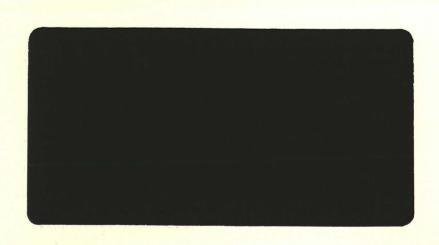


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ARCHAEOLOGICAL WATCHING BRIEF

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ARCHAEOLOGICAL WATCHING BRIEF

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

On the 23rd of July 1997 a representative from the City of Lincoln Archaeology Unit (CLAU) undertook a watching brief during the reduction of ground level on land to the rear of the above property, prior to the construction on the site of a covered rear extension. The work was undertaken as a requirement for the granting of planning permission. Planning Application No. LF36/0096/97.

2.0 SITE LOCATION

The site lies on the east side of the High Street, immediately to the north of St. Mary's Guildhall (Scheduled Ancient Monument No. 46). National Grid Reference SK 9733 7047.

3.0 AIMS & METHODOLOGY

The aims of the watching brief were:

A. to produce an archive record of deposits and remains generally within the constraints of the groundwork contractors' working methods and programme as related to the project design, with due regard to current Health and Safety legislation.

B. to produce a report on the archaeological importance of the discoveries.

C. to produce a project archive from which the potential for further study and academic research could be assessed.

D. to provide information for accession to the County Sites and Monuments Record.

Owing to the nature of the aforementioned groundworks the archaeological record was secured by means of a full photographic record.

4.0 ANALYSIS/CONCLUSIONS

This watching brief revealed very little regarding the nature of the buried archaeological sequence on the site. Approximately 300mm of material was removed over the area under investigation and was found to be 20th century in date. In plan the area undergoing investigation was extensively truncated by both brick foundations and drainage runs associated with earlier, now demolished structures which lay to the rear of the existing property.

The modification of foundation design from trench fill ground beams to reinforced slab achieved the primary policy of *in situ* preservation of buried remains.

5.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The City of Lincoln Archaeology Unit would like to thank Mr. P. Gray for funding the fieldwork and post-fieldwork analysis.

NOTE

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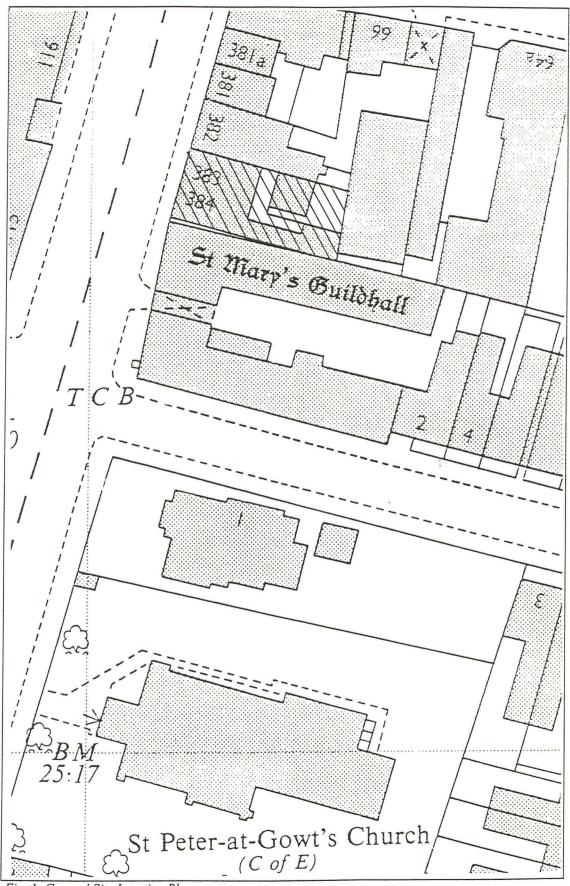


Fig. 1: General Site Location Plan.

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APPENDIX 1

LHA NOTE & ARCHIVE DETAILS

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DATE OF INTERVENTION:, 123/06/97

TYPE OF INTERVENTION: Watching Brief

UNDERTAKEN FOR: Mr. P. Gray, 33 London Road, Grantham, Lincolnshire

ARCHIVE DETAILS

PRESENT LOCATION: City of Lincoln Archaeology Unit, Charlotte House, The Lawn, Union Road,

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FINAL LOCATION: The City and County Museum, Friars Lane, Lincoln

MUSEUM ACCESSION No.: 152.97

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