Heritage

Background and survey work

We have undertaken site visits and deskbased assessments to identify and understand the heritage assets in the area. We have also discussed our approach with the County Archaeologist for Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire.

Results so far

The initial review has shown the site contains a number of scheduled monuments including:

- A Roman Vexillation Fortress, two Roman Marching Camps, and a Royal Observer Corps monitoring post located within land south of the A57 and east of the River Trent; and
- Whimpton Moor medieval village and moated site which straddles the A57 to the west of the River Trent.
- Other heritage assets include the South Clifton Conservation Area, which contains several listed buildings.
- There are several other listed buildings in the local area including the Church of St Gregory in Fledborough, the Church of St George in North Clifton and the Church of St Leonard in Ragnall.
- There are also several locally identified assets (non-designated) such as Fledborough Viaduct.

Next steps

The early baseline work has started to inform the potential locations for solar development. We are going to carry out further assessment work including consideration of the settings and key views to and from these assets. The results of this will inform our design. For example, where we incorporate setbacks from heritage assets.

To understand the potential for buried archaeology, we will be undertaking a geophysical survey of the entire site, which will identify if there are any significant buried remains. The results will inform whether or not we need to avoid or protect any remains.

