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Statement on Cerney Mammoths

There has been recent press speculation relating to the company's decision to end its working relationship with DigVentures at our Cerney Wick quarry near Swindon.

This has led to several unsubstantiated and incorrect claims regarding the next phase of archaeological activity at the site relating to the mammoth finds in 2017 that are unhelpful to the future of the project.

As a family-owned business we are extremely proud of our long association of supporting archaeological investigations and academic research linked to discoveries at our sites. This is something to which Hills Quarry Products remain committed and we will continue working with the country's leading professional and academic research organisations to help better understand and secure items of archaeological and palaeontological interest including the Cerney Mammoths for the nation.

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Notes to editors:

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