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Sent: 05 January 2016 10:25
To: James Kenny; Planning.Responses
Cc: Andrew Long; Palmer, Darryl
Subject: RE: Manor Farm Solar Park, Shripney - BE/63/14/PL

Dear James,

Many thanks for confirming.

Kind regards,

Neil

From: James Kenny [REDACTED]
Sent: 04 January 2016 16:32

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Subject: RE: Manor Farm Solar Park, Shripney - BE/63/14/PL

Dear Neil,

I agree that this is a reasonable methodology and that the variation to the agreed WSI is appropriate.

Best wishes,

James

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From: Griffin, Neil [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 December 2015 17:09
To: James Kenny

Cc: Andrew Long; Palmer, Darryl
Subject: FW: Manor Farm Solar Park, Shripney - BE/63/14/PL

Dear James,

Just so we have something in writing please can you confirm the variation to the revised watching brief methodology set out below is acceptable. We are back on site on Monday to observe more trenching and my colleague Darryl will be able to keep you posted.

Kind regards,

Neil
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From: Griffin, Neil
Sent: 15 December 2015 16:55
To: 'James Kenny' [REDACTED]
Cc: 'Andrew Long' [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Manor Farm Solar Park, Shripney - BE/63/14/PL

Dear James,

Many thanks for talking things through with me earlier. As discussed, we have so far monitored approximately 400m of trenching at the above site (see blue line on attached plan). No archaeological features have been identified although we are confident that should any exist we would be able to see them in trenches being dug by means of a conventional tracked 360 excavator. We have noted the presence of occasional burnt & worked flint within the ploughsoil across the wider site, but not in any discernible concentrations.

As set out below, it was the intention to use a 'conventionally excavated' HV trench to determine presence/absence of archaeology prior to excavating an adjacent LV trench by means of a trenching machine that would afford no meaningful opportunity to maintain a watching brief. You will see from the attached plan that there is a further 150m of LV trenching to the north of the east-west spur which has not yet been 'evaluated' by means of observing an adjacent trench. The adjacent trench at this location cannot be excavated until after the LV trenching has been carried out in order to maintain stability of the ground. On this occasion you have kindly agreed that due to lack of significant archaeological findings you will allow the use of the trenching machine over the whole length, (including

the 150m northern section not yet 'evaluated') on the understanding that the adjacent trench is monitored when excavated at a later date by means of a conventional excavator. All remaining trenches will also be excavated by a conventional excavator and monitored by an archaeologist in compliance with the requirements of the planning condition and as set out in the written scheme of investigation. The service road which runs around the southern and eastern sides of the site will only be excavated to c. 200mm and is unlikely to encounter in-situ archaeological remains at such shallow depth. Once we have more information from observing trenching across the site we can perhaps review the need to monitor the service road and similarly with some of the smaller impact footprints (e.g. substations, etc).

I will continue to keep you informed of progress and findings and I would be grateful if you could confirm that the above updated methodology is acceptable.

Thanks once more for your time and advice.

Best regards,

Neil

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From: James Kenny [REDACTED]

Sent: 10 December 2015 13:27

Subject: RE: Manor Farm Solar Park, Shripney - BE/63/14/PL

Dear Neil,

I agree that this is a suitable methodology; please proceed as outlined.

Best wishes,

James

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Archaeology Officer

From: Griffin, Neil [REDACTED]
Sent: 08 December 2015 16:09
To: James Kenny
Subject: Manor Farm Solar Park, Shripney - BE/63/14/PL

Dear James,

Ground works at the above site are scheduled to commence on Friday 11th December. With reference to the attached drawings there are two main trenches of exactly the same dimensions - an HV trench and an LV trench. The LV trench has significantly more cables in so the contractor intends to use a trenching machine to avoid keeping an open trench on site open for a long period of time and minimise ground damage. The HV trench only has one cable in so will be dug with a traditional excavator fitted with a toothless bucket. The HV trench lies directly adjacent to the main LV trench and runs most of the length of the LV trench so we can make meaningful observations in the HV trench and extrapolate these to the LV trench where observations will not really be practical (see link below). Should we expose something significant in the HV trench that would potentially also be impacted by the LV trench we could target test trenches accordingly to record such evidence further under watching brief conditions if deemed appropriate.

The 50m of east-west trench will also be excavated by traditional excavator so is not an issue and will be monitored as part of the watching brief.

Please can you confirm if this approach is acceptable. I understand a similar methodology is proposed at the Lagness Solar Park but I am not yet in a position to provide further details on that scheme.

Please see below link showing a video of the trenching machine.

https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B_PmOhSOTuafWE95RE53UmRKVke&usp=sharing

Kind regards,

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