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Date: 15 July 2026

Dear Ben,

**Re-Consultation: Details reserved by Condition 7A (Written Scheme of Investigation) of planning permission reference 24/02713/FP granted on 25.06.2025.
| Land Off Newnham Road Newnham Road Newnham Hertfordshire**

ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPLICATIONS

Thank you for re-consulting us on the above application.

The applicant has re-submitted a written scheme of investigation, WSI, for archaeological trial trenching (*AOC Archaeology*).

We would like to thank AOC Archaeology for making the changes requested in our letter to you date 16 June 2026.

However, the document does not appear to include any provision for some contingency trenching that I can see. This is surprising as this is a standard requirement We request this because sometimes trenches need to be extended to fully characterise archaeological features and understand their significance. This can often inform the scope of further investigations or confirm that no further investigations are necessary.

We are therefore currently unable recommend that it is approved, nor that Condition 7A can be partially discharged.

I hope that you will be able to accommodate the above recommendations.

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

Yours sincerely,

Andy Instone
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