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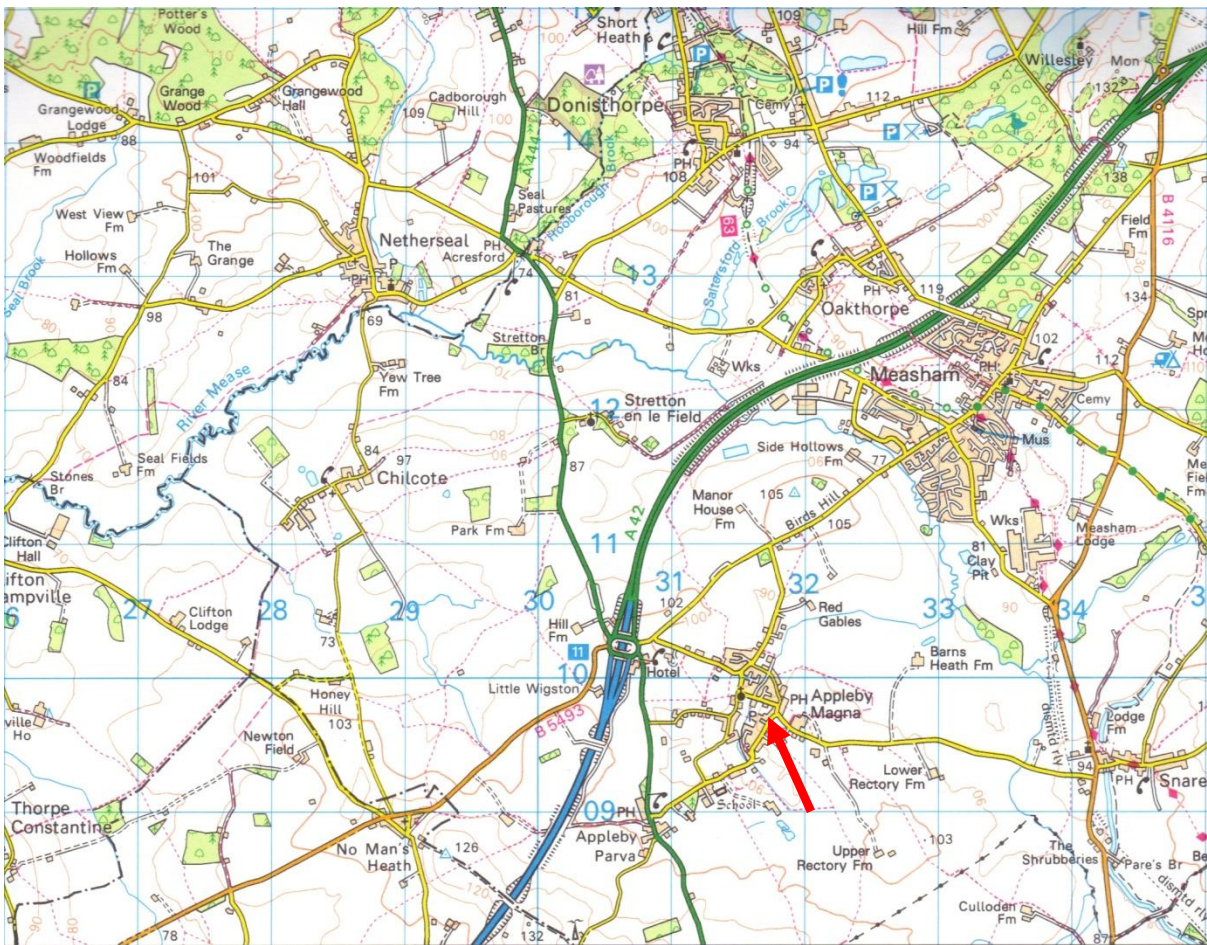
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### 1. Introduction

Archaeological Building Recording Services (ABRS) were commissioned by Ms S. Liff to undertake archaeological standing building recording (photographic survey) of 14 – 16 Top Street (External Elevations Only), Appleby Magna, Leicestershire (NGR SK 53208 05582 (Figures 1 & 2)). Listed Building Consent has been granted for the removal of the external render (Planning Application No 19/00623/LBC). The building is a traditionally built residential property, believed to date from the 17th century. The building is located on the south eastern edge of the village of Appleby Magna. The Planning Archaeologist (Temporary), Leicestershire County Council has recommended that archaeological standing building recording (photographic survey) be carried out following the removal of the render.



