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Dear Rachael,

Thank you for your consultation on the above planning application.

The proposal will impact a site on the Derbyshire Historic Environment Record (HER 14239), relating to the site of Bridge Mill, an early 19th century cotton mill on the River Etherow.

Following demolition of the mill buildings, probably during the 1980s, the site appears to have been used for landfill, and this has resulted in a considerable raising of ground level across the site, with between 6 and 8 metres of made ground reported in boreholes from the area of the former mill buildings. Of course, some of this material is likely to represent ground level raising in preparation for, and during the lifetime of, the mill complex. However, the majority of the made ground appears to result from use of the site for landfill in the modern period.

Any surviving archaeological remains of the mill complex are therefore likely to be buried at considerable depth below the present ground surface, and are unlikely to be impacted on by the current proposals. I therefore recommend that there is no need to place an archaeological requirement on the applicant.

Regards

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