

Online Comment

Application H22-0747-18
Location Land South: 247 Broadgate Weston Hills Spalding PE12 6DQ
Proposal Proposed residential development and associated works

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For/Against Comments

The present village of Weston Hills is situated in a landscape that was exploited throughout the Iron Age and Roman periods, with scattered settlement in the form of clusters of round houses known on the north, west and south of the site. The proposed development is situated opposite a field that has produced cropmarks indicating the presence below ground of evidence for prehistoric or Roman settlement, including ditches, enclosures and hut circles that may extend into the area of the proposed development.

Therefore it is recommended that the developer should be required to commission a Scheme of Archaeological Works (on the lines of 4.8.1 in the Lincolnshire Archaeological Handbook). This should be secured by South Holland District Council's standard conditions AR01, 02 and 03.

"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) publically accessible." National Planning Policy Framework (revised July 2018), section 16, paragraph 199.

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