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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In May 2011 ECUS Itd undertook a Level 2 archaeological building recording and heritage report for farm buildings at High Farm, Normanby on behalf of Taylor Wimpey (North Yorkshire) Ltd. The assessment was required by the client in order to meet the requirements of a specific planning condition relating to recording the farm buildings as part of the proposed redevelopment and subsequent demolition of the site

The desk based research element of the report revealed that although there are isolated find spots and archaeological sites within the 1km study area there are no significant known archaeological features within the vicinity of the site. Archival research into the

Building recording highlighted a number of preserved features of interest. Including surviving elements of the 18<sup>th</sup> century farm, however these have been subsequently redeveloped during the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries causing much of the original character of the farm to be lost. 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> century vandalism and lack of maintenance has caused many of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century outbuildings to be in a state of disrepair.

ECUS Itd has recommended that no further recording work is required.

#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The development site is located in Normanby south of Middlesbrough in Teesside. The farm and farmhouse are to be demolished and redevelopment of the site as a residential scheme. The site is currently occupied by the standing remains of High Farm a complex of 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century farm buildings.
- 1.2 The purpose of this desk based report is to illustrate the history of the site through specific research and recording of the farm buildings. The building recording seeks to provide sufficient information to preserve the building through record for the future.

## 2. Location, Land use and Geology

#### 2.1 Location

The site proposed for redevelopment is set within open fields between Low fields and Thorntree. The area surrounding High Farm is made up of pasture fields; however the character of this landscape is significantly altered by the urban development and industrial fringe of Middlesbrough and Teesport.

#### 2.2 Land use

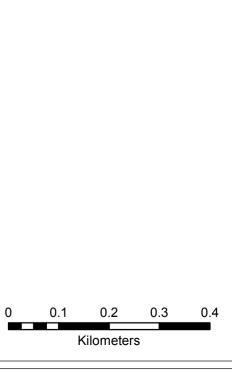
The site has been in agricultural use for most of the Post Medieval period and as a result heavily ploughed. There are visible remains of the former Normanby railway branch line to the east, and much of the rest of the former open landscape has been redeveloped in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. There are also a former gasworks and brickworks as well as clay pits to the north of the site. The farm buildings are currently in use as storage and as a joiner's yard.

#### 2.3 Geology

The site is on superficial geological deposits of Devensian Till over-laying Redcar formation mudstone. (BGS online)







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Figure 1: Site boundary and location

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## 3. Methodology

### 3.1 Sources consulted

- 3.1.1 This desk based assessment has consulted the following sources:
  - Teesside Council HER
  - Teesside Archives
  - North Yorkshire County Record Office
  - Middlesbrough Central Library Local Studies Section
  - National Monuments Record
  - British Geological survey
  - North East Regional Research Framework
  - Historic Farmsteads: preliminary character statement: North East Region
  - ECUS Itd Level 2 building recording
- 3.1.2 These were used in order to research the origins of the current farm and any potential records relating to original ownership and tenancy.

#### 3.2 Building Recording

- 3.2.1 All work was carried out in compliance with the codes and practice of the Institute for Archaeologists (IfA) and followed the IfA *Standards and* Guidance: Building investigation and recording (2008). The programme of building recording was carried out to English Heritage standards, following the guidelines issued by that body in *Understanding* Historic Buildings: A guide to good recording practice (2006).
- 3.2.2 This assessment adheres to Level 2 of the guidelines, as listed below. This includes use of full photographic and drawing registers. Detailed digital photography using an Olympus FE-5035 (14 mega pixels, 5x Optical zoom) was used to produce accurate elevation shots for the farm buildings utilising an appropriate scale. These were then annotated in the field to pick up all architectural detail of interest.
- 3.2.3 A full measured plan of the farm buildings was reproduced in the report at a scale of 1:200, to demonstrate layout and arrangement of the upstanding buildings. A separate floor plan of the Farmhouse was reproduced at 1:100. As access to some internal areas was not possible due to health and safety and access issues, as no existing architectural plans were available no internal measurements were taken of these structures. This was the case for outbuildings OB9, and OB5 specifically.
- 3.2.4 The historic building recording attempts to define: -
  - The phasing of the standing buildings relating to the farmstead.
  - The function of each building or structure and its relationships to other
  - Buildings within the complex.
  - If any technological changes relating to agricultural practices in the later 18th and early 19th century were applied to the farmstead.
- 3.2.5 These research aims are in line with the Regional Research Framework for the North East (Petts & Gerrard 2006)

#### 3.3 Photographic record

3.3.1 A photographic survey was carried out using black and white print as well as digital photography (at a quality of at 14 megapixels) was used for recording purposes. The photographic record includes:

- General views of the exterior of the building, from all angles
- The overall appearance of the principal rooms and circulation areas
- Detailed photography of internal and external fixtures and fittings
- Appropriate scales will be included in all photographs
- A plan showing photograph locations/ directions will be drawn

#### 3.4 Drawn record

3.4.1 The drawn record comprises plans (to scale and fully dimensioned) of all main floors as existing. The plans show the form and location of any structural features of historic significance (including, for example, blocked doors and windows; former fireplace openings, masonry joints, changes in internal levels). Detailed scale drawings will also be produced to record the form and function of other significant structural detail.

## 4. Study Area

#### 4.1 Sites recorded in the NMR (Figure 2)

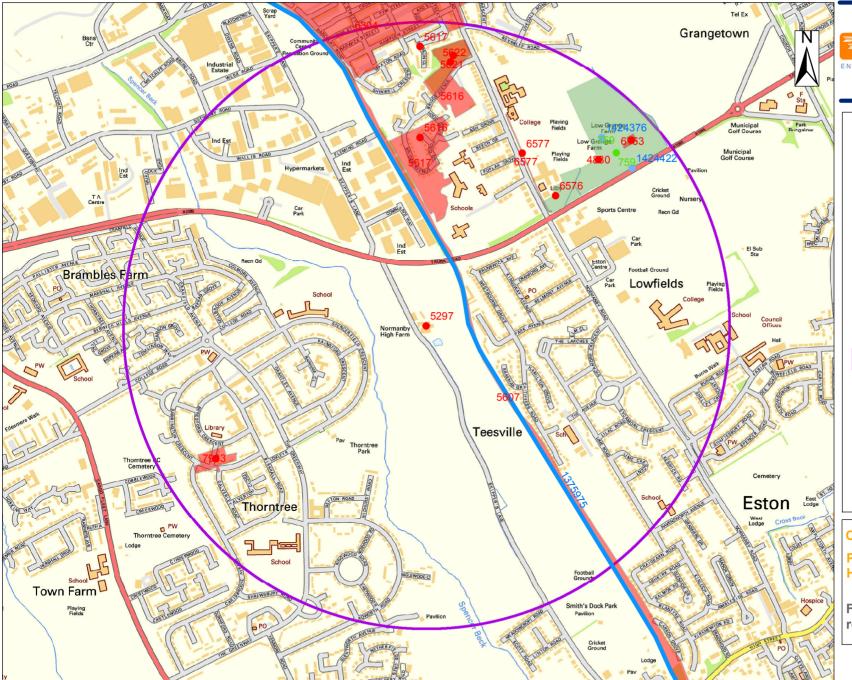
4.1.1 The NMR records 3 sites within 1km of the development area, these are summarised in the table below.

| UID     | NAME    | DESCRIPTION   | Easting | Northing |
|---------|---------|---|---------|----------|
| 1424376 |         | Second World War Type 23 pillbox. Bennet's Farm.  | 454100  | 520000   |
| 1404400 |         | World War II type 23 reinforced concrete pillbox. It was constructed during the period 1940 to 1941. It was in a good condition during a 1992 field visit. Located at Low | 45.4000 | 540000   |
| 1424422 |         | Grange Farm, Southbank, Eston.  | 454200  | 519900   |
|         | ESTON   | The Eston Branch Railway was primarily a mineral  |         |          |
|         | BRANCH  | branch from Middlesbrough to exploit the Eston seam,  | 453192. | 520293.  |
| 1375975 | RAILWAY | opening in 1853 and closing in 1966.  | 398665  | 920205   |

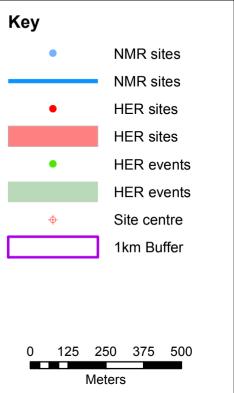
## 4.2 Sites recorded in the HER (Figure 2)

