Online Comment

Application	H14-0659-20
Location	131 SPALDING ROAD PINCHBECK SPALDING PE11 3UE
Proposal	Two storey extension, alterations and external works

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For/Against	Comments

The proposed development is situated directly adjacent to the site of ongoing archaeological excavations ahead of the Spalding Western Relief Road. These have revealed an extensive area parallel to the west of Spalding Road on the former fen edge, with a focus of multi-phased Roman and early medieval salt working, industrial activity and settlement evidence. There is thus a high potential for these remains to continue northwards into the area of the proposed development.

The proposed extensions will include groundworks over a sizeable area wrapping around the existing building, and we therefore recommend that they should be subject to archaeological monitoring and recording so that any remains disturbed can be recorded prior to their destruction.

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 199.

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