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Dear Alistair

Archaeology - Land rear of Horndean Road, Emsworth

Many thanks for your correspondence regarding archaeological works at Land rear of Horndean Road, Emsworth. The site is located in the vicinity of known Romano-British archaeological remains found during evaluations works to the north. Accordingly, it is considered there is a modest potential that archaeological remains could exist at the site as it has remained open land throughout its recorded history.

The site has been commented on by the Hampshire County Council Advising Archaeologist to the Local Planning authority, Mr Neil Adam. In his comments Mr Adam recommends that there is no indication that archaeology presents an overriding concern at the site and that archaeological field works should be undertaken to test the presence/absence of archaeological remains prior to the commencement of any development once a planning consent has been granted.

On this basis no further archaeological works are required at the pre-application stage and Mr Adam has recommended that a suitably worded planning condition to be attached to the granting of consent to ensure a programme of archaeological works is undertaken pre-commencement. We envisage the first stage of a programme of works will be to evaluate the site through trial trenching to better understand the below ground conditions and the character, nature and condition of any archaeological remains if present secured by a Written Scheme of Investigation.

We would be happy to assist you with this document once consent has been granted for the site.

Yours sincerely,
for RPS Heritage

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