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Dear Mr Briginshaw,

**TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED)
NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY FRAMEWORK 2024**

Union Park UP4 NORTH HYDE GARDENS HAYES UB3 4QQ

Redevelopment of site to deliver extension to existing Union Park data centre campus consisting of (a) free standing data centre building (b) energy, power, and water infrastructure (c) site access and internal roads (d) site security arrangements (e) hard and soft, green landscaping and (f) other ancillary and auxiliary forms of development

Recommend No Archaeological Requirement

Thank you for your consultation received on 07 April 2025.

The Greater London Archaeological Advisory Service (GLAAS) gives advice on archaeology and planning. Our advice follows the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and the GLAAS Charter.

NPPF section 16 and the London Plan (2021 Policy HC1) make the conservation of archaeological interest a material planning consideration.

Having considered the proposals with reference to information held in the Greater London Historic Environment Record and/or made available in connection with this application, I



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conclude that the proposal is unlikely to have a significant effect on heritage assets of archaeological interest.

The planning application is not in an Archaeological Priority Area.

The application is supported by a Historic Environment Assessment which identifies moderate potential for prehistoric archaeology relating to Palaeolithic artefacts within the Lynch Hill Gravel and later prehistoric remains found at the nearby Western International Market archaeological excavations. High potential is also identified for the likelihood of encountering modern remains but these would be of low/negligible significance.

However the assessment also notes that: "Since the mid-20th century the Site has undergone various phases of development, and it is therefore likely that any archaeological remains within the Site would have been adversely impacted by these previous development phases, with archaeological survival likely to be limited." The historic environment assessment does not reference the ground investigation report also submitted with the application which provides clear evidence for modern disturbance resulting in deep modern made ground and likely extensive truncation of the underlying gravel. Taking this into account I conclude that the site's archaeological potential is very low, and the impact on deeply buried gravel would be limited to piling.

No further assessment or conditions are therefore necessary.

This response relates solely to archaeological considerations. If necessary, Historic England's Development Advice Team should be consulted separately regarding statutory matters.

Yours sincerely

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