Online Comment

Application	H23-0047-18
Location	Homeland Eaugate Road Whaplode Drove PE12 0SP
Proposal	Erection of dwelling and outbuildings (re-submission of H23-0747-17)

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The proposed development is encircled by extensive cropmarks indicating the presence of prehistoric and Roman activity. Less than 500m to the west is the Cate's Cove Corner Roman settlement that is protected as a Scheduled Monument. Roman artefacts and activity has also been recorded during a watching brief at Aswick Grange 250m to the East. This farm originated as the moated centre of a monastic estate, which was founded in the 1230s by Crowland Abbey.

There is thus a high potential that prehistoric, Roman, and medieval remains to be destroyed during the proposed development. For this reason I would like to reiterate the advice provided by this office on a previous application for this site (H23-0985-13), that the developer should be required to commission an Archaeological Scheme of Works (on the lines of 4.8.1 in the Lincolnshire Archaeological Handbook (2016)). 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 12, para 141.

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