4.2.1 The HER records 12 sites within 1km of High Grange Farm. These are summarised in the table below:

| SMR  | Name              | Form        | Period1 | Eastings     | Northings    |
|------|-------------------|-------------|---------|--------------|--------------|
| -    | LOW GRANGE        | -           | WORLD   | 454089.00000 | 519926.00000 |
| 4880 | FARM              | PILLBOX     | WAR II  | 000000       | 000000       |
|      | HIGH GRANGE       |             | 19TH    | 453520.00000 | 519380.00000 |
| 5297 | FARM              | FARMSTEAD   | CENTURY | 000000       | 000000       |
|      |                   |             | 19TH    | 453500.00000 | 520000.00000 |
| 5616 | Old Clay Pit      | CLAY PIT    | CENTURY | 000000       | 000000       |
|      |                   |             | 19TH    | 453500.00000 | 520300.00000 |
| 5617 | Old Clay Pit      | CLAY PIT    | CENTURY | 000000       | 000000       |
|      | South Bank &      |             |         |              |              |
|      | Normanby          |             | 19TH    | 453610.00000 | 520270.00000 |
| 5621 | Brickworks        | BRICKWORKS  | CENTURY | 000000       | 000000       |
|      | South Bank &      |             |         |              |              |
|      | Normanby Gas      |             | 19TH    | 453600.00000 | 520250.00000 |
| 5622 | Works             | GAS WORKS   | CENTURY | 000000       | 000000       |
|      | Low Grange Farm,  |             | 19TH    | 454197.00000 | 519991.00000 |
| 6153 | Eston             | FARMSTEAD   | CENTURY | 000000       | 000000       |
|      | South-west of Low | GUN         | WORLD   | 453947.00000 | 519808.00000 |
| 6576 | Grange Farm       | EMPLACEMENT | WAR II  | 000000       | 000000       |
|      | East of Normanby  |             | WORLD   | 453837.00000 | 519948.00000 |
| 6577 | Road              | TRENCH      | WAR II  | 000000       | 000000       |
|      |                   |             | 19TH    | 452825.00000 | 518941.00000 |
| 7983 | Thorntree House   | FARMSTEAD   | CENTURY | 000000       | 000000       |
|      | Normanby Branch   |             | 19th    |              |              |
| 5607 | Line              | Railway     | Century |              |              |
|      |                   |             | 19th    |              |              |
| 6304 | South Bank        | Settlement  | century |              |              |







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Figure 2: Heritage assets recorded in the NMR and HER

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#### 4.3 Listed buildings and Scheduled Ancient Monuments

There are no listed buildings or Scheduled Ancient Monuments located within 1km of the site.

#### 4.4 Local and Regional Business Directories

- 4.4.1 There is no reference to any business registered at the address in any business directories covering the area 1896-1907. This is not unusual with the rural setting of the original building.
- 4.4.2 Earlier directories such as Edward Baines 1823 History, Directory and Gazetteer of the county of York refers to Normanby and Eston, but not specifically to any business at High Grange Farm/ High Farm or Grange Farm.
- 4.4.3 White's East and North Riding Directory of 1840 refers to Normanby and Normanby Hall. This also mentions two farmers at Normanby; Daniel Shepherd and John Stay. It is possible one of these men were tenant farmers of Normanby Hall and resided at High Grange Farm, however the actual farm is not named
- 4.4.4 The same is true of White's 1967 directory And Burkes 1890 directory. Farmers are mentioned at both Eston and Normanby but the farms are not named. One farm is named as Grange Farm, and Thomas Scott, a land steward is living there at this time. However this is located within Eston Junction, to the North of Eston, and may be a reference to another farmstead.

#### 4.5 Census returns

- 4.5.1 Census returns for the area are of limited value as between 1841 and 1891 the farms are not named; only the townships and a number are recorded. This combined with the changing name of the farm as seen on the historic OS mapping make it impossible to link any particular family with High Grange Farm
- 4.5.2 Possible tenants could be Hannah Coverdale and her family, listed in the 1841 census, she is named as the only farmer in Normanby at this date. It is therefore possible that the Coverdale family could be linked with High Grange farm, however given the fact that the farm sits equidistant between Eston and Normanby, and that several other farmers were listed in Eston in 1841, it is difficult to discern if the Coverdales were actually tenants at High Grange Farm.

#### 4.6 Building Control Plans, Architects drawings

4.6.1 No building control plans or architects drawing were available in the archives to aid this desk based study.

## 5. Map Regression

#### 5.1 1:10560 and 1:2500 series Ordnance Survey maps (Figures 4-9)

#### 5.1.1 Pre Ordnance survey mapping

Although several estate maps and tithe maps dating from 1749-1823 are held within Teesside archives, none of these show the area of High Grange farm. Therefore no pre ordnance survey maps were examined as part of this study.

### 5.1.2 1st Edition 1:10560 Ordnance Survey map (1861)

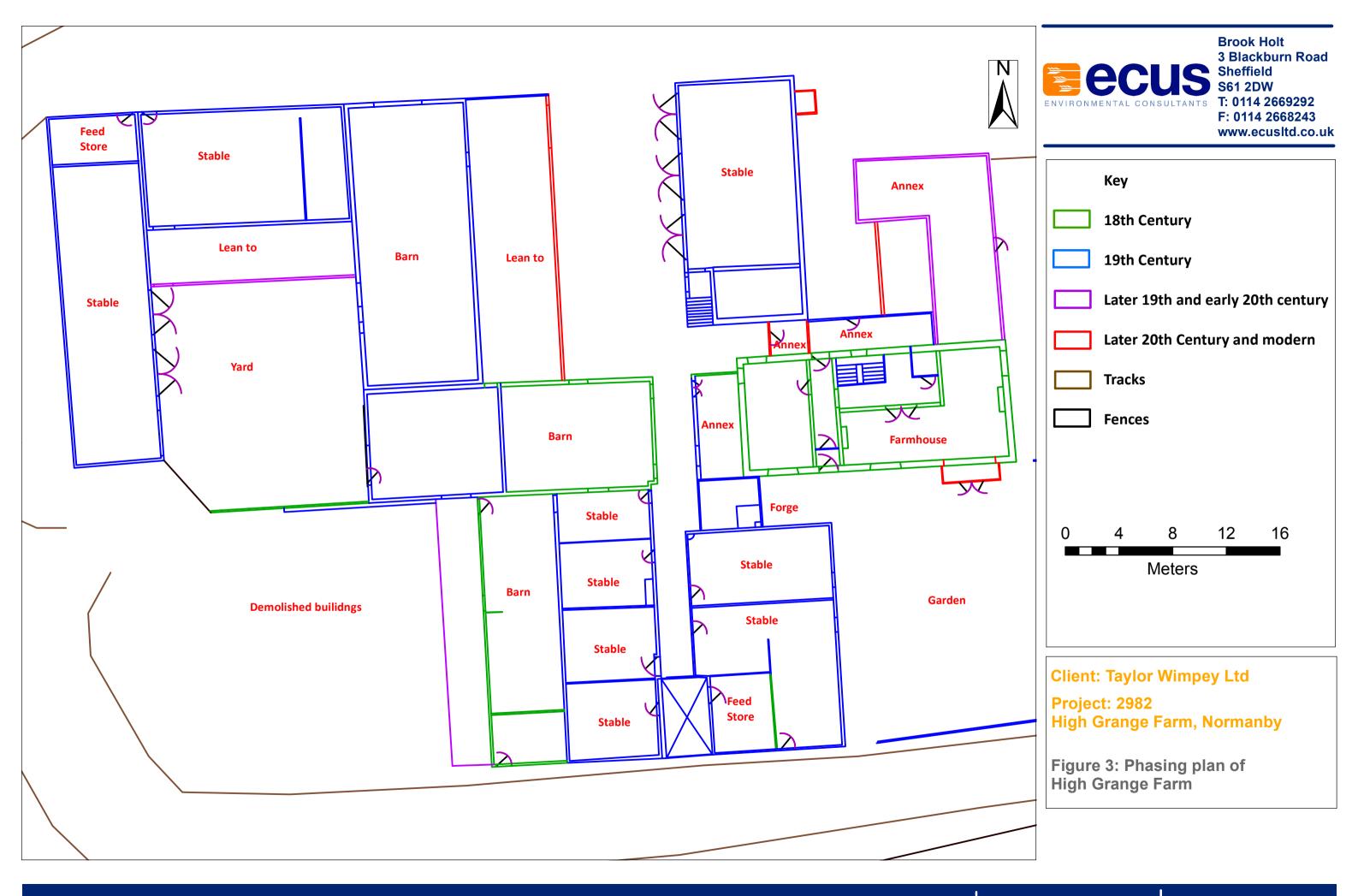
This was the earliest available mapping and shows a slightly different configuration to the 1<sup>st</sup> edition 1:2500 mapping. The Farmhouse itself, southern central and southern ranges (OB5, 3, 2 and 4) of the farm appear to have been built along with the coach storage (OB1). However the remaining buildings that form the north west of the farm complex have not been built at this point.

