Online Comment

Application	H09-1057-22
Location	Fleet Street Holbeach Spalding
Proposal	Demolition of existing buildings and construction of foodstore (Use Class E) together with car parking, landscaping, and associated works

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For/Against	Comments

The proposed development is situated within the area of the historic settlement of Holbeach. The site had already been developed by the time of the production of the first detailed maps of Holbeach during the mid 19th century. These show that a series of probable industrial buildings appeared to have stood on the site as well as several historic drainage channels to take away water from the site towards the fens to the south of the town. There is thus potential for as yet unrecorded archaeological remains to survive here, which would be impacted by the proposed development.

At present there is insufficient information available with which to make a reasoned decision on the archaeological impacts of the proposed development. Therefore, it is recommended that the developer is required to provide additional site-specific information in the form of an archaeological evaluation to be considered alongside this application. This evaluation should provide the local planning authority with sufficient information to enable it to make a reasoned decision on the archaeological impacts of this planning application. The evaluation should consist of trial trench excavation.

"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 16, paragraph 194.