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AWHd – Fieldwork Change Control Form A for Archaeological Monitoring at Three Bears Cottage, Grim's Ditch, South Heath Cutting, Buckinghamshire FCCFAo33

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Historic Environment Design Change Control Acceptance Sheet (Control Form A)						
Change type: New investigation area (specification C or C1)	New Investigation Area -Spec C 009812	1 Appendix 4 in 1EW03-FUS-EV-REP-C000-				
Change type: Preservation-in situ/restore specification that applies (A,B,B1,D)	Does not apply					
Unique FCCF Form A Reference (AXXX)	FCCFA033; 1EW03-FUS-EV-REP-C000-009812					
Principal Contractor	EKFB					
Sector/DES Element	C2aS, South Heath Cutting					
Chainage start	Approx 49300					
Chainage Finish	Approx 49325					
Description	Area of archaeological monitoring for the fence post installation at Three Bears Cottage					
Site Code: TBC						
Site Name/AWH ID:	Three Bears Cottage					
Historic Environment Investigation Type:	Archaeological Monitoring					
Subcontractor:	INFRA					
LSWSI Doc. No.:	TBC					
Designer: Joe Groarke, Fusion	EWC	Date: 14/07/2021				
Short description of proposed change:						

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Fusion are required to fence adjacent to the landowners existing fence which is not a suitable boundary for site works. This encroaches in to the Grim's Ditch Scheduled Monument protection zone, but is located to the south of a currently existing trackway. The intrusion consists of one gate within the Scheduled Zone, and one fence post within the 5m buffer zone.

Site Background

The location of the proposed fence is immediately adjacent to and within the boundary of the Grim's Ditch Scheduled Monument protection area. Grim's Ditch dates to the Iron Age and forms an Iron Age monumental boundary ditch system. The 350m long section of Grim's Ditch extending north-east from Cottage Farm survives well as a visible earthwork along most of its length and provides an insight into the nature of early territorial and division in the Chiltern Hills.

Justification

In order to secure the trackway, there is a gate required, with a gate post located on the north side of the trackway. Under the Fusion land access agreements, we are required to provide an access route for the landowner, and a gate is the only way to secure the boundary, while still providing the access route which is required under the license.

Because of the above, it is not possible to relocate the fencing, so new fencing will need to be installed within the Grim's Ditch Scheduled Monument protection zone. Care has been taken to minimise the impact where possible, with the fence being installed by hand to a depth of 600mm. The diameter of the holes will only be sufficient to accommodate the fence posts – approximately 20cm or less. Due to the area being within the scheduled monument zone, it was agreed with stakeholders and HS2 that archaeological monitoring would provide an appropriate response.

Scope of the works

Archaeological monitoring of the excavation of 21no. fence posts measuring c.20cm in diameter by 60cm in depth.

Archaeology works specification: Spec C1

Stratigraphic sampling: N/A

Finds retrieval: As outlined in the Project Plan for Archaeological Recording at Grim's Ditch (Doc No. 1EW03-FUS-EV-REP-CS03_CL05-009409)

Environmental/archaeological science sampling: N/A

PC measures for preservation in-situ: N/A

PC excavation works conditions:

Reporting: Reporting requirements and archiving are set out in the Route Wide CIR/AM Project Plan (Doc. No. 1EW03-FUS-EV-C000-009812

HERDS Objectives

KC13: What was the date of the establishment of Grim's Ditch? What impact did it have on the landscape following its construction?

PC restoration works conditions: N/A, fence will be in situ

Attendances

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Attendances requested from the PC: (Plant, equipment and materials): - Parking and welfare accommodation

Attendances to be provided by the subcontractor: (Plant, equipment and materials)- Staff resources and hand tool equipment.

Subcontractor's resource plan: [for example, (Staff numbers, and time profile) 1 person, approx. two days monitoring

PC Programme of the works: EKFB due to commence site works mid July 2021 for two days

Recording time post soil strip allowance: It is estimated that the monitoring and recording activity by the subcontractor shall be completed during the two days.

Reporting requirements: Reporting and archiving requirements are set out in detail in Section 6 of the Route-

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Drawings: See Appendix 1

Wide CIR PP (Doc. No 1EW03-FUS-EV-REP-C000-009812)

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Appendix 1 -Site location (Map also used in DRN 1EW03-FUS-EV-NTE-CS03_CL05-000029)

