

Written Scheme of Investigation for Archaeological Evaluation of the Infill Area between Pods 1 & 2, Ellismuir Farm, Baillieston Glasgow

Planning Ref: 10/00056/DC

Client: Miller Homes Ltd/Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd

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Headland Archaeology (UK) Ltd North

## INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This document is submitted for approval to West of Scotland Archaeological Service (WoSAS), archaeological advisors to Glasgow City Council, by Headland Archaeology (UK) Ltd on behalf of Miller Homes Ltd and Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd. The document is submitted as a Written Scheme of Investigation for the archaeological evaluation of the 'infill area' beneath the powerline corridor between Pods 1 & 2 at the western end of the residential development at Ellismuir Farm, Ballieston, Glasgow.
- 1.2 Once the infill area has been archaeologically dealt with, to the satisfaction of WoSAS, it will be infilled with ash deposits excavated from elsewhere within the site
- 1.3 This WSI replaces and supercedes an earlier WSI, dated 16<sup>th</sup> August 2013, for archaeological monitoring of the site access and roundabout at the western end of the development.
- 1.4 The document is an addendum to an overarching Strategic Plan for archaeological investigations for the full development at Ellismuir Farm, Glasgow. The Strategic Plan has been approved by WoSAS and Glasgow City Council as planning authority. Please refer to the Strategic Plan for full details of recording and the archaeological background to the site.
- 1.5 The archaeological works are being undertaken as part of a condition attached to planning consent.
- 1.6 The scope of works contained within this WSI has been agreed with WoSAS prior to this document being submitted.
- 1.7 This WSI takes into account relevant IfA Standards and Guidance.

## 2 OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The purpose of the work is to evaluate the 'infill' area lying within the powerline corridor between Pods 1 & 2 by means of machine trenching and recording and excavating any archaeological remains exposed.
- 2.2 Much of the topsoil has already been removed and so the machine evaluation will largely be a rescrape of the partially exposed natural sub-soil, the level at which any archaeological remains will survive.
- 2.3 The evaluation will comprise a series of randonmly placed c 2m wide trenches to get good coverage across the site.
- 2.4 Should archaeological features be exposed, larger open areas will be stripped to define their extent.
- 2.5 The resulting archive (finds and records) will be organised and deposited in the National Monuments Record of Scotland to facilitate access for future research and interpretation for public benefit.

## 3 SCHEDULE

3.1 The evaluation will be undertaken on Friday 23rd<sup>t</sup> August 2013 and is likely to take 1 day to complete (on-site).

- 3.2 Should extensive and significant remains be uncovered, this will communicated to Miller Homes Ltd/Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd and to WoSAS and suitable arrangements for mitigation put in place.
- 3.3 A draft DSR report will then be delivered to the client and, on approval, to the curator within 4 weeks of the completion of fieldwork.
- 3.4 Should significant remains survive, a Post-Excavation Research Design will be submitted within 3 months of WoSAS approving the DSR.
- 3.5 A Final Report will be submitted within 12 months of agreement of the PERD.

#### 4 PROJECT TEAM

4.1 The project will be managed for Headland Archaeology by Russel Coleman (Project Manager); the evaluation will be undertaken by Russel Coleman and one Site Assistant. The project team will familiarise themselves with the background to the site and will be aware of the project's aims and methodologies.

## 5 INSURANCE & COPYRIGHT

5.1 Headland Archaeology (UK) Ltd is fully indemnified and all necessary insurances can be presented on request.

## 6 HEALTH & SAFETY

6.1 All of Headland's work is undertaken in accordance with current H&S legislation. A risk assessment and method statement will be prepared prior to the commencement of fieldwork. All staff will wear appropriate PPE and this will include high-visibility clothing, hard hats and safety footwear. Suitable site welfare are being provided by Miller Homes Ltd/Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd.

# 7 MONITORING

7.1 Access to the site will be afforded to the curator for monitoring purposes.