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Dear Peter,

Re-Consultation: Details reserved by Condition 25 (Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation) of planning permission reference 17/01955/1 granted on 11.03.2024. | Ickleford Mill Arlesey Road Ickleford Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3UN

ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPLICATIONS

The applicant has submitted a written scheme of investigation, WSI (*PCA Archaeology*) for archaeological trial trench evaluation.

We have the following comments:

- agreement from the local museum (North Herts Museums Service) to receive any archive should have been obtained
- the WSI should include brief c.v.'s of the onsite staff (supervisor, diggers) for agreement by this office
- the WSI should note that neither this document nor the archaeological works it describes are sufficient to discharge the archaeological condition; should further phases of archaeological investigation be required by this office then addendums to the WSI should be submitted as well as reports on the results and provision for publication if necessary

We are therefore currently unable to recommend that this WSI is approved nor that the archaeological investigations it describes can commence.

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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