**Figure 1 Site Location**

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The building is statutorily listed at Grade II under 8, 12, 14 and 16, Top Street (NHLE 1177864) and is located within the Appleby Magna Conservation Area. The listed building description describes it thus:

*Houses of C17. Ashlar mostly rendered and red brick, with plain tiled roof and rebuilt ridge stack between Nos. 14 and 16. 2 gabled wings project left and right. Left gable front and recessed centre part of ashlar, now rendered except*

for gable inner wall and outer side wall. Right of red brick with stone quoins, string courses and coped gable. C20 windows have replaced stone mullion windows on left (No. 16) and centre (No. 14), but stone frames possibly remaining under render. Left side wall of unrendered ashlar retains 2 2-light and 1 1-light mullion windows, the lower 2-light with hood-mould. No. 16 shows stone plinth. On right gable (No. 12), C20 windows and door inserted in former 2-light mullions and on inner wall 2 1-light windows and stone lintelled doorway now a window. Rear has 2 gables: left, behind No. 12, of red brick, rendered, with stone quoins and coped gable and C19 stack and dormer to left; right, rendered, with 2 upright timbers visible in gable and blocked 2-light stone mullion on upper floor of inner return wall.



**Figure 2**  
Proposed Development Area in Detail (Recorded Elevations in Green).  
(Provided by client. 1:1250).

No. 14 – 16 occupies the south westernmost extent of a terrace of four domestic buildings, historically the building has been identified as “two-thirds of an H-plan house” (Hayward, 2007), although the current building recording programme records no confirmation of this. The recorded external elevation does not include any dateable features, but the listing description (above) indicates a 17th century date. The building is a traditionally built in ashlar under a plain tile pitched roof with 20th century timber casement windows and timber doors (Figure 3). No. 14 is a two bay range fronting Top Street (Figure 4), No. 16 lies gable on to Top Street (Figure 5). The 20th century cement mortar render has been removed from

these two principal elevation, the north east facing elevation of No. 16 was not, nor has been rendered (*Figure 6*). No. 14 revealed mullioned windows on the ground and first floor, unfortunately, there was no detail remaining to assist dating, but may have originally been ovolo or splay moulding. The continuous label moulding is equally damaged. There was alteration to the ground floor with a potentially blocked door to the south west and the current door potentially inserted into a window opening. There is apparently a straight joint between No. 14 and No. 16, suggesting the two are not contemporary, this is further supported by the lack of label moulding on No.16.

The principal elevation of No. 16 did not reveal any significant detail. The gable has undergone significant repair, the ground floor consists of poorly executed repair, now housing a 20th century door and casement window. The first and second floor is constructed in 20th century brick, the original structure having collapsed during a storm in 1962.

The photographic did not include an internal inspection.

A photographic survey was to be undertaken following standards as defined in *Understanding Historic Buildings: A guide to good recording practice* (Historic England 2016). The photographic survey addressed the requirements detailed in written advice issued by the Planning Archaeologist (Temporary), Leicestershire County Council.

The project was completed following an approved Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) for *Historic Building Inspection and Recording (Photographic Survey) 14 - 16 Top Street (External Elevations Only), Appleby Magna, Swadlincote, Leicestershire* the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA) *Code of Conduct*, and adhered to their *Standards and Guidance for Archaeological Investigation and Recording of Standing Buildings or Structures* (2019).

## **2. Aims and Methodology**

The aim of the survey was to provide a permanent photographic record of the building in its current state, prior to alteration or repair, to standards set down by Historic England (2016).

