

Planning Application APP/16/00553 48 Beacon Square, Emsworth, PO10 7HU

Thank you for your recent consultation. When this housing estate was being built a local archaeologist observed evidence of a Saxon occupation site, and specifically some of that evidence was within the building plot of number 48. Saxon evidence is often slight and it is not frequently encountered and as a consequence this discovery is of some importance. Development in this area of even modest scale would merit the burden of an archaeological condition to ensure remains are recognised and recorded. However I am very much aware in this case that the development proposal is less than modest and is in fact very small and I hesitate to suggest that it would merit the burden of an archaeological condition. Therefore whilst I would not suggest the imposition of an archaeological condition I would be grateful if you could draw this consultation response to the attention of the applicant with my contact details and if during the course of the works they do recognise any artefacts perhaps they would be so kind as to let me know.

I would continue to be grateful to be consulted on any future application for development in this vicinity even if quite modest as even a slightly larger extension to that currently proposed might merit archaeological interest.

Yours sincerely

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