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Summary

An archaeological watching brief undertaken at 99 Nettleham Road, Lincoln, did not reveal any archaeological remains. Limestone bedrock was revealed immediately below the topsoil.

Introduction

Lindsey Archaeological Services (LAS) was commissioned by Campbell Construction, on behalf of Mr Adams, to undertake an archaeological watching brief while groundworks were carried out at 99 Nettleham Road in July 2000.

Site Location and Description

Nettleham Road is one of the main artery roads leading out of the north side of Lincoln (Fig. 1). 99 Nettleham Road is located on the west side of the road. The area of the extension is currently part of a garden, incorporating lawn, pathways and raised flowerbeds (Pl. 1).

Scope of Work

A conservatory was being built on the rear of the property, extending 7m away from the existing building, together with a covered way extension (Fig. 2). A watching brief was necessary to fulfil the requirements of planning permission.

Aims and Objectives

The main aims of the watching brief were to

- establish the presence or absence, quality and extent of any archaeological remains;
- gather sufficient information to assess the potential and significance of any archaeological remains present.

The close proximity of a metalled road surface and the location of the Roman aqueduct suggest that associated Roman remains may be located during the watching brief.

Archaeological Background

Remains of a Roman aqueduct were excavated in the front gardens of a number of properties along the west side of Nettleham Road. A metalled road surface with evidence of wheel ruts was revealed in excavations at the entrance to the playing fields between 91 and 95 Nettleham Road. This was located approximately 0.30m below the surface, to the west of and overlying the aqueduct.

Method

The foundation trenches were dug by hand under archaeological supervision to a depth of 0.70m (Pl. 2).

A full written (single context) and photographic record of the site was made. A plan of the trenches was drawn at a scale of 1:50. All deposits were allocated context numbers for recording purposes (Appendix 1). These are referred to in the following text and illustrations.

The work was carried out in accordance with the general requirements set out in the *Lincolnshire Archaeological Handbook* published by the Archaeology Section, Lincolnshire County Council (1998).

Results

The topsoil consisted of a grey-brown silty loam containing frequent limestone fragments and a small quantity of post-medieval pottery and tile (100). This measured approximately 0.30m in depth and its removal revealed limestone brash (101), which was visible to the base of the foundation trenches (Pl. 3). No archaeological features were located within the trenches.

Discussion

Despite the close proximity of the remains of the Roman aqueduct and the road surface, no traces of archaeological deposits were revealed during the watching brief. Prior to the excavation of the foundation trenches it was thought that, due to the location and orientation of the ancient road, it might continue in the rear garden of 99 Nettleham Road. Traces of the road have been discovered in gardens on either side of this property (no 95 and 101). The absence of remains suggests therefore that the ground in the garden has been heavily truncated, or possibly levelled during the construction of the house, destroying any previously surviving deposits.

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Context Summary - 99 Nettleham Road, Lincoln (LNRA00)

Context Number	Context Type	Relationship	Description	Interpretation
100	Layer	Above 101	Grey-brown silty loam	Topsoil
101	Layer	Below 100	Limestone	Bedrock

