Online Comment

Application	H14-0713-23
Location	47 Church Street Pinchbeck Spalding PE11 3UB
Proposal	Proposed ground based solar field

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The Site lies close to the medieval Church of St Mary and as such lies close to what would have been the medieval core of Pinchbeck. However, little is known of the extents of the medieval settlement, or the preceding Saxon occupation, as testified by its inclusion in Domesday Book, at which time consisted of 57 households and was among the largest 20% of settlements in the country. As has been demonstrated by previous archaeological work in the parish, medieval activity is widespread and not just limited to the village core. The site is undeveloped pasture and as such could contain well-preserved archaeological remains of the medieval village. This section has previously recommended field evaluation for applications for housing development on this site. Given the scale of the works involved with this application, I recommend that the developer be required to undertake a Scheme of Archaeological Works (on the lines of 4.8.1 in the Lincolnshire Archaeological Handbook). This should be secured using South Holland District Council's standard conditions AR1, AR2 and AR3.
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I envisage that this would involve the monitoring of all groundwork's, with the ability to stop and fully record archaeological features. This work should be undertaken by a qualified archaeological contractor to a specification submitted to and approved by the local authority. A suitable report should be prepared for submission to the local authority, the Historic Environment Record and a suitable receiving museum.