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1 NON-TECHNICAL SUMMARY

Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd. was commissioned by CFW Architects to undertake an archaeological watching brief during works involving the demolition of existing conservatory and the development of a rear two storey extension to the existing property. This report concerns the results of the archaeological watching brief, which involved a monitoring visit made in May 2016.

No archaeological deposits, features, artefacts or environmental remains, significant or otherwise, were observed during the course of the watching brief. Although no archaeological deposits were observed during the course of the watching brief, the presence of an undisturbed post-medieval garden soils suggests that intact archaeological deposits are likely to be present at lower levels. The foundations for the two storey extension would not go beyond the excavated levels and therefore did not impact any potential intact archaeological resources below that level.

2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Project Background

- 2.1.1 Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd (PCA) was appointed by CFW Architects, to carry out an archaeological watching brief, at 40 Hyde Close, Winchester, Hampshire, hereafter 'the site' (**Figure 1**). The site was the subject of the demolition of existing conservatory and the development of a rear two storey extension to the existing property.
- 2.1.2 The archaeological watching brief, and this report, are required as conditions 4 and 5 of planning permission for the development of the site granted by the Local Planning Authority Winchester City Council (planning ref. 15/02421/FUL). The conditions are based on the advice of the Council's Historic Environment Team Archaeologist (HETA) and reflect the potential of the site to contain archaeological resources that may be put at risk by the development.
- 2.1.3 Planning condition 4 states:

'No development/demolition or site preparation shall take place until the applicant or their agents or successors in title has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological mitigation work in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation that has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority in writing.'

- 2.1.4 The Written Scheme of Investigation was prepared in advance of fieldwork, and approved by the HETA, by Pre-Construct Archaeology (PCA 2016).
- 2.1.5 Planning condition 5 states:

'Following completion of all archaeological fieldwork a report will be produced in accordance with an approved programme including where appropriate post-excavation assessment, specialist analysis and reports and publication'. This document provides an outline for post-excavation assessment reporting, which would include proposals for subsequent specialist analysis reports and an appropriate level of publication.'

2.1.6 This document reports on the result of the watching brief, which entailed the monitoring of groundworks associated with the works. This report has been prepared in accordance with the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists standard and guidance for archaeological watching briefs (CIfA 2014) and Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment (Historic England, 2015).

2.2 Location, Topography and Geology

2.2.1 The site, NGR 447933 130072 (Figure 1), lies in the historic northern suburb of Winchester.
It is located on the southern side of Hyde Close, which runs between Hyde Street and
Worthy Lane. The existing property forms part of a Victorian terrace.

- 2.2.2 The natural and historic topography of the site falls gently from west to east toward the valley floor of the River Itchen. The modern urban topography close to the site is characterised by streets of Victorian housing and later 20th century development. Ground level within the site lies at approximately 47m above OD.
- 2.2.3 The geology of the site is expected to comprise Upper Chalk beneath superficial deposits of clay and flint and weathered chalk.

2.3 Archaeological and Historical Background

2.3.1 The site lies to the north of the historic core of Winchester, within the area of the Romano-British and medieval suburbs and within the area of an extensive Romano-British cemetery in use from the late 1st century to the late 4th century AD. Burials within the cemetery have been found by chance and by archaeological excavation at numerous locations east of Andover Road and Worthy Lane (once known as 'Bone Lane') and these discoveries have been recently published (Ottaway et al 2012). The previous discoveries, made since the 19th century, include Roman cremation and inhumation burials found at properties in Hyde Close.

3 AIM

3.1 Archaeological Watching Brief

- 3.1.1 The aim of the watching brief was to monitor ground work for the proposed development for the presence of archaeological resources and, if present, investigate and preserve by record the resources, determining, where possible, their character, including their date, nature and extent.
- 3.1.2 This document, which reports on the results of the watching brief, aims to provide an assessment of any significant archaeological resources that were recovered in the context of local and regional research frameworks and in order to address Condition 5 of planning permission. Alternatively, the report will aim to be sufficient to demonstrate to the Local Planning Authority that the watching brief was carried out in accordance with this document and the Condition.

4 RESULTS

4.1 Introduction

4.1.1 The following summary is based on the site archive, which comprised a site diary and digital photographs. The archive is held at PCA's Winchester office and will in due course be deposited with the Hampshire Cultural Trust.

4.2 Methodology

- 4.2.1 A detailed methodology was set out in the Written Scheme of Investigation (PCA 2016) and is not repeated here.
- 4.2.2 The watching brief focused on monitoring groundworks for a new two storey extension to the rear of 40 Hyde Close. The monitoring visit took place on the 6th of May 2016.

4.3 Observations

- 4.3.1 No archaeological deposits, features, artefacts or environmental remains, significant or otherwise, were observed during the course of the watching brief.
- 4.3.2 The total depth of excavations was approximately 0.70m below ground level (BGL). This was formed of a modern garden soil (0-0.30m BGL) and post-medieval overburden/garden soils (0.30-0.70m+ BGL).

4.4 Conclusions

4.4.1 Although no archaeological deposits were observed during the course of the watching brief, the presence of an undisturbed post-medieval garden soils suggests that intact archaeological deposits are likely to be present at lower levels. The foundations for the two storey extension would not go beyond the excavated levels and therefore did not impact any potential intact archaeological resources below that level.

