Online Comment

Application	H04-0384-23
Location	Adj 33 Church Street Donington Spalding
Proposal	Proposed Bungalow

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For/Against	Comments

The proposed development is located close to Donington's medieval parish church on the historic main road from Boston, so it is quite possible that this site was developed in the medieval or earlier Saxon period, evidence of which may survive here. The early development of Donington is not fully understood, but as shown by settlements such as nearby Quadring, it is common for there to be a movement away from an early centre around the church because of the pull of other factors, in this case potentially the focus trade around the Market Place at the junction of routes between Boston, Spalding and Grantham.

Recent archaeological work on the site of the new Co-op further along Church Street has revealed evidence for medieval settlement from the 10th to 15th century in plots arranged along the east side of the street. There is potential for similar remains to survive on this site as well, which could be impacted by development.

Therefore given this it is recommended that the developer should be required to commission a Scheme of Archaeological 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, para 205.

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