

**Land South of 64 Angel Street,
Hadleigh, Suffolk**

Planning application: B/11/01623/FUL

HER Ref: HAD 133

Archaeological Monitoring Report

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Site details for HER

Name: Land south of 64 Angel Street, Hadleigh, Suffolk, IP7 5EY

Client: Mr & Mrs M Chisnall

Local planning authority: Babergh DC

Planning application ref: B/11/01623/FUL

Development: Erection of detached dwelling

Date of fieldwork: 3 & 4 July, 2012

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Conservation area

Grid ref: TM 0284 4276

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Summary: Hadleigh, land to rear of 64 Angel Street (HAD 133, TM 0284 4276) monitoring of ground works for a new detached dwelling recorded a series of early to mid 20th century pits and a small number of 18th/19th stray finds in the upcast spoil (John Newman Archaeological Services for Mr & Mrs M Chisnall).

1. Introduction & background

1.1 Wincer Kievenaar Architects on behalf of their clients, Mr & Mrs M Chisnall, commissioned John Newman Archaeological Services (JNAS) to undertake the archaeological monitoring of ground works required under a condition for a programme of archaeological works of the planning decision notice for application B/11/01623/FUL. The monitoring requirements were set out in a Brief and Specification set by Mr K Wade of the Suffolk CC Archaeological Service to satisfy this condition (Appendix II). This development concerns the erection of a new detached dwelling on land to the rear of 64 Angel Street, and off Inkerman Terrace, Hadleigh (see Fig. 1).

1.2 Hadleigh is a small market town, the market being established by 1252, in south Suffolk to the west of Ipswich that had been established by the mid to late Saxon period at least and which flourished as a local centre through the medieval period. The town is focused on the area around the parish church and the main historic street lines, High Street, Angel Street and George Street; to the south of the River Brett, the regular rectilinear pattern of these main streets perhaps being indicative of an original grid plan to the town. A smaller medieval/Post medieval suburb also lies to the north of the river with Bridge Street forming the link between the High Street and this suburb. This development site is c25m south of the frontage onto Angel Street and is c400m north-east of the parish church at 38m OD in an area of well drained sands and gravels. While No 64 is not a listed structure No 66 is listed and described as being of '17th century date with alterations.' Other listed buildings of 17th century date are also recorded nearby and the parish tithe map of 1839 shows the relevant area as being open paddock or orchard (see Fig. 2). Immediately prior to ground works starting the site was detached from the remainder of the garden to the rear of 64 Angel Street.

2. Monitoring methodology

2.1 Two visits were made to the site to monitor the excavation of the footing trenches which was undertaken using a 700mm toothed bucket on the back-arm of a medium sized tracked machine under dry and sunny conditions. As work progressed the upcast spoil was removed from the site due to the confined nature of the site so could only be inspected as it was placed in the dumper truck. The excavated footing trenches were entered as the ground works continued so the base and sides could be examined and trowelled clean where required to improve visibility. Finally the location of the new dwelling footprint was recorded in relation to the existing adjacent boundaries and a small number of digital images were taken to record the monitoring (see Appendix I).

3. Results

3.1 The footprint area for the new dwelling covers c74m² (see Fig. 2) and in total 48m of 700mm wide and 900mm to 1100mm deep footing trench were examined and this revealed 450mm of topsoil over 350mm of a pale to mid brown silty sand subsoil with occasional flints. The local, naturally occurring glaciofluvial deposits at the site being a silty orange sand containing small and medium sized flints at a depth of 750mm.

3.2 The subsoil deposit contained occasional small fragments of Post medieval brick and peg tile while the only features revealed by the trenching were four pits of recent date cut from the base of the topsoil at the northern end of the footprint area (see Fig. 2 & Appendix I). The pits were all c1.0m deep and varied in diameter between 1.40m and 2.0m and all of them contained large quantities of early/mid 20th century debris including scrap iron and building materials.

5. Conclusion

5.1 While the site of this new dwelling lies within the area of archaeological interest within the medieval town these ground works revealed little evidence for past activity of any intensity save some pits of recent date. As noted in section 1.2 above the main streets in Hadeigh have a rectilinear pattern suggesting an original grid plan of probable medieval date. However the area delimited by Angel St, High Street and George Street is clearly large and the paucity of evidence for medieval or earlier Post medieval activity within much of this area points to the plan having been over-ambitious with extensive development away from street frontage areas only coming in the post 1800 period.