### 5.1.3 1st Edition 1:10560 Ordnance Survey map (1883)

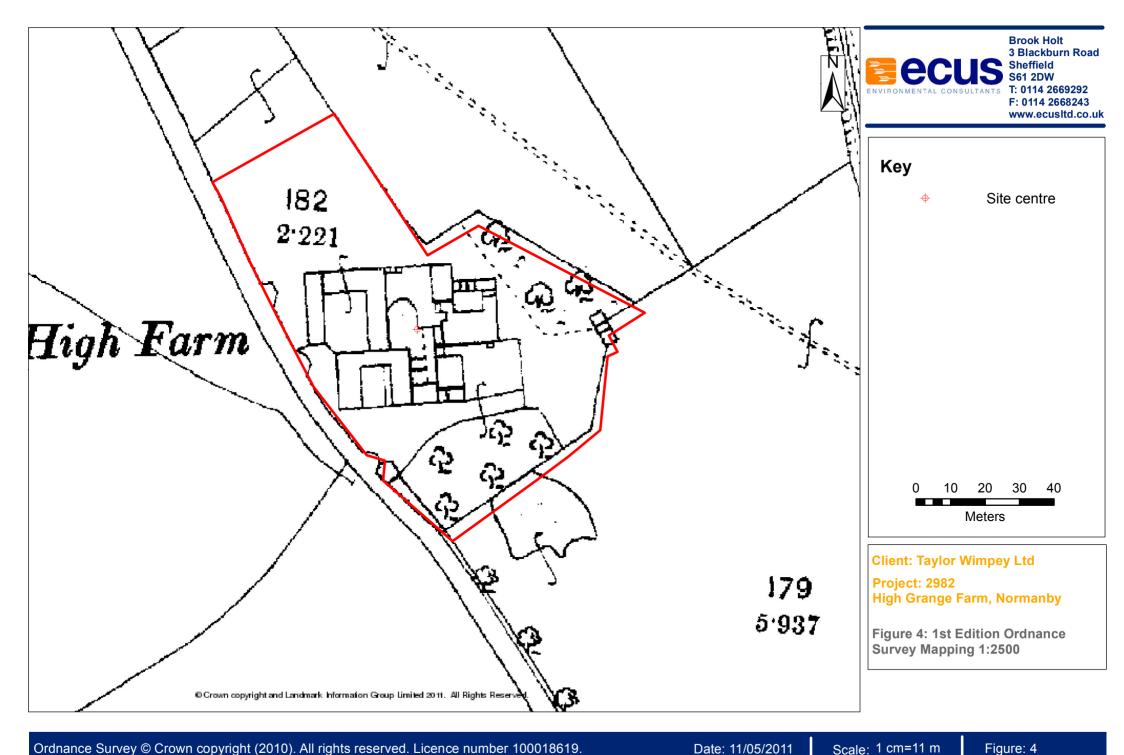
The first edition 1:2500 mapping shows the construction of the first two buildings of the North West range. This happens in conjunction with the construction of a large curvilinear building possibly a threshing barn. Additional small buildings and annexes are also constructed to the north east of the main farm building. A small porch is also visible on the south of the Main farm. However these all appear slightly different to the current arrangement of annexes and porches to the main farm building and are presumably precursors.

### 5.1.4 1<sup>st</sup> Revision Ordnance Survey map onwards (1898-1960s)

This mapping shows the development of the farm complex with various small out buildings and lean too structures constructed and demolished. The core of the farm and outbuildings however remains essentially the same. The only major change is visible on the 4<sup>th</sup> edition mapping where the two large barns are constructed to the north of the Farm complex. This is also the point when the far south western out building appears to be reduced in size. This has recently (1990-2011) been demolished completely.



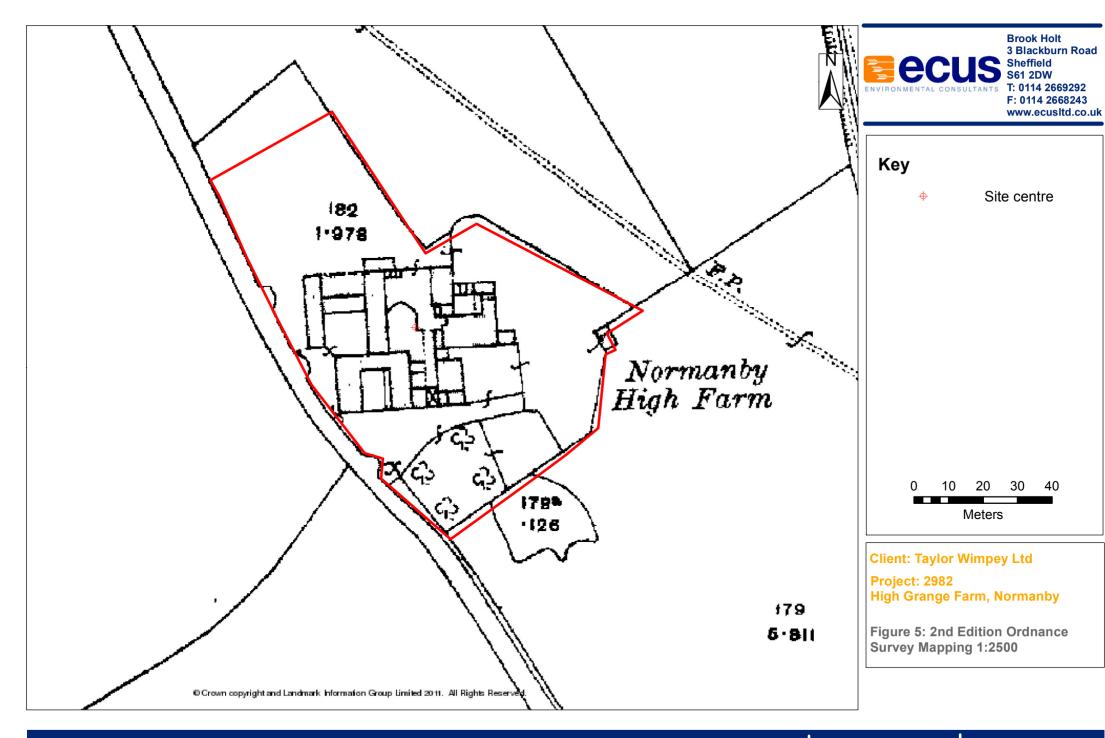
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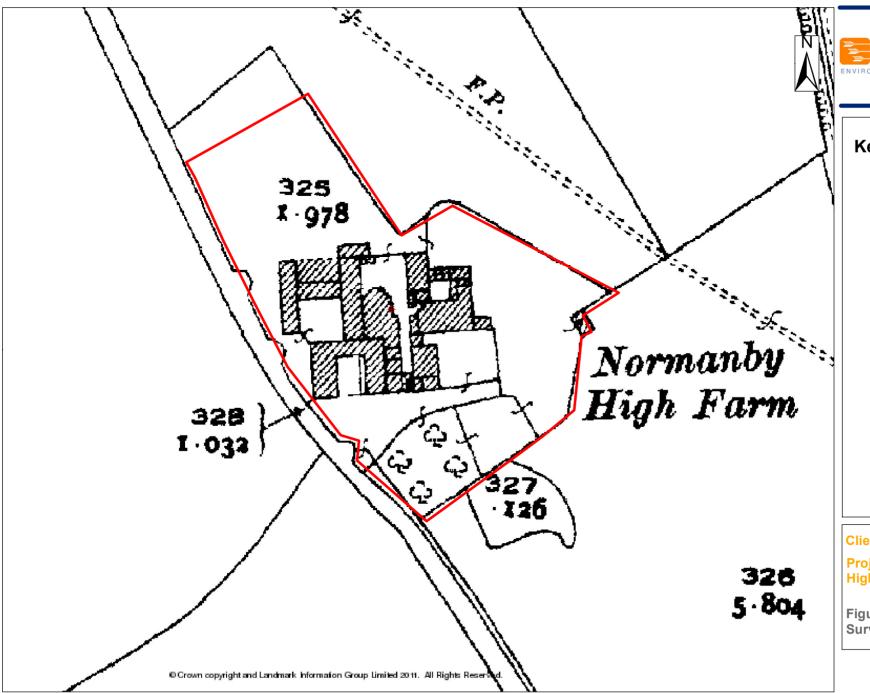
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Figure 6: 3rd Edition Ordnance

