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Dear Philip,

Archaeological Services: Plot C Welbourne, Tottenham Hale

Application for approval of details pursuant to Stage II of Condition C23 (Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) – Historic England (GLAAS)) relating to Plot C (Welbourne site) of the Tottenham Hale Centre development Planning Permission (LPA ref. HGY/2018/2223) dated 27th March 2019.

Further to the consultation letter from the Greater London Archaeological Advisory Service (GLAAS, part of Historic England) dated 19th February 2024, we write in relation to the queries raised therein:

- I agree with post-excavation assessment's recommendations for further analysis and publication set out in sections 10.7 - 10.2 although we suggest that the proposals for radiocarbon dating are reviewed with our regional science adviser for the suitability of the proposed samples for AMS in the light of new Historic England guidance - this would help target dating efforts efficiently.*

We can confirm that the relevant science advisor has been in contact with the relevant flintwork specialists (Barry Bishop and Lynden Cooper) with regards radiocarbon dating and that this will be further discussed and incorporated into the analysis work. We are pleased that the recommendations for further analysis are otherwise agreed.

- However, whilst the recommendations are sound neither the assessment nor the covering letter provides a clear commitment of the resources or programme/timetable for completion. This is needed before the application can be approved.*

We can confirm that relevant resourcing and funding is already in place for these further analysis and publication works. This will be completed in conjunction with the similar Mesolithic site at Sidcup as suggested elsewhere in the consultation response. That site was also completed by Pre-Construct Archaeology and therefore they have relevant access to the information for each site in order to successfully produce a combined publication. It is therefore agreed that combining the further analysis and publication of the two sites will be of archaeological benefit. At this time, the Sidcup site is also going through the Post Excavation process, however it is a larger site and therefore the timetable for combined publication will necessarily be dependent upon the works for that site. We currently anticipate a publication draft encompassing the results of excavation at both

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sites to be completed by June 2025. We will ensure that GLAAS are kept updated on this timescale and programme.

The further analysis works and publication will be undertaken by relevant specialists at Pre-Construct Archaeology (PCA), who have provided their input to this letter. The work will be overseen by Victoria Ridgeway, Director and Head of Post Excavation at PCA, and by RPS acting as archaeological consultants.

It is therefore considered that Part B of Condition 23 insofar as it relates to Plot C can therefore be discharged in full.

Yours sincerely,
for RPS Consulting Services Ltd and Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd