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Your Ref: 2018/5715/P



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Dear Mr McClue

**TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED)
NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY FRAMEWORK 2018**

Eastman Dental Hospital Site and Buildings

Request for scoping opinion under Regulation 15 of the Town and Country Planning Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations 2017, for proposed development involving the substantial demolition of the Former Royal Free Hospital (with retention of the Alexandra Wing) and Levy Wing buildings and new buildings of up to five and nine storeys (with two basement floors below) to provide the University College London (UCL) Institute of Neurology/Dementia Research Institute within approximately 17,450sqm of medical research floorspace, a related neurological outpatient facility for University College London Hospitals NHS Trust and approximately 13,160sqm of academic floorspace for UCL, along with associated basement; landscaping; highways works; accessible parking bays; public realm; cycle spaces; plant; large vehicle access and servicing.

Recommend No Archaeological Requirement



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Thank you for your consultation dated 21 November 2018.

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

NPPF section 16 and the London Plan (2011 Policy 7.8) make the conservation of archaeological interest a material planning consideration. .

Having considered the proposals with reference to information held in the Greater London Historic Environment Record and/or made available in connection with this application, I conclude that the proposal is unlikely to have a significant effect on heritage assets of archaeological interest.

The Eastman Dental Hospital site lies just outside the historic core of London alongside one of the main highways into the city and on the edge of the valley of the River Fleet. It is not within an Archaeological Priority Area (APA) as currently defined by LB Camden although these areas are currently under review. We anticipate that St. Andrews' 18th-19th century burial ground abutting the south side of the site will be included in a new APA. London's English Civil War defences ran about 200m south of the site whilst the site of the Bagnigge Wells 18th century spa lies 75m to the northeast. Historic maps show limited development along the Gray's Inn Road frontage in the mid-18th century but survival of any associated remains is likely to be poor due to the scale of more recent development. Having considered the proposals with reference to information held in the Greater London Historic Environment Record and/or made available in connection with this application, I conclude that the proposal is unlikely to have a significant effect on heritage assets of archaeological interest.

No further assessment or conditions are therefore necessary.

Please note that this response relates solely to archaeological considerations. If necessary my Historic Buildings and Areas colleagues should be consulted separately regarding statutory matters.

Yours sincerely



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