

FAO Lesley Wells

Dear Lesley,

Re: Planning Application: APP/20/00441 - Land west of, Hulbert Road, Havant

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.

The applicant has undertaken a programme of archaeological evaluation at the site, the results of which were negative for archaeological remains. The fieldwork element of the scheme is therefore complete. However, the planning condition and approved Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) require the submission of a report detailing these works in order to fully discharge the condition.

A report is understood to be forthcoming, and I have reviewed a partial draft. However, the condition should not be discharged until either:

- the final archaeological evaluation report has been submitted and approved, demonstrating that archaeological mitigation has been satisfactorily completed; or
- the applicant can provide evidence that this reporting phase has been fully funded and that the final report will be submitted for review within the timeframes specified in the approved WSI.

In my view, should both the Local Planning Authority and the applicant be agreeable, delaying the determination of this application until the imminent report can be submitted would be the most appropriate course of action. Submission of this report would enable the condition to be fully and properly discharged.

I trust this is satisfactory, but please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries or require further clarification.

If you need this advice submitted through the portal, please let me know, otherwise I will save the outstanding formal consultation for a later response once the above points have been decided.

Thank you and kind regards,

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