The photographic survey was undertaken by Gerwyn Richards on December 3rd 2019 and on July 3rd 2020. Photographs, in 35mm monochrome negative and digital format taken as raw image files and converted to TIFFs (Tagged Image File Format) were taken.

*Orientation:* The building is approximately “T” shaped in plan, with the long axis aligned north east – south west and the short axis aligned west-north west – east-south east with the principal elevation facing south east. Where the terms ‘left’, ‘right’, ‘front’ and ‘back’ etc are used in the report, this is in relation to the principal elevation as viewed from the south east.

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As far as is known, no previous historic building recording has been undertaken of the building. An historic building appraisal of the building was carried out in 2007 (TR Projects (TRP 06/10/2)) and the co-owner, Mr F. Steward has carried out extensive documentary research (The history of 14-16 Top Street, Appleby Magna, Leicestershire (Steward, F. 2006))



**Figure 3**  
Principal Elevation, General View (Looking North West).



**Figure 4**  
No. 14 Principal Elevation (Looking North West).



**Figure 5**  
No. 16 Principal Elevation (Looking  
North – North West).



**Figure 6**  
No. 16 North East Facing Elevation  
(Looking South West).





**Figure 7**  
No. 14 Rear Elevation (Looking South East).



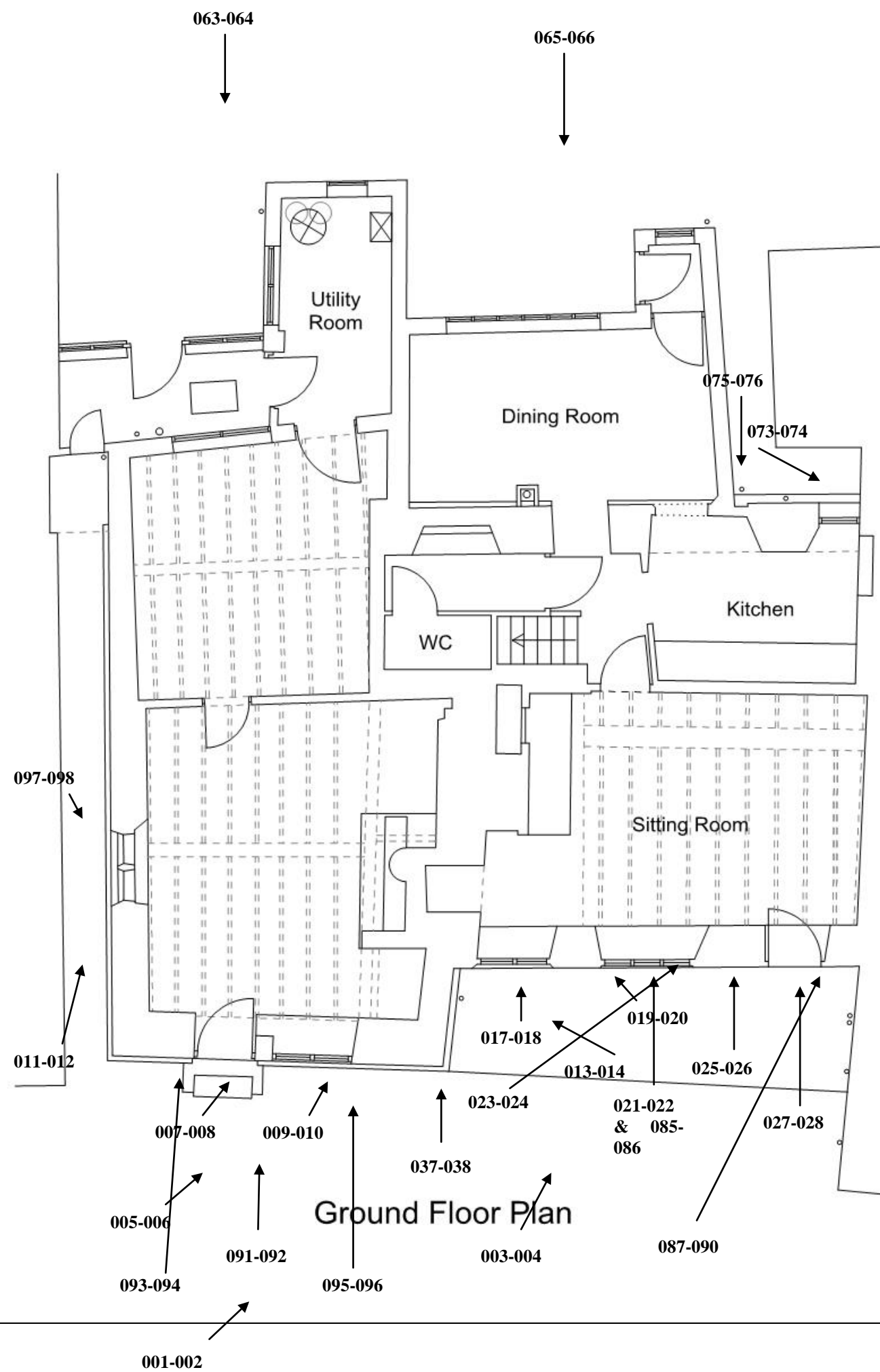
**Figure 8**  
No. 16 Rear Elevation (Looking South  
– South East).



