

Interim Report on Archaeological Conditions: Fisher House, Rivington Lane, Rivington, Bolton BL6 7SL

Statement for Mr and Mrs W Kozera - December 2022



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Current position

This interim report sets out our understanding of the position at 12 December 2022, as relating to Condition 4 of the listed building consent [Chorley Borough Council ref 22/0602/LBC]

The applicant has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological work as required by the condition wording. They have commissioned Minerva Heritage Ltd to manage the fulfilment of this condition.

The programme specification is agreed by two documents written by Minerva Heritage Ltd and agreed with Lancashire Archaeology Advisory Service (LAAS) by email in November 2022:

- a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) for **Level 2/3 record** of Fisher House in its current condition. This was agreed by LAAS by email on 28 November 2022.
- a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) for a **Watching Brief**. This was agreed by LAAS by email on 28 November 2022.

Level 2/3 record

Fieldwork has been carried out for the first part of the archaeological work, and a Level 2/3 record has been compiled as per the WSI agreed with LAAS.

The fieldwork was carried out by Dan Elsworth MCIfA and Tom Mace MCIfA of Greenlane Archaeology, who are both appropriately qualified and experienced professional archaeological contractors.

Greenlane Archaeology are currently preparing the final report and archive for this aspect of the programme.

Watching Brief

The Watching Brief required by this condition can only be completed once building work starts.

This is in order that any features uncovered can be recorded, during demolition/removal of wall finishes and plaster to create new openings.

We have agreement with the client to carry this out as per the WSI agreed with LAAS. This part of the programme again be carried out by Greenlane Archaeology.

The report and archive for the watching brief element of the programme will follow on from that task.

Please get in touch if you have any queries.

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