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ARCHAEOLOGICAL PLANNING

Head of Planning and Transportation
The Vale of Glamorgan Council
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1st March 2022

Dear Sir

Re: Hybrid application comprising an outline application for the demolition of existing buildings and erection of 44.75ha Class B1/B2/B8 Business Park, car parking, landscaping, drainage infrastructure, ecological mitigation and ancillary works (all matters reserved aside from access) within Area A and a full application for change of use from agricultural land to country park (Use Class D2) within Area B
Land at Model Farm, Port Road, Rhoose
Pl.App.No.: 2019/00871

Thank you for consulting us about this application; consequently we have reviewed the detailed information contained on your website and can confirm that **the proposal requires archaeological mitigation.**

We previously commented on this application, most recently in our letter dated 27th April 2021 and whilst we note the reasons for the re-submission our understanding of the archaeological resource remains unchanged.

Information in the Historic Environment Record shows that there are a number of archaeological and historic environment sites and findspots within the proposed development area. These range from findspots from Neolithic to modern date, and features of platforms related to buildings for agriculture, modern military features, including a crash site, and quarrying and transport. These are described in the supporting documentation in the archaeological desk based assessment (CGMS, July 2019).

Therefore, as previously it is our recommendation that a condition requiring the applicant to submit a detailed written scheme of investigation for a programme of archaeological work to protect the archaeological resource should be attached to any consent granted by your Members.

We envisage that this programme of work would include but not be limited to: geophysical survey, which may enable targeted fieldwork, which may include a strip, map and record of some areas if these cannot be excluded from a final masterplan, and would also include an archaeological watching brief during groundworks required for the development, including any demolition, construction of roads and foundations, and services installation and any hard landscaping, with detailed contingency arrangements including the provision of sufficient time and resources to ensure that any archaeological features or finds that are located are properly investigated and recorded; it should include provision for any sampling that may prove necessary, post-excavation recording and assessment and reporting and possible publication of the results. To ensure

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adherence to the recommendations we recommend that the condition should be worded in a manner similar to model condition 24 given in Welsh Government Circular 016/2014

No development shall take place until the applicant, or their agents or successors in title, has secured agreement for a written scheme of historic environment mitigation which has been submitted by the applicant and approved by the local planning authority. Thereafter, the programme of work will be fully carried out in accordance with the requirements and standards of the written scheme.

Reason: To identify and record any features of archaeological interest discovered during the works, in order to mitigate the impact of the works on the archaeological resource.

We also recommend that a note should be attached to the planning consent explaining that:

The archaeological work must be undertaken to the appropriate Standard and Guidance set by Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA), (www.archaeologists.net/codes/ifa) and it is recommended that it is carried out either by a CIfA Registered Organisation (www.archaeologists.net/ro) or an accredited Member.

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

Yours faithfully

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