Online Comment

Application	H08-0743-23
Location	Land west of Spalding Road Gosberton Spalding
Proposal	Residential Development for up to 4 dwellings

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For/Against	Comments

The Site lies on the outskirts of Gosberton on the main thoroughfare. Historic mapping shows development within the site in the later 19th century. To the south is recorded the moated site at Halstead, a medieval site believed to be the home of the Laundes family who owned land in this area. The field to the north, which includes the Site, has produced several pieces of medieval and early post-medieval metalwork, which may be associated with the presumed site of the moat, or indicate wider medieval activity on the edge of Gosberton. There is also evidence for Roman activity in the vicinity in the form of pottery finds.
This indicates that the site could be of some archaeological potential but at present there is insufficient information to establish the nature and significance of any archaeological remains and thereby determine the most appropriate archaeological response.
NPPF 2021, paragraph 194 states: '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.'
I recommend, therefore, that the applicant is required to provide the results of an archaeological evaluation in order to provide sufficient information for the Local Planning Authority to determine the application and to establish if any form of archaeological mitigation is appropriate. For the sake of clarity, this work should be carried out prior to determination.
The evaluation should take the form of trial trenching and this section should be contacted to establish the scope of this work.