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Dear Planning,

UTT/24/1732/PINS Land To The West Of Thaxted Road, Saffron Walden

PINS reference: S62A/2022/0014

Thank you for consulting the Historic Environment Advisor on the above application.

The Historic Environment Record shows that the proposed development lies in an area of potential archaeological deposits directly southwest of Thaxted, southeast of the historic settlement of Saffron Walden. Excavations to the north found the remains of two Bronze Age barrows and other prehistoric features approximately 200 metres north of the site (EHER48520). A geophysical survey undertaken by Headland Archaeology which has been submitted with the previous application identified potential archaeological features. Archaeological trial trenching and targeted archaeological excavation has been completed undertaken to an agreed written scheme of investigation submitted by the applicant. The only part of the work that is remaining is the production of a report and the deposition of the arhive to ensure that the archaeological work is complete.

The following recommendation is in line with the National Planning Policy Framework paragraph 211.

RECOMMENDATION: The completion of the report defining the results of the archaeological excavation

1. The applicant will submit to the local planning authority a report on the archaeological excavation (to be submitted within six months of this approval, unless otherwise agreed in advance with the Planning Authority). This will result in the completion of post excavation analysis,





preparation of a full site archive and report ready for deposition at the local museum, and submission of a publication report.

A recognised professional team of archaeologists should undertake the work.

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

Yours sincerely

Richard Havis Principal Historic Environment Advisor

NOTE: This letter is advisory and should only be considered as the opinion formed by specialist staff in relation to this particular matter

