

Online Comment

Application H08-0203-23
Location MANOR HOUSE 10 WESTHORPE ROAD GOSBERTON PE11 4EW
Proposal Extension and internal alterations including installation of solar panels

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The proposed development is located on the site of the medieval manor house of Double Dyke, which was one of the two manors in Gosberton, along with Monk's Hall. The manor house is thought to have originally been moated, with the location of the moat having been recorded 1976 as a cropmark visible on aerial photographs to the south of the current buildings. This is an indication that the medieval predecessor of the current manor house may have been part of a larger and high status manorial complex. The proposed development therefore has the potential to disturb any buried remains associated with the medieval manor house.

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, paragraph 205.

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