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Dear Ms Quigley,

## TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED) NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY FRAMEWORK 2021

## 150 Holborn London EC1N 2NS

Details to discharge Condition 37B (Written Scheme of Investigation "WSI") of planning reference 2016/2094/P dated 25/06/18 for demolition of existing buildings and redevelopment for mixed use development up to nine storeys in height comprising 12,862 sqm GIA office floorspace (Use Class B1), 1,480 sqm GIA retail floorspace (Use Class A1-A3), 13 residential units (Use Class C3), improvements to the public realm and all other necessary enabling works.

## <u>Archaeological Work Incomplete</u>

Thank you for your consultation received on 2023-03-31.

The Greater London Archaeological Advisory Service (GLAAS) provides archaeological advice in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and GLAAS Charter.

The agreed Written Scheme of Investigation (MOLA, approved Aug 2018) stated the requirement for archaeological monitoring of 'removal of existing pile caps, proposed basement extension and deepening, excavations associated with the insertion of five lift pits

and new pile caps and any other ground work with the potential to impact on archaeological remains.'

It appears that so far, the only activities monitored are the excavation of five test pits. Two of these pits (GB 12 and GB13) showed potential for Roman archaeological remains to survive in the part of the site where the basement slab is shallower; this is along the western part of the site.

The archaeological work on site is therefore not complete, and any further excavation in the western part of the site will need to be monitored under archaeological watching brief conditions in accordance with the agreed Written Scheme of Investigation.

Further information on archaeology and planning in Greater London is available on the Historic England website

The archaeological condition will not be fully satisfied until all works are complete and any post-excavation assessment/analysis leading to publication has been agreed.

This response relates solely to archaeological issues.

Yours sincerely

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