



HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO: Matthew Porter	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
LOCATION:	Steyning Grammar Upper School, Shooting Field, Steyning, West Sussex, BN44 3RX
DESCRIPTION:	Part-demolition of existing teaching buildings, MUGAs and all-weather pitch. Construction of replacement 2-storey and 3-storey teaching buildings, flood-lit all-weather pitch and hard surfaced sports courts, with associated access, parking, landscaping and infrastructure.
REFERENCE:	DC/26/0322
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice / No Objection / Objection / More Information / Modification / Refusal
SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION: The applicants have submitted an acceptable Written Scheme of Investigation for a programme of trial trench evaluation prepared by Thames Valley Archaeological services, but the condition should remain in full until the evaluation has been carried out and any mitigation measures have been identified.	
MAIN COMMENTS: Further to my comments dated 27/3/2026 advising that an archaeological condition should be attached to planning consent if granted, the applicants have submitted an acceptable Written Scheme of Investigation for a programme of trial trench evaluation prepared by Thames Valley Archaeological services and so I have no objection to the trial trenching taking place. However, as the evaluation forms the first stage of a programme of archaeological work required by the suggested planning condition and further work may be require following the results of the evaluation, the condition should remain as previously advised as part one may be required to secure further mitigation works if required	

ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS:**Pre-Commencement Condition:**

i) No development shall take place until a programme of archaeological work has been secured in accordance with a Written Scheme of Archaeological Investigation which has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

ii) The development hereby permitted shall not be commenced until the archaeological site investigation and post investigation assessment has been completed in accordance with the programme set out in the Written Scheme of Investigation approved under condition [i] and that provision for analysis, publication and dissemination of results and archive deposition has been secured and approved by the Local Planning Authority in writing.

Reason: As this matter is fundamental as the site is of archaeological significance and it is important that it is recorded by excavation before it is destroyed by development in accordance with Policy 34 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015)

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