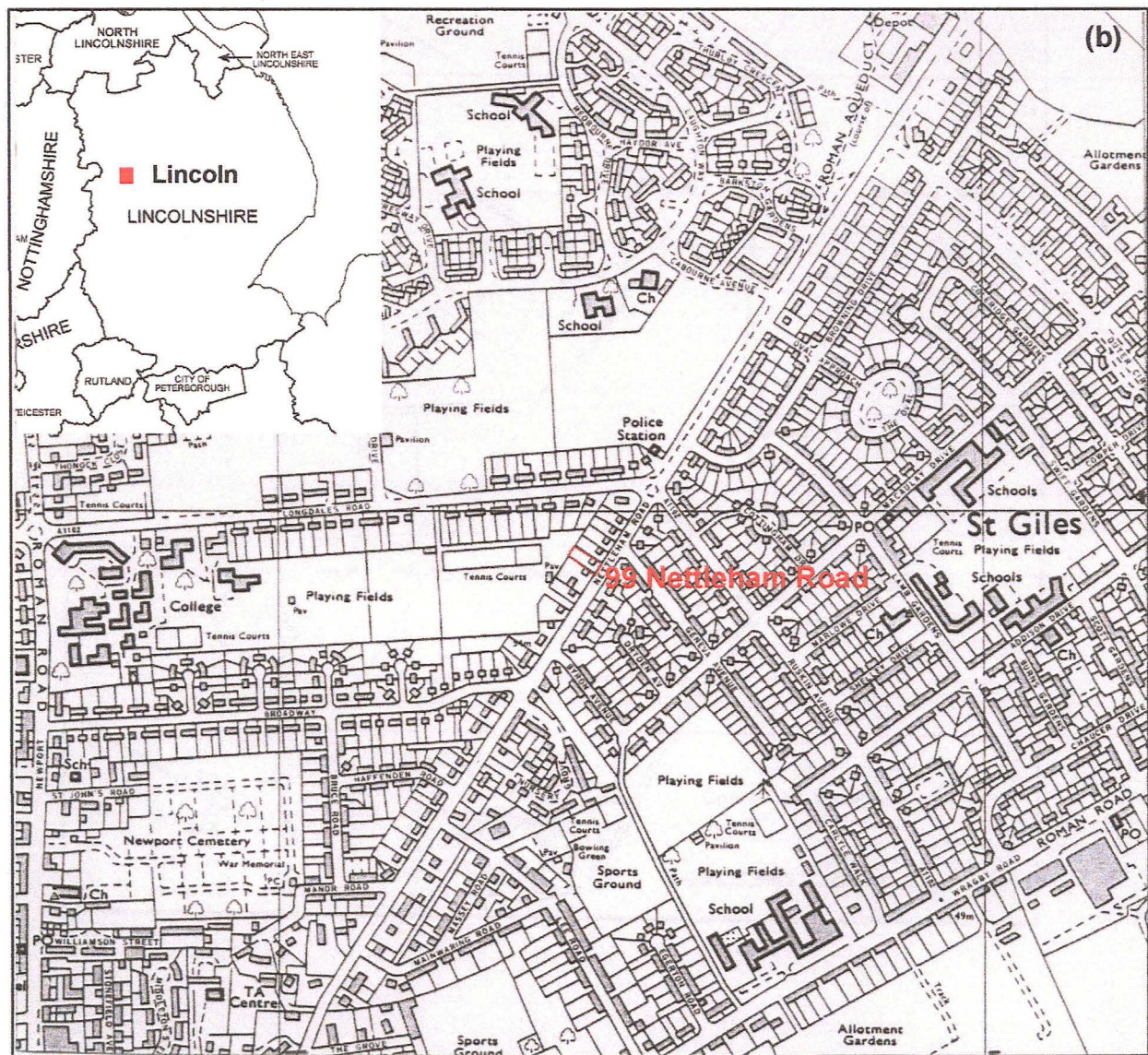
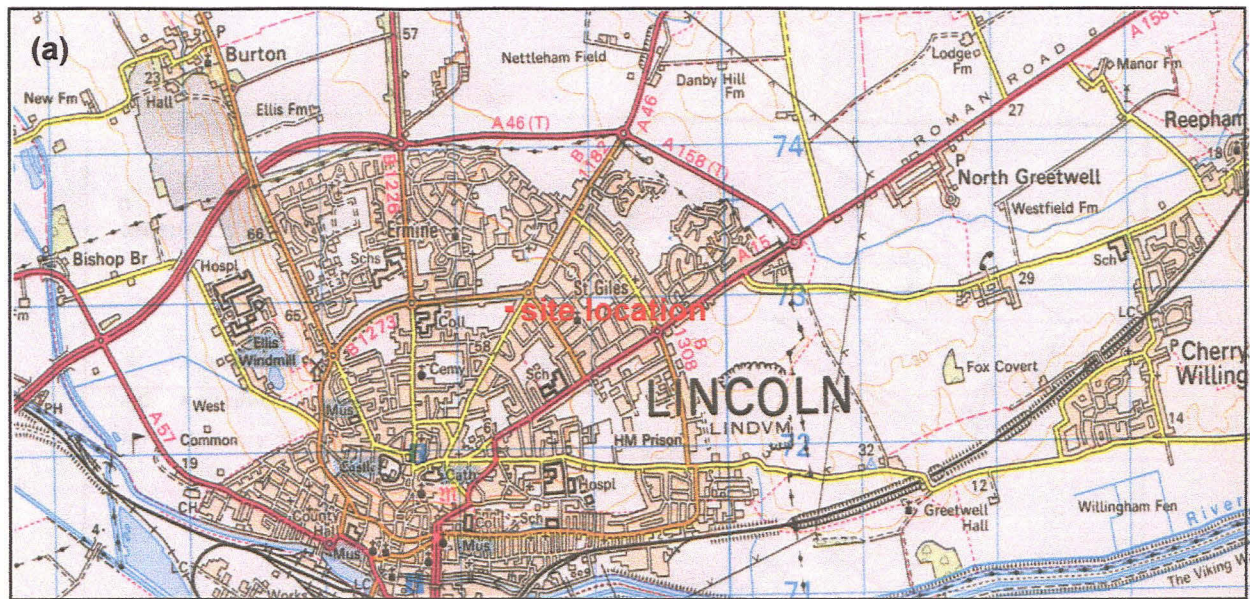