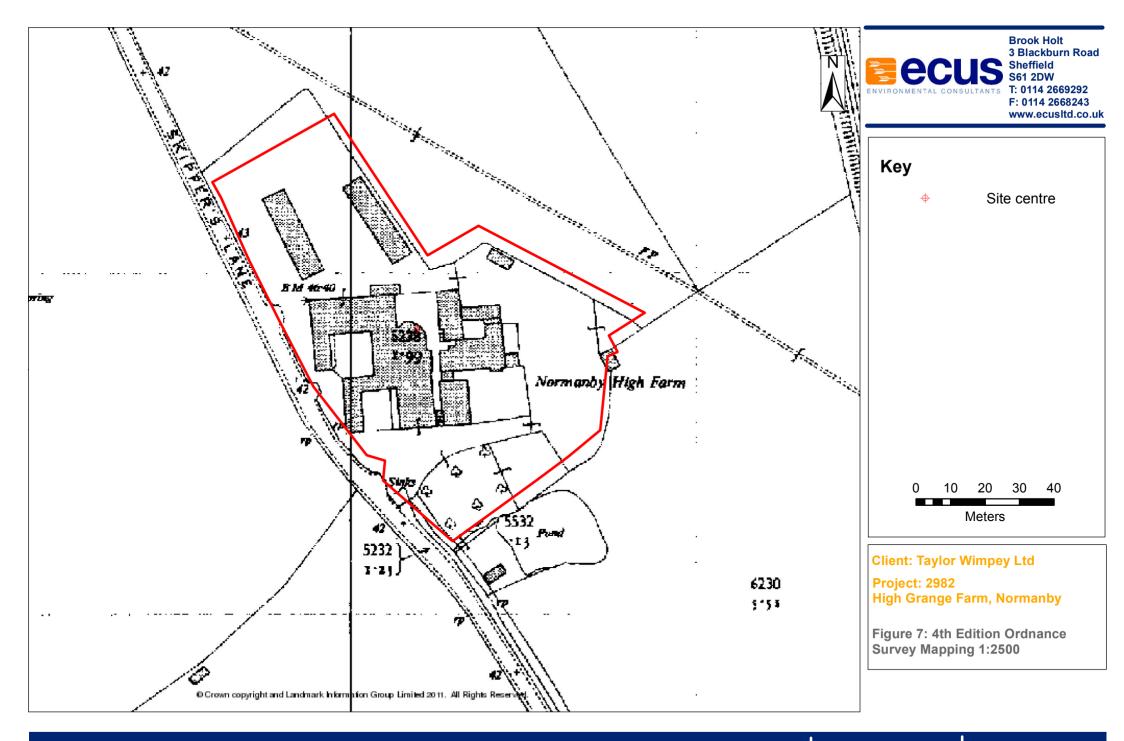
Survey Mapping 1:2500

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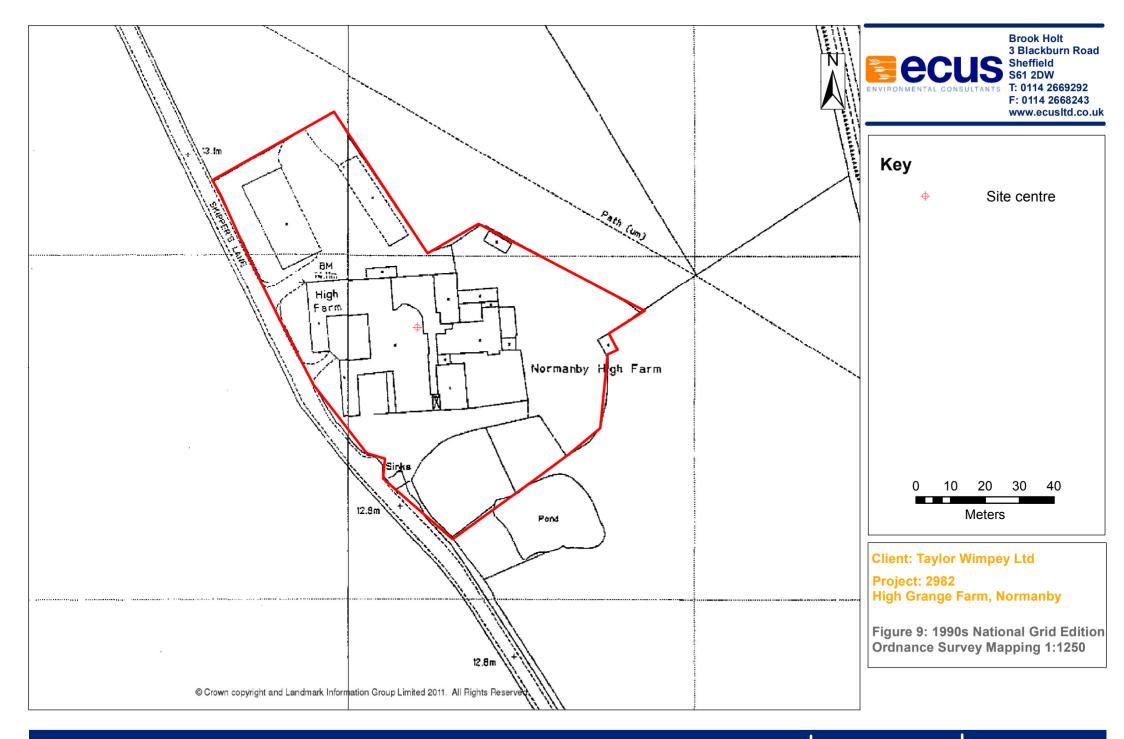
Figure 8: 1st National Grid Edition Ordnance Survey Mapping 1:1250

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## 6. Historical and Archaeological Background

#### 6.1 Site Context

6.1.1 The site proposed for possible future development is located in a narrow strip of rural land set between the urban settlement of Eston and the edge of North Ormesby. Historically this land was open fields, until the development of the Ironstone industry, and opening of several large clay pits in the 1850s caused the population to rapidly expand. White's Directory of 1867 records the population of Normanby and Eston growing from 195 in 1851 to 2204 in 1861. The expansion of the railway network also impacted upon the site with the former Eston branch running 130m to the east of the site boundary.

#### 6.2 Early Prehistory (c. 10,000 – 2500 BC)

There currently is no evidence of early prehistoric activity within 1km of the site.

#### 6.3 Iron Age (c. 800 BC - AD43)

There is currently no evidence of Iron Age activity within 1km of the site

#### 6.4 Romano British period (c.AD 43 – AD 410)

There is currently no evidence of Romano British activity within 1km of the site

#### 6.5 Early Medieval / Anglo Saxon period (c. AD 410 – 1066)

There is currently no evidence of Early Medieval activity within 1km of the site

#### 6.6 Medieval period (1066 — c.1500)

There is very slight earthwork evidence in the fields to the north of High Grange Farm of broad ridge and furrow ploughing. This has clearly been truncated by later ploughing and is the only remnant of possible medieval activity.

#### 6.7 Post Medieval period (1500 – c.1900)

- 6.7.1 The post medieval landscape completely changed this area. The implementation of enclosure fields, along with the development of the settlements of South Bank, Eston and Eston Junction, the latter as a direct result of the railway are two key developments. The Ironstone industry and clay pits also increase the dramatic effect with a 19<sup>th</sup> century Gasworks and Brick works located within 1km of the development site. This is undoubtedly the period with most change and that had the largest impact on the surrounding landscape and setting of High Grange farm.
- 6.7.2 It is difficult to trace the ownership of High Grange farm as few documents available have any evidence its history. However it is likely that it was in the ownership of Normanby hall due to its name and proximity to Normanby. Normanby Manor was originally in the ownership of the Earl of Marton at 1086. It was also subsequently owned by the De Brus family of Skelton Castle.

- 6.7.3 By 1208 the manor is recorded as being in the ownership of Robert de Normanby. It then passes into the Theweng Family by 1250. There are also links with the Powerful Percy family. In 1279 Henry De Normanby is recorded as residing at Normanby manor and the De Normanbys are recorded as being in residence until 1331.
- 6.7.4 In the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> centuries the manor seems to pass between the Pennyman, Morley and Yorke families, with William Pennyman recorded in residence in 1718. After this the estate is divided between William Consett and Matthew Consett until the estate is entirely inherited by William Ward Jackson in 1859. It remained in the Ward-Jackson Family until 1948 when it was sold off and lands divided.

