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Your Ref: 2016/4218/L

Our Ref: CLO20941

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Dear Ms Freeman

## TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED) NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY FRAMEWORK 2012

## 59 St Giles High Street

Excavation of a trench in the basement for the intallation of UKPN cables.

## Recommend No Archaeological Requirement (2016/4218/L)

Thank you for your email dated 17 August 2016.

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

The above planning application either affects a heritage asset of archaeological interest or lies in an area where such assets are expected.

The National Planning Policy Framework (Section 12) and the London Plan (2011 Policy 7.8) emphasise that the conservation of archaeological interest is a material consideration in the planning process. Paragraph 128 of the NPPF says that applicants should submit desk-based assessments, and where appropriate undertake field evaluation, to describe the significance of heritage assets and how they would be affected by the proposed development. This information should be supplied to inform the planning decision. If planning consent is granted paragraph



141 of the NPPF says that applicants should be required to record and advance understanding of the significance of any heritage assets to be lost (wholly or in part) and to make this evidence publicly available.

The property is designated as a Grade II listed building. The installation of a UKPN cable trench in the basement will not impact on the historic fabric of the property and no archaeological work is required for the purposes of the Listed Building Consent application.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require further information or assistance. I would be grateful to be kept informed of the progress of this application.

Please note that this response relates solely to archaeological considerations. If necessary, Historic England's Development Management or Historic Places teams should be consulted separately regarding statutory matters.

Yours sincerely



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