

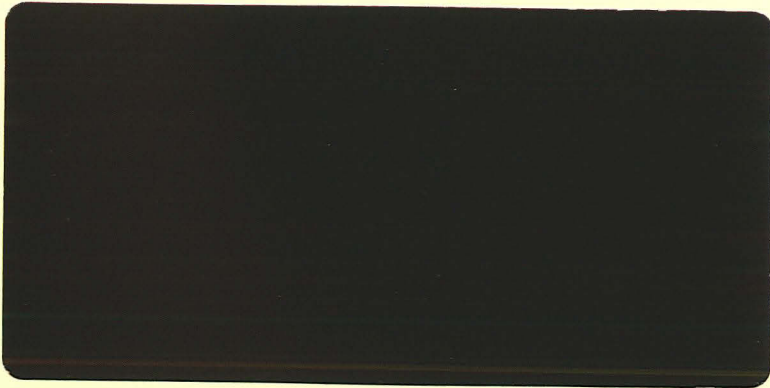
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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Archaeological Project Services was commissioned by North Kesteven District Council to assess the archaeological and historical importance of a hedgerow in Doddington, Lincolnshire (Fig. 1). This was in advance of proposed removal of these hedges by the landowner. The assessment was undertaken using the criteria established in the Hedgerow Regulations 1997 (Appendix 1). The hedgerow is centred on National Grid Reference SK921 693.

## 2. METHODOLOGY

Compilation of the archaeological and historical data relevant to the area described above involved examination of the primary and secondary sources available. These include;

- a) the County Sites and Monuments Record (SMR)
- b) historical documents, held in the Lincolnshire Archives Office (LAO)
- c) enclosure, tithe, parish and other maps and plans held in the Lincolnshire Archive Office
- d) published books and specialist reports

Information obtained from the above sources was supplemented by a site visit during which a visual assessment of the hedges was made and any archaeological data recorded.

## 3. ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SETTING

The hedgerow is situated to the west of Blackmoor Farm in Doddington and Whisby civil parish. No archaeological sites are recorded in the vicinity on the County Sites and Monuments Record or in the parish files of the Heritage Officer for North Kesteven District Council. Plots of aerial photographs undertaken by the Royal Commission for Historic Monuments of England were also examined and did not reveal any clear archaeological remains in the vicinity of the hedgerow.

A hedge, formerly located to the west of Blackmoor Farm, was the subject of a previous hedgerow investigation (Cope-Faulkner 1998).

The hedgerow is not depicted on Bower's Plan of Doddington, dating from 1811. At that time, the land around the specified hedgerow, and encircled by the strips of woodland 'Farm Belt' and 'Long Plantation', was an open, undivided area called Hastrop Moor.

The tithe map for Doddington, dating from 1849, does not depict field boundaries and, therefore, does not indicate whether the hedgerow was in existence or not at that time.

The earliest available map to record the hedgerow is the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition 25 inches to the mile Ordnance Survey map of 1906.



#### 4. SITE VISIT

A site visit was made on the 28<sup>th</sup> January 1999 with the purpose of making a visual inspection of the hedgerow and its environs to determine the presence/absence of any previously unrecorded archaeological or historical features.

The hedgerow is divided into a northern and southern portion by a gap midway along its length. The southern portion runs along a slight bank *c.* 0.2m high and *c.* 1.8m wide. There is no ditch or any other associated feature. Of the total length of the boundary, only 85% is marked by a hedge. Gaps are evident and are between 1m and 14m in length.

The northern portion is also on an elevated bank, some 0.2m above the surrounding ground level. A ditch runs along this portion of hedge to the east. Up to 25% of this boundary comprises gaps, the largest being 5m wide.

#### 5. CONCLUSIONS

Archaeological and historical investigations into the proposed hedgerow removal at Blackmoor Farm, Lincoln Road, Doddington have indicated no archaeological or historical significance associated with the hedge.

#### 6. SUMMARY

The hedgerow in Doddington relate to the five criteria listed on page 11 (Schedule 1 Part II) of the Hedgerow Regulations 1997 thus:-

1. The hedgerow -  
**does not** mark the boundary, or part of the boundary of a historic parish or township.
2. The hedgerow -  
**does not** incorporate an archaeological feature.
3. The hedgerow -  
**is not** situated wholly or partly within an archaeological site.
4. The hedgerow -  
**does not** mark the boundary of a pre-1600 estate or manor or are visibly related to such an estate or manor.
5. The hedgerow -  
**is not** part of a field system pre-dating the Enclosure Acts or is visibly related to any building or other feature associated with such a system.

