

Dartmoor National Park Historic Environment Record

Civil Parish & District: Dartmoor Forest, West Devon	National Grid Reference: SX 6630 7300	Number:
Subject: Archaeological monitoring and recording at St Raphael's Church, Huccaby, Devon.		Photo attached: N
Planning Application no: 0061/10	Recipient museum: Plymouth Museum	
OASIS ID: oakforda1-138719	Museum Accession no: 2012.234	
Contractor's reference number/code: OA1072	Dates fieldwork undertaken: 26/11/2012	
<p>Description of works: An archaeological watching brief was undertaken by Oakford Archaeology in November 2012 on land adjacent to St Raphael's Church, Huccaby, Devon (SX 6630 7300). The site (Fig. 1) lies in an area of high archaeological potential less than 10m to the northeast of St Raphael's Church. The chapel was built in 1869 on the site of a ruined Dartmoor Longhouse as a mission chapel and schoolhouse.</p> <p>A watching brief was maintained during works associated with the extension of the existing car park (Fig. 2). The ground reduction extended to a depth of between 0.2-1.5m.</p> <p>Results: The layer sequence revealed by the trenching typically consisted of the following: 0-0.2m Topsoil 0.2-0.5m Subsoil 0.5m+ Natural Subsoil</p> <p>Inspection of the exposed area showed no evidence of archaeological activity, exposing instead the natural hill-slope. It contained a 0.2m thick mid to dark brown silty loam topsoil (1000), overlying a 0.3m thick mid to mid yellow brown silty clay subsoil (1001). A mid yellow silty clay natural (1002) with very frequent granite inclusions was encountered at a depth of 0.5m below current ground level.</p> <p>Conclusion: No features, deposits or dating evidence were found to indicate archaeological activity within the area of the development.</p> <p>Project archive and OASIS entry The site records have been compiled into a fully integrated site archive which is currently held at Oakford Archaeology's offices under project number 1072, pending deposition with Plymouth Museum. A summary of the investigations has been submitted to the on-line archaeological database OASIS (Online Access to the Index of archaeological InterventionS).</p>		
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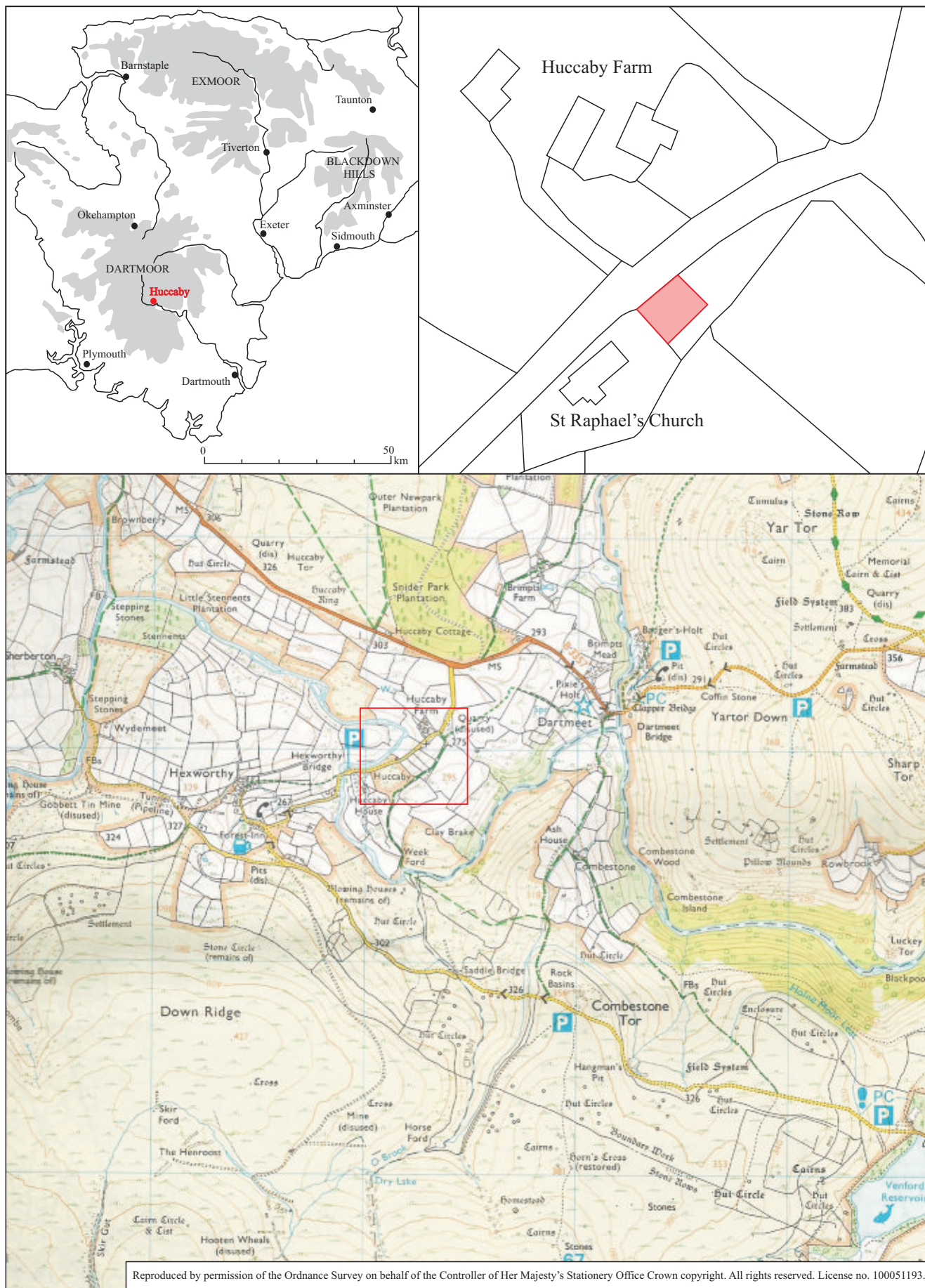
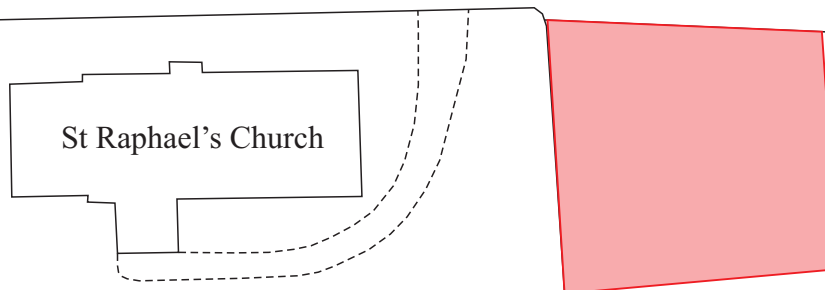