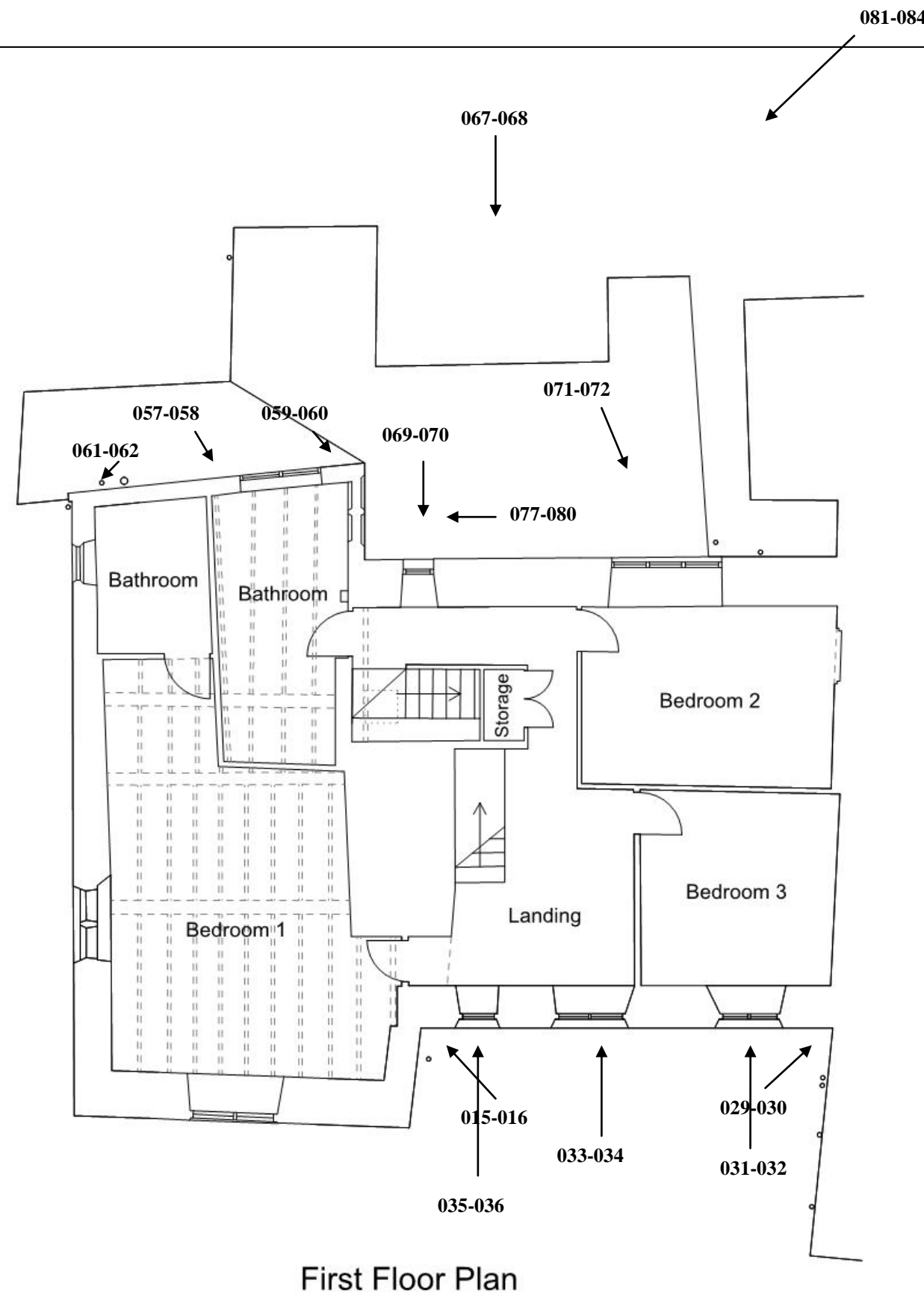
**Figure 9**  
General View (Looking West).

