Online Comment

Application	H01-0392-20
Location	Land adjacent: Fairview Farm 19 Mill Drove South Cowbit PE12 6FS
Proposal	Erection of 6 single storey dwellings - re-submission of H01-1210-19

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This office has been consulted on previous proposals for this site and would like to reiterate our earlier advice.

Cowbit has produced evidence for extensive Iron Age and Roman settlement, focused to the east of the medieval village core. Archaeological fieldwork in advance of the construction of the A16 bypass revealed evidence of Roman settlement and salt working site near the junction with Moulton Chapel Road just east of the proposed development.

The field south of Croft House Nurseries has recently been subject to archaeological evaluation associated with an application for residential development (H01-0035-17), which revealed that Roman settlement also extended into this area. It is therefore likely that similar remains could also exist on this site which would be destroyed during groundworks.

Therefore, it is recommended that the developer should be required to commission an Archaeological Scheme of Works (on the lines of 4.8.1 in the Lincolnshire Archaeological Handbook). This should be secured by South Holland District Council's standard conditions AR01, 02 and 03.

"They [The local planning authority] should.... require developers to record and advance understanding of the significance of any heritage assets to be lost (wholly or in part), in a manner proportionate to their importance and the impact, and to make this evidence (and any archive generated) publically accessible", National Planning Policy Framework section 16, paragraph 199.

Initially I envisage that this would involve the monitoring of all groundwork's, with the ability to stop and fully record archaeological features.