#### 6.8 Modern period (1900 – present)

There is substantial evidence in the vicinity for the defence of the area during the Second World War. There is recorded evidence within 1km of a gun emplacement, pillbox and trenches. It is possible that more unrecorded archaeology from this period survives in the vicinity.

#### 6.9 Previous archaeological research and intervention

There has been little previous archaeological work in the vicinity of High Grange Farm; however CgMs undertook a desk based assessment at Low Grange Farm 896m to the North West.

## 7. Archaeological Building Recording

#### 7.1 Farmhouse

7.1.1 The Farmhouse is constructed of handmade 18<sup>th</sup> century brick dating between 1750 and 1799. The brick work is of English Bond with approximately six courses of stretcher bond between each course of headers. The south frontage (Plate 1) consists of five original windows, three 1<sup>st</sup> floor and two ground floor, all with stone framing. The remaining ground floor window has been altered to form a modern French window which serves as entrance into the living room and dining room. There is also an original doorway, also stone framed, although the current door is a modern PVC replacement of the original.



Plate 1: South front of the main Farmhouse

7.1.2 At the rear of the property there is a low lean to structure (Plate 2) which conceals the original ground floor elevation. This is currently inaccessible from the exterior and interior of the house. The upper floor has three windows, as the front, although one is clearly a later addition. The central window is also slightly lower in order to light the interior stairway of the building.



Plate 2: Lean to structure AN3 at rear of farmhouse

7.1.3 The western elevation shows the scar of a former building (Plate3), possibly the continuation of out-building OB5. However there is no map evidence to support this conclusion. There is now a small lean to structure (AN2) made of 18<sup>th</sup> century brick which houses the water tank for the main house in place of the original. However this has clearly been altered as the western wall of this structure is made of later 19<sup>th</sup> century. The wall lines up with that of the other 18<sup>th</sup> century building OB5, so this evidence supports the theory that OB5 originally joined with the main farmhouse and was shortened and the lean to structure AN2 built instead. There is evidence in the roof structure of AN2 for a re-used roof truss and beams. There is also evidence for a blocked up window in the western gable end of the Main farmhouse, possibly blocked during the construction of AN2. There is also another small annex which accesses AN3 and possibly OB1 however this is currently also in accessible.



Plate 3: Scar relating to former building linking the farmhouse with OB5

- 7.1.4 The eastern elevation of the main farmhouse is white washed, but there is evidence for a ground floor blocked window in a similar location to that seen on the western gable end. There is also a feint scar of a lean to structure; this is supported by the early editions of the Ordnance survey mapping.
- 7.1.5 Inside the main Farm house the ground floor consists of four rooms, it is immediately apparent that the configuration of the building has been changed. Room FM7 is the main living area (Plate 4), however from looking at the ceiling it is apparent that this originally was made up of three separate rooms that have been opened up in order to make a larger living and dining area (FM4). The room is accessed through the French windows from the south and there are two fireplaces and a single window.



**Plate 4:** Interior of living area within farmhouse (FM7)

- 7.1.6 Exiting through the double doors into room FM3, which is the central hall way. This contains a small ground floor toilet (FM6), possibly part of the original room in the north east corner, and the staircase to the upper floor. A second corridor FM2 is accessed through a short passageway with a pair of original cupboards above. Coridor FM2 runs north south through the house and there is a door at either end. The northern door exits into the northern annex AN3, and is currently inaccessible. The southern door is the former main entrance and is accessed through a small internal hallway.
- 7.1.7 Moving through the house westward the last ground floor room is the kitchen FM1 (Plate 5). This has a north and south window, and has been completely remodelled. There is no evidence of the original range or fireplace and the windows to the north are later additions. Moving upstairs there is a central staircase (FM5) leading onto a landing (FM10). There are four bedrooms FM12, 13, 14, and 16. FM14 has a walk in wardrobe (FM15). Bedroom FM16 has a walk in wardrobe (FM17) and it is clear a certain amount of remodelling has taken place to accommodate this and the bathroom (FM9) as the south eastern window is split between both rooms.
- 7.1.8 The annex to the north of the main farm building is almost a prefabricated structure dating to the late 19<sup>th</sup> or early 20<sup>th</sup> century it is open downstairs and has been extended to the east in the later 10<sup>th</sup> century. There is divided into two main rooms with two windows on each side.



Plate 5: Modern fitted kitchen on ground floor of Farmhouse

7.1.9 It was not possible to access the attic to examine the roof structure of the main farm house; however there is no reason to suspect that there will be any evidence of structural elements predating 1750. The external and internal evidence points to an 18<sup>th</sup> century farmhouse which is improved, although not completely gentrified during in the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

#### 7.2 Stables

7.2.1 The stables comprise the bulk of the site and it would appear that the farm was designed to house horses and carts. OB1, OB2, OB3, OB7 OB10, and OB9 all date from the 19<sup>th</sup> century and are designed to stable horses. OB1, 9 and 10 all have 3 arched with gates (although OB10 is now bricked up) and would house small carts or farm machinery such as ploughs. The upper floors of OB1 (Plate 6) have been converted into offices at some point in the 20<sup>th</sup> century and are now used as storage. These buildings all have their original roof truss and beams in place and are still in use either as storage in the case of the ground floor of OB1 or for stabling as in the case of OB10 and OB1-3.



Plate 6: OB1 showing 3 in situ archways for storing carts and farm equipment

7.2.2 The south west corner of OB 2 is utilised as a feed store and the interior has many original features including partition walls and a brick built basin in the north eastern corner of the northern block of stables. The central block of OB3 has a stone trough set on a brick plinth against the eastern wall. OB1 also has some original metal fittings including a gas light and early 20<sup>th</sup> century electric light in situ.



Plate 7: OB3 (right) and OB4 (left) showing the contrast between 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century brickwork

- 7.2.3 OB4 (Plate 7) was also most likely a stable block and is now fire damaged and partially collapsed. This is an earlier block with window and door frames dating to the 18<sup>th</sup> century. The foundation course is also in sandstone, not in brick as with the later 19<sup>th</sup> century stables.
- 7.2.4 Some of the stables retain original doors and hinges such as OB3 however most of the others have been replaced. Many doors and windows have been nailed shut to prevent access for either safety or security reasons and as a result many of the buildings have lost some of their original character.

#### 7.3 Barns

7.3.1 There are two probable barns within the farm complex, OB7 and OB5 (Plate 8). These are also either side of a possible threshing barn, no longer extant but visible on the early Ordnance survey mapping so are likely candidates. Internal arrangements such as first floor access and ventilation slits also suggest that these buildings began life as barns. However much of the original character has now been lost by the construction of the lean to structure OB6 and the extension of OB5 in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. It was not possible to examine the interior of OB5 in detail except through a first floor window via a ladder due to boarded up doors that had been nailed shut. The south eastern corner of the building contained a key stone with possible 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup> century graffiti. OB7 is now used to store and maintain a vintage car and retained no additional features of interest.



**Plate 8:** OB5, a former 18<sup>th</sup> century barn (ventilation slots visible, now bricked up)

#### 7.4 Other out buildings

7.4.1 The remaining outbuildings OB8, AN1, AN2 and LT1 are all now used for storage. They do not retain any significant original features and are in a state of disrepair. One exception to this is the western lean to AN2 which is discussed above in section 7.1.3. In addition to this the small building OB2 with the main farmhouse contains the remains of a 19<sup>th</sup> century forge. The hearth (Plate 9), access for a small bellows, brick built chimney all survive intact. This is the only substantial original feature that survives. This small forge was most likely utilised for small scale iron working relating to the shoeing of horses and maintaining of farm equipment.



Plate 9: Small forge with hearth and chimney intact.