Fig. 1 Location of site.



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Fig. 3 1840's Tithe map showing location of site.

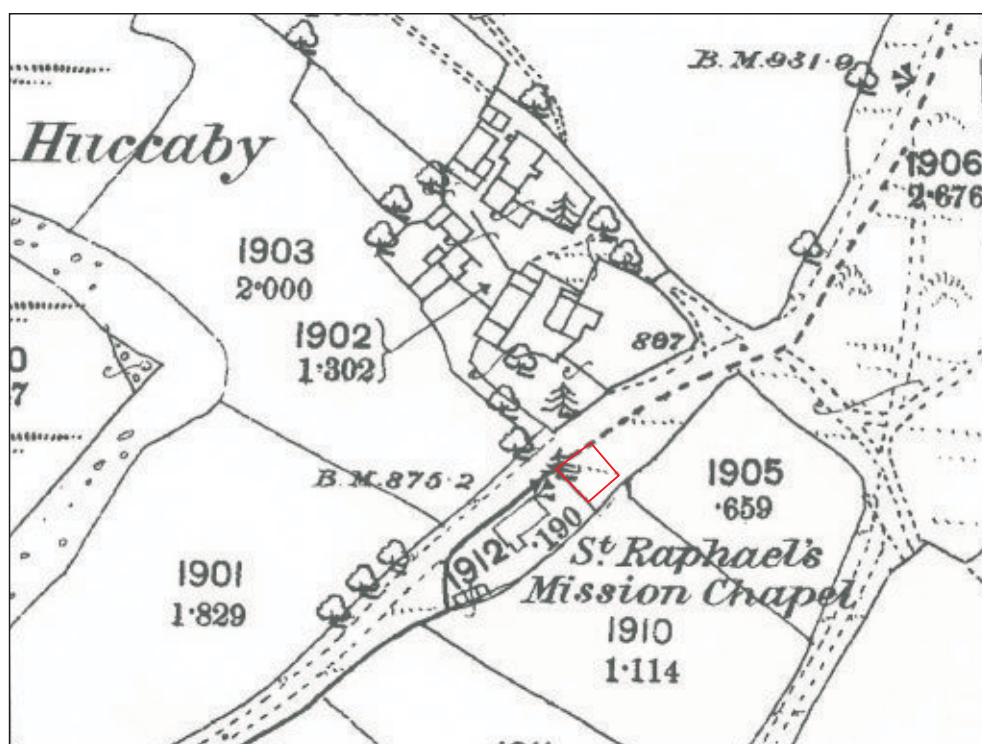


Fig. 4 1887 OS Map showing location of site.