FAO Narinder Lakhan

Re: APP/26/00425 - Havant Thicket Reservoir Site

Dear Narinder

Thank you for consulting Surrey County Council's Historic Environment Planning Team regarding the above planning application. Please note that my response relates solely to the buried archaeological heritage and not to the historic built environment, which is a matter for your Conservation Officer.

Having reviewed the archaeological documentation subsequently provided, including the 2023 and 2024 Interim Reports for Archaeological Mitigation, I am satisfied that archaeological mitigation required under APP/20/00990 is being progressed in accordance with an approved Archaeological Management Plan and Written Scheme of Investigation agreed with the Hampshire County Archaeologist.
The information provided indicates that a substantial programme of archaeological mitigation has been undertaken across the reservoir site during the construction phase and that archaeological monitoring remains ongoing where required.

Archaeological matters continue to be controlled through the conditions attached to APP/20/00990. On the basis of the information currently available, I have no archaeological objection to the determination of this Reserved Matters application. Any outstanding archaeological requirements should continue to be addressed through compliance with the existing archaeological conditions attached to the parent permission. The applicant should note that the condition cannot be finally discharged until the completion of works outlined in the WSI which includes a final report that has been submitted to the local authority and found to be of an acceptable standard.

I trust this is satisfactory, but if you have any queries or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you and kind regards,

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