#### 7.5 Demolished buildings

7.5.1 There is evidence of a demolished building (Plate 10), containing the remains of eight cattle feed troughs, demonstrating that there was formerly a winter cattle shed on site. This building is visible on all the Ordnance Survey mapping until the 1990s so was only recently demolished. The footprint of these buildings is clear from both the Ordnance survey maps and remains on the ground



Plate 10: Area of demolished buildings

#### 7.6 Discussion

#### 7.6.1 18<sup>th</sup> century

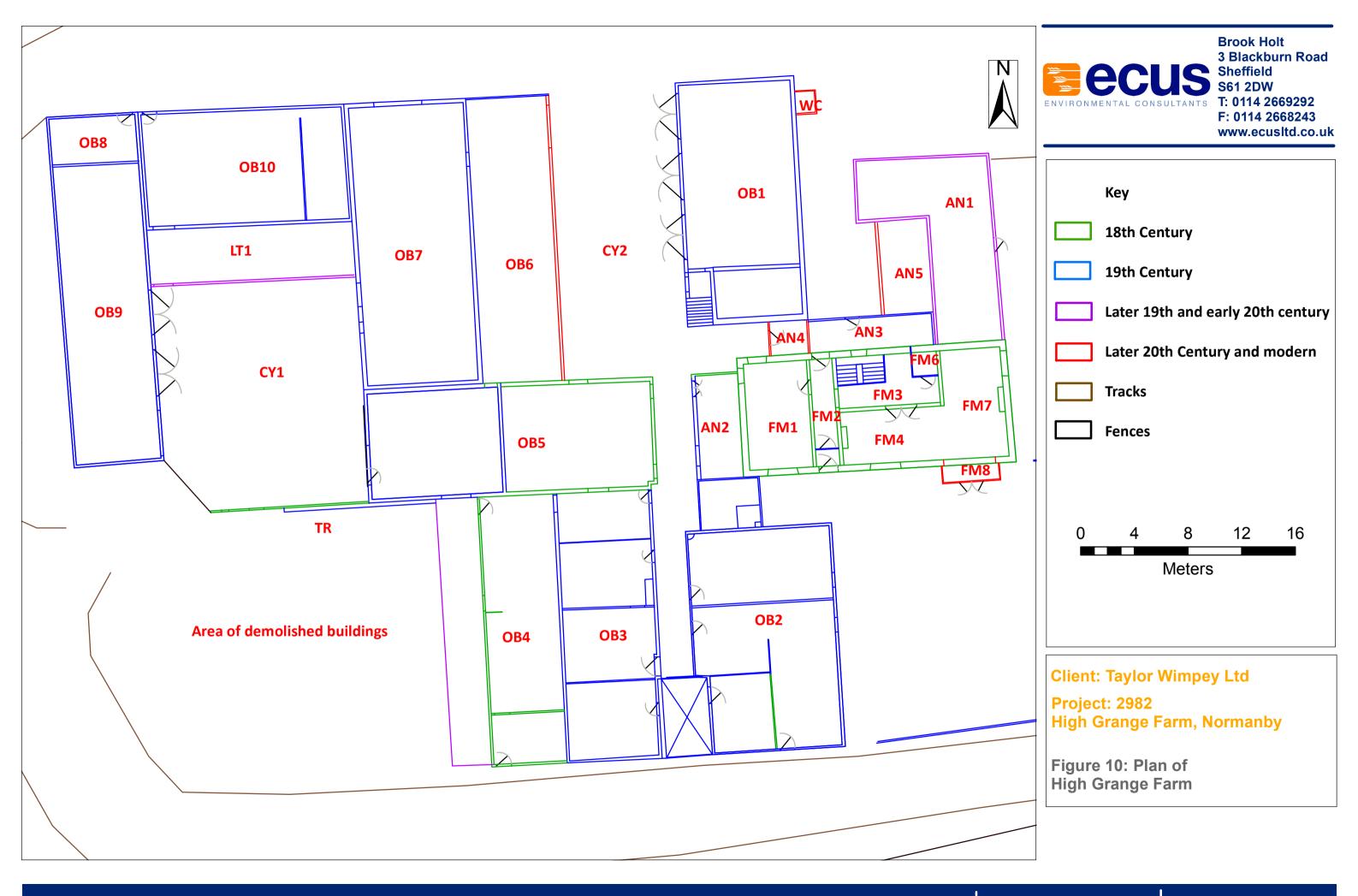
The farm would appear to date to the second half of the 18<sup>th</sup> century, as no earlier structural elements were recorded. No title deeds or map evidence shows a farm on this site prior to that period. It would appear that the 18<sup>th</sup> century farm comprised of the main farmhouse, with OB5 running east from this and a range of two further buildings south of OB5, of which OB4 is a surviving fragment. The remaining 18<sup>th</sup> century buildings have been demolished or redeveloped as part of the expansion of the farm. There is also a short length of 18<sup>th</sup> century wall within the feed store in the southern end of OB2, although there is no other 18<sup>th</sup> century evidence in this part of the complex. Although some nice original features, such as doors, stonework and windows survive, much of the original form has been lost to subsequent 19<sup>th</sup> century development.

### 7.6.2 19<sup>th</sup> century

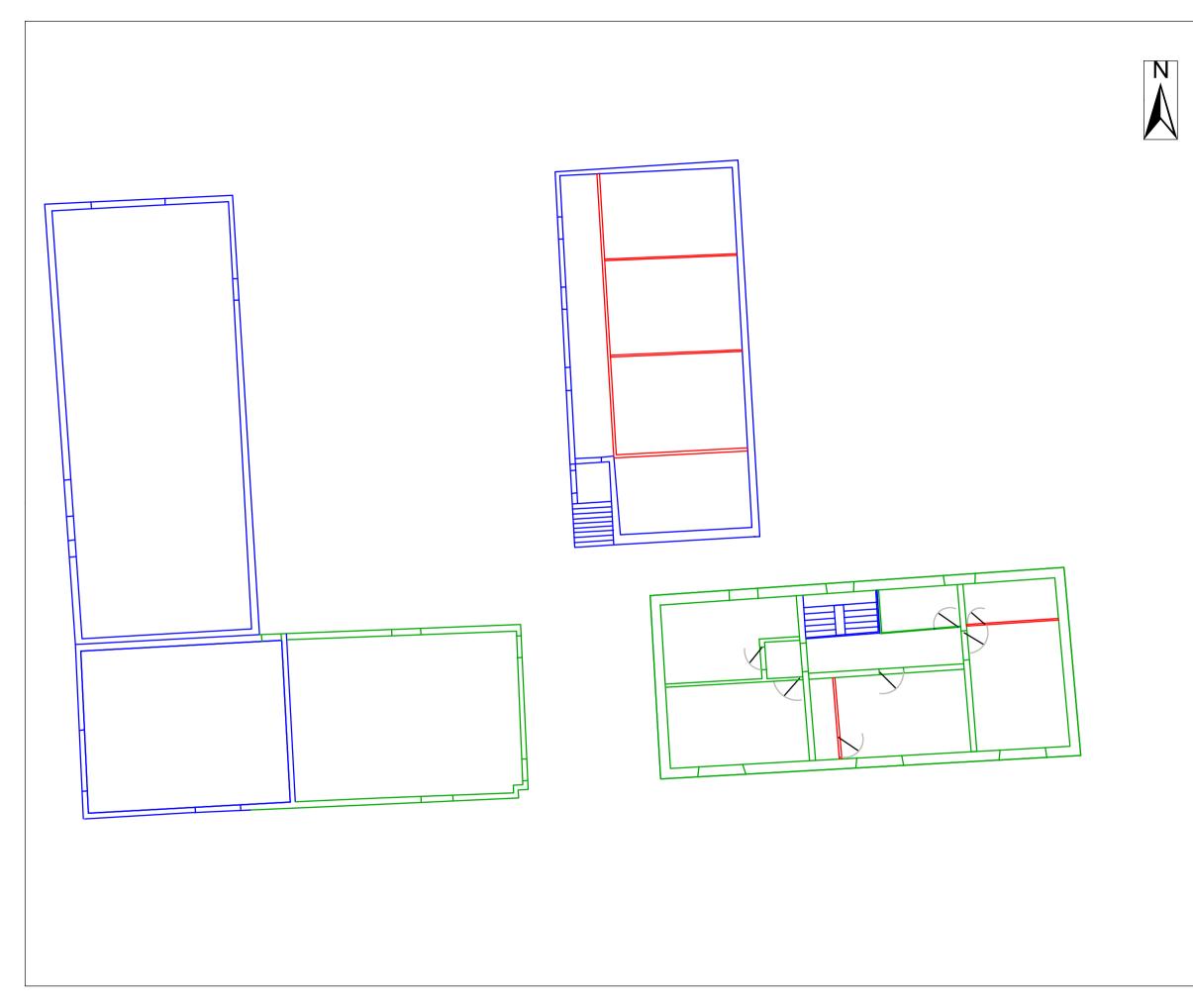
During the 19<sup>th</sup> century the farm expanded at a rapid rate with the construction of a threshing barn and additional outbuildings to the south and north of OB5. This effectively swallowed up and redeveloped a significant amount of the original 18<sup>th</sup> century complex with only the Farmhouse and OB5 surviving in a recognisable form. Building OB5 itself has been shortened and significantly remodelled to the west with the construction of building OB7. The majority of the 19<sup>th</sup> century buildings with the exception of OB2 and OB1 are in a poor state of repair and several including OB 8 and OB3 are partially collapsed. There are some nice surviving features relating to this period including a trough, basin and small forge, with hearth and chimney intact. None of these relate to a unique or rare agricultural process.

