Dear Ms. Willmott,

IPING AND TROTTON COMMON, STEDHAM, WEST SUSSEX GU31 5ER

Case Ref. PA00402675

Please find attached a response from Historic England regarding fencing proposals at Iping Common.

Yours Sincerely

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Dear Ms Willmott

Pre-application Advice

IPING AND TROTTON COMMON, STEDHAM, WEST SUSSEX GU31 5ER

Thank you for contacting us on 23 October 2015 seeking our pre-application advice on proposals for the above site. We do not wish to comment in detail, but offer the following general observations.

Advice

Historic England do not object to the enclosure of Iping Common, as it is our view that the proposals do not have any significant impact on designated heritage assets. We note that fencing passes relatively close to scheduled monuments on the east and west perimeters of the common, and acknowledge this does introduce manmade structures within the wider setting of the monuments, but think it unlikely that the fencing will have a significant negative impact. We also think that the introduction of grazing on the common will improve vegetation control, both on, and in the area surrounding, the monuments.

We note however, the presence of undesignated heritage assets on Iping Common, and the potential for the discovery of previously unidentified sites. We therefore recommend that a program of enhanced desk based assessment, survey, recording and mitigation (as required) is undertaken prior to enclosure, and that such a program of work is devised in conjunction with the County Archaeological Officer. This will ensure the preservation and enhancement of heritage assets on the common.

You do not need to consult us again on these proposals at pre-application stage unless, as the scheme develops, there are material changes to the proposals which would have an impact on the historic environment.

It may be appropriate to seek the advice of the local planning authority and/or the relevant amenity societies on your proposals.
If you have questions regarding any of the above, please do contact me.

Yours sincerely

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