5.2 In conclusion it is clear that this new dwelling development has not impinged on any deposits of archaeological significance.

(Acknowledgements: JNAS is grateful to Stephen Chisnall for his close cooperation with regard to this site monitoring)

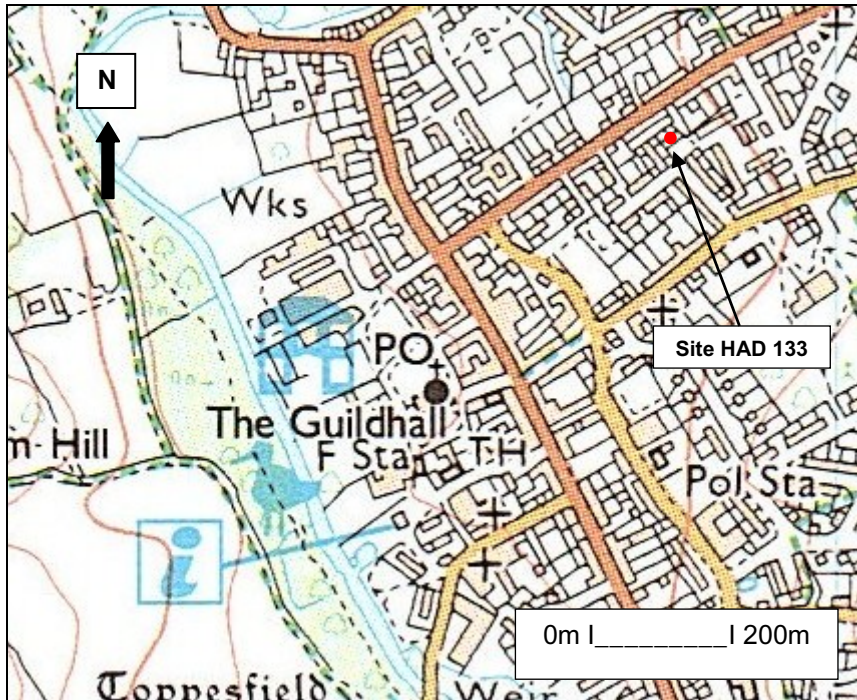


Fig. 1: Site location (Ordnance Survey © Crown copyright 2008
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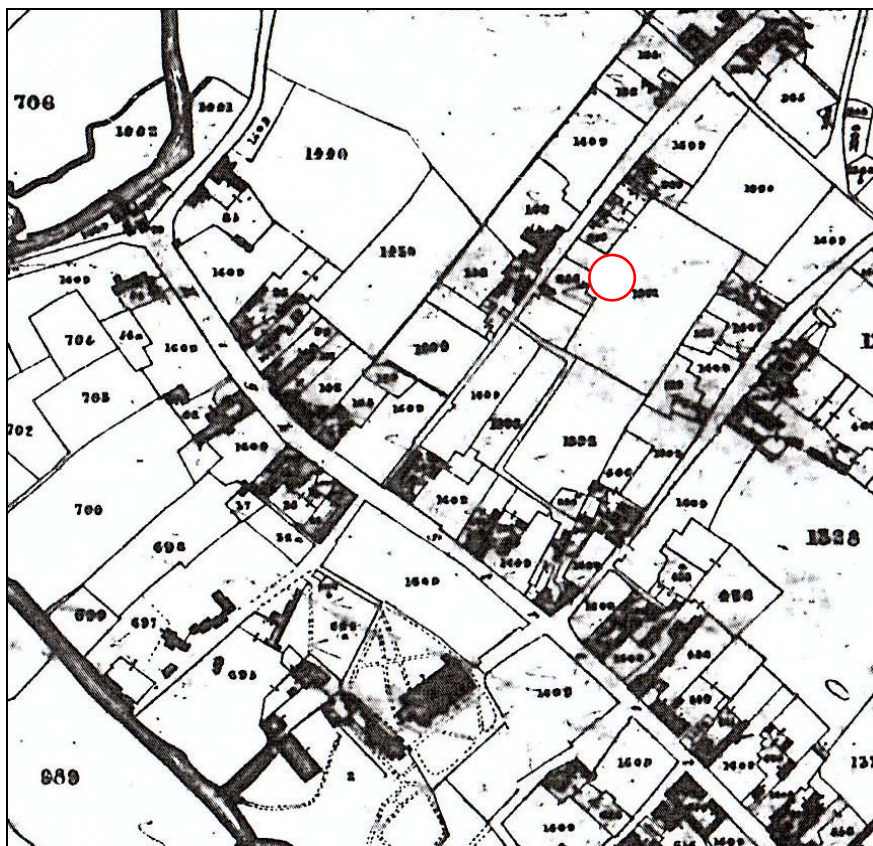


