opinion that to define the meaning of an SSI in this manner tends to reduce the importance and therefore the strength of the Law in place to protect a building listed as SSI.

Michael