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Dear Sir/Madam

**Outline application for residential development (phase 2)
Land at Harras Moor, Whitehaven
Historic environment consultation**

I am writing to you regarding the archaeological condition on the above planning permission.

I wrote to Nick Hayhurst on 08 December 2016 requesting that an archaeological condition be attached to any planning consent granted for this application securing a programme of archaeological recording on the site. This advice was based on the results of an archaeological desk-top assessment of the site which highlighted the potential for currently unknown prehistoric and Roman archaeological assets to survive there. The applicant's agent has forwarded me information that shows that much of the site has been subject to open cast mining in the 1980s and so the archaeological potential is negligible. It is disappointing that the desk-top assessment failed to include this important piece of information. Nevertheless, in light of this information, I no longer consider that archaeological work is necessary on the site and I consider the requirements of the archaeological condition have been fulfilled.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries regarding the above.

Yours sincerely

Jeremy Parsons
Historic Environment Officer