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Please ask for: Liz Mordue
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Our ref:
Your ref: S/2020/0930/MAO
Date: 25th June 2020

Dear Mr Dix

Proposal: Outline planning permission for residential development of up to 30no. dwellings with all matters reserved except access.

Location: Land off Northampton Road, Blisworth

The application site is located to the north of Blisworth and on the eastern side of Northampton Road. To the north east, evaluation in 2017 found evidence for activity of Roman date in the form of agricultural features. The applicant has provided an archaeological assessment which indicates that there is surviving ridge and furrow present on the site with moderate potential for archaeological remains to be present beneath the ridge and furrow.

The NPPF, in paragraphs 189& 190, stresses the importance of pre application discussions in order to assess the significance of potential heritage assets. Normally the assessment would take the form of an evaluation prior to determination; however, in this case a condition for a programme of archaeological works is recommended. The programme of work would consist of evaluation in the first instance followed by mitigation as necessary.

The proposed development will have a detrimental impact upon any archaeological deposits present. This does not however represent an over-riding constraint on the development provided that adequate provision is made for the investigation and recording of any remains that are affected. **In order to secure this please attach a suitable condition for a programme of archaeological work as per NPPF paragraph 199 to any permission granted in respect of this application.**

Our standard condition is worded as follows:

Condition:

No development shall take place until the applicant has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and approved by the Planning Authority.

This written scheme will include the following components, completion of each of which will trigger the phased discharging of the condition:

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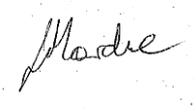
- (i) fieldwork in accordance with the agreed written scheme of investigation;
- (ii) post-excavation assessment (to be submitted within six months of the completion of fieldwork, unless otherwise agreed in advance with the Planning Authority);
- (iii) completion of post-excavation analysis, preparation of site archive ready for deposition at a store (Northamptonshire ARC) approved by the Planning Authority, completion of an archive report, and submission of a publication report to be completed within two years of the completion of fieldwork, unless otherwise agreed in advance with the Planning Authority.

Reason:

To ensure that features of archaeological interest are properly examined and recorded and the results made available, in accordance with NPPF Paragraph 199.

I will be happy to provide a brief for the programme of work.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Liz Mordue', with a small circular stamp or mark below it.

Liz Mordue
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