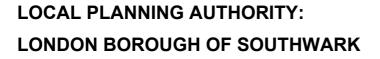
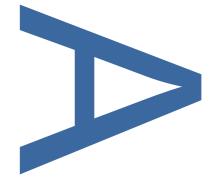
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50 Ewer Street, London Borough of Southwark, SE1 0NR

SUMMARY REPORT FOR AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL WATCHING BRIEF

Site Code: Local Planning Authority: Planning Application Number:	London Borough of Southwark
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<u>A Summary Report of an Archaeological Watching brief at land adjacent to 51 Ewer Street, London</u> <u>Borough of Southwark SE1 0NR</u>

Written by Tanya Jones, 10th April 2019

Pre-Construct Archaeology was commissioned by Stack London to monitor the excavation of a trench $23m \times 3m \times 1m$ deep within the southern area of the site on 10^{th} April 2019.

The site was located within an Archaeological Priority Zone as defined by Southwark Council's Proposal Map (2007).

Recent excavations at 55 Ewer Street (site code EWE10) located immediately to the south of the subject site recorded the northern edge of an island, presumably Southwark Island, demonstrating that in the prehistoric and Roman eras the site was entirely within a channel. Research suggested that the site was almost certainly not occupied in the medieval era and was probably located in marginal land. Cartographic evidence suggested that the site was part of Southwark Park by 1530 and open land by 1658, indicating that land consolidation had taken place by the second half of the 17th century at the latest. By the mid-18th century the site comprised gardens (east) and Tenter Grounds (west). During the 19th and early 20th century the site was occupied by various industrial works.

Planning permission has been gained for the redevelopment of the site. An archaeological condition has been attached to the planning permission:

3 Before any work hereby authorised begins, the applicant shall secure the implementation of a programme of archaeological mitigation works, an archaeological watching brief, in accordance with a written scheme of investigation, which shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Reason: In order that the details of the programme of works for the archaeological mitigation works are suitable with regard to the impacts of the proposed development and the nature and extent of archaeological remains on site in accordance with Strategic Policy 12 - Design and Conservation of The Core Strategy 2011, Saved Policy 3.19 Archaeology of the Southwark Plan 2007 and the National Planning Policy Framework 2012.

The proposed foundations are piled foundations. The existing basement on site is to be reused with new pile caps formed above basement slab level so there should be no excavation works at basement level.

The watching brief monitored the excavation of a new service trench, which was located in the same position as an old service trench. The trench was excavated slightly deeper than the previous trench and the old services removed.

The excavation was carried out by a 360 machine with a toothless bucket which removed the modern surface and services to approximately 1 metre below ground level, which was the formation level for the new service run.

The earliest deposit found was a mid-greyish brown silty clay made ground layer of late post-medieval date, located approximately 0.60m below ground level. This layer was overlain by a modern made ground of type one and concrete.

There were no archaeological deposits or remains evident during the investigation. The site at this level appears to have been impacted by previous work carried out on the site possibly due to the construction of the basement.



Figure 1: Overview of Trench, facing west

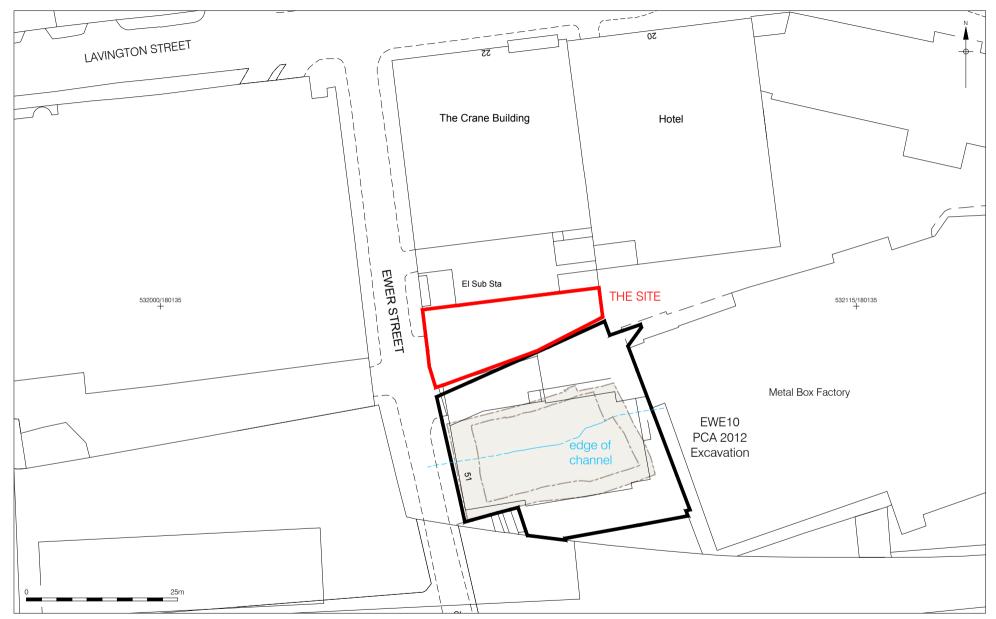


Figure 2: Section of Trench, facing north



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Figure 1 Site Location 1:10,000 at A4



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Figure 2 Detailed Site Location 1:625 at A4

Appendix 1: OASIS Form

OASIS ID: preconst1-349860

Project details

Project name 50 Ewer Street, London Borough of Southwark, SE1 0NR

Short description of the project Pre-Construct Archaeology was commissioned to monitor the excavation of a trench 23m x 3m x 1m deep within the southern area of the site on 10th April 2019. The earliest deposit found was a mid-greyish brown silty clay made ground layer of late post-medieval date, located approximately 0.60m below ground level. This layer was overlain by a modern made ground of type one and concrete. The trench was not excavated to a depth at which earlier deposits would be anticipated.

Project dates Start: 09-04-2019 End: 09-04-2019

Previous/future work No / No

Any associated project reference codes K6067 - Contracting Unit No.

Type of project Recording project

Site status Local Authority Designated Archaeological Area

Current Land use Vacant Land 1 - Vacant land previously developed

Monument type NONE None

Significant Finds NONE None

Investigation type "Watching Brief"

Prompt Planning condition

Project location

Country England

Site location GREATER LONDON SOUTHWARK SOUTHWARK 50 Ewer Street

Postcode SE1 0NR

Study area 40 Square metres

Site coordinatesTQ 32058 80132 51.504173546572 -0.097060123783 51 30 15 N 000 05 49 W Point

Height OD / Depth Min: 0m Max: 0m

Project creators

Name of Organisation Pre-Construct Archaeology Limited

Project brief originator London Borough of Southwark Project design originatorHelen Hawkins Project director/manager Helen Hawkins Project supervisor Tanya Jones Type of sponsor/funding body Developer Name of sponsor/funding body Stack London

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