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Dear Planning inspectorate,

I write in response to NG's "EN020027-003527-7.5 Outline Archaeological Mitigation Strategy and Outline Written Scheme of Investigation Revision B Clean Version" document.

While nobody wants pylons, I am pleased to see that pylon numbers 48 and 47 have been moved to avoid our Roman dig site (black hatched area), though I suspect this a commercial, not altruistic decision!

However, they don't show whether the cable pulling station that was planned to sit on it has been moved or not as it is not shown on their latest plan. I would like to see this made available.

In their document they claim to have completed geophysical surveys over and around our dig site, I would like to know when this was done as we work on the site three days a week, all year round and saw nobody, they also say that "nothing of note" was found, our own geophysical surveys can thoroughly contradict that.

I would very much like to see copies of their geophysical surveys.

Anyway, they have not surveyed the entire area they claim. See attached plan for reference.

The green hatched area is where they say has been surveyed and it covers about two of the three acres of our fenced dig site, this would be impossible to survey as it is full of trenches, pits and spoil heaps, not to mention mostly covered in deep vegetation. I speak as someone that has done a great deal of geophysical work.

They also show that about four acres of Woodland has been surveyed, around pylon 46 (also black hatched), to the north east of our dig. It would be impossible to survey the dense scrub and woodland that exists there.

Now that pylons 47 & 48 have been moved, this allows pylon 46 to be moved across Fossetts lane, thus avoiding the destruction of the woodland.

Having looked at all the plans in their document that shows all the pylons, various stations and multiple underground works, I cannot believe that NG's current plan is more practical, less disruptive, less destructive and cheaper than the offshore option.

Regards Mike Hamilton-Macy.

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