



## ENGLISH HERITAGE

WEST MIDLANDS REGION

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Our Ref: PA00071796  
Your Ref: SCR/2012/1040

3<sup>rd</sup> July 2012

Dear Mr Horsman,

**LAND TO THE NORTH, WEST AND SOUTH OF COVENTRY AIRPORT,  
BAGINTON, COVENTRY AND INCLUDING PARTS OF THE  
SURROUNDING HIGHWAY NETWORK A45, A46, A428, A444 AND A4114-  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) - SCREENING REPORT**

Thank you for your letter of 14<sup>th</sup> June 2012 consulting English Heritage about the above EIA Screening Report.

It is for the local authority to determine whether an EIA should be prepared for the proposed development. However, from the information given, English Heritage is concerned that there may be a significant impact on the historic environment. In particular, the impact upon the setting of The Lunt Roman Fort and other scheduled monuments affected by the development and the significant heritage asset of the settlement of Baginton which is a conservation area and a collection of a number of listed and un-listed buildings of heritage value. English Heritage therefore considers that the local authority requests the applicant to carry out a full EIA in relation to the historic environment.

We would expect that the EIA examines the potential impacts upon all heritage assets likely to be affected, including designated heritage assets<sup>1</sup> and their settings together with potential impacts on non-designated features of historic, architectural, archaeological or artistic interest, since these can also be of national importance and make an important contribution to the character and local distinctiveness of an area and its sense of place. This covers buildings, historic open spaces, historic features and the wider historic landscape including below-ground archaeology.

English Heritage advises that the local authority's conservation and archaeology advisers are closely involved throughout the preparation of the Environmental Statement. They are best placed to advise on: local historic environment issues and priorities (including access to data held in the Historic Environment Record); how the proposal can be tailored to minimise potential adverse impacts on the historic environment; the nature and design of any required mitigation measures; and opportunities for securing wider benefits for the future conservation and management of heritage assets.



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Given the number of important designated heritage assets within the area, we would welcome early discussions with you in order to agree the key sites and setting issues which will need to be addressed within the EIA.

If you have any queries about the above or would like to discuss anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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<sup>1</sup> Designated Heritage Assets are defined in the NPPF as "A World Heritage Site, Scheduled Monument, Listed Building, Protected Wreck Site, Registered Park and Garden, Registered Battlefield or Conservation Area designated under the relevant legislation.