

Online Comment

Application H09-1115-22
Location Land Off Fen Road Holbeach Spalding
Proposal Details of archaeological investigation (Condition 10 of H09-0784-21)

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For/Against Comments

This report on the trial trench evaluation (carried out post-determination) has successfully demonstrated that archaeological remains of early medieval date survive within the northern part of the development and will be impacted by development.

It is therefore recommended that the developer be required to commission a programme of archaeological mitigation as an addendum to the approved written scheme of archaeological investigation.

This should require a programme of archaeological topsoil strip, map and sample excavation to be carried out prior to development covering the area of plots 10, 11, 12, and 13 (on plan 127-SL-01 Rev G 'Site Plan - Amendment 4') where the evaluation has found that the early medieval remains appear to be concentrated. This would enable these archaeological remains to be 'preserved by record' in accordance with the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework's paragraph 205:

"Local planning authorities 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) publicly accessible. However, the ability to record evidence of our past should not be a factor in deciding whether such loss should be permitted."

It is not recommended that Condition 10 be discharged at this time until all archaeological works have been completed.