ANNEX H: LIST OF NON DESIGNATED HERITAGE ASSETS FOR DRAYTON PARISH

[This list will be updated from time to time as and when further non-designated historic assets come to light.]

Proposals for development that affect non-designated historic assets will be considered taking account of the scale of any harm or loss and the significance of the heritage asset as set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF 2012)

The entire area east of the village contains a dense spread of archaeological features dating from the Neolithic period to the medieval period. These include settlements, funerary and ritual monuments and form part of a well preserved historic landscape. This landscape should be seen as being both of national and local regional importance. Drayton is keen to both preserve and protect this fragile and irreplaceable resource.

Important Sites include:

1. Site North of Barrow Road

There is a tumulus mapped in the north-west corner of the site, though the Oxfordshire County Council's Archaeologist considers this unlikely to be prehistoric. However there is evidence from aerial photographs of Roman style ploughing, which suggests that this may have been the site of a Romano-British farmstead. Whilst this is not a scheduled monument, it does have the same legal protections under the NPPF. A full archaeological survey should therefore be conducted prior to development of any part of the site.

2. Area East of the Village, across Oday Hill to Gilbourns Farm

The County Archaeologist writes: "The area to the east of the village, extending across to Oday Hill contains a spread of cropmarks that include a probable Neolithic long barrow and other prehistoric features. This includes also a substantial feature adjacent to Gilbourns Farm. Cropmarks are visible, often from the air as marks in some types of growing or mature crops and in pasture when conditions are suitable. They are essentially the result of differential growth in vegetation due to the presence of archaeological features and outlines of them are visible within the crop"

3. Brooks Farm

The County Archaeologist writes: "The Brooks Farm Scheduled Ancient Monument also includes the Drayton Cursus a Neolithic ritual monument, a number of Bronze Age funerary monuments and the Anglo Saxon Palace"

4. Brooks Farm to South Drayton

The County Archaeologist writes: "The area between the latter and the southern part of the village also includes a number of other cropmarks including funerary monuments, enclosures and settlement evidence"