



**Ref: 24/P1324 – Southside House, Nos. 3-4, Woodhayes Road, Wimbledon  
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The London and Middlesex Archaeological Society (LAMAS) promotes London's archaeology, local history, and historic buildings. The LAMAS Historic Buildings and Conservation Committee reviews planning applications relating to important historic buildings and seeks to ensure a sustainable future for vital aspects of London's built heritage.

The Committee reviewed the application documents for the above development within a Conservation Area and wishes to make the following comments:

In view of the chequered history of the building we would be pleased to see it restored. The considerable excavation in the rear garden should, however, proceed with extreme caution. All previous strata will be removed. The building dates from the 1750s and the site lies within an Archaeological Priority Area of the borough, that of Wimbledon Common. There should be the normal procedure for development within a Priority Area: a desk-top assessment and if necessary, an on-site evaluation, by a professional archaeological contractor.

We therefore suggest that an archaeological study of the site should be undertaken before work proceeds.

24 July 2024