Fig. 2: Extract from Hadleigh tithe map of 1839- with area of site ringed
(north to top right, Suffolk RO ref: T127/A2)

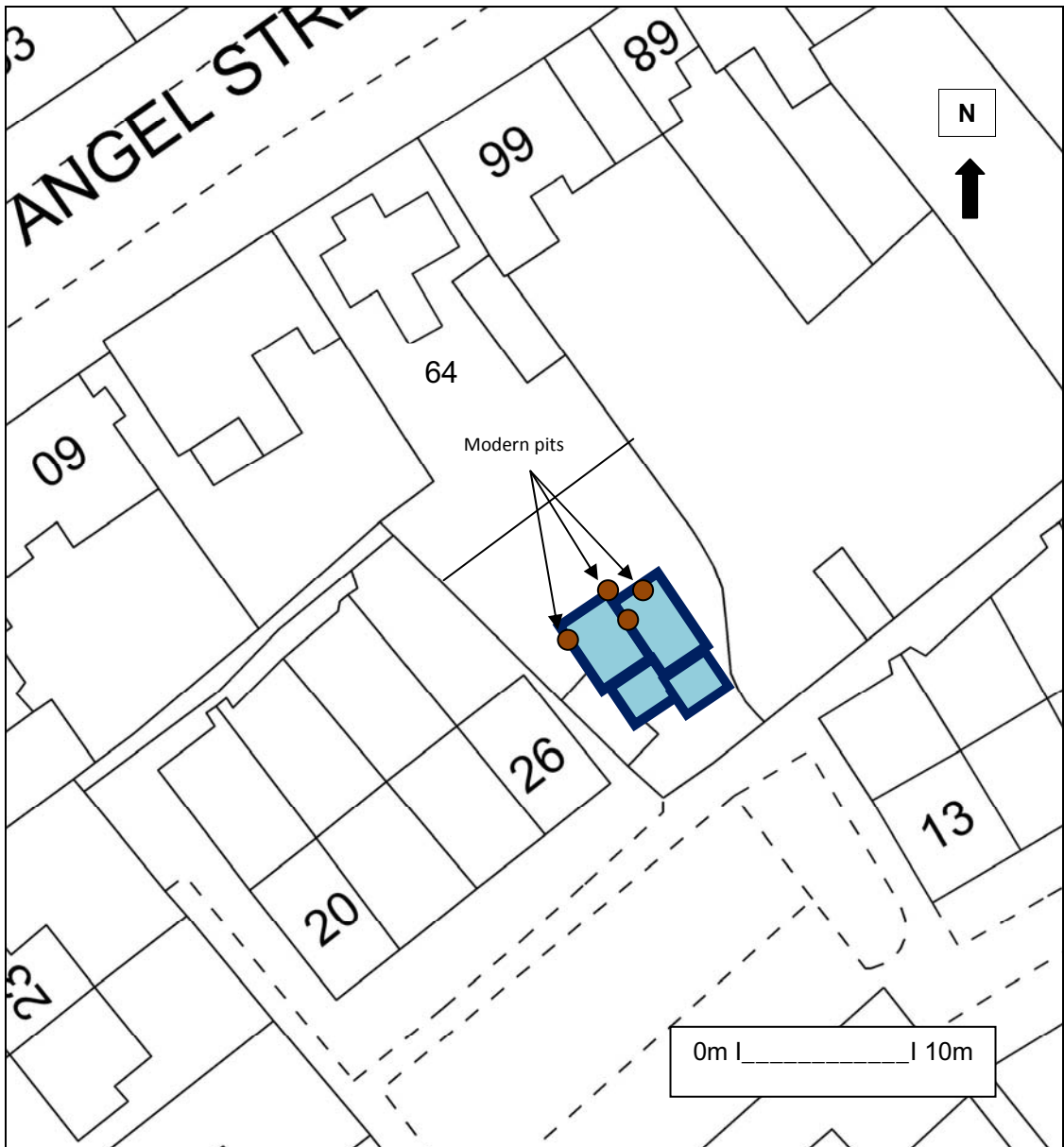


Fig. 3: Monitored footprint area- foundation trenches dark blue
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Appendix I- Images



