

**New Dwelling to Rear of
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Archaeological Recording Brief**

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Non Technical Summary

An Archaeological Recording Brief was undertaken by MAP Archaeological Consultancy Ltd at land to the rear of Jasmine Cottage, Swinton (SE 7582 7335) in January 2009, in order to fulfil a condition attached to Planning Application 08/1047/FUL. The work involved monitoring the groundworks associated with the erection of a new dwelling.

No archaeological features, deposits or finds were encountered during the Recording Brief.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report sets out the results of an Archaeological Recording Brief that was undertaken in January 2009 by MAP Archaeological Consultancy Ltd, at land to the rear of Jesmond Cottage, Swinton (SE 7582 7335). The work was undertaken in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation, agreed by North Yorkshire County Council.
- 1.2 The Recording Brief was designed to provide an appropriate level of recording for archaeological remains, deposits or finds that might be affected by the ground works, following the archaeology policy issued by the Secretary of State for the Environment contained in *Planning Policy Guidance 16 'Archaeology and Planning' (PPG 16)*, and Policy C13 of the Ryedale District Local Plan.

- 1.3 All maps within this report have been produced from the Ordnance Survey with the permission of the Controller of Her Majesty's Stationery Office, Crown Copyright, Licence No. AL 50453A.

2. Site Description

- 2.1 The site is situated in the village of Swinton on land to the rear of Jesmond Cottage. The site formerly consisted of the garden and associated paddocks of Jesmond Cottage.

3. Aims and Objectives

- 3.1 The aim of the Archaeological Recording Brief was to record and recover archaeological remains, which could be affected by any groundworks associated with the development and to prepare a report summarising the results of the work.

4. Methodology

- 4.1 All the groundworks associated with the erection of the new dwelling were monitored.
- 4.2 All excavations were undertaken using a back acting mechanical excavator using a toothed and a toothless bucket, under close archaeological supervision.
- 4.3 All work was carried out in line with the Institute of Field Archaeologists Code of Conduct (IFA 1998).
- 4.4 A photographic record of the monitored groundworks was maintained throughout the Recording Brief on a digital camera.

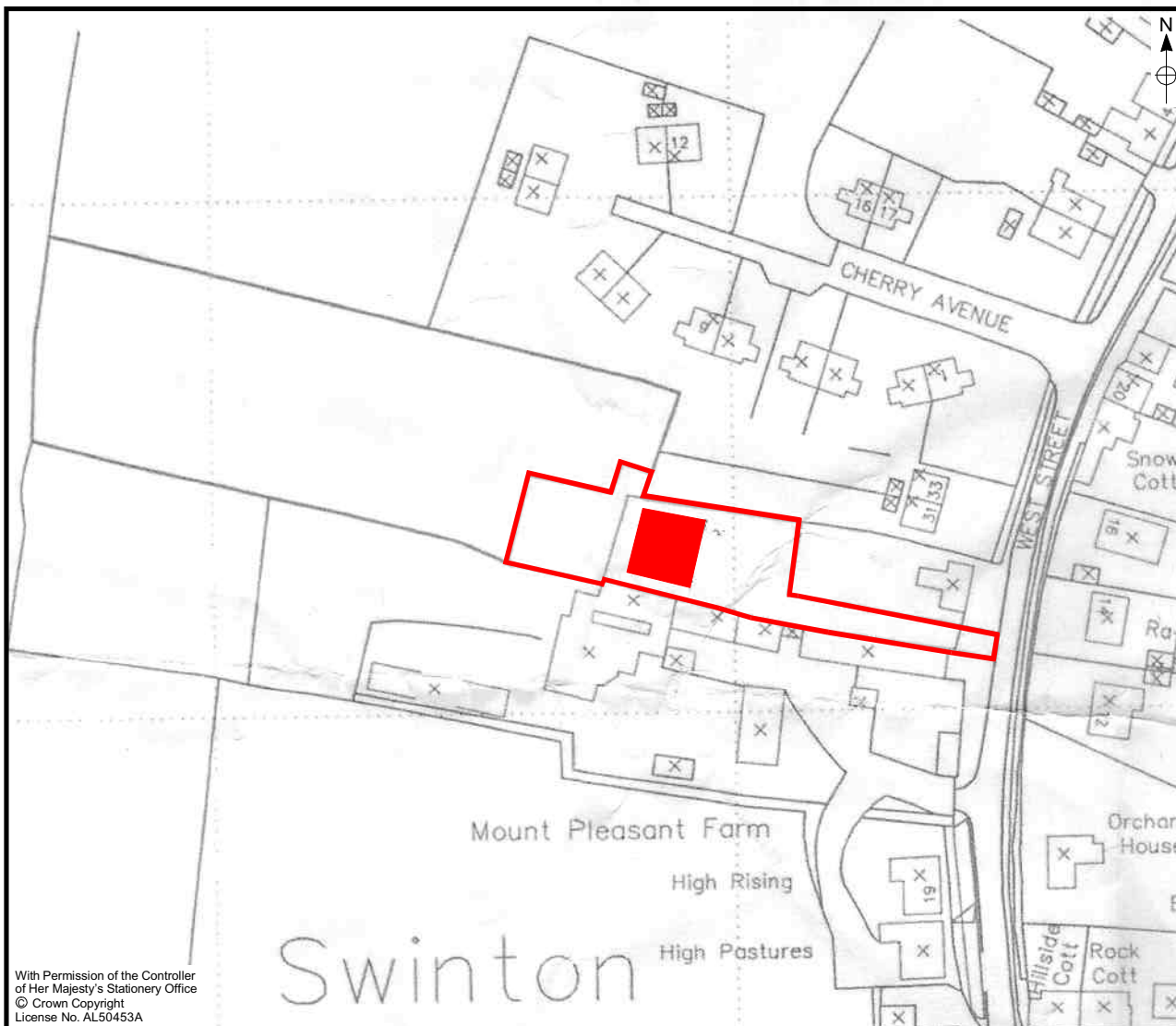
5. Results

- 5.1 The groundworks consisted of the foundations and drainage for the new dwelling.

5.2 The foundations went through the topsoil and subsoil to a depth of between 0.7-0.8m. A Brown, coarse loamy subsoil formed a layer 0.6m deep above the natural. The subsoil was overlain by a modern topsoil with a depth of 0.3m. No archaeological deposits, features or finds were located.

6. Conclusions

6.1 All groundworks taking place on the site were watched under archaeological supervision, no finds or features of archaeological interest were encountered.



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Figure 1. Location of Watching Brief Area.



Watching Brief Swinton Foundations Marked Out



General View of Site before Excavation



Site before Foundation Strip



Site before Foundation Strip



First Foundation Facing North



General View of Foundation Facing West



Section of Foundation Trench



Section of Foundation Trench



Section of Foundation Trench



Section of Foundation Trench



North Foundation Trench



Section of Foundation



Middle Foundation



Southern Foundation