7.3.3 20<sup>th</sup> century

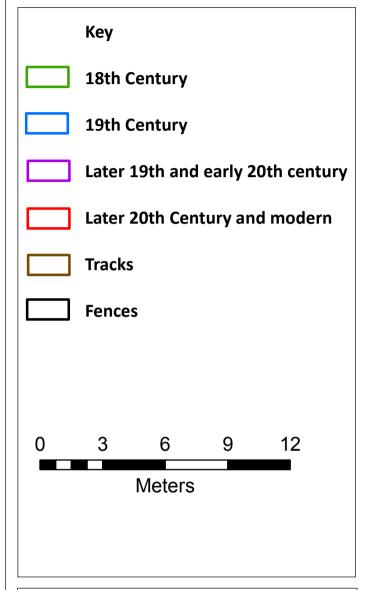
The 20<sup>th</sup> century has seen the redevelopment of the outbuildings adjoining the north of the farm as well as the construction of the two modern barns to the north of the main complex of the farm. There is also evidence of significantly increased vandalism in recent times including the setting of several fires which have damaged parts of OB1 and significantly damage OB4 leading to partial collapse of the roof.



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Figure 11: Upper floor plans

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#### 8. Assessment of Potential and Conclusions

#### 8.1 Assessment of potential

8.1.1 There is clearly some potential for further archaeological remains of 18<sup>th</sup> century farm buildings in the area of demolition marked on figure 10. However this would most likely on reveal a basic floor plan which can be obtained from a study of the historic mapping. The majority of the outbuildings are in a poor state of repair and many are partially collapsed already. As such it is not likely that any more can be gained by redeveloping them.

#### 8.2 Conclusions

High Grange farm is an 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century farm, and while there is some survival of original features, none of these are in exceptional condition. The site does not represent any regional or national importance, and is not currently designated. The site has been put forward for designation as a listed building in the past and was refused on grounds of condition. The farm is also much removed from its original setting, not only with 19<sup>th</sup> century industrial development but also more recent housing developments and the nearby industrial estate. As a result there is a very small fragment of the original landscape surviving as well. There is therefore no reason to preserve the buildings in situ.

#### 8.3 Recommendations

There is no reason to undertake any further archaeological recording work and the current level 2 building survey is sufficient to preserve the farm complex through record. There is low potential for buried archaeological remains in the area and as such it is unlikely that further below ground archaeological work will be required.

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# APPENDIX I – Photo Register

| Photo<br>Number | Description                                  | Scale |
|-----------------|--|-------|
| 1               | East Gable end of main farm house            | 2x1m  |
| 2               | East Gable end of main farm house            | 2x1m  |
| 3               | East Gable end of main farm house            | 2x1m  |
| 4               | East Gable end of main farm house            | 2x1m  |
| 5               | East Gable end of main farm house            | 2m    |
| 6               | Garden wall looking south                    | 2x1m  |
| 7               | Garden wall looking north                    | 2x1m  |
| 8               | South frontage of main farm house            | 2x1m  |
| 9               | South frontage of main farm house            | 2x1m  |
| 10              | South frontage of main farm house            | 2x1m  |
| 11              | South frontage of main farm house            | 2x1m  |
| 12              | South frontage of main farm house            | 2x1m  |
| 13              | South frontage of main farm house            | 2x1m  |
| 14              | East wall of forge building                  | 2x1m  |
| 15              | East frontage of OB2                         | 2x1m  |
| 16              | East frontage of OB2                         | 2x1m  |
| 17              | East frontage of OB2                         | 2x1m  |
| 18              | South frontage of main farm house            | None  |
| 19              | East frontage of OB2                         | 2x1m  |
| 20              | East frontage of OB2                         | 2x1m  |
| 21              | South Gable OB2                              | 2x1m  |
| 22              | South Gable OB2                              | 2x1m  |
| 23              | Cobbles south of OB2                         | None  |
| 24              | Arch through to courtyard, viewed from south | 2x1m  |
| 25              | South front of buildings OB3 and OB4         | 1x1m  |
| 26              | Roof of archway                              | None  |
| 27              | Roof of archway                              | None  |
| 28              | Roof of archway                              | None  |
| 29              | Interior of OB3, southern stable Room 1      | None  |
| 30              | Interior of OB3, southern stable Room 1      | None  |
| 31              | Roof of OB3 southern stable Room 1           | None  |
| 32              | Interior of OB3, southern stable Room 1      | None  |
| 33              | Interior window southern stable OB3          | None  |
| 34              | Stable door OB3 Room 2                       | 1x1m  |
| 35              | Exterior OB3 looking south                   | None  |
| 36              | Exterior OB3 looking north                   | 1x1m  |
| 37              | Exterior OB3 looking south                   | 1x1m  |
| 38              | Fire damaged Room 4 OB3                      | None  |
| 39              | Fire damaged Room 4 OB3                      | None  |
| 40              | Fire damaged Room 4 OB3                      | None  |
| 41              | Fire damaged Room 4 OB3                      | None  |

| 42 | Western exterior wall OB2 viewed from north            | 1x1m |
|----|--|------|
| 43 | Western exterior wall OB2 viewed from north            | 1x1m |
| 44 | Western exterior wall OB2 viewed from north            | 1x1m |
| 45 | Western exterior wall OB2 viewed from north            | 1x1m |
| 46 | Exterior window OB3 looking south                      | 1x1m |
| 47 | Forge hearth   | 1x1m |
| 48 | Forge hearth   | 1x1m |
| 49 | Forge interior   | 1x1m |
| 50 | Forge interior   | 1x1m |
| 51 | Forge roof   | None |
| 52 | Building ranges OB2, OB3 and OB5 looking south         | 2x1m |
| 53 | Building ranges OB2, OB3 and OB5 looking south         | 2x1m |
| 54 | OB5 eastern gable end                                  | None |
| 55 | OB5 eastern gable end                                  | None |
| 56 | OB5 eastern gable end                                  | None |
| 57 | Stone in south east corner of OB5 with carved graffiti | None |
| 58 | Lean to structure AN2 viewed from north                | 2x1m |
| 59 | Lean to structure AN2 viewed from north                | 2x1m |
| 60 | Annex AN4 viewed from west                             | 2x1m |
| 61 | Annex AN4 viewed from west                             | 2x1m |
| 62 | Annex AN4 viewed from west                             | 2x1m |
| 63 | Former gas up-lighter                                  | None |
| 64 | Steps to upper level of OB1                            | 2x1m |
| 65 | Steps to upper level of OB1                            | 2x1m |
| 66 | Storage room under steps of OB5                        | 2x1m |
| 67 | West frontage of OB1                                   | 2x1m |
| 68 | West frontage of OB1                                   | 2x1m |
| 69 | West frontage of OB1                                   | 2x1m |
| 70 | West frontage of OB1                                   | 2x1m |
| 71 | North gable of OB1                                     | 2x1m |
| 72 | North gable of OB1                                     | 2x1m |
| 73 | North front of main farm and east wall of OB1          | 2x1m |
| 74 | North Wall of AN1                                      | 1x1m |
| 75 | North Wall of AN1                                      | 1x1m |
| 76 | Blocked window in east wall of OB1                     | 2x1m |
| 77 | North frontage of AN3 and main farmhouse               | 2x1m |
| 78 | West wall of AN5                                       | 1x1m |
| 79 | West wall of AN5 and AN1                               | 1x1m |
| 80 | North gable of OB7 and OB6                             | 2x1m |
| 81 | North gable of OB7 and OB6                             | 2x1m |
| 82 | North gable of OB7 and OB6                             | 2x1m |
| 83 | North gable of OB7 and OB8                             | 2x1m |
| 84 | North gable of OB7 and OB8                             | 2x1m |
| 85 | Western wall of OB8 and OB9                            | 2x1m |
| 86 | Western wall of OB8 and OB9                            | 2x1m |