General view from south (64 Angel Street in background)



General view from north



Deposit profile- western footing trench



Modern pit in northern footing trench

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ARCHAEOLOGICAL SERVICE - CONSERVATION TEAM

Brief and Specification for Archaeological Monitoring

Land South of 64 Angel Street, Hadleigh

1. Background

- 1.1 Planning permission to erect a detached dwelling on land south of 64 Angel Street, Hadleigh has been granted conditional upon an acceptable programme of archaeological work being carried out (B/11/01623/FUL). Assessment of the available archaeological evidence and the proposed foundation methods indicates that the area affected by new building can be adequately recorded by archaeological monitoring.
- 1.2 The proposal lies within the Area of Archaeological Importance defined for the town of Hadleigh in the Babergh Local Plan and will involve significant ground disturbance.
- 1.3 As strip foundations are proposed there will only be limited damage to any archaeological deposits, which can be recorded by a trained archaeologist during excavation of the trenches by the building contractor.

2. Brief for Archaeological Monitoring

- 2.1 To provide a record of archaeological deposits which would be damaged or removed by any development [including services and landscaping] permitted by the current planning consent.
- 2.2 The main academic objective will centre upon the potential of this development to produce evidence for the medieval occupation of the site.
- 2.3 The significant archaeologically damaging activity in this proposal is the excavation of building footing and service trenches. These, and the up-cast soil, are to be observed during and after they have been excavated by the building contractor.

3. Arrangements for Monitoring

- 3.1 The developer or his archaeologist will give the County Archaeologist (Keith Wade, Archaeological Service, Shire Hall, Bury St Edmunds IP33 1RX. Telephone: 01284 741230; Fax: 01284 741257) 48 hours notice of the commencement of site works.

- 3.2 To carry out the monitoring work the developer will appoint an archaeologist (the observing archaeologist) who must submit a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI), based on the outline works in paragraph 2.3 of the Brief and Specification and the building contractor's programme of works and timetable. The WSI must be approved by the Planning Authority's archaeological adviser (the Suffolk County Council Archaeological Service).
- 3.3 Allowance must be made to cover archaeological costs incurred in monitoring the development works by the contract archaeologist.
- 3.4 If unexpected remains are encountered, the County Archaeologist should be immediately informed so that any amendments deemed necessary to this specification to ensure adequate provision for recording, can be made without delay. This could include the need for archaeological excavation of parts of the site which would otherwise be damaged or destroyed.

4. **Specification**

- 4.1 The developer shall afford access at all reasonable times to both the County Archaeologist and the 'observing archaeologist' to allow archaeological observation of building and engineering operations which disturb the ground.
- 4.2 Opportunity should be given to the 'observing archaeologist' to hand excavate any discrete archaeological features which appear during earth moving operations, retrieve finds and make measured records as necessary.
- 4.3 In the case of footing trenches unimpeded access at the rate of one and half hours per 10 metres of trench must be allowed for archaeological recording before concreting or building begin. Where archaeological detail is observed, one of the soil faces is to be trowelled clean and sections drawn at a minimum scale of 1:50.
- 4.4 All archaeological features exposed should be half sectioned and then fully excavated when possible and recorded in section and plan at a minimum scale of 1:50. Trench locations should be recorded on a plan showing the proposed layout of the development.
- 4.5 All contexts should be numbered and finds recorded by context as far as possible.
- 4.6 The data recording methods and conventions used must be consistent with, and approved by, the County Historic Environment Record.

- 4.7 Developers should be aware of the possibility of human burials being found. If this eventuality occurs they must comply with the provisions of Section 25 of the Burial Act 1857; and the archaeologist should be informed by '*Guidance for best practice for treatment of human remains excavated from Christian burial grounds in England*' (English Heritage & the Church of England 2005) which includes sensible baseline standards which are likely to apply whatever the location, age or denomination of a burial.

