

Memorandum

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**APPLICATION: SCP/2022/0003
SCOPING OPINION REQUEST FOR SAND & GRAVEL EXTRACTION
LAND OFF BOURBLES FARM, PREESALL**

Greenfield's Scoping Request characterisation of the site as one with no known sites of archaeological interest is not entirely accurate. It is correct that there are no known designated heritage assets recorded within the redline boundary of the proposed development, but also that a single non-designated heritage asset, is recorded on the Lancashire Historic Environment Record, the line of the former Garstang to Knott End Railway which operated from 1870-1963, although it was only used for goods traffic for the last 33 years of its operation, does cross the application site. This non-designated heritage asset would be considered to have a low significance, it being of a local interest only.

Given the limited known archaeological interest in the site, and the very limited potential for previously unknown sites of archaeological significance being encountered, we do not consider there to be a need for this issue to form part any EIA, and one that could be dealt through the planning process, through the submission of the proposed Desk-Based Archaeological Statement mentioned on p.18 of the Scoping Report. We would however advise that the Assessment should also include the results of a site walkover, as "thirty yards of track clearly defined by parallel lines of the original metal fence posts" were recorded at the Bourbles Farm track crossing, during works carried out for the North-West Ethylene Pipeline by Lancashire University Archaeological Unit (1993).

Thank you for your consultation

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For the Head of Service for Planning and Environment