Devon County Council Historic Environment Record

Civil Parish & District: Holcombe Rogus, Mid Devon	National Grid Reference: ST 0750 1955	Number:	
Subject: Archaeological monitoring and recording at Brinscott, Holcombe Rogus, Devon.Photo attached: Y			
Planning Application no:Recipient museu20/00783/LBCn/a		um:	
OASIS ID: Museum Accesspakforda1-400314n/a		sion no:	
Contractor's reference number/code: OA1706	Dates fieldwork 12-14/10/2020	Dates fieldwork undertaken: 12-14/10/2020	

Description of works:

An archaeological watching brief was undertaken by Oakford Archaeology in October 2020 during renovation work at Brinscott, Holcombe Rogus, Devon (ST 0750 1955). The house is a Grade II Listed building (1106414), lying between the historic villages of Holcombe Rogus to the southwest and Holywell Lake to the northeast. The layout of the building perpetuates that of an earlier house which was probably first constructed as a three room and cross-passage house in the 15th century. The house was fully floored by the 17th century and a large wing added to the east end. The building was extensively remodelled in the 19th century and the rear extension added in the 20th century.

A watching brief was maintained during works associated with the removal of existing concrete floor surfaces throughout the ground floor (Fig. 2, Pls. 1-2). The ground reduction for the new flooring extended to a depth of 0.3m.

Results:

The removal of the existing concrete floor throughout the property revealed a simple deposit sequence consisting of a compact mid red clay (100) at a depth of 0.12m below current ground level. This has been interpreted as a natural subsoil and was overlain by a 0.05m thick dark reddish-brown clayey silt (101) disturbed ground containing rare 19th century brick and slate fragments. This was sealed by a 0.07-0.1m thick concrete floor (102).

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).

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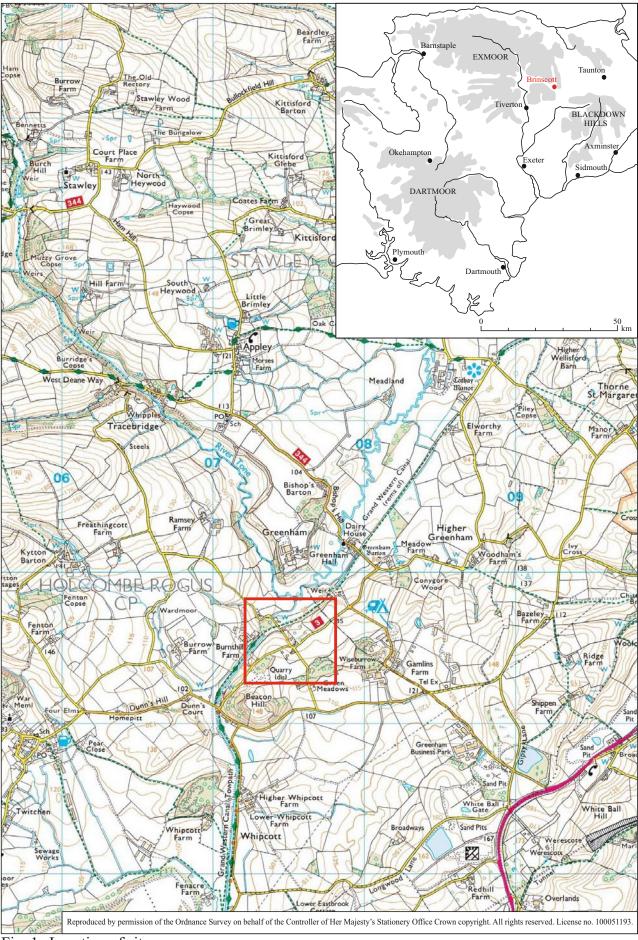


Fig. 1 Location of site.

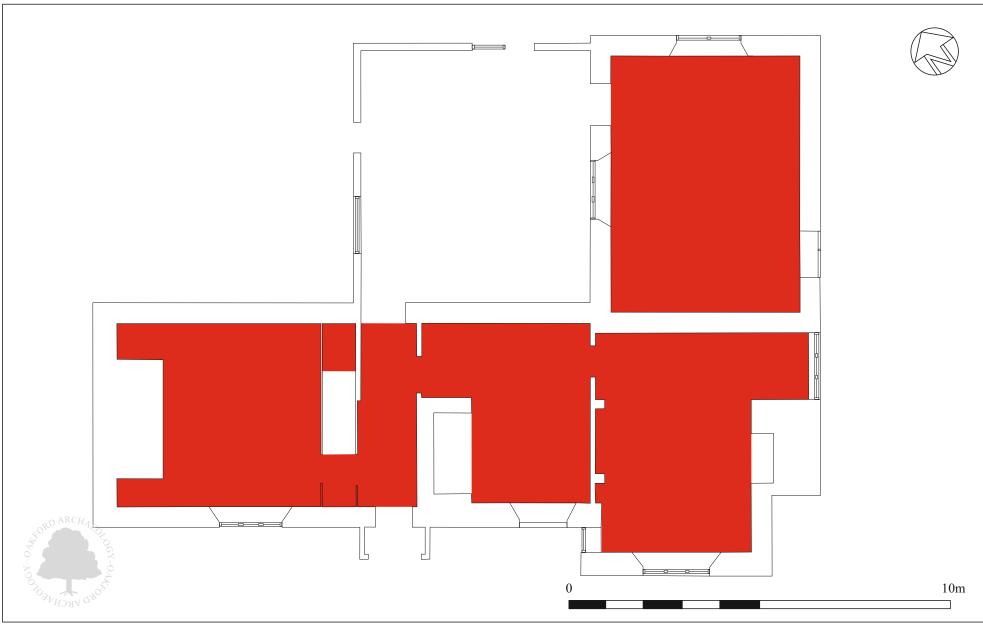


Fig. 2 Plan showing location of observations.



Pl. 1 General view of north wing showing reduced levels. 1m scales. Looking northeast.



Pl. 2 General view of former kitchen showing reduced levels. 1m scales. Looking northeast.