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Dear Lisa,

**2024 0869 – Old Rectory , Luddesdown Road, Luddesdown, Gravesend
Kent**

Demolition of existing orangery and erection of a twostorey side and rear infill extension, installation of new timber sash windows to replace all existing windows, erection of link structure connecting the main dwellinghouse with the existing outbuilding at the front.

Thank you for consulting us on the above application and my apologies for the delayed response.

I note that this application focusses primarily on matters related to proposed replacement windows and I defer to your Conservation Officer on these matters. In relation to the archaeological interest of the building and site my recommendation remains that there is in place an appropriate condition as follows:

To ensure that features with archaeological interest are properly examined and recorded during development works:

A) Prior to any development works the applicant (or their agents or successors in title) shall secure an archaeological watching brief so that excavations and other development works, including to the historic building, are observed and items of interest and finds are recorded. The watching brief shall be undertaken by an archaeologist approved by the Local Planning Authority and in accordance with a Written Scheme of

Investigation (WSI), which has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

B) The archaeological watching brief, recording, post excavation assessment, analysis and reporting shall be carried out in accordance with the agreed specification and timetable.

C) Within 6 months of the completion of the watching brief a Report shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority.

REASON: To ensure that features of archaeological interest, above and below-ground, which would be impacted by the proposed development, are properly examined, recorded and reported on, for public benefit.

I would be happy to discuss any of the above further.

Yours sincerely

Casper Johnson FSA
Senior Archaeological Officer
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