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Planning Application 252417 47 Longwater Road Finchampstead

The application site for this proposed development falls within an area of archaeological significance and has potential for Iron Age and Roman remains. This is due to its proximity to a Late Iron Age/Early Roman industrial site (1st century BC to 1st century AD), c.80m southeast of the proposal, where archaeological features, deposits and artefacts, specifically pottery and waste indicative of iron-smithing activity, have been evidenced. There is the possibility for artefacts related to this activity to remain underground at the proposal site. Further information regarding the archaeology in the area can be found online at [HeritageGateway - Home *](#)

Archaeological remains may be damaged by any necessary ground disturbance, therefore you are requested to inform Berkshire Archaeology as soon as possible if any artefacts are discovered. Details of archaeological finds will be added to our Historic Environment Record (HER), an online database of local archaeological sites, finds, and historic buildings within our area, which includes Bracknell Forest, Reading, Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead, and Wokingham.

It is helpful if you can email us of details of the context of the find, along with a photograph of the artefact, including something in the shot to help give an idea of scale.

Our contact details are included above.

Many thanks

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