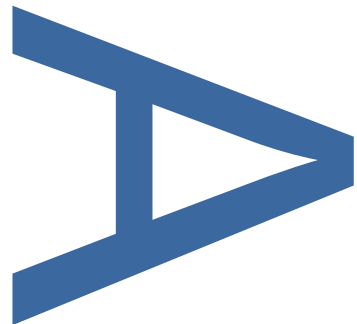
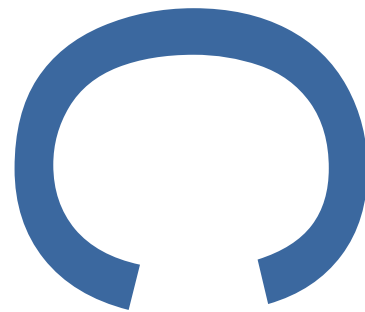


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**ARCHAEOLOGICAL WATCHING
BRIEF REPORT**

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1 NON-TECHNICAL SUMMARY

Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd (PCA) was appointed by RBA Project Solutions on behalf of LJ Partnership to carry out an archaeological watching brief on groundwork for a proposed development at The Buttermere Estate, Heath Lane, Buttermere, Wiltshire. The development comprises the construction of a new estate house with an access drive within the Buttermere Estate.

The watching brief was carried out in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation that was approved by the Local Planning Authority in respect of the proposed development. Monitoring visits were made during groundwork to strip the proposal footprint and access roads on the 12th and 18th August 2020.

The groundwork revealed clay-with-flint natural in all monitored locations. No significant archaeological remains were observed, and the Site appears to retain no archaeological potential.

2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Project Background

2.1.1 Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd (PCA) was been appointed by RBA Project Solutions on behalf of LJ Partnership to carry out an archaeological watching brief on groundwork for a proposed development at The Buttermere Estate, Heath Lane, Buttermere, SN8 3RQ, (NGR: SU 34747 60394) hereafter 'the Site' (**Figure 1**). The development includes the construction of a new estate house with an access drive within the Buttermere Estate.

2.1.2 The archaeological watching brief was required by the Local Planning Authority Wiltshire Council to accord with conditions 13 of planning consent (Planning Ref 18/02652/FUL), based on the advice of the Wiltshire Council Archaeologist (WCA). The watching brief was intended to ensure that, in the event archaeological remains were affected by the development groundwork, the remains would be investigated and recorded. The archaeological potential that may be affected by the development was identified in a report 'Archaeological Background and 19th-20th Century Landscape' (APS 2015 2018) prepared in respect of the proposed development.

2.1.3 The watching brief was carried out in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation (PCA 2020) on the 12th and 18th of August 2020.

2.1.4 This document has been prepared in accordance with the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists standard and guidance for an archaeological watching brief (CIfA 2014) and Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment (Historic England, 2015). PCA is a CIfA Registered Archaeological Organisation and is bound by its code of conduct.

2.2 Location, Topography and Geology

2.2.1 The Site lies directly south of the Village of Buttermere, on the eastern boundary of Wiltshire. The site sits inside the western borders of the Buttermere Estate within an area presently used as a horse paddock.

2.2.2 The Site lies on superficial deposits comprising of clay, sand and gravel.

2.3 Archaeological and Historical Background

2.3.1 The archaeological and historical background to the Site was set out in detail in a report prepared by APS in respect of the proposed development of the Site (APS 2015) and is not repeated in detail here.

2.3.2 The Site contained no known archaeological remains within the development area. However, the site lies approximately 400m to the south the village of Buttermere, which is recorded as a settlement known as Butremare in AD 863.

2.3.3 The Estate contains buried field boundaries of an unknown date, identified from aerial photographs within the northern area of the Estate. The boundaries do not correlate with field boundaries shown on the 1843 Buttermere tithe map and therefore of a pre-mid-19th century origin.

3 AIM

3.1 Archaeological Watching Brief

3.1.1 The aim of the archaeological watching brief was to monitor groundwork and investigate and record archaeological remains, if revealed by development groundwork, taking account of the date, nature, extent, bio-archaeological and palaeo-environmental potential of the remains and the potential of the Site that has been identified.

