

Devon County Historic Environment Record

Civil Parish & District: Willand, Mid Devon	National Reference: ST 0433 1195	Grid Number:
Subject: Archaeological monitoring and recording on land behind Uffculme Road, Willand, Devon.		Photo attached: Y
Planning Application no: 16/01790/FULL	Recipient museum: n/a	
OASIS ID: oakforda-310748	Museum Accession no: n/a	
Contractor's reference number/code: OA1422	Dates fieldwork undertaken: 02/11 and 03/11/2017	
<p>Description of works: An archaeological watching brief was undertaken by Oakford Archaeology in November 2018 during building works on land behind Uffculme Road, Willand, Devon (ST 0433 1195). The site (Fig. 1) lies within an area of high prehistoric archaeological activity. Work undertaken by Exeter Archaeology in 2007 to the west of the site revealed activity of late prehistoric and Roman date, including the remains of a circular ditched feature, possibly a barrow or mortuary enclosure, of early Neolithic origin. In addition, a geophysical survey on land adjacent to the site has identified a further circular ditch and associated features of possible prehistoric date. It was therefore considered possible that archaeological features and/or artefacts might be exposed during the works.</p> <p>A watching brief was maintained during works associated with the construction of a new agricultural building. The area had previously been built-up and levelled to a height of 1.2-1.5m. The excavation of 20 pits, measuring 2m x 1.75m and excavated to a maximum depth of 1.8m were monitored.</p> <p>Results: The groundworks revealed a typical layer sequence consisting of the following: 0-1.2m Imported gravel (modern made ground) 1.2-1.3m mid brown silty clay (buried topsoil) 1.3m+ - mid red clay (natural subsoil)</p> <p>Conclusion No archaeological features, deposits or artefacts were found.</p> <p>This is the only report on these works.</p> <p>Project archive and OASIS entry Due to the limited nature of the findings a project archive will not be produced. 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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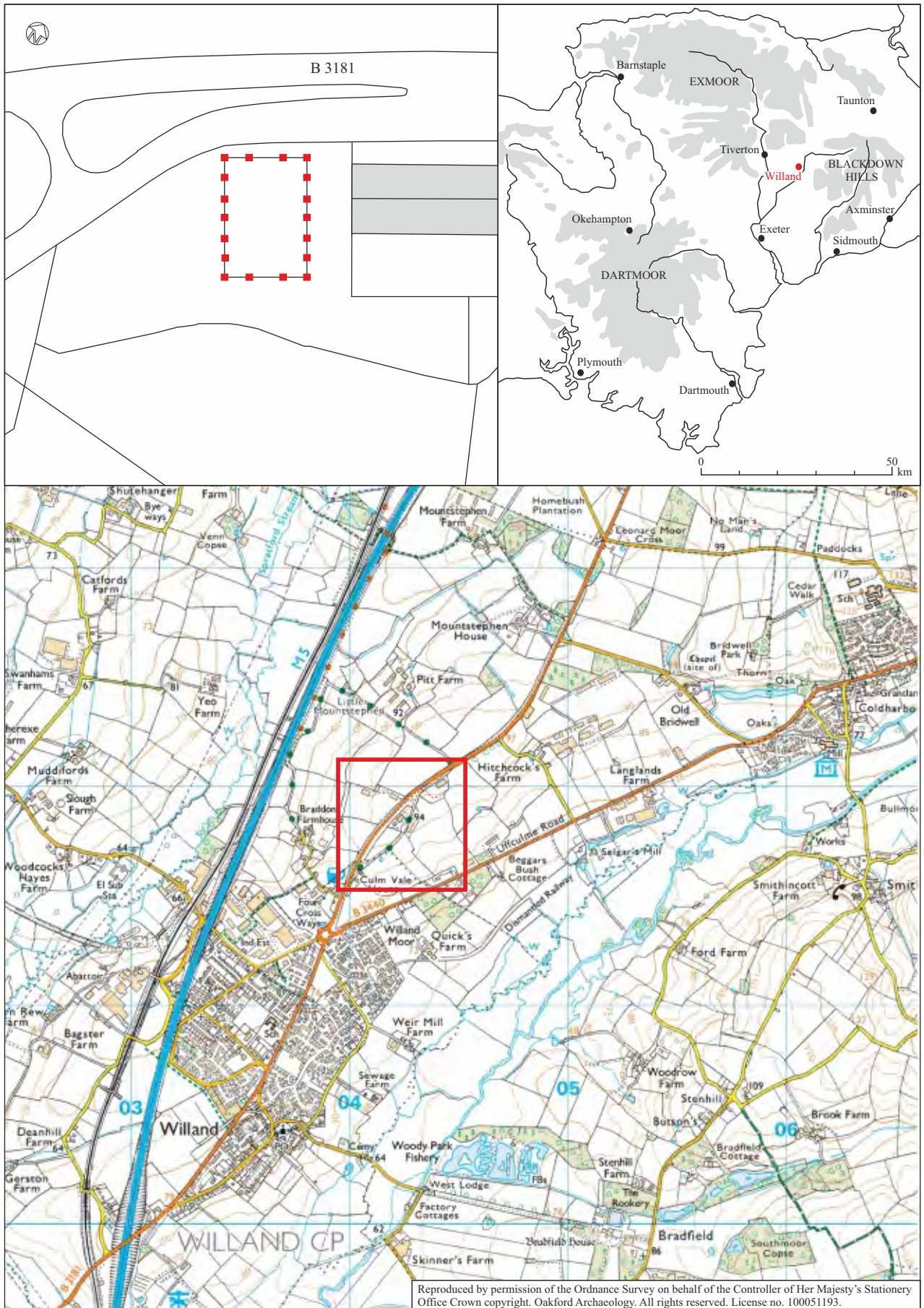


Fig. 1 Location of site.



Pl. 1 General view of site. Looking north.



Pl. 2 Section showing deposit sequence. 1m scale.
Looking southeast.