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Your ref: AMH/90130
Our ref: SMC-EDB-002
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Dear Madam

**ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979
THE SCHEDULED MONUMENT CONSENT (NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS)
DIRECTION 2015
EXCAVATION AND REMOVAL OF THE EDINBURGH RUNESTONE WITHIN PRINCES
STREET GARDENS, EDINBURGH**

I refer to your letter of 6 December 2017 with which a copy of the scheduled monument consent application relating to the above development was notified to Scottish Ministers in accordance with the above mentioned Direction.

It is not Scottish Ministers' intention to intervene in this application by either issuing a direction restricting the granting of scheduled monument consent or by calling in the application for their own determination. Accordingly you, as determining authority are hereby authorised to deal with the application in the manner it thinks fit.

A copy of Planning and Architecture Division's assessment report into this application will shortly be available on our website at <https://beta.gov.scot/publications/planning-decisions-index/>

Yours faithfully

ALEX KERR