

**Application no: 22/01488/OUT**

**Location:** OS Parcel 5616 South West Of Huscote Farm And East Of, Daventry Road, Banbury OX17 2BH

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## **Archaeology**

### **Recommendation:**

The site is in an area of archaeological potential, as defined in the submitted Desk Based Assessment, with the site immediately to the west recording Romano British remains during an archaeological evaluation. The proposal site should be subject to an archaeological evaluation prior to the determination of any planning application.

### **Key issues:**

### **Legal agreement required to secure:**

### **Conditions:**

In accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF 2021) paragraph 189, we would therefore recommend that, prior to the determination of this application the applicant should therefore be responsible for the implementation of an archaeological field evaluation.

This must be carried out by a professionally qualified archaeological organisation and should aim to define the character and extent of the archaeological remains within the application area, and thus indicate the weight which should be attached to their preservation. This information can be used for identifying potential options for minimising or avoiding damage to the archaeology and on this basis, an informed and reasonable decision can be taken.

### **Informatives:**

### **Detailed comments:**

The site is located in an area of archaeological interest and potential, with an archaeological evaluation immediately to the west of the proposed site recording features dating to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Centuries AD ([EOX6926](#)), and a watching brief [1km](#) south west of the site found the remains of Saxon boundary ditches ([EOX2099](#)). In the vicinity, Neolithic pits and a large Neolithic linear feature recorded [1.5km](#) to the north west of the site, along with a Roman settlement. A Bronze Age enclosure has also been excavated [1km](#) northwest of the site and Bronze Age settlement evidence has been recorded [900m](#) west of the proposed site. Iron Age settlement has also been recorded west of this proposal in the same area. A large enclosure has been identified from aerial photographs [1.2km](#) north west of the proposed site which is thought to be of later prehistoric date, based on its form ([MOX4535](#)).

The proposed site itself contains relatively well preserved ridge and furrow which form part of a larger system of medieval and post medieval field systems crossing the county boundary into [Northamptonshire](#). [700m](#) to the south of the proposed development is the site of [Nethercote Deserted Medieval Village](#) ([MOX26804](#)). The extant ridge and furrow contribute to the setting of [Nethercote DMV](#) and suggest what the landscape could have looked like before the village was deserted.

An archaeological desk-based assessment has been submitted along with the application which highlights the archaeological features recorded in the surrounding area, as was recommended in the Pre-app advice.

The archaeological potential of the site will need to be investigated through fieldwork prior to the determination of this application, with the first phase of work comprising a geophysical survey.

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