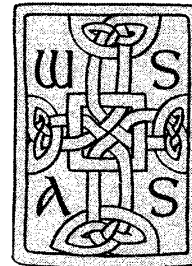


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Dear Sir

**Glasgow Airport Rail Link: Environmental Statement**

Thank you for forwarding a copy of the Environmental Statement for the above project for our comment. I apologise for the delay in this response. Our comments relate specifically to the archaeological sites potentially affected by the proposed development. The impacts on listed buildings will be commented on directly by the relevant planning authorities' conservation officers and by Historic Scotland.

I am happy that the cultural heritage section in the draft statement covers all recorded archaeology adequately and that the proposed mitigation is acceptable. The only addition to the proposals I would suggest is that in the event that site A6 (Cholera Pit) is not securely located by evaluation trenching then a watching brief in all additional ground breaking works in the postulated vicinity of the site is commissioned. Intrusive evaluation is a standard methodology for locating buried archaeological deposits, however, it is not 100% reliable. Given the potential sensitivity of A6 I would recommend a continued watching brief even if evaluation does not locate it.

Should this project proceed I look forward to discussing the mitigation and formalisation of archaeological arrangements in detail with you or your appointed archaeological contractors.

Yours faithfully

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