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From: Richard Wright
Sent: 11 February 2008 17:24
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Subject: Planning Application 07/01477/COU

Dear Mr Barker,

I have received a telephone call from Natural England today regarding the above application. They are concerned that the bat survey was carried out some time ago and are likely to recommend that a further survey is carried out PRIOR to a decision being made on the current application (and NOT as a condition on any planning permission). Obviously the clock is ticking in respect of the target date therefore I thought it worth highlighting now.

regards

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Dear Mr Wright,

Planning Application No: 07/01477/COU: Conversion of farm buildings to B1 and B8 use; Groby Lodge Farm, Markfield Road, Groby.

Archaeological considerations

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

Some of the buildings that will be affected by these proposals appear to be shown on the Ordnance Surveyor's Drawings of the early 19th Century. Traditional farm buildings such as these are a rapidly diminishing resource. As such, we recommend that a programme of building recording is carried out prior to works taking place.

This will require provision by the applicant for:

1. A level of building recording, not to exceed a Level 2 Historic Building Survey, as specified by English Heritage.

The Archaeology Section, in conjunction with the Conservation Officer (Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council) will provide a formal Brief for the building recording at the applicant's request. The applicant shall, if planning permission is granted, obtain a suitable written Specification and costing for the historic building recording from an appropriately qualified organisation (e.g. an historic buildings specialist) acceptable to the planning authority. This should be submitted to this Archaeology Section, as archaeological advisors to your authority, for approval before the start of development.

The Specification should comply with the above mentioned Brief, with this Department's "Guidelines and Procedures for Archaeological Work in Leicestershire and Rutland" and with relevant Institute of Field Archaeologists "Standards" and "Code of Practice". It should include a suitable indication of arrangements for the implementation of the historic building recording, and the proposed timetable for the development.

We therefore recommend that any planning permission be granted subject to the following planning condition:

1. No development shall take place until the applicant, or their agents or successors in title, has secured the implementation of a programme of historic building recording. This work shall be conducted in accordance with a written scheme of investigation, which has been submitted and approved in writing by the planning authority.

Reason: To ensure satisfactory historic building recording.

The "Programme of Work" referred to in the recommended condition will in this case be historic building recording during development, in accordance with the Specification to be agreed.

The Historic and Natural Environment Team, as advisors to the planning authority, will monitor the archaeological work, to ensure that the necessary programme of historic building recording 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,

Lucy Griffin (Assistant Planning Archaeologist)

c.c. David Granger Architectural Design Ltd

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From: Lucy Griffin [LGriffin@leics.gov.uk]
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Dear Richard,
Please find an advice letter for the above application attached.
Kind regards

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