## Our ref: VOG1370/RD ARCHAEOLOGICAL PLANNING

Head of Planning and Transportation The Vale of Glamorgan Council Dock Office **Barry Docks BARRY CF63 4RT** 

13th March 2017

Dear Sir,

## **EIA Screening Request for the Proposed Residential Development** Former St Cyres School, Murch Road, Dinas Powys App. No. 2017/00209/SC1

Thank you for consulting us regarding this screening request.

We do not have the legal expertise to determine whether or not an Environmental Impact Assessment is required; however, there are archaeological and cultural heritage issues which need to be addressed in order to determine the impact of the proposals on the historic environment.

Information in the Historic Environment Record shows that there are several archaeological interests in the vicinity, dating to the prehistoric through to the medieval periods. It is our opinion that there is the potential for previously unknown sites of archaeological interest to be located in the application area. Furthermore, historic mapping indicates that Stonylands Farm was located within the proposed development, dating from at least 1833, but with potentially medieval origins.

Therefore more information on the archaeological resource of the area will need to be provided with any planning application. However, it is unlikely that any archaeological resource located in the proposed area will be of national importance, and therefore the impact of the proposed development on it is unlikely to be significant.

Whether or not this impact is sufficient to require an environmental impact assessment to be carried out is matter for you to decide. However, it is likely that, depending on detailed construction plans, archaeological mitigation possibly including geophysical survey followed by evaluation trenching would be required. Indeed such an approach is noted in the applicants Screening Request.

If you have any questions or require further information on this matter please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,

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