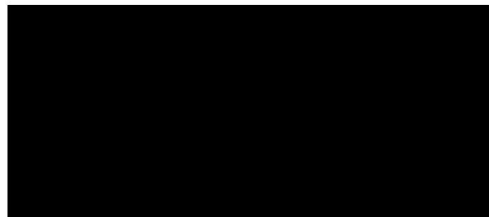




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Development Control Team
Camden Town Hall
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9 December 2014

Dear Ms Carr,

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1990
PLANNING POLICY STATEMENT 5: Planning for the Historic Environment

Kings Cross Central Development Zone B (Building B5) / 4 Pancras Square York Way
London NIC 4AG

Reserved matters relating to Development Zone B (Plot B5), for the erection of an 11 storey building, plus lower ground and basement levels, for use as offices (Class B1) on upper floors and retail (Class A1) at ground and lower floor levels, roof top garden and landscaping as required by conditions 6, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16-23, 27-28, 31, 33-38, 45-46, 48-49, 50A, 51, 56, 60, 64-67 of outline planning permission granted 22/12/2006 subject to a S106 agreement (2004/2307/P) for a comprehensive, phased, mixed-use development

Written Scheme of Investigation for Archaeological Works at Development Zone B (Basement) (condition 56 – archaeology)

Thank you for consulting me on the above application.

I have read section of the submitted compliance report on archaeology (condition 56) and note that the approved works are 80% complete and partially discharged. An archaeological specification and written scheme of investigation was approved in 2011 for an archaeological watching brief programme at Zone B of the Kings Cross Central site (*Kings Cross Central – Southern Area: archaeological specification for Development Zones B and E*, IHCM Ltd, February 2010, and *Written Scheme of Investigation for an archaeological watching brief at Development Zones B and E, King's Cross Central, London Borough of Camden*, Pre-Construct Archaeology, February 2010).

I presume that the archaeological programme has not yet been completed for Plot B5, and that the watching brief agreed during the ground reduction in this area is still outstanding. Remains anticipated from Zones B and E include the foundations and associated infrastructure of the Culross buildings, infrastructure elements relating to the gasholders and other industrial buildings and pre-modern archaeological deposits, which may include Roman remains.



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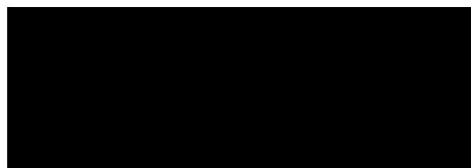
I would therefore recommend that an informative is attached to any decision notice issued for this application, which might read:

Heritage assets of archaeological interest are anticipated in this development zone which will require an archaeological watching brief and subsequent reported, as per sections 1.5, 1.8, 4.5 and 7 of the approved specification. The applicants are advised to contact the borough's archaeological advisors to agree the programme of works.

Following completion of the fieldwork, the results will be assessed and a report produced. This will feed into the archaeological strategy for the entire Kings Cross Central development programme to include publication and archiving.

Please note that this response relates solely to archaeological considerations.

Yours sincerely,



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