

Consultee Comments for Planning Application APP/18/00713

Application Summary

Application Number: APP/18/00713

Address: Land rear 70-76 West Street, Havant, PO9 1LN

Proposal: Outline application for erection of 3 No two bed dwellings.

Case Officer: David Eaves

Consultee Details

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On Behalf Of: County Archaeologist

Comments

Dear Mr Eaves,

Thank you for your consultation. The site is located within the historic core of Havant in an Area of High Archaeological Potential (AHAP). It is also located immediately to the north of the projected line of the Bitterne to Chichester Roman road, while traces of Roman activity were recorded around 90 metres to the east of the site during an archaeological evaluation on land to the rear of 44-54 West Street in 2008. Fragments of Roman material have also been recorded at 31-33 West Street around 65 metres to the south east of the site. Considering the location of the site it is likely that further, as yet unrecorded, archaeological features relating to Roman roadside activity may exist here. The site is also located within the medieval core of Havant and there is potential for the remains of street frontage buildings from this phase of the settlement, together with the potential for light industrial activity in the rear of these former burgage plots. While those parts of the site formerly occupied by modern buildings will have been heavily impacted by this, the remaining areas of yard and garden have avoided most of the 19th and 20th century development in this part of the town and if any archaeological features do survive in these areas, then they will be relatively well preserved.

Therefore while there is no indication that archaeology presents an overriding concern I would advise that the assessment, recording and reporting of any archaeological features affected by construction be secured through the attachment of suitable conditions to any planning consent that might be granted. For instance:

s.1) That no development shall take place until the applicant has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological assessment in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation that has been submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority. The assessment should take the form of trial trenches located within the footprint of the proposed area of housing and access

road not currently occupied by modern buildings, to ensure that any archaeological remains encountered within the site are recognised, characterised and recorded.

Reason: To assess the extent, nature and date of any archaeological deposits that might be present and the impact of the development upon these heritage asset

2) That no development shall take place until the applicant has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological mitigation of impact, based on the results of the trial trenching, in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation that has been submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority.

Reason: To mitigate the effect of the works associated with the development upon any heritage assets and to ensure that information regarding these heritage assets is preserved by record for future generations.

3) Following completion of archaeological fieldwork a report will be produced in accordance with an approved programme submitted by the developer and approved in writing by the local planning authority setting out and securing appropriate post-excavation assessment, specialist analysis and reports, publication and public engagement.

Reason: To contribute to our knowledge and understanding of our past by ensuring that opportunities are taken to capture evidence from the historic environment and to make this publicly available.

If you have any further queries regarding this application, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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