

22nd February 2012

West Sussex County Council Archaeological Response to: -

APPLICATION No.: WA/6/12/DOC

LOCATION: Walberton Place Farm, Yapton Lane, Walberton, West Sussex, BN18 0AS

PROPOSAL: Application for approval of details reserved by condition 5 of planning approval WA/38/11.

MAP REF: 497614 105672

RECOMMENDATION: No objection to discharge of Condition 5 (Archaeology).

COMMENTS: The submitted document is a method statement for the initial stage of exploratory archaeological investigation of the site (*Brief and Specification for an Archaeological Evaluation at Land adjacent to Walberton Place Farm, Yapton Lane, Walberton, West Sussex BN18 0AS*), required by Condition 5 (Archaeology) of WA/38/11. This document incorporates amendments proposed by West Sussex County Council on 20.12.2011 in respect of an earlier, draft document.

This exploratory stage of archaeological investigation is intended to obtain reliable information on the degree of impact of the development upon buried archaeological features. It is also intended to determine suitable measures to follow (if required once the findings of the exploratory work are known), to mitigate that impact, where reduction of archaeological features would be unavoidable. Such mitigation measures might involve some further investigation and recording (3.4.5 and 3.5 of the *Brief and Specification*).

Conclusions: The *Brief and Specification* represents an acceptable scheme of archaeological working in respect of pre-commencement Condition 5 (Archaeology). Accordingly Condition 5 may be discharged.

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