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Hi Duncan,

I think that the health risks are probably too great compared to the likely significance/quality of any below-ground archaeological remains and I think that it would be prudent, particularly in the present circumstances, not to undertake any archaeological fieldwork at this site.

Casper

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Hi Casper,

I have now had this reviewed by our HS team and the view is as the elevated levels of arsenic extend into the geological levels the HS risks are too great for hand digging both for staff, cross contamination and dust risks.

We could monitor during the remediation – but this would be observe and record – suited, booted and masked.

Let me know if this approach is ok or whether we just draw a line under this one.

Regards

Duncan

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