

Online Comment

Application H17-0021-24
Location 10 Gosberton Road Surfleet Spalding PE11 4AB
Proposal Residential Development of up to 4 dwellings

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For/Against Comments

I wish to raise no objections to this proposal from a Heritage Conservation perspective. The proposal site is not within a Conservation Area and whilst the Grade I listed St Laurence Church and Grade II Listed village war memorial and Mermaid Inn are all within visual range, it is not felt that a residential development of this type would have a material impact upon the character or appreciation of those assets.

It is recognised that, because this proposal is outline at this stage, the indicative elevation provided is purely indicative and not necessarily representative of that which shall be proposed at the Reserved Matters stage. Moreover, the site as extant does not represent a positive force upon the appreciation of the local historic environment. However, the proposal is situated in the very centre of the historic village of Surfleet, positioned in close proximity to numerous late C18th and C19th properties, several of which could be considered Non-Designated Heritage Assets. As such, I would suggest that the applicant be made aware that the indicative elevations provided appear too plain and lacking in sympathy with neighbouring development. Regardless of the lack of a conservation area, the reserved matters should be seen as an opportunity to improve the qualities of the village, and therefore a high quality of design will be an expectation of the final proposal, in order to satisfy Policies 2 (paras 2 & 9), 3 (para 1) and 19 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan (2019).