5 ARCHIVE PREPARATION & DEPOSITION

5.1 The Site Archive

5.1.1 The Site archive, to include all project records, will be prepared in accordance with 'Guidelines for the Preparation of Excavation Archives for Long-term Storage' (UKIC 1990) and the Institute for Archaeologists 'Standard and Guidance for the creation, compilation, transfer and deposition of archaeological archives' (CIfA 2009). On completion of the project PCA will arrange for the archive to be deposited in accordance with the provisional arrangements made at the onset of the watching brief with Hampshire Cultural Trust.

5.2 Copyright

- 5.2.1 The full copyright of the written/illustrative archive relating to the site will be retained by Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd under the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 with all rights reserved. Winchester City Council, however, will be granted an exclusive licence for the use of the archive for educational purposes, including academic research, providing that such use shall be non-profitmaking, and conforms to the Copyright and Related Rights regulations 2003. Further distribution and uses of the report either in its entirety or part thereof in paper or electronic form is prohibited without the prior consent of Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd.
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- 5.2.3 Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd has made every effort to ensure the accuracy of the content of this report. However, Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd cannot accept any liability in respect of, or resulting from, errors, inaccuracies or omissions this report contains.

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Appendix 1: Site Photographs



Figure 1 North-west view of extent of excavations



Figure 2 South facing view of foundation trench

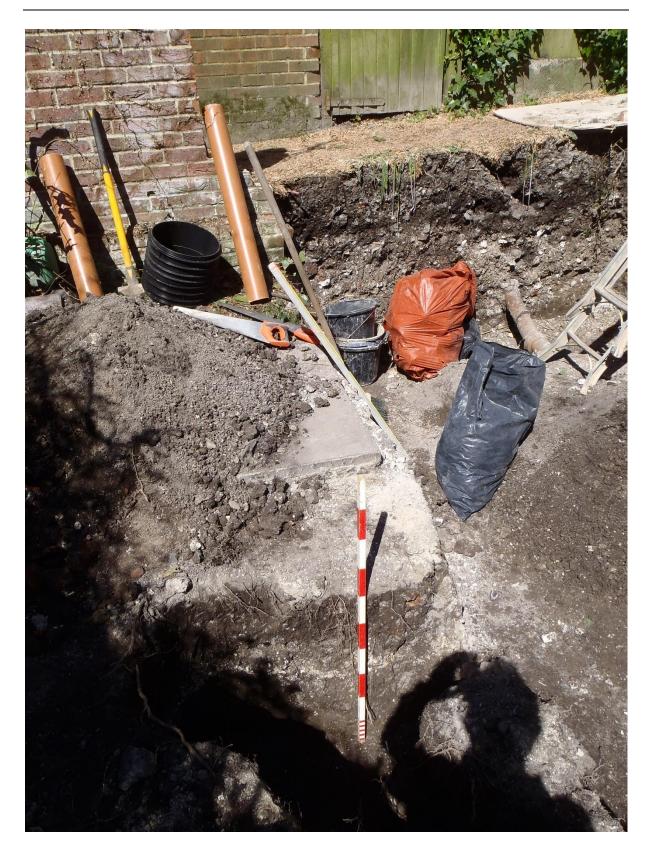


Figure 3 Foundation trench, showing post-medieval garden soils

Appendix 2: OASIS Form

OASIS ID: preconst1-267374

Project details

Project name 40 Hyde Close, Winchester, Hampshire

Short description of the project

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Project dates Start: 06-04-2016 End: 06-04-2016

Previous/future work No / No

Any associated project reference

codes

AY594 - Sitecode

Type of project Recording project

Site status None

Current Land use Other 5 - Garden

Monument type NONE None

Significant Finds NONE None

Investigation type "Watching Brief"

Prompt National Planning Policy Framework - NPPF

Project location

Country England

Site location HAMPSHIRE WINCHESTER WINCHESTER 40 Hyde Close,

Winchester, Hampshire

Postcode SO23 7DT

Study area 210 Square metres

Site coordinates SU 47933 30072 51.067442942221 -1.315836628896 51 04 02 N 001

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No

Exists?

Physical Archive ID N/A

Digital Archive

recipient

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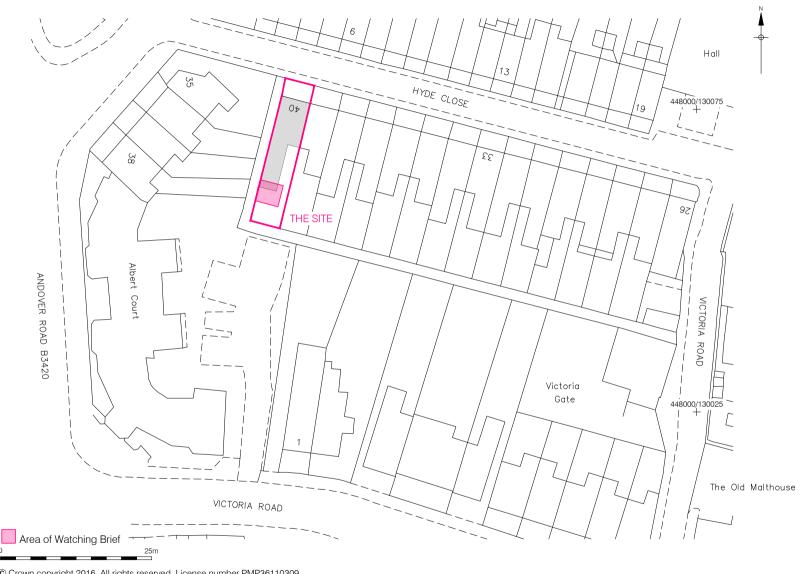
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