

Haweswater Aqueduct Resilience Programme of Works in the Borough of Bury under Planning Permission 66947 - Application for the discharge of Condition 19 (Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation) for works at Woodgate Hill WTW Compound The Haweswater Aqueduct Resilience Programme (HARP) is a regionally significant infrastructure programme which benefits from policy support and planning permission, and for which there is an established urgent need. United Utilities have appointed Cascade Infrastructure Ltd to fund, design, construct and maintain the HARP programme of works, and Cascade have in turn appointed STRABAG to carry out the design and construction. HARP is a proposal to replace six existing underground tunnel sections of the 110km Haweswater Aqueduct. The aqueduct takes raw water from the Haweswater Reservoir along a 16km section to a water treatment works (WTW) near Kendal for treatment. From this WTW the aqueduct conveys treated water southward to a WTW in the borough of Bury. Along its length there are a number of water mains that branch off the aqueduct supplying treated water to customers in Cumbria, Lancashire and Greater Manchester. A series of HARP works are proposed in the Bury Council authority area, including works

for a replacement section of aqueduct and associated temporary and permanent works and infrastructure. Full planning permission (Council Ref: 66947) was granted in June 2023, subject to a series of planning conditions and s106 obligations. Scope of this Application This application is to discharge Condition 19 (Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation) of the above permission, for all phases of work at Woodgate Hill WTW Compound. "Condition 19 – Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation Development within each phase approved under Condition 3 above shall not be commenced until the applicant or their agents or successors in title has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological works for the relevant phase. The works are to be undertaken in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The WSI shall cover the following: 1. Informed by the updated North West Regional Research Framework, a phased programme and methodology of investigation and recording to include: i. archaeological evaluation trenching (based on the trenching plan supplied to Jacobs by GMAAS on 10th March 2021) ii. informed by the above, more detailed targeted excavation (subject of a new WSI). 2. A programme for post investigation assessment to include: iii. analysis of the site investigations records and finds iv. production of a final report on the investigation results 3. Deposition of the final report with the Greater Manchester Historic Environment Record 4. Dissemination of the results commensurate with their significance. 5. Provision for archive deposition of the report and records of the site investigation. 6. Nomination of a competent person or persons/organisation to undertake the works set out within the approved WSI. Reason. To record and advance understanding of the significance of any heritage assets to be lost (wholly or in part) in a manner proportionate to their importance and the impact, and to make this evidence (and any archive generated) publicly accessible pursuant to Policies EN3/1 – Impact of Development on Archaeological Sites, EN3/2 – Development Affecting Archaeological Sites and EN3/3 – Ancient Monuments of the Bury Unitary Development Plan and Section 16 of the NPPF. The following documents are submitted alongside this application, which, together with this covering letter comprise the application submitted for approval at the Woodgate Hill WTW Compound. Table 1 - Documents accompanying this application Drawing/Document Title (Number) Covering Letter 80061155-STB-WOODG-DS-CO-T-00002 For Approval/For Information For Approval Summary of Proposed Approach The proposed development at Woodgate Hill WTW Compound does not impact the area of archaeological interest. No further archaeological works are proposed or required on site. This approach has been informed

through engagement with Greater Manchester Archaeological Advisory Service (GMAAS) which has confirmed its agreement to the approach, as set out in Appendix 1 to this covering letter.

Summary This application is to fully discharge Condition 19 (Archaeology) of the above permission, in respect of all phases of work at the Woodgate Hill WTW Compound only. It has been developed and submitted in accordance with planning permission reference 66947. We would be very grateful for a timely determination within the statutory decision-making timeframes, in order to assist in maintaining the programme for delivery of HARP.