

## **Stratford-on-Avon District Council – Site Allocations Plan**

### **Heritage Impact Assessment**

SHLAA Reference	LOX.05
Site Address	North of Stratford Road (west), Loxley
Site Capacity	Approx. 6 dwellings

### **Site Description**

The site is located to the north west of the village of Loxley. It is located to the west of existing housing development on Stratford Road. It consists of a grassed field, flat in topography and surrounded by mature hedgerows and vegetation to its boundaries.



**Assessment criteria:**

The site was granted full planning permission for 4 No. dwellings in March 2020 (Ref. No. 19/03293/FUL). There are no designated or non-designated heritage assets within, or near to the site. Assessment of its impact on heritage assets is therefore not necessary.

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### Heritage Impact Assessment

SHLAA Reference	LOX.09
Site Address	North of Goldicote Road (south), Loxley
Site Capacity	Approx. 15 dwellings

### Site Description

The site is located to the north of Goldicote Road, to the southern extent of the village of Loxley. The site is rectangular in shape, and is surrounded by mature trees and hedgerows. It is flat in topography. The site is situated adjacent to a public playing field/area of open space to the east, and is next to a dwelling to the west. The site is not located within or in proximity to any designated heritage assets.



**Assessment criteria:****Heritage Asset 1:**

Name of Heritage Asset affected by allocated site	MWA19585 - Surviving ridge and furrow (Medieval to Industrial - 1066 AD to 1913 AD)
Type of heritage asset/Listed Grade/Significance Value	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-designated heritage asset</li> <li>• No listed status</li> </ul>
Contributing elements to significance of the heritage asset	<p>The proposed site is located within an identified area of ridge and furrow, which is a non-designated heritage asset. The site is also located in an area identified as having an aerial photograph associated with it. Surviving ridge and furrow is identified within the monument layer of the Historic Environment Records, where it is described as “Six fields of ridge and furrow. Identified from NMP data and modern air photos”.</p> <p>There are some evident undulations and dips on the site, and vertical lines visible on satellite images, corresponding with those shown on GIS – although they appear to be broken and not of terribly high quality. The site is grassed over and it is possible that further traces of ridge and furrow are evident beneath the grass. However, any remaining ridge and furrow appears to be of poor quality.</p>
Assessment of impact of development on significance of the asset	Development would lead to the loss of any remaining ridge and furrow, although only minimal evidence of ridge and furrow was evident during the site visit or on satellite photos. It is therefore likely that the ridge and furrow has either been lost, or what is remaining is minimal and/or of poor quality.
Potential mitigation measures for identified harm	There are no mitigation measures as the recorded ridge and furrow region covers the entire proposed site, any development would result in the loss of the asset.
Conclusion of harm on the heritage asset	<p>Development of this site would lead to the loss of any remaining ridge and furrow on site. However, little evidence of ridge and furrow was evident during the site visit or on satellite photos. It is therefore likely that the ridge and furrow has either been lost, or what is remaining is minimal and/or of poor quality. The level of harm is therefore concluded to be less than substantial.</p> <p><b>Conclusion on harm of heritage asset: Less than substantial harm.</b></p>

**Heritage Asset 2:**

Name of Heritage Asset affected by allocated site	Drem Mark II Aviation Ground Lighting for Wellesbourne Mountford Airfield
Type of heritage asset/Listed Grade/Significance Value	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-Designated Heritage Asset.</li> <li>• No listed status.</li> </ul>
Contributing elements to significance of the heritage asset	A system of ground lighting was installed in 1942 to assist approaching aircraft to land at night or in bad weather. Fifty, or so, pole mounted lights were installed in a great circle about three and three quarter miles in diameter. On the runway approach the circle was modified so as to lead aircraft to the runway. The development of airfield ground lighting was covered in a Symposium held by The Institution of Civil Engineers on the subject of War Time engineering problems held in 1948, as confirmed in the HER.
Assessment of impact of development on significance of the asset	Development could lead to loss of archaeological remains of undetermined significance.
Potential mitigation measures for identified harm	<p>Desk based assessment and potential further archaeological evaluation should be undertaken prior to any development, in line with Chapter 16 of NPPF (February 2019).</p> <p>These additional assessments would need to be undertaken as part of any planning application for the development of the site.</p>
Conclusion of harm on the heritage asset	<p>Development of this site could lead to the loss of archaeological remains of undetermined significance.</p> <p>However, further archaeological evaluation work associated with a planning application for development of the site could lead to a better understanding of the historic environment.</p> <p><b>Conclusion on harm of heritage asset: Less than substantial harm.</b></p>

**Overall Conclusion of Level of Harm**

Based on the assessment of the non-designated heritage assets affecting this particular site, it is concluded that development would cause less than substantial harm to the identified ridge and furrow and other non-designated heritage assets on the site.