

Online Comment

Application H06-0471-17
Location Land off Main Street Gedney Dyke Spalding PE12 0AJ
Proposal Residential development with farm shop and general stores

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For/Against Comments

This site is recorded as being part of an industrial medieval landscape containing extensive remains relating to saltmaking and in some areas the saltern mounds, which is the waste material from salt making, are still visible. There will be salterns which take the form of hearths, filtration beds, brine collection vats and other associated works located in this area. However we have no site specific information regarding their presence on this site. Medieval salterns. Particularly those with surviving earthworks are rare and more information is needed before we can assess the significance of this site.

Insufficient information is available at present with which to make any reliable observation regarding the impact of this development upon any archaeological remains. I recommend that further information is required from the applicant in the form of an archaeological evaluation to be considered alongside the application. This evaluation should provide the local planning authority with sufficient information to enable it to make a reasoned decision on this planning application. This evaluation should take the form of trial trenching.

'Where a site on which development is proposed includes or has the potential to include heritage assets with archaeological interest, local planning authorities should require developers to submit an appropriate desk-based assessment and, where necessary, a field evaluation. National Planning Policy Framework Section 12, para 128.

Please ask the developer to contact this office and we will prepare a brief for the works.