3.1.2 A further aim of the work was to prepare an archive of the results of the investigation leading to the preparation of this report. This report will aim to satisfy the requirement of the Local Planning Authority that the watching brief was carried out in accordance with the requirement of planning consent.

4 RESULTS

4.1 Introduction

4.1.1 The following describes the watching brief observations and is based upon the Site archive, which comprises a Site diary, written records and digital photographs. Photographs of the Site appear in **Appendix 1**. The Site archive is held at PCA's Winchester office under the Site code **WHLB20** and will in due course be deposited with Wiltshire Museum.

4.2 Methodology

4.2.1 The archaeological watching brief was undertaken following the methodology detailed in the Written Scheme of Investigation (PCA 2020), which was approved by the Local Planning Authority in advance of the works.

4.2.2 The watching brief was carried out in monitoring visits on the 12th and 18th of August 2020. The monitored works included ground works for the new access drive and estate house (Appendix 1, **Plates 1-4**).

4.3 Summary of Deposition Sequence

4.3.1 A single deposition sequence was observed during the course of the watching brief:

- The earliest deposit seen during the works was natural clay with flints.
- Overlying this was a thin layer of topsoil and turf, the modern ground surface.

4.4 Archaeological Features

4.4.1 No significant archaeological remains or finds were uncovered during the course of the watching brief.

4.5 Conclusion

4.5.1 The ground investigations revealed a general sequence for the Site, with no significant archaeological features, deposits, artefacts or ecofacts, observed over the areas monitored.

5 ARCHIVE PREPARATION AND DEPOSITION

5.1 The Site Archive

5.1.1 The Site archive, to include all project records and cultural material produced by the project, is to be prepared in accordance with Guidelines for the Preparation of Excavation Archives for Long-term Storage (UKIC 1990). On completion of the project Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd will arrange for the archive to be deposited in a designated museum or repository, should this be required. Any alternative arrangements will be agreed with the WCA and the Local Planning Authority.

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. Wiltshire County 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.

5.2.2 The licence extends to the use of all documents arising from this project in all matters relating directly to the project, as well as for bona fide research purposes (which includes the Wiltshire Historic Environment Record).

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.

6 ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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7 REFERENCES

APS, 2015, *'Buttermere Estate, Archaeological Background and 19th-20th Century Landscape Changes'*, APS Document Ref APS 15/486

PCA, 2020, *'The Buttermere Estate, Heath Lane, Buttermere, Wiltshire, SN8 3RQ: Method Statement for an Archaeological Watching Brief'*

Appendix 1: Plates (1-4)



Plate 1. A section of the access drive strip, taken looking northwest.



Plate 2. A section of the access drive, taken looking northwest.



Plate 3. The stripped area of the proposed house. View to east.



Plate 4. The stripped area of the proposed house. View to southeast.

Appendix 2: OASIS Record

OASIS ID: preconst1-406258

Project details

Project name	THE BUTTERMERE ESTATE, HEATH LANE, BUTTERMERE, SN8 3RQ
Short description of the project	Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd (PCA) has been appointed by Mark Veale on behalf of LJ Partnership to carry out an archaeological watching brief on groundwork for a proposed development at The Buttermere Estate, Heath Lane, Buttermere. The development includes the construction of a new estate house with an access drive within the Buttermere Estate. The ground investigations revealed a general deposition sequence for the Site, no significant archaeological remains were encountered during the course of the watching brief.
Project dates	Start: 12-10-2020 End: 19-10-2020
Previous/future work	Not known / Not known
Any associated project reference codes	18/02652/FUL - Planning Application No.
Any associated project reference codes	WHLB20 - Sitecode
Type of project	Field evaluation
Site status	None
Current Land use	Woodland 6 - Parkland
Monument type	NONE None
Significant Finds	NONE None

Project location

Country	England
Site location	WILTSHIRE KENNET BUTTERMERE The Buttermere Estate
Postcode	SN8 3RQ
Study area	0 Square metres

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Project director/manager	Paul McCulloch
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Type of sponsor/funding body	Developer

