From: Development Management

Subject: FW: Woodcock Estate, Stanifield Lane, Farington (LCC/2022/0048)

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To: Haine, Jonathan

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Jonathan,

I have recently received a copy of Salford Archaeology's report on the Archaeological Evaluation undertaken Nov/Dec of last year. The evaluation did not encounter any significant archaeological features within the trenches that were excavated that would require further archaeological investigation. However due to the former Parish boundary between Farington and Cuerden, which had been identified as a feature that should be tested by the evaluation, still being used as a drainage feature (it runs between fields 1 & 2 on figure 2 where it is marked as a drain) it was not possible to put a trench across it as had been intended.

This feature will be crossed by a vehicular access into the site at one point, and this offers the opportunity for it to be investigated archaeologically prior to its infilling and the creation of the road surface. Consequently I would advise, that should planning permission be granted for the proposals, that the appropriate archaeological investigation of the former Parish boundary be subject to a programme of archaeological investigation, secured by means of the following planning condition:

Condition: No development, site clearance/preparation, or demolition shall commence until the applicant or their agent or successors in title has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a written scheme of investigation, which shall be submitted to, and approved in writing by, the local planning authority. These works shall be undertaken by an appropriately qualified and experienced professional archaeological contractor and comply with the standards and guidance set out by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA). The development shall be carried out in accordance with the agreed details.

Reason: To ensure and safeguard the recording and inspection of matters of archaeological/historical importance associated with the site.

Note: Relevant archaeological standards and lists of potential contractors can be found on the CIfA and BAJR web pages: http://www.archaeologists.net and http://www.archaeologists.net and http://www.archaeologists.net and http://www.bajr.org.

This is in accordance with National Planning Policy Framework (MoHCLG 2021) paragraph 205: "Local planning authorities should require developers to record and advance understanding of the significance of any heritage assets to be lost (wholly or in part) in a manner proportionate to their importance and the impact, and to make this evidence (and any archive generated) publicly accessible [Copies of evidence should be deposited with the relevant historic environment record, and any archives with a local museum or other public depository]".

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