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Dear Ms Leach

**T&CP (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015
& Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990**

**FORMER EAST LANCS PAPER MILL & TOWER FARM, CHURCH STREET EAST,
CROSS LANE, COCK CLOD STREET & BROOK STREET, RADCLIFFE, M26 2PG
Application No. 70284**

Thank you for your letter of 5 January 2024 regarding the above application for planning permission. On the basis of the information available to date, we offer the following advice to assist your authority in determining the application.

Historic England Advice

The application is for the discharge of a range of conditions attached to application 62969. The majority of the conditions concerned lie outside the remit of Historic England. Our response therefore relates specifically to the request for the discharge of Condition 13:

"No development shall take place unless or until the applicant or their agents or their successors in title have secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological works. The programme is to be undertaken in accordance with Written Schemes of Investigation (WSIs), which must be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority."

A document entitled "Former East Lancashire Paper Mill, Radcliffe, Archaeological Evaluation, Written Scheme of Investigation (A090070-193)", dated July 2019, compiled by WYG Environment Planning Transport Ltd, has been submitted in support of the request for the discharge of Condition 13.

Historic England considers that a programme of archaeological works carried out in accordance with this Written Scheme of Investigation, which includes provision for the post-excavation analysis of the results of the on-site works and their publication (which may themselves require project designs or written schemes setting out how they are to



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be carried out) should be sufficient to discharge the condition. However, as the condition requires the implementation of the programme of archaeological works we recommend that the condition should not be discharged until the programme of archaeological work has been completed on the development site, and the applicant or their agents or successors in title have made a formal commitment in writing to support the completion of the post-excavation analysis of the results of the on-site works and their publication.

Recommendation

In order to ensure that Condition 13 of permission 62969 is complied with, whilst we have no objection to the formal approval of the submitted Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI), we recommend that the condition should not be discharged until the applicants have actually secured the implementation of the programme of archaeological works set out in the WSI.

Your authority should take these representations into account and seek safeguards as set out in our advice. If there are any material changes to the proposals, or you would like further advice, please contact us.

Yours sincerely

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