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Dear Anne,

**Second Re-Consultation: Details reserved by condition 11 (Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation) of planning permission reference no 21/00799/FP granted 11.08.2022. | Gladstone Villas Brickyard Lane Reed Hertfordshire**

## **ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPLICATIONS**

Thank you for consulting us on the above application.

The applicant has re-submitted an archaeological WSI and our letter of advice to you dated 12 September 2025.

Our comments in that letter have not been addressed and in addition the archaeological WSI contains the following statements:

*“An amended version of the WSI (based on comments received from HEEAS) was submitted to the LPA (and direct to HEEAS) on 24th June 2025. A chasing email was sent on 17th July to chase final sign off of the WSI and noting that the works were due to start the following week” (paragraph 4.2) and:*

*“No further comments were received on the WSI prior to the start date of the works which were undertaken between 29th July and 1st August. Due to the lack of response and the tight timescales for the project delivery the client made the decision that the archaeological works should be commenced, assuming the WSI was considered appropriate.” (paragraph 4.3).*

This is concerning and we are therefore unable to advise that the archaeological conditions be either partially or fully discharged at this time.

Consequently, we would like confirmation of the following points:

- have NHDC approved the archaeological WSI?
- have the archaeological works been undertaken?

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information or clarification.

Yours sincerely,

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