

Online Comment

Application H05-0905-19
Location Land off: Hall Gate Church End Fleet PE12 8NQ
Proposal Proposed 2 houses and garages

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For/Against Comments

The proposed development is within the historic centre of the medieval settlement of Fleet. The origins of this settlement was in the Anglo-Saxon period, with the village recorded in the Domesday Book of 1086. The site is a short distance from the 12th century church of St Mary Magdalene, in an area where previous settlement and activity is to be expected, and close to the location of archaeological remains discovered during work carried out in association with previous developments. It is likely that similar archaeological remains may survive on this site, which could be destroyed during 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. This should ensure that any remains are recorded prior to their destruction.

"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 monitoring of all groundwork's, with the ability to stop and fully record archaeological features.