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Re: 20241018 - Lomas , Sole Street, Cobham, Gravesend, Kent

Application for Outline application with all/some matters reserved for the demolition of the existing dwelling. Sub division of the plot and erection of 2 new dwellings.

Thank you for consulting us on this application. The site lies within the historic core area of Sole Street where listed buildings of medieval and post-medieval date survive. Groundworks associated with the proposed development have the potential to impact archaeological remains associated with the medieval and later settlement of Sole Street and to mitigate any impacts I recommend that if planning permission were to be granted the following condition should be applied to any forthcoming consent:

To ensure that features of 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 groundworks are observed and heritage assets with archaeological interest are recorded. The watching brief shall be undertaken by an archaeologist approved by the Local Planning Authority and in accordance with a Specification 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.**
- 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 are properly examined and recorded in accordance with local and national planning policy

I hope that this is helpful and would be happy to discuss further.

Yours sincerely

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