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To: Planning < Planning@Cherwell-DC.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Planning notification for application reference: 21/01323/DISC

Dear Sir or Madam,

The applicant has submitted an archaeological evaluation report to discharge this condition. This evaluation was undertaken prior to the determination of the application and was undertaken to identify the presence of archaeological features on the site and to assess their significance in line with the NPPF, paragraph 189. This report was not however submitted with the planning application.

The evaluation was undertaken only to assess the potential of the site and did not undertake to mitigate the impact on these deposits as required by paragraph 199 of the NPPF. The scope and purpose of this evaluation is set out in the agreed written scheme setting out the principles of the evaluation which has also been submitted with this discharge application which stated that:

'1.7 In line with national and local planning policy, further archaeological investigation is now required to allow determination of the outline application; this will be achieved by means of archaeological evaluation trial-trenching.'

The evaluation, and earlier geophysical survey, has identified considerable archaeological features on the site and a further programme of archaeological mitigation will need to be undertaken, as set out in condition 13 (Archaeological Investigation) of 18/01894/OUT (APP/C3105/W/19/3229631), before we can advise that this condition has been met.

A written scheme of investigation setting out this mitigation phase and required post excavation work will need to be agreed and submitted with this discharge application before we could advise that this condition can be discharged.

Regards

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