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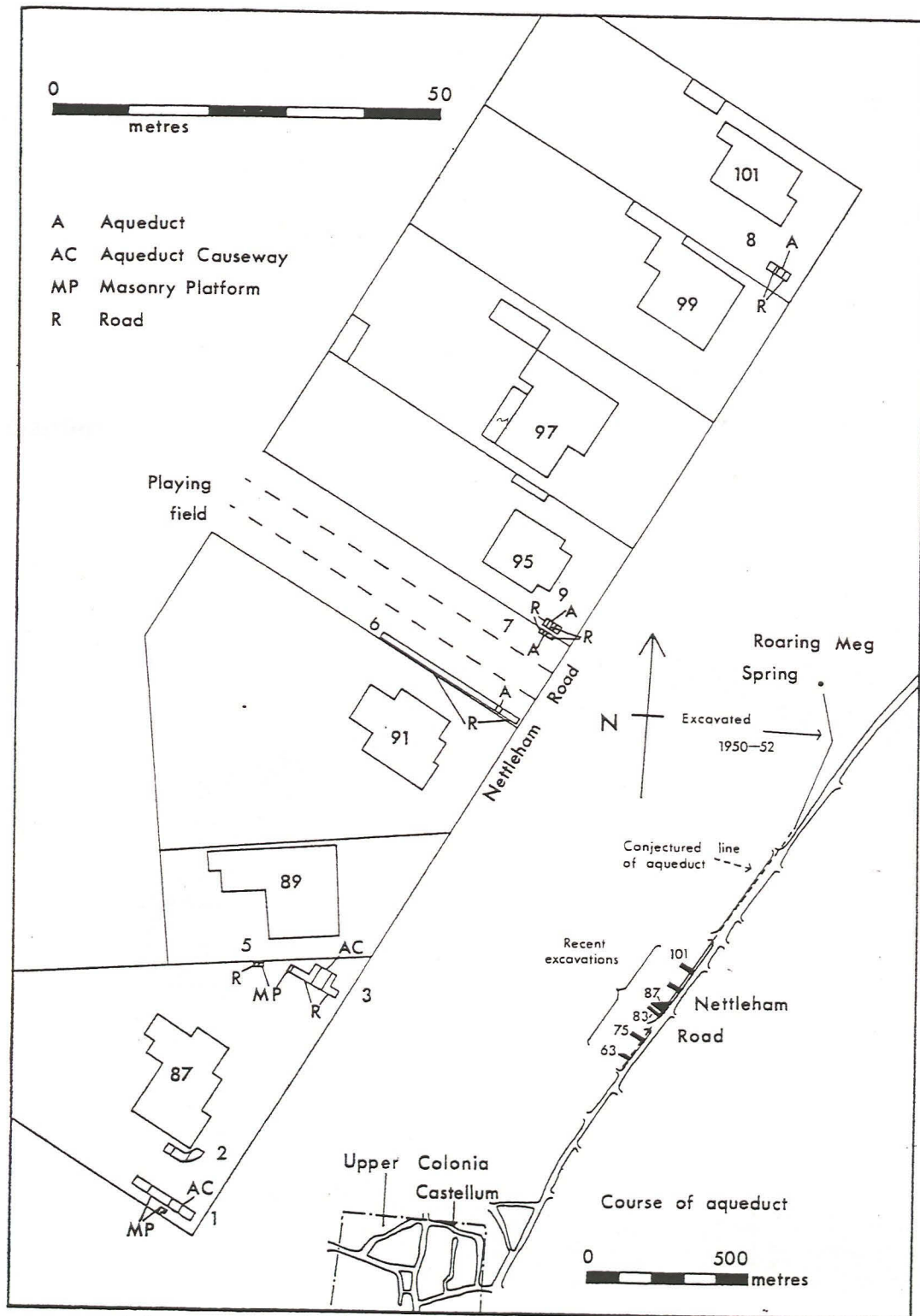