#### 7. REFERENCES

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## 8. ABBREVIATIONS

APS Archaeological Project Services

LAO Lincolnshire Archive Office

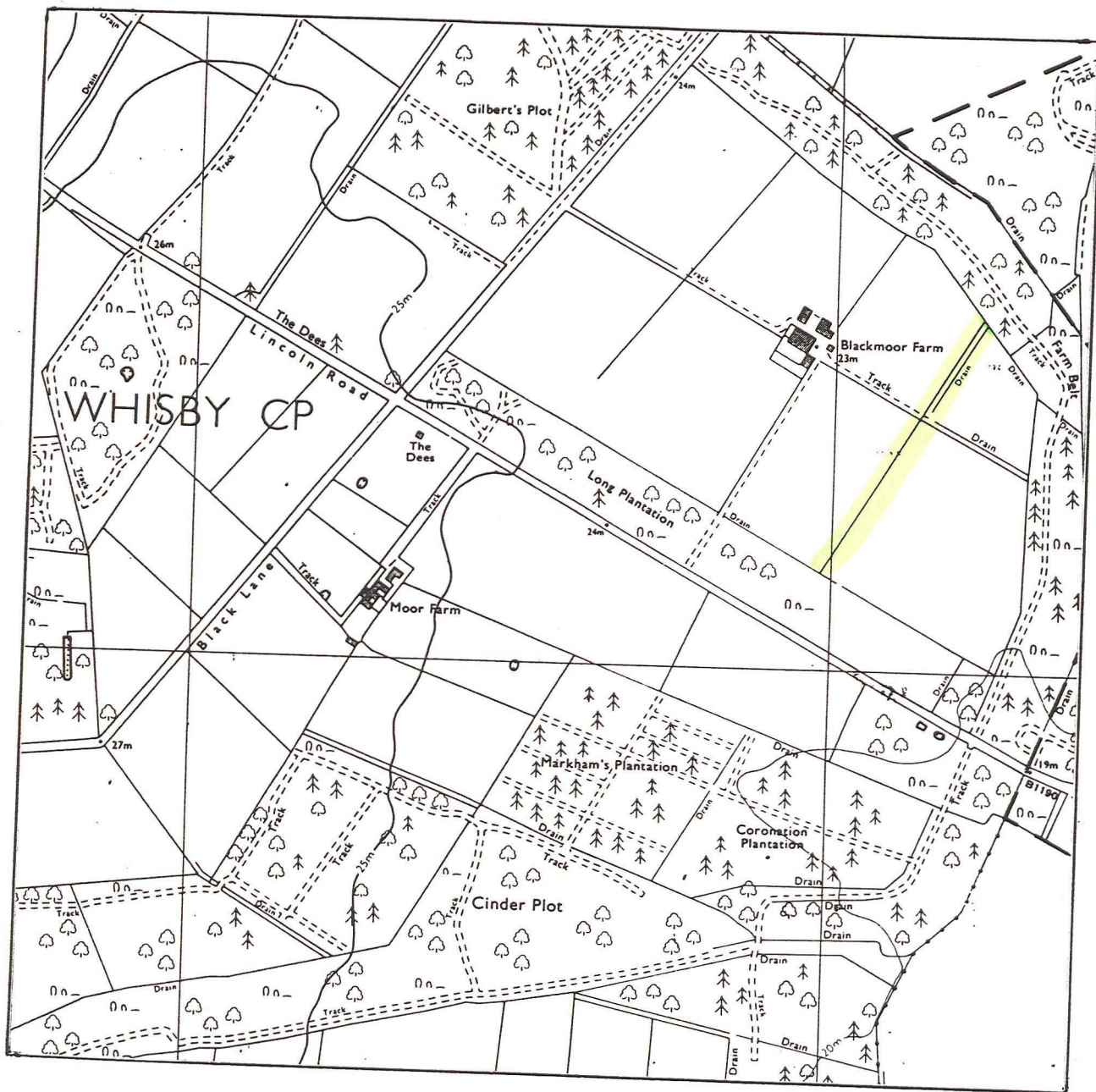


Figure 1 - Site location Plan

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## Appendix 1

### EXTRACT FROM 'ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING "IMPORTANT" HEDGEROWS, Part II Criteria

1. The hedgerow marks the boundary, or part of the boundary, of at least one historic parish or township; and for this purpose "historic" means existing before 1850.
2. The hedgerow incorporates an archaeological feature which is-
  - (a) included in the schedule of monuments compiled by the secretary of State under section 1 (schedule of monuments) of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979(g); or
  - (b) recorded at the relevant date in a Sites and Monuments Record.
3. The hedgerow-
  - (a) is situated wholly or partly within an archaeological site included or recorded as mentioned in paragraph 2 or on land adjacent to and associated with such a site; and
  - (b) is associated with any monument or feature on that site.
4. The hedgerow-
  - (a) marks the boundary of a pre-1600 AD estate or manor recorded at the relevant date in a Sites and Monuments Record or in a document held at that date at a Record Office; or
  - (b) is visibly related to any building or other feature of such an estate or manor.
5. The hedgerow-
  - (a) is recorded in a document held at the relevant date at a Record Office as an integral part of a field system pre-dating the Inclosure Acts(a); or
  - (b) is part of, or visibly related to, any building or other feature associated with such a system, and that system -
    - (i) is substantially complete; or
    - (ii) is of a pattern which is recorded in a document prepared before the relevant date by a local planning authority, within the meaning of the 1990 Act(b), for the purposes of development control within the authority's area, as a key landscape characteristic.