

**<<Northamptonshire County Council County Archaeologist**

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Thank you for your consultation regarding the implications of development within this area with regard to the historic environment. I have looked at the documents in connection with the application on your web site. The proposed development is adjacent to Cottingham Hall a Grade II\* listed building, the conservation area and the Church of St Mary Magdalene Grade I. Our records show that the southern part of the proposed development area has been quarried however archaeological activity has been identified to the north and west of the study area. In light of the above I am surprised that the application currently does not contain any reference to archaeology or cultural heritage. The NPPF Section 12 Conserving and Enhancing the Historic Environment covers all the relevant requirements especially paragraphs 128-132. I would advise that the applicant consults the document and provides the information as clearly detailed within the guidance. In the first instance this will be in the form of an Archaeological Desk based assessment and a Heritage Statement. These documents will provide a way forward with regard to an appropriate assessment of the impact of the development on the historic environment as a whole. This will allow an informed decision to be made by the LPA with regard to the impact on the Historic Environment. >>