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Date: 13 May 2026

Dear Sir/Madam

**Details of Condition : Details reserved by Condition 19 (Archaeological WSI) of planning permission reference 21/02957/FP granted on 25.07.2023).
Land On The South West Side Of , Barkway Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 9DF**

Please quote the following reference: 26/00946/DOC on all correspondence.

I refer to your application received on **10 April 2026**, which seeks approval of the **Archaeological WSI** for the above site pursuant to Condition 19 of the planning permission reference number **21/02957/FP**.

Following consultation with the HCC Historic Environment Team the following comments were received

The applicant has re-submitted a written scheme of investigation, WSI (Groundworks Archaeology) for archaeological trial trench evaluation. In this instance the document is satisfactory.

We can recommend that this archaeological WSI is approved and that onsite field work can commence.

Parts 1 and 6, of condition 19 can be discharged.

We again note the following statements in the document which we concur with. Paragraph S2 of the WSI which states:

"This document provides the methodology for the first stage investigation. Should archaeological features be identified, then a further stage of work may be necessary such as targeted excavation or a watching brief. This will be detailed under a separate method statement to be submitted to and approved by the local planning authority."

This is because trial trenching is potentially only the first phase of investigations. Depending on the results further phases of archaeological investigation may be required, together with addendums to this WSI to cover them, as well as reporting and if necessary, analysis and publication of the results. It is only then that we would advise that the archaeological

conditions can be fully discharged. I hope that you will be able to accommodate the above recommendations.

I can confirm that the submitted WSI received 10 April is considered acceptable and Part 1 and 6 of Condition 19 is hereby approved.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Greaves', written in a cursive style.

Shaun Greaves
Development and Conservation Manager

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