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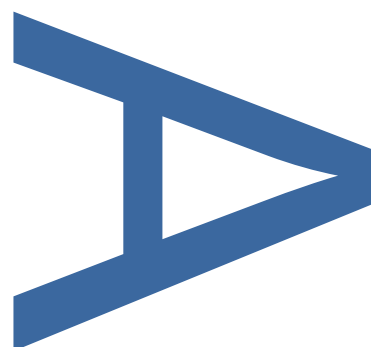
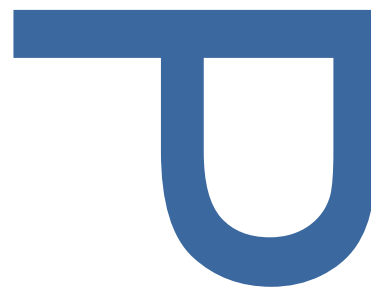
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1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 A single test pit, 0.26m square in plan, was excavated at the northern gate to the Moat Garden to the east of Fulham Palace, Bishop's Avenue in the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham on 11th October 2016. The site was centred at TQ 24202 76446 (Figures 1 & 2). The work was the subject of a Watching Brief conducted by the author. The test pit was excavated by hand, and the location and levels taken from a plan supplied by the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham. The test-pit was centred at NGR 524191 176451 and located at a surface elevation of 4.20m OD.
- 1.2 The site consists of a public park / garden constructed over the backfilled moat originally surrounding the medieval Fulham Palace, a Scheduled Monument (number SM LO 134, HA 1001964). The construction of this bollard was designed to stop vehicular traffic accessing the Moat Gardens from Bishop's Avenue. The bollard pit was therefore positioned centrally outside the northern gate to the Moat Garden (Figure 2 and Plate 1). Consent for the work had been granted by Historic England on behalf of the DCMS. Iain Bright of Historic England monitored the project on behalf of the local planning authority.
- 1.3 PCA were commissioned for the work by the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham. The project was managed for PCA by Chris Mayo.

2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESULTS

The bollard pit had an overall depth of 360mm from ground level, 4.20m OD. In this pit, below a modern tarmac surface, were a number of earlier compacted modern surfaces. These consisted of (sequentially from the bottom up): a surface formed of a mixture of white stone fragments and flint pebbles, then a surface of slag waste and then a compacted gravel surface.

- 2.1 The moat was backfilled early in the 20th century but the fills associated with this event were not reached by the pit.

Plate 1: Location of bollard pit.

