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Your ref: 300044777
Our ref: SMC-ORK-004
14 September 2020

Dear Madam

**ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979
THE SCHEDULED MONUMENT CONSENT (NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS)
DIRECTION 2015**

**EXCAVATION OF THREE SMALL EVALUATION TRENCHES WITHIN AREA OF
CLOUSTON'S 1920's EXCAVATION TO CHARACTERISE AND DATE THE SITE AT THE
WIRK, TOWER AND HALL, WESTNESS, ROUSAY**

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 14 September 2020, relating to the above development, notified to the Scottish Ministers in accordance with the Schedule of the above Direction.

The period within which the Scottish Ministers may require you to refer the application to them for decision is 28 days from 14 September 2020, provided that the period may be extended before it expires if necessary to allow the Scottish Ministers to complete their consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully

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