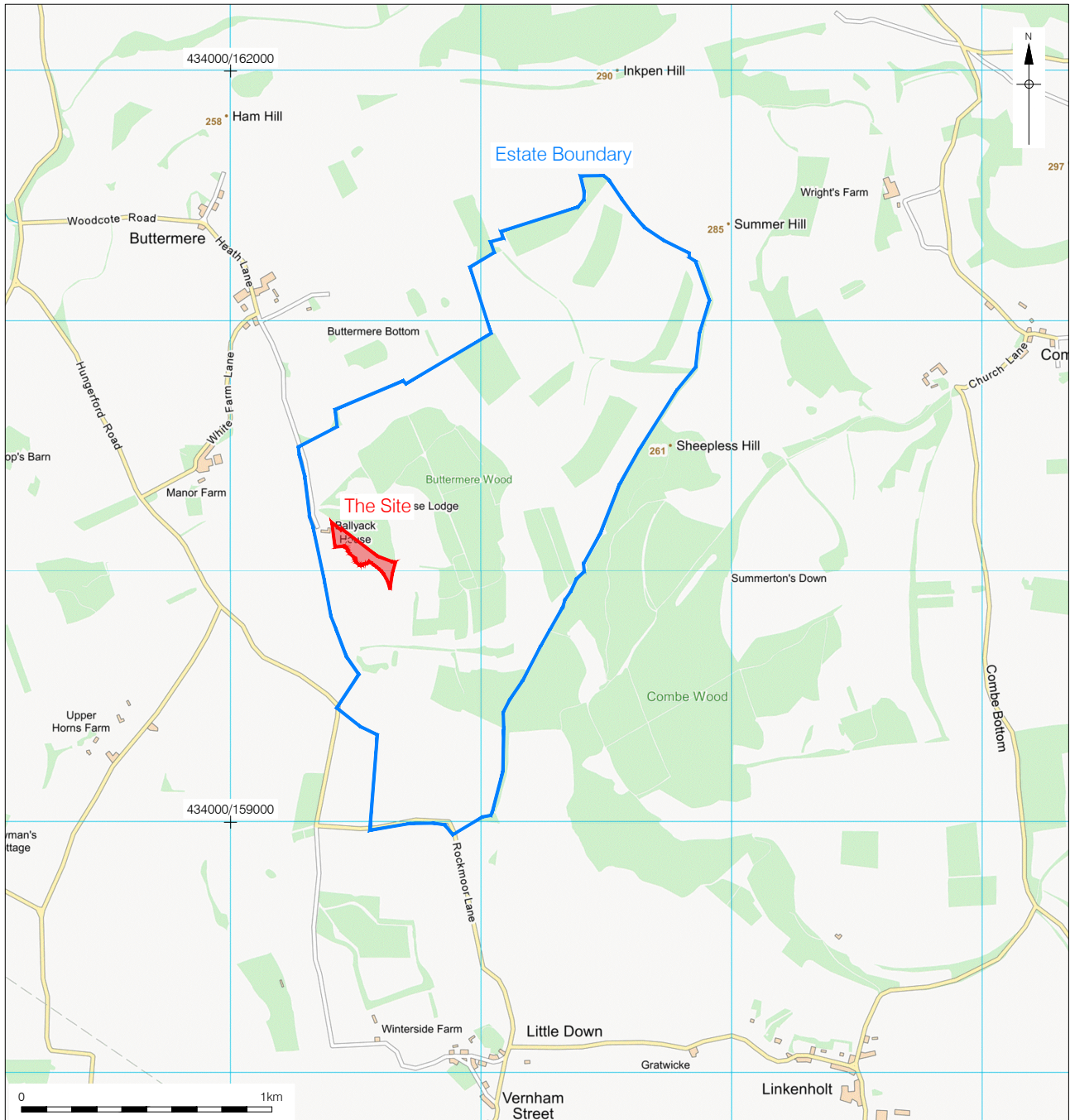
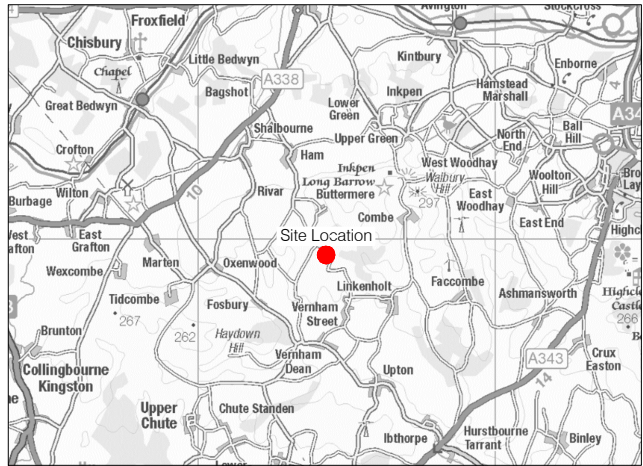
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