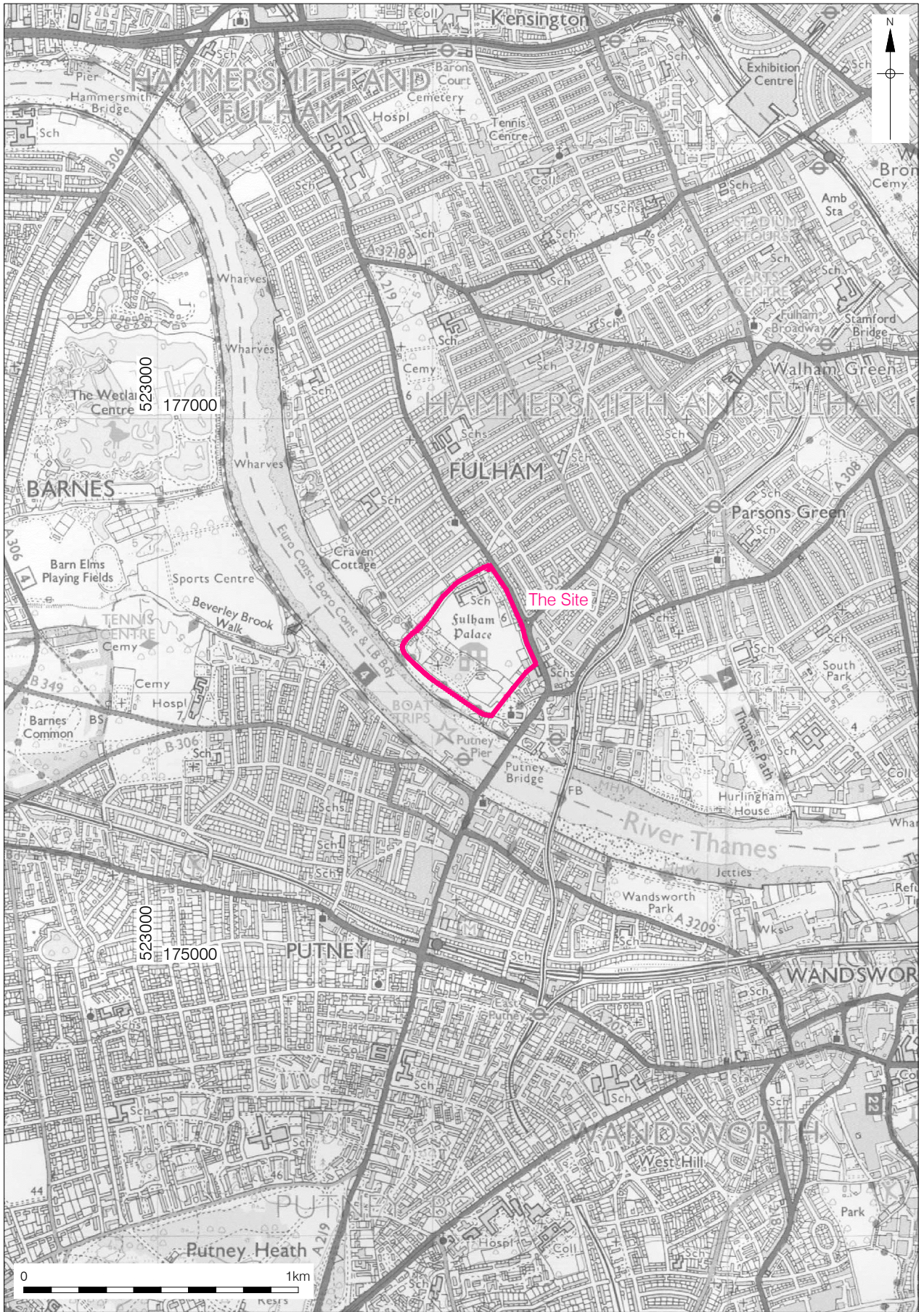


3 CONCLUSIONS

- 3.1 A number of surfaces were seen showing the modern resurfacing of the present path. Earlier work to the south of this pit, completed during the restoration and revival project at Fulham Palace (Bright 2014) and which involved excavation to a greater depth than the current bollard pit, showed layers attributable to the backfilling of the moat in the 20th century to underlie similar layers.
- 3.2 No natural layers were encountered during the excavation.