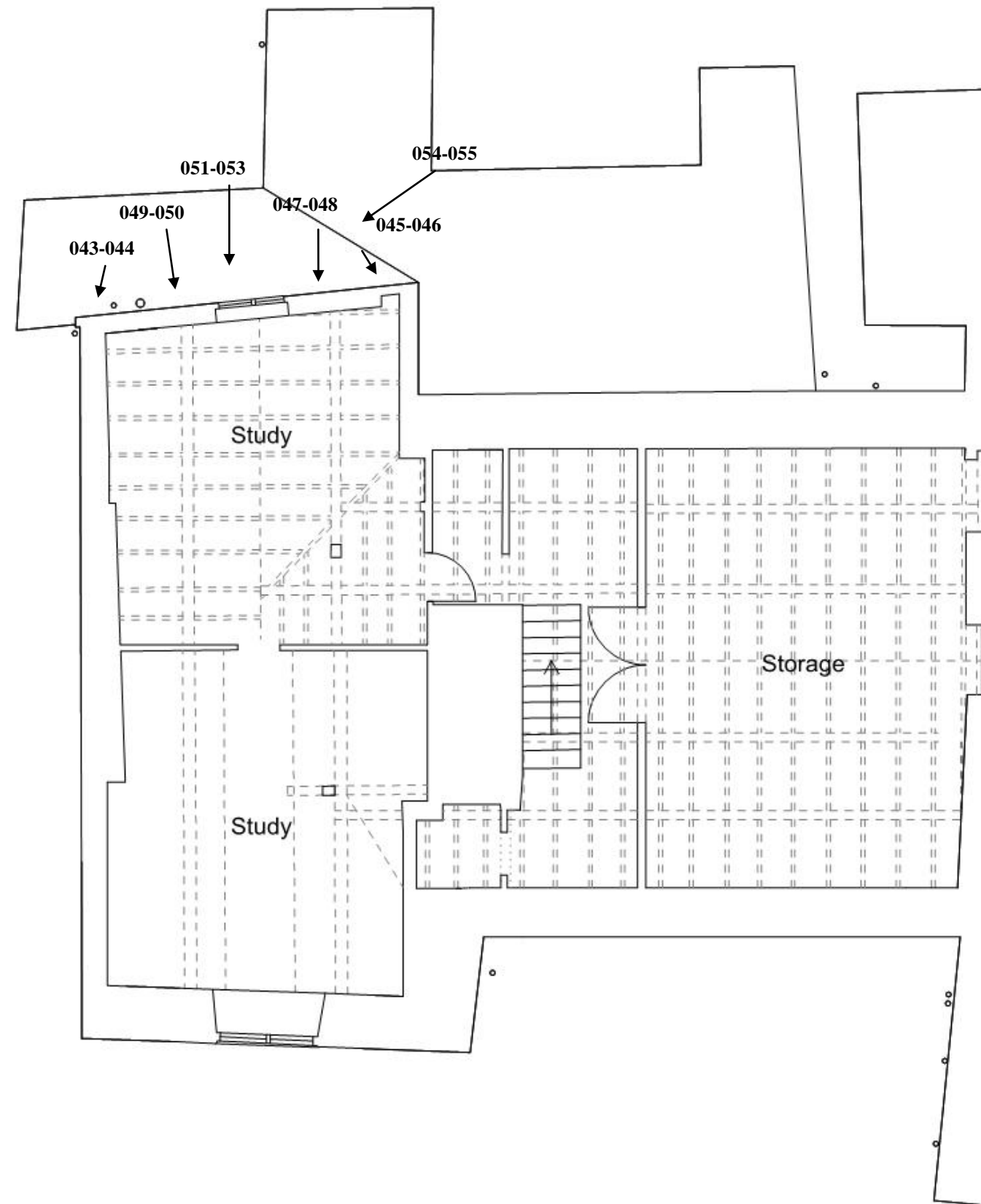
### 3. Photograph Location Plans

#### Ground Floor Plan.



**First Floor Plan.**





Second Floor Plan

#### 4. Photographic Index

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001	001		Principal Elevation, General View.	NW	
002	002		Principal Elevation, General View.	NW	
003	003	No. 16	Principal Elevation, General View.	NW	
004	004	No. 16	Principal Elevation, General View.	NW	
005	005	No. 14	Principal Elevation, General View.	NW	
006	006	No. 14	Principal Elevation, General View.	NW	
007	007	No. 16	Altered Opening on Ground Floor.	NW	
008	008	No. 16	Altered Opening on Ground Floor.	NW	
009	009	No. 14	Blocked Opening (?) & Plinth.	NW	
010	010	No. 14	Blocked Opening (?) & Plinth.	NW	
011	011	No. 14	Ltd View of SW Facing Elevation.	NNW	
012	012	No. 14	Ltd View of SW Facing Elevation.	NNW	
013	013	No. 14	NE Facing Elevation.	WSW	
014	014	No. 14	NE Facing Elevation.	WSW	
015	015	No. 14 & No. 16	Straight Joint.	WSW	
016	016	No. 14 & No. 16	Straight Joint.	WSW	
017	017	No. 14	Blocked Opening.	NW	
018	018	No. 14	Blocked Opening.	NW	
019	019	No. 14	Mullion Moulding.		
020	020	No. 14	Mullion Moulding.		
021	021	No. 14	Label Moulding.		
022	022	No. 14	Label Moulding.		
023	023	No. 14	Mullion Moulding & Label Moulding.		
024	024	No. 14	Mullion Moulding & Label Moulding.		
025	025	No. 14	Mullions?		
026	026	No. 14	Mullions?		
027	027	No. 14	Blocked Window & Inserted Door.	NW	
028	028	No. 14	Blocked Window & Inserted Door.	NW	
029	029	No. 14	Ashlar/Brick Interface	NNW	
030	030	No. 14	Ashlar/Brick Interface	NNW	
031	031	No. 14	1st Floor Window, Right.	NW	
032	032	No. 14	1st Floor Window, Right.	NW	

