



## CLASP

### Community Landscape & Archaeology Survey Project

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Your Reference: 07/0161/OUTWND

Dear Ms Owens

### Proposed Development at Monksmoor Farm, Daventry.

### Response to Regulation 19 Additional Information

### Archaeological Implications

We have now had opportunity to consider the subject response and respond accordingly. It is noted that whilst discussions, both written and apparently oral, between the developers agents and Messrs Entec, your consultants, are referred to, no mention is made to the paper submitted by this organisation, CLASP, in the Regulation 19 response. This paper was dated the 12<sup>th</sup> December 2007 and submitted to you, we did have subsequent discussions with Messrs Entec on the issues.

CLASP takes the view that the effects of this and other developments in the area must be looked at holistically. This is important, as relevant work has recently been undertaken by CLASP at the nearby Romano-British town of Bannaventa and elsewhere in the area. This, together with data obtained by archaeological surveys undertaken by various developers in the locality is enhancing the view that there was significant change to the local economy and possibly social structure across this area in the late 3<sup>rd</sup> Century. This change led to an apparent total reconfiguration and nature of Bannaventa town.

We therefore take the view that any means possible to inform the research into this apparent social upheaval should be undertaken, including attempting to locate settlements and detailed studies of field systems.

Additionally in our original paper we made the suggestion that an attempt should be made to conserve at least one of the possible Bronze Age hut circles by way of excavation and careful preservation. This could be left as an open feature to

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enable the local community to relate to its past and also for educational purposes for local schools etc. This is not envisaged as being high cost but could be of considerable community benefit.

We note the developer's proposals that a condition regarding negotiated mitigation be included on Outline Planning Permission if granted. We would welcome this as a sensible way forward but would urge that CLASP, a responsible body, in addition to the County Archaeologist, is included in these negotiations. This would therefore ensure that the view of the community in archaeological issues was heard. CLASP is a registered charity and full details of some of our activities can be seen on our website [www.claspweb.org.uk](http://www.claspweb.org.uk)

Yours sincerely,

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