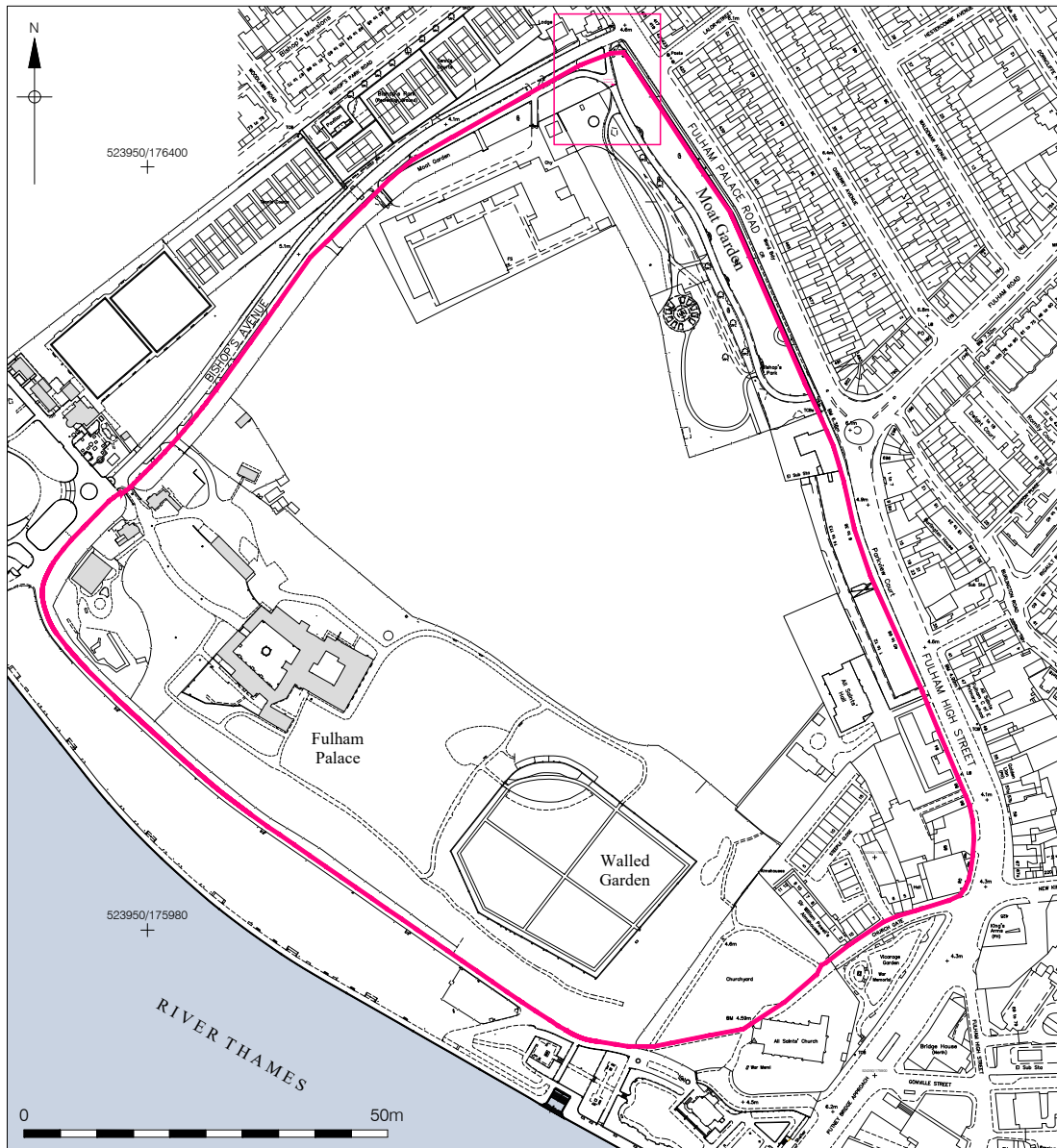
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- 4.2 The author thanks Hayley Baxter for producing the illustrations and Chris Mayo for project management and editing this report.



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Figure 1
 Site Location
 1:20,000 at A4



