



## Heritage Conservation

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### 2021 1111 – 18-22 Queen Street, Gravesend, Kent

**Partial demolition of existing rear extension, erection of a one and an half storey detached building at the rear to accommodate two replacement flats plus an additional 4 x 1 bedroom flats. Infill of existing yard at 20 Queen Street to form enlarged retail unit, extension to outrigger at rear of 22 Queen Street to form enlarged first floor flat and an further storey/addition at second floor level to 22 Queen Street including frontage alterations to accommodate a 2 bedroom flat.**

Thank you for consulting us on the above application.

The site has general background archaeological potential as well as more specifically with respect to the post-medieval and modern development of this area of the town. Groundworks at the site are likely to reveal below-ground archaeological remains, though these are likely to have been impacted by the most recent construction at the site. I therefore think that it would be reasonable to require that in the event that planning permission is granted the works are subject to a Watching Brief secured by the following condition:

**AR4** No development shall take place until the applicant, or their agents or successors in title, has secured the implementation of a watching brief to be undertaken by an archaeologist approved by the Local Planning Authority so that groundworks are observed and items of interest and finds are recorded. The watching brief shall be in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation, which has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that features of archaeological interest are properly examined and recorded.

I would be happy to discuss any of the above further and provide the applicant with a brief for the work on request.

Yours sincerely

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