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 Settrington  
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Archaeological Watching Brief  
 SE 83192 70824

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**1. Introduction**

- 1.1 MAP Archaeological Consultancy Ltd was commissioned to undertake an Archaeological Watching Brief at Land and Barn between Nos. 9 and 10, Main Street, Settrington, North Yorkshire (NGR SE 83192 70824: Fig. 1). The work was carried out for Brian Whitbread to fulfil a condition attached to Listed Building and Conservation Consent (Ref. 07/00029/FUL) for demolition of the existing barn and the erection of a two bedroomed dwelling with formation of a garden and parking area.
- 1.2 Work was undertaken on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> February 2008 and the watching brief was carried out in accordance with the Institute of Field Archaeologists Code of Conduct and the Institute of Field Archaeologists Standards and Guidance for an archaeological watching brief.
- 1.3 All work was conducted on behalf of and funded by Mr B. Whitbread.
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**2. Site Description**

- 2.1 The Proposed Development was located on the north side of Main Street in Settrington. The area of the Proposed Foundations was 40m<sup>2</sup> and the barn had recently been demolished. Access from Main Street on the east side of No. 10 Main Street.

- 2.2 Settrington has a Pre-conquest foundation date, with a church mentioned in the Domesday Book. The village plan is that of an L-shape with the manor house and church at the south-west end. Settrington is a shrunken Medieval and Post-Medieval village and site of a Medieval chantry chapel. The north-western part of the village was abandoned in the late medieval and post-medieval periods. The area to the South of Town Street is a Scheduled Ancient Monument.

### **3. Aims, Objectives and Methodology**

- 3.1 All groundworks were to be carried out under direct supervision of an archaeologist from MAP Archaeological Consultancy Ltd. The excavation was carried out using a back-acting mechanical excavator with untoothed bucket.
- 3.2 All work was carried out in line with the Institute of Field Archaeologists Code of Conduct (IFA 1998).

### **4. Results**

- 4.1 Prior to the watching brief commencing the existing barn had been demolished. The watching brief was undertaken to observe all ground disturbance. The area of the new build had its footprint excavated to a depth of c. 1m (Pls. 1 and 2). The excavation exposed subsoil and natural sands and gravels.
- 4.5 No archaeological deposits or artefacts were seen during the excavation foundation trenches.

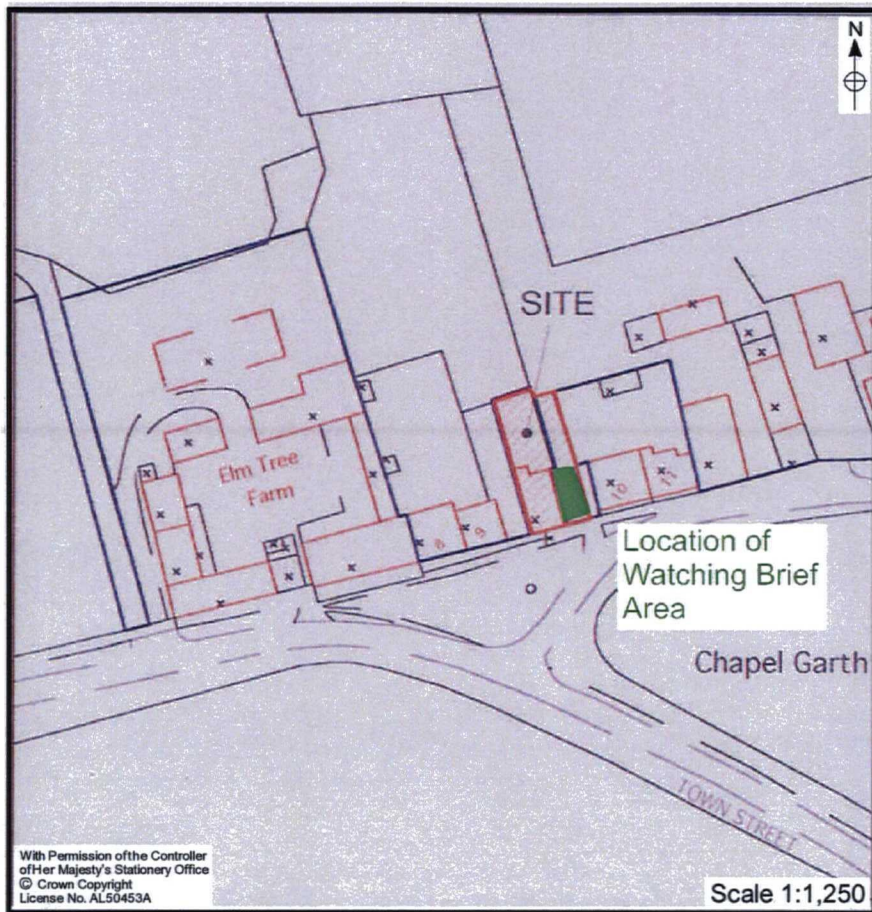


Figure 1. Site Location.



Plate 1. Foundation Area. Facing North-west.



Plate 2. Foundation Area. Facing South-west.