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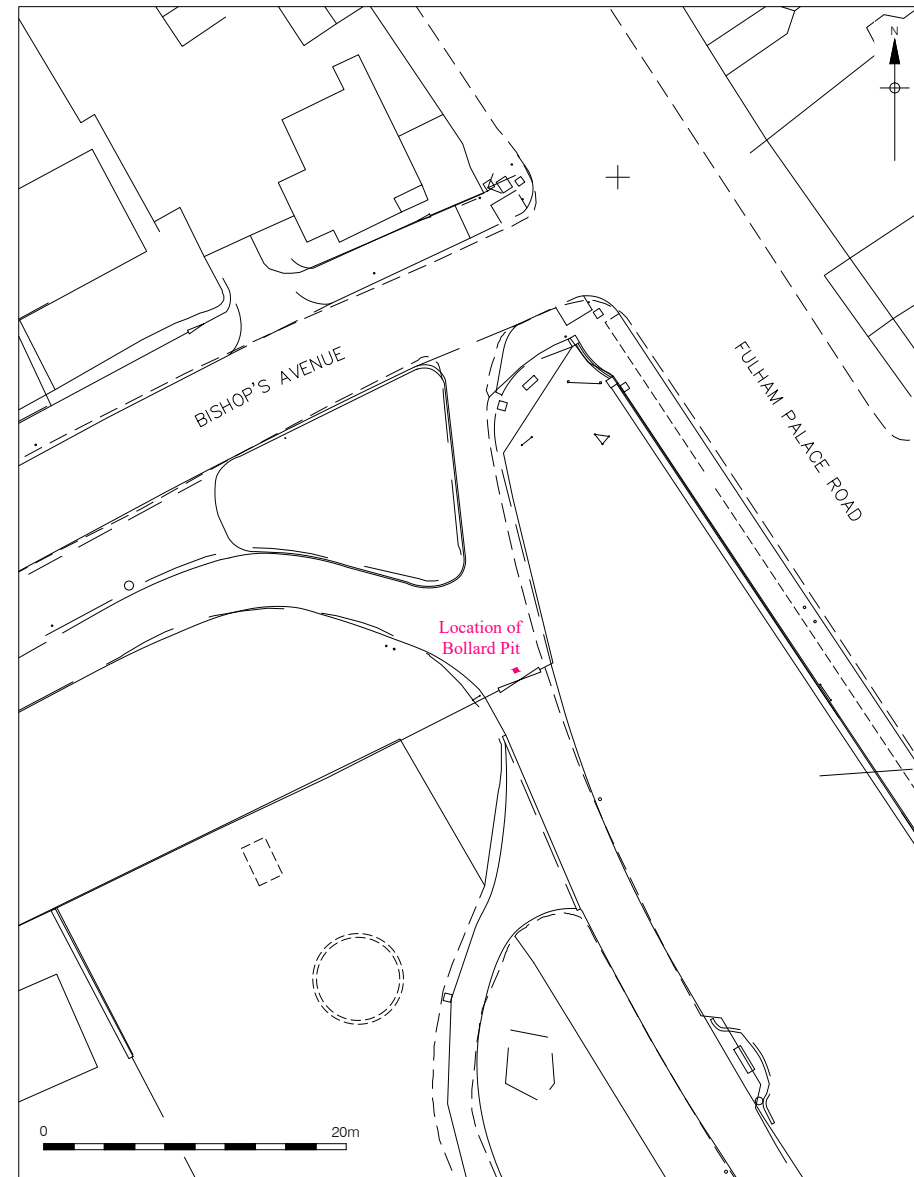


Figure 2
 Location of Bollard Pit
 1:4,000 & 500 at A4

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Project details

Project name	New Bollard in Moat Garden at Fulham Palace
Short description of the project	A pit 260mm square with a depth of 360mm was excavated at the north gate to the Moat Garden part of the Fulham Palace Moated Site, Bishop's Avenue London SW6 6EA. This pit was for the insertion of a bollard to restrict vehicular access to the Moat Garden. A succession of surfaces dated to the 20th century were uncovered but underlying layers relating to the backfilling of the moat were not reached.
Project dates	Start: 11-10-2016 End: 11-10-2016
Previous/future work	Yes / Not known
Any associated project reference codes	BPA16 - Sitecode
Type of project	Recording project
Site status	Scheduled Monument (SM)
Current Land use	Other 14 - Recreational usage
Monument type	NONE None
Significant Finds	NONE None
Investigation type	"Watching Brief"
Prompt	Scheduled Monument Consent

Project location

Country	England
Site location	GREATER LONDON HAMMERSMITH AND FULHAM FULHAM Moat Garden, Bishop's Avenue
Postcode	SW6 6EA
Study area	1 Square metres
Site coordinates	TQ 24191 76451 51.472875553172 -0.211656621355 51 28 22 N 000 12 41 W Point
Lat/Long Datum	Unknown

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