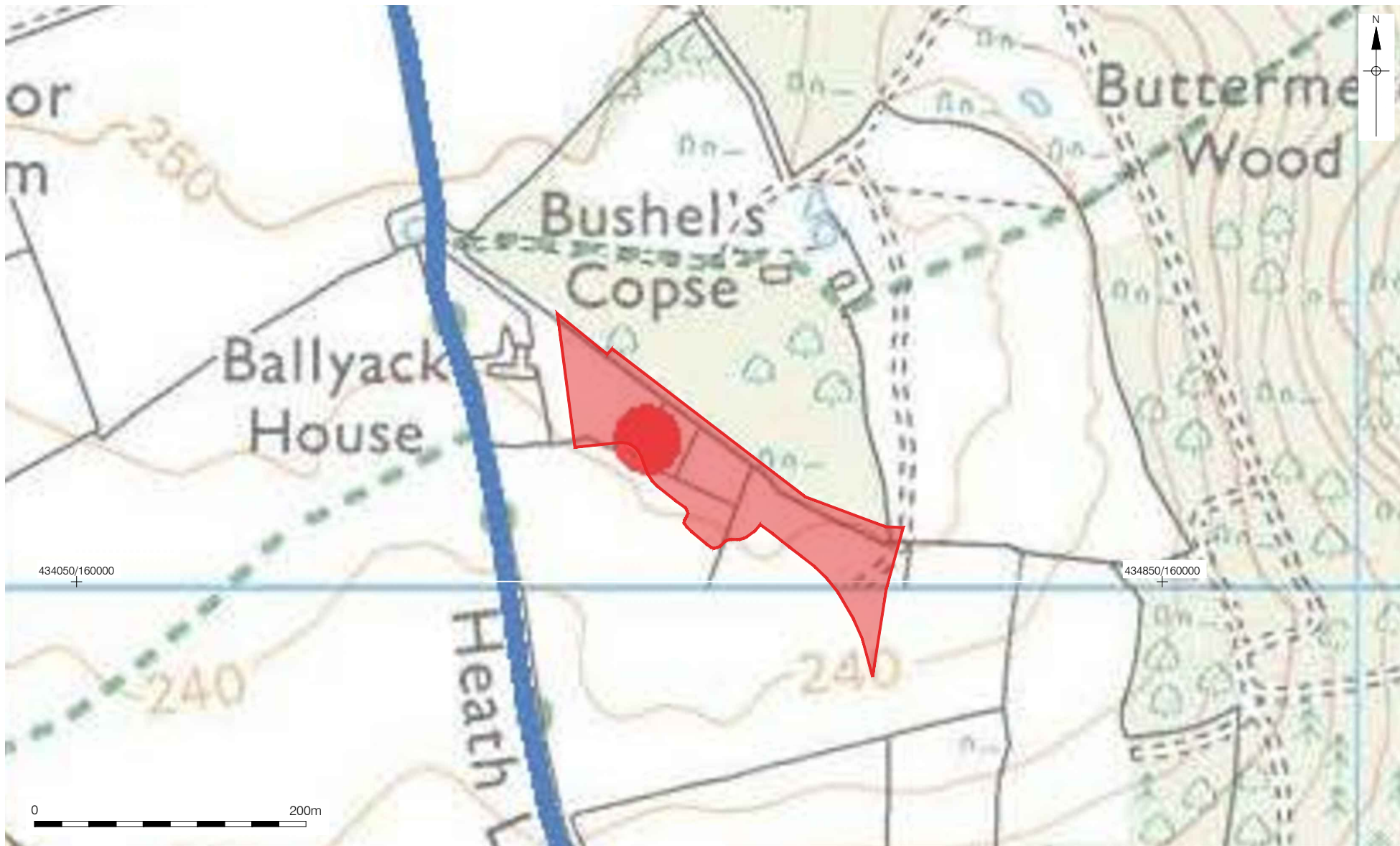
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