

27th September 2023

Dear Ping

22/504552/FULL - Erection of a single storey rear extension at Book House, Church Walk, Headcorn, Kent, TN27 9NR

I write with regard to the above planning permission that was granted by Maidstone Borough Council on 17th November 2022.

Condition 5 states:

No development shall take place until the applicant, or their agents or successors in title, has secured the implementation of a watching brief to be undertaken by an archaeologist approved by the Local Planning Authority so that the excavation is observed and items of interest and finds are recorded. The watching brief shall be in accordance with a written specification and timetable which has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that features of archaeological interest are properly examined and recorded.

Discussions have been had with Wendy Rogers and Kent County Council (Archaeology) who has advised that the standard KCC watching brief specification which can be used directly by the developer.

SWAT Archaeology has subsequently been appointed, who has prepared the accompanying report and sets out that no archaeological features or finds were recovered or revealed.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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