5. Reporting Requirements

- 5.1 **Reporting should be commensurate with results.**
If significant archaeological features or finds are found:
- 5.2 An archive of all records and finds is to be prepared consistent with the principles of *Management of Archaeological Projects (MAP2)*, particularly Appendix 3. This must be deposited with the County Historic Environment Record within 3 months of the completion of work. It will then become publicly accessible. This should include a plan showing the proposed development with all areas observed during the monitoring clearly marked.
- 5.3 Finds must be appropriately conserved and stored in accordance with *UK Institute of Conservators Guidelines*. The finds, as an indissoluble part of the site archive, should be deposited with the County HER if the landowner can be persuaded to agree to this. If this is not possible for all or any part of the finds archive, then provision must be made for additional recording (e.g. photography, illustration, analysis) as appropriate.
- 5.4 A report, consistent with the principles of *MAP2*, particularly Appendix 4, must also be provided. The report must summarise the methodology employed, the stratigraphic sequence, and give a period by period description of the contexts recorded, and an inventory of finds. The objective account of the archaeological evidence must be clearly distinguished from its interpretation. The Report must include a discussion and an assessment of the archaeological evidence. Its conclusions must include a clear statement of the archaeological value of the results, and their significance in the context of the Regional Research Framework (*East Anglian Archaeology*, Occasional Papers 3 & 8, 1997 and 2000).
- 5.5 A summary report should be provided, in the established format for inclusion in the annual 'Archaeology in Suffolk' section of the *Proceedings of the Suffolk Institute of Archaeology* (which can be included in the project report)
- 5.6 An OASIS online record <http://ads.ahds.ac.uk/project/oasis/> must be initiated and key fields completed on Details, Location and Creators forms.

- 5.7 All parts of the OASIS online form must be completed for submission to the HER. This should include an uploaded .pdf version of the entire report (a paper copy should also be included with the archive).
- 5.8 Where appropriate, a digital vector plan showing all the areas observed should be included with the report. This must be compatible with MapInfo GIS software for integration into the County HER. AutoCAD files should be also exported and saved into a format that can be imported into MapInfo (for example, as a Drawing Interchange File or .dxf) or already transferred to .TAB files.

When no significant features or finds are found

- 5.9 A short report should be provided including the following information:
- Location (Grid Ref, Parish, Address)
 - Planning Application number
 - Date(s) of visit(s) and Methodology
 - Plan showing areas observed/proposed development (a digital vector plan as in 5.8 above when possible)
 - Depth of ground disturbance and soil profile in each area
 - Observations as to land use history (truncation etc)
 - Recorder, Organisation and date of report

Specification by: Keith Wade

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Economy, Skills and Environment Department
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Date: 20 march 2012

Reference: South of 64 Angel Street

This brief and specification remains valid for 12 months from the above date. If work is not carried out in full within that time this document will lapse; the authority should be notified and a revised brief and specification may be issued.

If the work defined by this brief forms a part of a programme of archaeological work required by a Planning Condition, the results must be considered by the Conservation Team of the Archaeological Service of Suffolk County Council, who have the responsibility for advising the appropriate Planning Authority.

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Project dates	Start: 03-07-2012 End: 04-07-2012
Previous/future work	No / No
Any associated project reference codes	HAD 133 - HER event no.
Type of project	Recording project
Site status	Conservation Area
Current Land use	Other 5 - Garden
Monument type	PIT Modern
Significant Finds	NONE None
Investigation type	""Watching Brief""
Prompt	Planning condition

Project location

Country	England
Site location	SUFFOLK BABERGH HADLEIGH Land south of 64 Angel Street
Postcode	IP7 5EY
Study area	140.00 Square metres
Site coordinates	TM 0284 4276 52 0 52 02 43 N 000 57 29 E Point
Height OD / Depth	Min: 37.00m Max: 38.00m

Project creators

Name of Organisation	John Newman Archaeological Services
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Project brief originator	Local Authority Archaeologist and/or Planning Authority/advisory body
Project design originator	John Newman
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Type of sponsor/funding body	Developer

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Digital Archive recipient	Suffolk CC Archaeological Service
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