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From: Andrew Lines <Andrew.Lines@sheffield.gov.uk>
Sent: 17 June 2024 15:25
To: Bennett , Laura (SPATIAL PLANNING PROJECT MANAGER)
Subject: RE: Planning App 2024/0122 - Major Residential Development - Land north of Hemingfield Road, Hemingfield, Barnsley

Hi Laura,

Apologies for not responding sooner. I have now had time to review the desk-based assessment submitted with the application. The report identifies evidence held by the South Yorkshire HER regarding archaeological activity in the vicinity of the site. This includes the results of previous archaeological investigation off School Street, Hemingfield which recorded a series of pits, gullies and a ditch. Although undated, the features were similar to others of Iron Age/Romano-British date in the area. Other investigations nearby at Roebuck Hill, Jump and during the construction of the Dearne Valley Parkway have also recorded evidence for prehistoric and Romano-British settlement as well as post-medieval industrial activity. To the north of the site, prehistoric earthworks, some of which are designated heritage assets, are recorded within Wombell Wood. Mesolithic, Neolithic and Iron Age remains were also recorded ahead of open cast works to the west of Wombwell Wood. The possibility that the site may contain features related to early mining activity can not be discounted.

This evidence establishes a pattern of occupation and settlement within this area over several millennia and the potential for currently unrecorded heritage assets with archaeological interest to exist within the application area cannot, therefore, be excluded on the basis of current information. The lack of knowledge regarding specific archaeological features within the proposed application area is due to a lack of investigation within that proposed area rather than any actual absence. In addition, the generally undeveloped nature of the site could facilitate the survival of important archaeological remains. Given this, a field evaluation is necessary to provide relevant information on the significance of any heritage assets that may be present. In the first instance, this should comprise a geophysical survey and the results should be submitted as supporting information to help determine the application. A programme of trial trenching will be required to test the survey results but the timing of that phase of investigation will be dependant upon the survey results.

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Hi Andy

DESCRIPTION: Outline planning application for demolition of existing structures and erection of residential dwellings with associated infrastructure and open space. All matters reserved apart from access into the site

LOCATION: Land north of Hemingfield Road, Hemingfield, Barnsley

<https://planningexplorer.barnsley.gov.uk/Home/ApplicationDetails?planningApplicationNumber=2024%2F0122>

I hope you are well. I wondered if you had any comments for the above application? The agent has queried if any further archaeological assessment is considered to be required at this stage. Please can you confirm?

Many thanks

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