033	033	No. 14	1st Floor Window, Centre.	NW
034	034	No. 14	1st Floor Window, Centre.	NW
035	035	No. 14	1st Floor Window, Left.	NW
036	036	No. 14	1st Floor Window, Left.	NW
037	037	No. 16	Quoinwork.	NW
038	038	No. 16	Quoinwork.	NW
039	039		Principal Elevation, General View.	N
040	040		Principal Elevation, General View.	N
041	041		General View.	WSW
042	042		General View.	WSW
043	043	No. 16	Eroded Joint, Tie Beam (Sth End).	S
044	044	No. 16	Eroded Joint, Tie Beam (Sth End).	S
045	045	No. 16	Eroded Joint, Tie Beam (Nth End).	ENE
046	046	No. 16	Eroded Joint, Tie Beam (Nth End).	ENE
047	047	No. 16	Nth Strut.	ESE
048	048	No. 16	Nth Strut.	ESE
049	049	No. 16	Sth Strut.	ESE
050	050	No. 16	Sth Strut.	ESE
051	051	No. 16	Tool Mark on Tie Beam.	ESE
052	052	No. 16	Tool Mark on Tie Beam.	ESE
053	053	No. 16	Tool Marks on Tie Beam.	ESE
054	054	No. 16	Tool Marks on Tie Beam.	ESE
055	055	No. 16	Rear Gable, General View.	S
056	056	No. 16	Rear Gable, General View.	S
057	057	No. 16	Blocked Window.	E
058	058	No. 16	Blocked Window.	E
059	059	No. 16	Straight Joint @ Nth End.	ENE
060	060	No. 16	Straight Joint @ Nth End.	ENE
061	061	No. 16	Straight Joint @ Sth End.	S
062	062	No. 16	Straight Joint @ Sth End.	S
063	063	No. 16	Gable from Ground Level.	ESE
064	064	No. 16	Gable from Ground Level.	ESE
065	065	No. 14	Rear Elevation, General View.	ESE
066	066	No. 14	Rear Elevation, General View.	ESE
067	067	No. 14	Rear Elevation, 1st Floor.	ESE

068	068	No. 14	Rear Elevation, 1st Floor.	ESE
069	069	No. 14	Sth Window, 1st Floor.	ESE
070	070	No. 14	Sth Window, 1st Floor.	ESE
071	071	No. 14	Nth Window, 1st Floor.	ESE
072	072	No. 14	Nth Window, 1st Floor.	ESE
073	073	No. 14	Cellar Opening.	E
074	074	No. 14	Cellar Opening.	E
075	075	No. 14	Blocked Window, Ground Floor.	ESE
076	076	No. 14	Blocked Window, Ground Floor.	ESE
077	077	No. 16	NE Facing Elevation, 1st Floor.	SW
078	078	No. 16	NE Facing Elevation, 1st Floor.	SW
079	079	No. 16	Blocked Window on NE Facing Elevation.	SW
080	080	No. 16	Blocked Window on NE Facing Elevation.	SW
081	081		Rear Elevation, General View.	SSE
082	082		Rear Elevation, General View.	SSE
083	083	No. 16	Rear Elevation, General View.	SSE
084	084	No. 16	Rear Elevation, General View.	SSE
085	085	No. 16	Principal Elevation, Central Ground Floor Window.	NW
086	086	No. 16	Principal Elevation, Central Ground Floor Window.	NW
087	087	No. 16	Possible Earlier Reveal in Door Reveal.	NW
088	088	No. 16	Possible Earlier Reveal in Door Reveal.	NW
089	089	No. 16	Possible Earlier Reveal in Door Reveal, Detail.	NW
090	090	No. 16	Possible Earlier Reveal in Door Reveal, Detail.	NW
091	091	No. 14	Principal Elevation, Ground Floor.	NW
092	092	No. 14	Principal Elevation, Ground Floor.	NW
093	093	No. 14	Principal Elevation, Ground Floor, Detail.	NW
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095	095	No. 14	Principal Elevation, Ground Floor, Detail.	NW
096	096	No. 14	Principal Elevation, Ground Floor, Detail.	NW
097	097	No. 14	SW Facing Elevation, Window Detail.	E
098	098	No. 14	SW Facing Elevation, Window Detail.	E
099	099		General View.	W
100	100		General View.	W



