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Planning Ref: EPF/1709/19

## **SPECIALIST ARCHAEOLOGICAL ADVICE**

Dear Evan,

### **RE: EPF/1709/19 Garden Centre, Crown Hill, Waltham Abbey**

Thank you for consulting the Historic Environment Advisor of Place Services, Essex County Council on the above planning application. The Essex Historic Environment Record (EHER) shows that there is known archaeology immediately adjacent to the proposed development. The site lies at the boundary of Upshire Conservation Area. The medieval settlement grew along the road in the form of a linear development along from the historic green. The archaeological potential of the area lies in its medieval and post-medieval remains. The proposed development has therefore the potential to impact on archaeological remains; these are both fragile and finite in nature. The following recommendation is therefore made in line with the National Planning Policy Framework.

### **Recommendation: *Archaeological trial trenching and excavation***

**‘No preliminary groundwork’s of any kind shall take place until the applicant has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and approved by the local planning authority’.**





*The District Council should inform the applicant of the archaeological recommendations and its financial implications. A brief detailing the requirements will be produced from this office on request.*

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Katie Lee-Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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*Note: This letter is advisory and should be considered as the opinion formed by specialist staff in relation to this particular matter.*

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