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To: Planning Application Comments
Subject: Comments for Planning Application 24/01142/FUL

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 21/01/2025 11:10 AM from Battlefields Trust Trust.

Application Summary

Address:	Oldlands Fenn Lanes Dadlington Nuneaton Leicestershire CV13 6DS
Proposal:	Erection of agricultural building
Case Officer:	Grant Perks

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Customer Details

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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Other
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	BATTLEFIELDS TRUST RESPONSE Planning ref: 24/01142/FUL Thank you for giving the Battlefields Trust the opportunity to comment on this application. The proposed development at Oldlands, Fenn Lane site lies within the site of the Battle of Bosworth (Field) 1485 which is included in Historic England's Register of Historic Battlefields and, as such, is a designated heritage asset. The proposed sheep barn would be positioned to the north-west of the existing group of buildings at Oldlands and, therefore, closer to Fenn Lanes than the refused scheme for an indoor menage building (ref. 20/01003/FUL). The current application includes a Landscape

and Visual Appraisal report (PDP Associates) which considers a number of viewpoints to the south of the application site and along Fenn Lanes. Viewpoints V6, V7 and V8 are roughly in similar positions to viewpoints V3 and V4 that are shown in the Landscape and Visual Appraisal report (2013). The photographs contained within the Landscape and Visual Appraisal report suggest that there would be negligible impacts on viewpoints V3 and V4 identified in the Bosworth Battlefield Conservation Management Plan when the vegetation is in full leaf but there is the potential for glimpsed views in the winter months, as stated in the report.

The Landscape and Visual Appraisal report also considers viewpoints to the west of the application site and along Fenn Lanes. The photographs included in the report suggest that the proposed sheep barn would potentially be visible in views along Fenn Lanes, although the report only considers that the proposed barn would only be visible to a degree in viewpoint 1 (footpath to the west of the site and on the northern side of Fenn Lanes). Due to the scale and position of the proposed barn there would be potential impacts on views from within the Registered Battlefield. In particular from the footpath to the west and along Fenn Lanes and potentially during the winter months from viewpoint V4 of the Bosworth Battlefield Conservation Management Plan. The proposed development would represent further change to the landscape from its state at the time of the battle and would detract from its open, rural character and appearance. Consequently, it is likely to cause less than substantial harm and it is for you as the planning authority to determine whether the harm caused is outweighed by the public benefits from the proposed scheme as required by paragraph 215 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

The construction of the sheep barn would potentially have an impact on archaeological evidence relating to the battle that may survive within the site. The Appeal Decision for the refused and dismissed scheme states that archaeological matters could be resolved by condition. Should permission be granted the Battlefields Trust strongly recommends that an archaeological condition is attached to consent. The Battlefields Trust would be happy to advise further on this.

Kind regards