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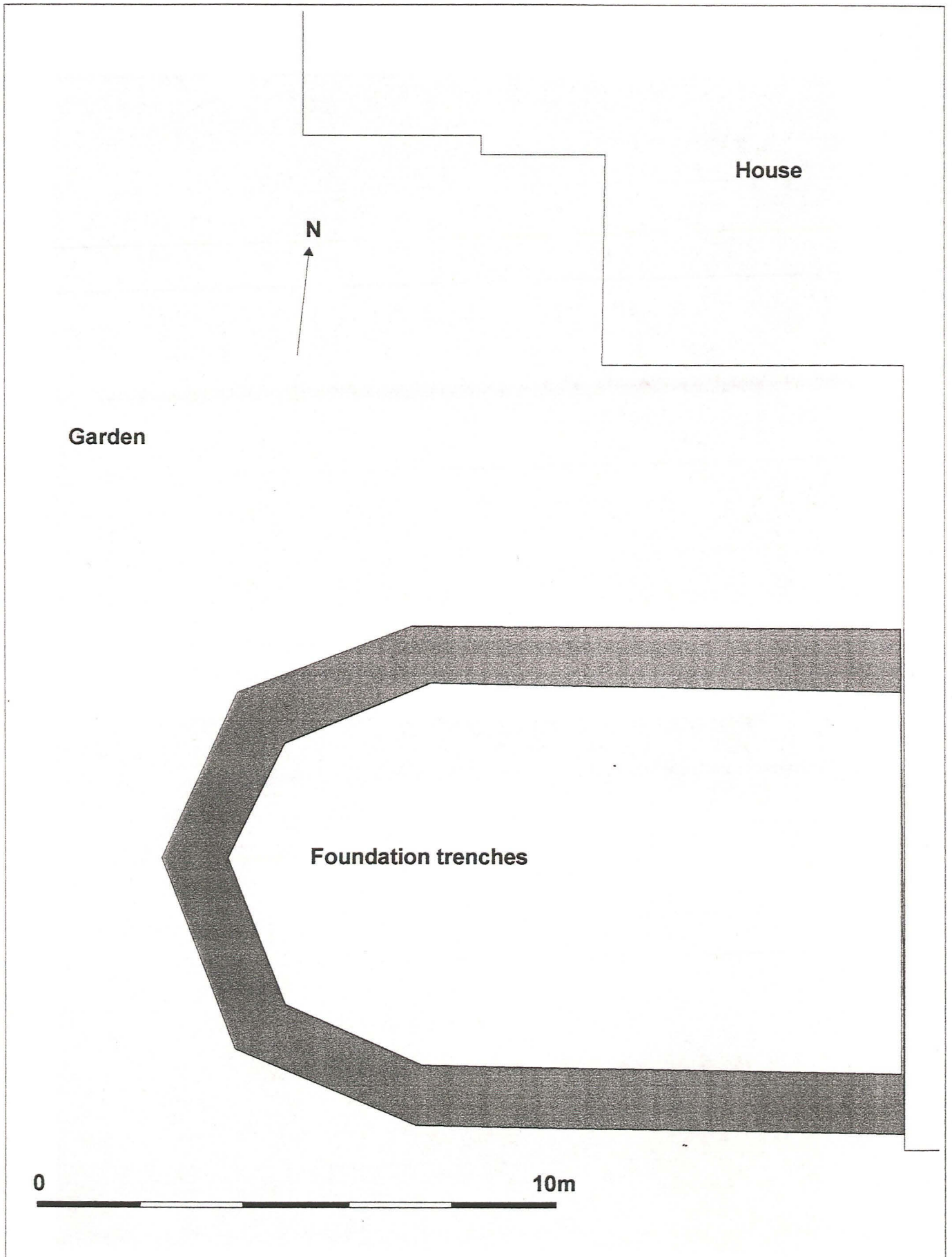


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