

Joint Letter from: Easton, Marlingford & Colton Parish Councils

Mr Rooke
Broadland District Council
Planning Department
Thorpe Lodge,
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31 August 2018

Dear Mr. Rooke,

Planning Application ref 20181336 – Attenuation Lagoon, Land West of Blind Lane, Honingham

Further to our letter 24 August 2018 concerning the above, we note a previous application ref 20151436 for this site.

The screening report prepared by Brown & Co included a section on Heritage and Archaeology which concluded “*Due to the presence of potential archaeological features, a comprehensive archaeological assessment will be undertaken to include a desktop assessment, geophysical survey and investigative trenching, subject to the results of the geophysical survey*”.

We replicate the specific references in the report:

A search of the Historic England Heritage Gateway returned an EH Pastscape record of possible Ring Ditches (ref: 131754).

Further investigation of the Norfolk HER Explorer shows further information highlighting two areas of possible archaeological interest:

NHER Number	Summary	Description
12809	Possible Bronze Age ring ditches	The cropmarks, soilmarks and slight earthworks of a Bronze Age round barrow cemetery, containing at least four barrows, are visible on aerial photographs to the north of Grange Lane, Honingham. Another ring ditch (NHER 12808) located approximately 700m to the northeast is likely to represent an outlier to the cemetery.

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NHER Number	Summary	Description
53682	Cropmarks of undated ditches and former field boundaries	The cropmarks of undated ditches and former field boundaries are visible to the west of Red Barn, Honingham. The site consists of a series of fragmentary ditches, which are likely to represent former field boundaries or unknown date. Finds of prehistoric, Saxon and medieval date have been found within the general vicinity of the cropmarks (NHER 20008, 20010).



We are concerned that there is no reference to these aspects in the current application, also submitted by Brown & Co.

We trust you will take these concerns in to consideration and request that the landowner conducts all the necessary archaeological assessments, surveys and investigations that are necessary to preserve our historic past.

We look forward to your conformation that this work will be undertaken before this application is considered and the findings form part of the consultation process.

Yours sincerely



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