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To whom it may concern:

Thank you for consulting Historic England on the submission version of the Cowfold Neighbourhood Plan. Having raised our concerns at the previous regulation 16 consultation I shall not repeat them but refer the examiner to our submitted comments.

I am happy to confirm our support for the amendments proposed in the December 2020 documents, and in particular Background Paper 3. We feel these amendments are necessary to ensure the plan meets the basic requirements and confirm that they would address our concerns with regard to the plan's potential impacts for heritage assets, the need for appropriate assessment and, where necessary, mitigation of potential for harm. We are pleased to see the support that Horsham District Council (with the Services of the South Downs National Park Authority) have given the Parish Council in compiling the updated evidence to support the plan, including the revisions to the Strategic Environmental Assessment. With their proposed amendments, without prejudice to comments we may wish to make about individual planning applications, we would be pleased to support the plan.

We hope these comments are of assistance to the examiner but would be pleased to answer any queries that may arise from them.

Yours faithfully

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