



FAO: Planning Department,
Mid Sussex District Council

Application ref: DM/25/1222
Date: 17 July 2025

ARCHAEOLOGICAL ADVICE

RE: Twinham, 34 Hurst Road, Hassocks

The application is for the discharge of planning condition No 5 relating to planning application DM/25/0310.

The submitted archaeological evaluation report suitably outlines the findings and results of the programme of archaeological trenching undertaken on the development site. This trenching uncovered a large Roman rubbish pit, and the recovered finds are indicative of industrial or domestic activity in close proximity.

Given this, I agree with the conclusions of the report that archaeological mitigation should be undertaken, in the form of a programme of archaeological monitoring and recording during the excavation of the foundations of the new dwelling, to record any other archaeological remains that are impacted. Given the negative trench in the location of the new access road, this area does not need to be monitored.

Accordingly, I recommend the discharge of Condition 5(ii), to allow the groundworks (and the archaeological monitoring) to commence.

Condition 5(iii) should not be discharged until the submission and approval of a final report detailing the results of the archaeological monitoring.

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



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