| 87  | Southern gable of OB9                                | 2x1m |
|-----|--|------|
| 88  | Wall of demolished building from south               | 2x1m |
| 89  | Wall of demolished building from south               | 2x1m |
| 90  | Wall of demolished building from south               | 2x1m |
| 91  | Wall of demolished building from south               | 2x1m |
| 92  | Demolished building and OB4 from west                | 2x1m |
| 93  | Wall of demolished building from south               | 2x1m |
| 94  | OB4 from west  | 2x1m |
| 95  | OB4 from west  | 2x1m |
| 96  | Blocked arch in wall of OB5 from south               | None |
| 97  | Blocked Arch in wall of OB5from south                | None |
| 98  | Collapsed roof of OB4                                | None |
| 99  | Window in west wall of OB4                           | None |
| 100 | Stone foundation course of west wall of OB4          | 2x1m |
| 101 | View from farm looking west                          | None |
| 102 | View from farm looking south                         | None |
| 103 | View from farm looking east                          | None |
| 104 | Interior of OB2                                      | None |
| 105 | Interior of OB2                                      | None |
| 106 | Interior of OB2                                      | None |
| 107 | Interior of OB2                                      | None |
| 108 | Interior of OB2                                      | None |
| 109 | Interior of OB2                                      | None |
| 110 | Interior of OB2                                      | None |
| 111 | Interior of OB2                                      | None |
| 112 | Interior of OB3                                      | None |
| 113 | Interior of OB3                                      | None |
| 114 | Interior of OB3                                      | None |
| 115 | Interior of OB3                                      | None |
| 116 | Interior of OB3                                      | None |
| 117 | Interior of OB3                                      | None |
| 118 | Interior of OB3                                      | None |
| 119 | Exterior detail OB3                                  | 1x1m |
| 120 | Exterior detail OB3                                  | None |
| 121 | Interior OB2   | None |
| 122 | Interior OB2   | None |
| 123 | Interior OB2   | None |
| 124 | Blocked door north wall of OB5                       | 1x1m |
| 125 | Blocked door and ventilation slots north wall of OB5 | 1x1m |
| 126 | Blocked door and ventilation slots north wall of OB5 | 1x1m |
| 127 | Scar of former building west wall main farm house    | None |
| 128 | Interior OB1 under arches                            | None |
| 129 | Interior OB1 under arches                            | None |
| 130 | Interior OB1 under arches                            | None |
| 131 | Interior OB1 under arches                            | None |

| 132 | Detail arch doors and hinges OB1                  | None |
|-----|---|------|
| 133 | Detail arch doors and hinges OB1                  | None |
| 134 | Roof OB8  | None |
| 135 | Interior OB8                                      | None |
| 136 | Interior OB8                                      | None |
| 137 | Exterior of lean to structure LT1 looking north   | None |
| 138 | Exterior of west wall of OB7 and OB5 looking east | None |
| 139 | Exterior of west wall of OB7 and OB5 looking east | None |
| 140 | Exterior of west wall of OB7 and OB5 looking east | None |
| 141 | Exterior of eastern wall of OB9 looking south     | None |
| 142 | Southern exterior of OB4                          | 1x1m |
| 143 | Southern exterior of OB4                          | 1x1m |
| 144 | Roof of OB4                                       | None |
| 145 | Interior of OB4                                   | None |
| 146 | Interior of OB4                                   | None |
| 147 | Roof of OB4                                       | None |
| 148 | Roof of OB4                                       | None |
| 149 | Interior of OB4                                   | None |
| 150 | Interior of OB3                                   | None |
| 151 | Interior of OB3                                   | None |
| 152 | Roof of OB3                                       | None |
| 153 | Eastern gable and northern wall of building OB5   | None |
| 154 | Roof of OB6 from east                             | None |
| 155 | AN2, OB2, OB3 and OB5 viewed from north           | None |
| 156 | View from farm looking north                      | None |
| 157 | Modern barn viewed from east                      | None |
| 158 | Modern barn viewed from east                      | None |
| 159 | View to West                                      | None |
| 160 | View to West                                      | None |
| 161 | View to East                                      | None |
| 162 | View to East                                      | None |
| 163 | View to East                                      | None |
| 164 | Area of graded ridge and furrow to North of farm  | None |
| 165 | Area of graded ridge and furrow to North of farm  | None |
| 166 | Area of graded ridge and furrow to North of farm  | None |
| 167 | Area of graded ridge and furrow to North of farm  | None |
| 168 | Area of graded ridge and furrow to North of farm  | None |
| 169 | Area of graded ridge and furrow to North of farm  | None |
| 170 | Area of demolished buildings                      | None |
| 171 | Area of demolished buildings                      | None |
| 172 | Area of demolished buildings                      | None |
| 173 | Recovered railway sleepers in farmyard            | None |
| 174 | Stone foundations of OB4                          | None |
| 175 | Interior of OB5 (obscured)                        | None |
| 176 | Interior of OB5 (obscured)                        | None |

| 177 | Interior of OB5 (obscured)                            | None |
|-----|---|------|
| 178 | Original light fitting on west wall of OB1            | None |
| 179 | Original light fitting on west wall of OB1            | None |
| 180 | Original light fitting on west wall of OB1            | None |
| 181 | Chimney of forge                                      | None |
| 182 | Chimney of forge                                      | None |
| 183 | Horse show on door of OB2                             | None |
| 184 | Horse show on door of OB2                             | None |
| 185 | Former orchard south of main farm                     | None |
| 186 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM8 FM7 and FM4          | 1x1m |
| 187 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM8 FM7 and FM4          | 1x1m |
| 188 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM8 FM7 and FM4          | 1x1m |
| 189 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM8 FM7 and FM4          | 1x1m |
| 190 | Roof of Farm house rooms FM8 FM7 and FM4              | 1x1m |
| 191 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM3                      | 1x1m |
| 192 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM3 and FM6              | 1x1m |
| 193 | Interior of Farm house roomsFM3 and FM6               | 1x1m |
| 194 | Stairway main farmhouse                               | 1x1m |
| 195 | Stairway main farmhouse                               | 1x1m |
| 196 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM2                      | 1x1m |
| 197 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM2                      | 1x1m |
| 198 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM1                      | 1x1m |
| 199 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM1                      | 1x1m |
| 200 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM1                      | 1x1m |
| 201 | Interior of Farm house Stairway                       | 1x1m |
| 202 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM10                     | 1x1m |
| 203 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM13                     | 1x1m |
| 204 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM13                     | 1x1m |
| 205 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM13                     | 1x1m |
| 206 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM12                     | 1x1m |
| 207 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM12                     | 1x1m |
| 208 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM12                     | 1x1m |
| 209 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM9                      | 1x1m |
| 210 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM9                      | 1x1m |
| 211 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM10                     | 1x1m |
| 212 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM16                     | 1x1m |
| 213 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM16                     | 1x1m |
| 214 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM16                     | 1x1m |
| 215 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM17                     | 1x1m |
| 216 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM17                     | 1x1m |
| 217 | Interior of Farm house rooms View from window of FM17 | None |
| 218 | Interior of Farm house rooms View from window of FM17 | None |
| 219 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM14                     | None |
| 220 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM14                     | 1x1m |
| 221 | Interior of Farm house rooms FM14                     | 1x1m |

| 222 | Interior of Farm house cupboard over passageway FM3 | 1x1m |
|-----|---|------|
| 223 | Interior of Farm house cupboard under stairs FM3    | 1x1m |
| 224 | Interior OB10                                       | 1x1m |
| 225 | Interior OB10                                       | 1x1m |
| 226 | Interior OB10                                       | 1x1m |
| 227 | Interior OB10                                       | 1x1m |
| 228 | Interior OB10                                       | 1x1m |
| 229 | Interior OB10                                       | 1x1m |
| 230 | Interior OB10                                       | 1x1m |
| 231 | Interior OB10                                       | 1x1m |
| 232 | Interior OB10                                       | 1x1m |
| 233 | Interior OB10                                       | 1x1m |
| 234 | Interior OB10                                       | 1x1m |
| 235 | Area of demolished buildings                        | None |
| 236 | Area of demolished buildings                        | None |
| 237 | Area of demolished buildings                        | None |
| 238 | Interior OB6 exterior OB7 and OB5                   | None |
| 239 | Interior OB6 exterior OB7 and OB5                   | None |
| 240 | Interior OB6 exterior OB7 and OB5                   | None |
| 241 | Interior OB6 exterior OB7 and OB5                   | None |
| 242 | Interior OB6 exterior OB7 and OB5                   | None |
| 243 | Interior OB6 exterior OB7 and OB5                   | None |
| 244 | Interior OB6 exterior OB7 and OB5                   | None |
| 245 | Interior of AN2                                     | None |
| 246 | Interior of AN2                                     | None |
| 247 | Interior of AN2                                     | None |
| 248 | Interior of AN2                                     | None |
| 249 | Interior of AN2                                     | None |
| 250 | Interior of AN2                                     | None |
| 251 | Interior OB2 grain store                            | None |
| 252 | Interior OB2 grain store                            | None |
| 253 | Interior OB2 grain store                            | None |
| 254 | Interior OB2 grain store                            | None |
| 255 | Interior OB2 grain store                            | None |
| 256 | Interior OB2 grain store                            | None |

## APPENDIX II: Photography plates on disk as jpg files.