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To: Booth, Claire
Subject: Application 69631 - Bury College - Consultation Response (Archaeology)

Good afternoon Claire

RE: Application 69631 – Demolition of rear additions to original building, alterations to rear elevations of remaining buildings and associated hard and soft landscaping incorporating additional car parking - Bury College, Woodbury Centre, Market Street, Bury BL9 0BG

Thank you very much for consulting GMAAS on the above application.

The application is supported by a comprehensive Heritage Impact Assessment prepared by Donald Insall Associates in July 2023. This detailed document provides a thorough assessment of the historic built environment, establishes the significance of the Bury College buildings and assesses the potential harm of the proposed development to the setting of designated heritage assets in the vicinity, in accordance with Paragraph 194 of the NPPF. In addition, the Heritage Impact Assessment summarises the historical development of the college buildings and provides detailed written external and internal descriptions coupled with a photographic record of the component buildings. It is concluded that the development proposals 'meet the tests outlined in the National Planning Policy Framework insofar as they relate to the historic environment'. GMAAS is happy to accept this conclusion, although the Conservation Officer for Bury Council may wish to comment further.

The Heritage Impact Assessment does not consider the potential for the site to retain below-ground remains of archaeological interest, although having reviewed all the information that GMAAS has on file, including the Historic Environment Record, I am satisfied that the delivery of the proposals will not have any impact on archaeological interests. As such, and given the detail contained in the Heritage Impact Assessment, no further consideration of archaeological matters is warranted in this instance.

With kindest regards

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