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21st June 2005

Dear Nick,

***WATCHING BRIEF at MANFIELD VILLAGE HALL***

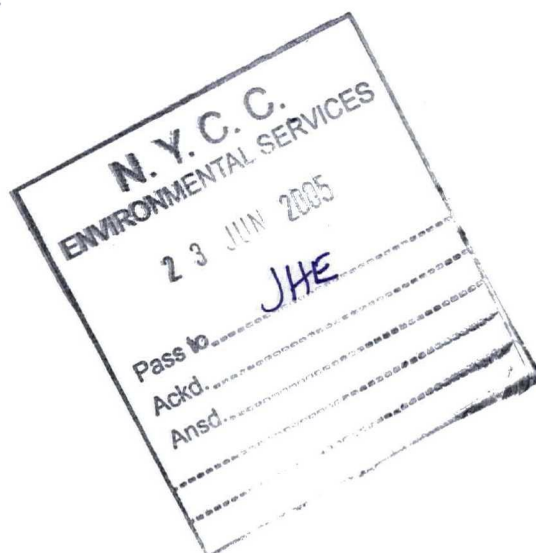
This is to confirm that I have, on instructions from the Village Hall Trust, carried out the required watching brief in connection with contractors' ground works for the creation of a new village hall on a green field site at Manfield. This watching brief was required by a condition attached to the planning consent (Richmondshire District Council) 1/99/61/FUL.

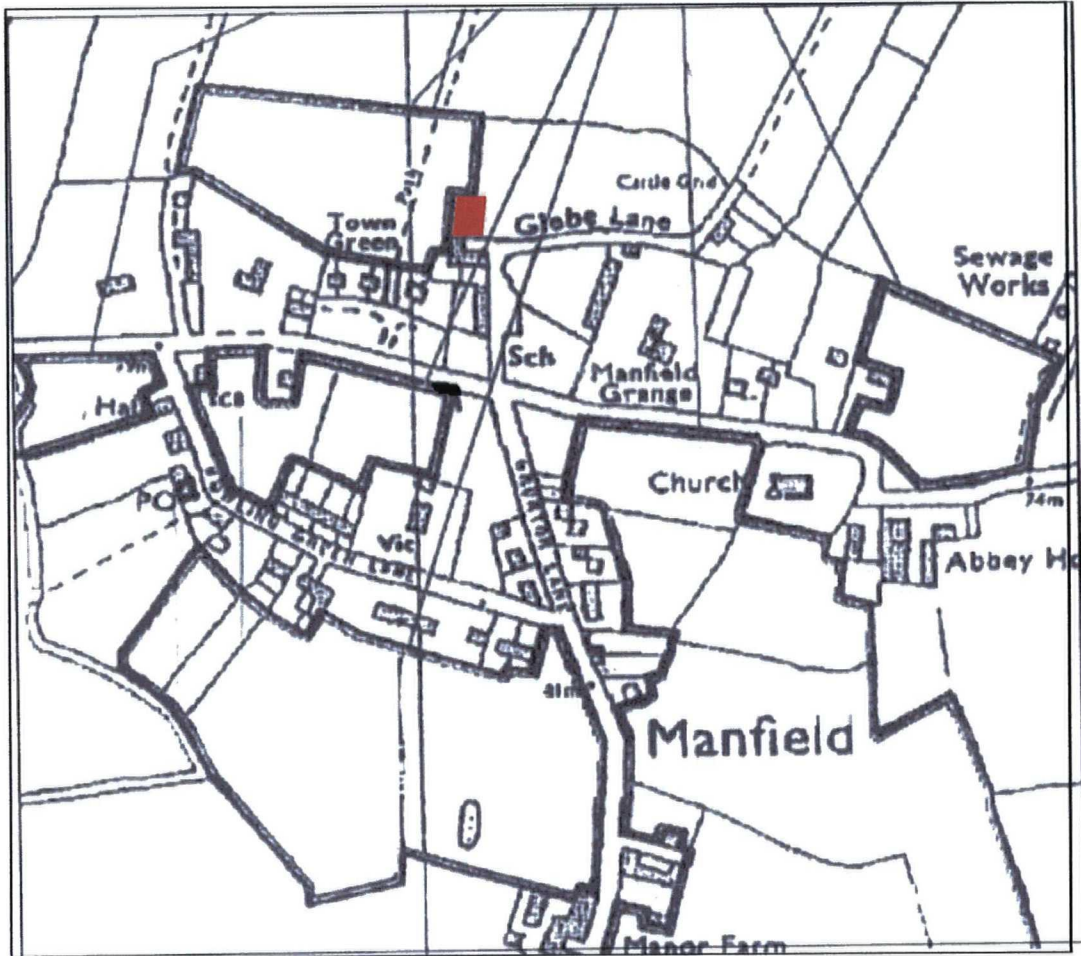
The results were archaeologically negative, which accords with the fact that the development site lies outside the areas of earthwork survival of the mediaeval settlement of Manfield, and outside the area which enjoys statutory protection as an Ancient Monument. The area proved to be covered by a thick, rich cultivated soil (averaging 25 centimetres in depth) which directly overlay the thick, orange-brown natural clay. The only intrusion into this was a small pit, 1.5 metres across, situated in the south-east corner of the site; it contained modern (20th century) glass and pottery, and there is no reason to suppose the feature itself other than entirely modern. No object was found, either in the trenches or on the spoil-heaps, of a date other than modern.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Percival Turnbull.





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**Location (red)**



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**Typical view of completed trenches**



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