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Dear John

Planning Application No: 18/01533/OUT Field OS 3254 Blacksmith End Stathern, Residential Development for 45 no. houses.

Archaeological considerations

Thank you for your consultation on this application. We recommend that you advise the applicant of the following archaeological requirements.

The site has been subject to an archaeological desk based assessment and geophysical survey although these do not appear to have been submitted as part of the application. These have indicated that there is a potential for archaeological remains to be encountered in the form of extant ridge and furrow on site.

In accordance with National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), Section 16, paragraph 190, assessment of the submitted development details and particular archaeological interest of the site, has indicated that the proposals are likely to have a detrimental impact upon any heritage assets present. NPPF paragraph 199, states that developers are required 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 of development, and to make this evidence (and any archive generated) publicly accessible.

In that context it is recommended that the current application is approved subject to conditions for an appropriate programme of archaeological mitigation, including as necessary intrusive and non-intrusive investigation and recording (earthwork survey of the ridge and furrow and trial trenching). The Historic & Natural Environment Team (HNET) will provide a formal Brief for the work at the applicant's request.

If planning permission is granted the applicant must obtain a suitable written scheme of Investigation (WSI) for both phases of archaeological investigation from an organisation acceptable to the planning authority. The WSI must be submitted to the planning authority and HNET, as archaeological advisors to your authority, for approval before the start of development. They should comply with the above mentioned Brief, with this Department's Guidelines and Procedures for Archaeological Work in Leicestershire and Rutland and with the relevant Chartered Institute for Archaeologists Standards and Code of Practice . It should include a suitable indication of arrangements for the implementation of the archaeological work, and the proposed timetable for the development.

We therefore recommend that any planning permission be granted subject to the following planning conditions (informed by paragraph 37 of Historic England's Managing Significance in Decision-Taking in the Historic Environment GPA 2), to safeguard any important archaeological remains potentially present:

1) Prior to the submission of any reserved matters application a written scheme of investigation (WSI) will be submitted to and approved by the local planning authority in writing. It will define a programme of trial trenching assessment of the application area. This work will be undertaken in full and its results used to inform the preparation of a suitable Archaeological Mitigation Strategy (AMS) for the development area, to be submitted with any future reserved matter scheme.

Reason: To identify and to secure the appropriate level of work that is necessary to record the significance of any heritage asset(s) that will be harmed by the proposals

2) No demolition/development shall take place/commence until the Archaeological Mitigation Strategy (AMS) has been [submitted to and] approved by the local planning authority in writing. For land that is included within the AMS, no demolition/development shall take place other than in accordance with the provisions of the agreed AMS, which shall include the statement of significance and research objectives, and

The programme and methodology of site investigation and recording and the nomination of a competent person(s) or organisation to undertake the agreed works

The programme for post-investigation assessment and subsequent analysis, publication & dissemination and deposition of resulting material. This part of the condition shall not be discharged until these elements have been fulfilled in accordance with the programme set out in the AMS.

The Historic and Natural Environment Team, as advisors to the planning authority, will monitor the archaeological work, to ensure that the necessary programme of archaeological work is undertaken to the satisfaction of the planning authority.

Please will you ensure a copy of the Decision Notice is sent to us in due course, to enable us to continue to monitor and safeguard the archaeology of this site. Should you or the applicant have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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