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Specialist & Independent Advisors to the Property Industry

Tipping Street

Client

Stoford Developments

Location

Stafford

Services Provided

Archaeology

Date of Completion

Spring 2010

Key Issues

Archaeologically sensitive area within the centre of Saxon pottery production

Significant impact from construction of new County Hall



CgMs were involved with the scheme at a pre-planning stage and prepared a desk-based assessment that showed significant potential for archaeological remains within the site. CgMs were then commissioned to manage the archaeological fieldwork before and during construction.

CgMs entered into negotiations with the local authority to define the scale and scope of the archaeological fieldwork. A deposit model was prepared and a mitigation strategy was implemented. Under CgMs' management, the open area excavations were successfully completed on schedule and within budget. An archaeological watching brief continued during the construction phase.

A public open day was held to show the excellent survival of Saxon pottery manufacture; a Bellarmine Jug or 'witch bottle' caught the public imagination.

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