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Dear Mr Bull,

**ICKLEFORD MILL, ARLESEY ROAD, ICKLEFORD, HERTFORDSHIRE, SG5 3UN
APPLICATION TO DISCHARGE CONDITION 25 (ARCHAEOLOGY)**

We write with regard to the Ickleford Mill development and enclose an application for the discharge of Condition 25 (Archaeology).

Further details of this application and the background to it are set out below.

Background

Outline Planning Permission (17/01955/1) was granted on 11 March 2024, subject to 39 Conditions, and subsequently amended (25/02832/NMA), for the following:

“Outline Planning application for up to 71 dwellings and associated access, car parking, garages, landscaping and open space including demolition and removal of all existing structures, buildings and hardstanding (all matters reserved except means of access).”

Condition 25 (Archaeology) states that:

25. (a) Prior to the demolition of the old Mill Building on the site as identified on plate 7 (item 12) of the originally submitted Heritage Statement by Prospect Archaeology, a Historic Building Recording Survey shall be undertaken and submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority.

(b) No development (other than demolition phase works up to but not including the removal of any existing hardstanding aprons) shall take place/commence until an Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation has been submitted to and approved by the local planning authority in writing. The scheme shall include an assessment of archaeological significance and research questions; and:

- 1. The programme and methodology of site investigation and recording*
- 2. The programme for post investigation assessment*
- 3. Provision to be made for analysis of the site investigation and recording*
- 4. Provision to be made for publication and dissemination of the analysis and records of the site investigation*

5. Provision to be made for archive deposition of the analysis and records of the site investigation

6. Nomination of a competent person or persons/organisation to undertake the works set out within the Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation.

Discharge of Condition Application

In support of this application, please find enclosed the following for your consideration:

Application Form;
Application Fee;
Historic Building Recording Survey; and
Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation

We trust the above and enclosed provides you with sufficient information to discharge this condition and we would be grateful for confirmation of receipt. In the meantime, if you have any queries or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at IsabelYeardley@hill.co.uk.

Yours sincerely

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