HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO: Shazia Penne	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
LOCATION:	Sedgwick Castle House Broadwater Lane Copsale West Sussex RH13 6QJ
DESCRIPTION:	Erection of a detached garage
REFERENCE:	DC/25/0630
RECOMMENDATION:	**Advice** / No Objection / Objection / More Information / Modification / Refusal

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION:

The site is within an Archaeological Notification Area DWS8705- Sedgwick Park Medieval Moated Site and Registered Park and Garden and is close to the boundary of the Sedgewick Castle Scheduled Monument 1009579 The proposed garage has the potential to disturb archaeological remains of medieval and later date and so a programme of archaeological monitoring and recording during construction to be secured by a planning condition is advised. Although the proposed garage is outside of the Scheduled Monument, it could have an impact on the setting of the monument and so it would be prudent to consult Historic England to ensure that they have no objections to this proposal.

MAIN COMMENTS:

The site is within an Archaeological Notification Area Archaeological Notification Area DWS8705- Sedgwick Park Medieval Moated Site and Registered Park and Garden that covers the Scheduled Monument of Sedgewick Castle which dates from the twelfth Century, s well as formal gardens designed in 1886 by Harold Peto and Ernest George.

Although the proposed garage is outside of the scheduled area and does not involve particularly extensive excavations, it still as the potential to disturb significant archaeological remains and so it would be appropriate to require a programme of archaeological monitoring and recording during construction by a professional archaeological organisation so that any archaeological deposits that are present are identified and recorded to appropriate professional standards and the results made publicly available.

Due to the proximity of the garage to the Scheduled Monument, advice should be sought from Historic England that they are satisfied that the proposal does not adversely affect the setting of the monument.

ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS:

Archaeological deposits are both fragile and finite and the following condition is therefore recommended for the application in accordance with the National Planning Policy

Framework.

I) No development shall take place until a programme of archaeological monitoring during construction has been secured in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation which has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning

Authority.

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

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