## 5. Contact Sheets



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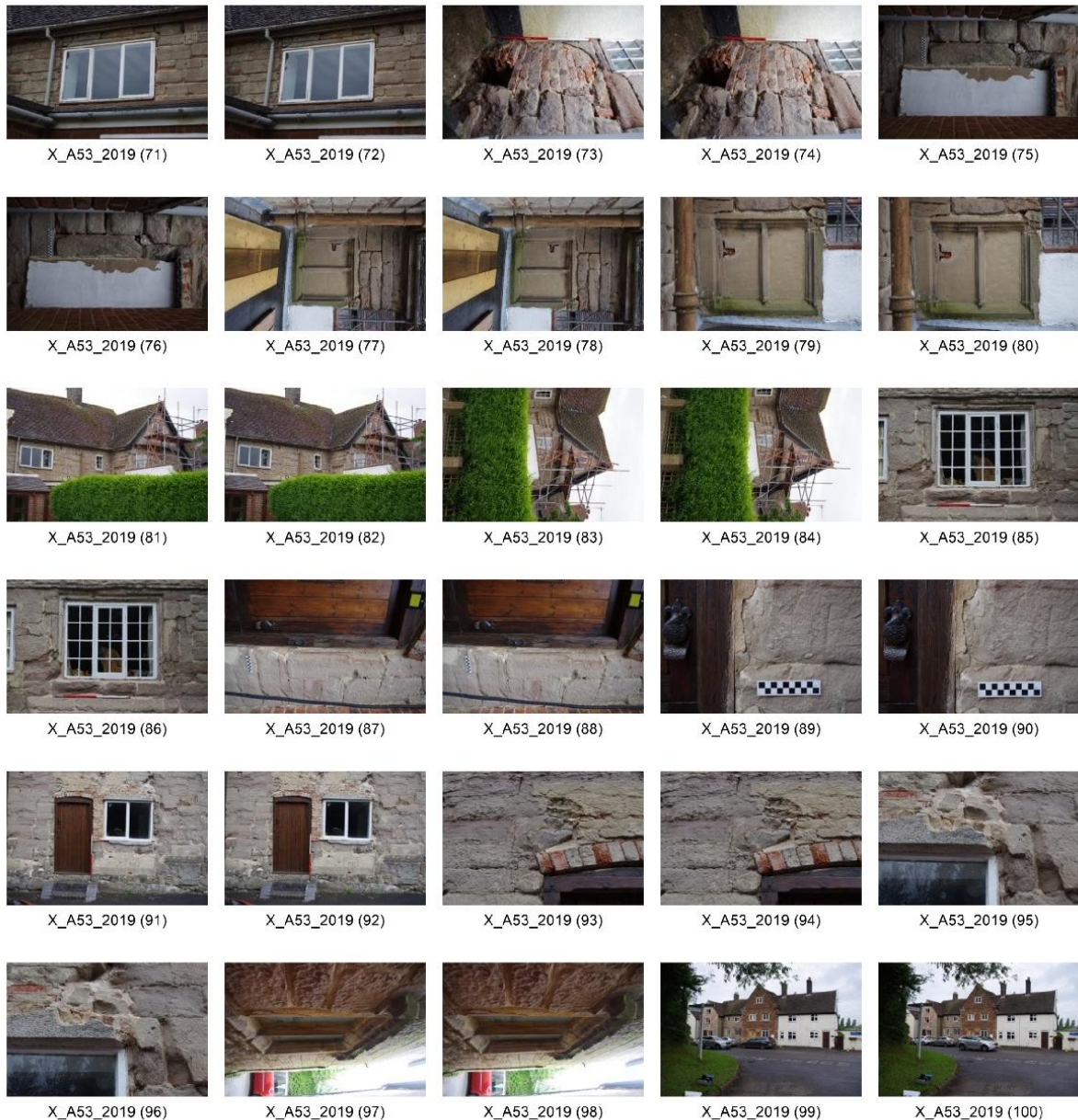
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## 6. Archive & Publication

The site archive consists of

- 3 A3 paper plans showing photo locations
- 3 DVDs containing 100 digital images
- 3 A4 contact sheets
- 100 Black & White negatives and contact prints
- 3 A4 photo record sheets

An unbound copy of this report

An unbound copy of An Historic Building Appraisal of the Grade II Listed Building Known as 14-16 Top Street, Appleby Magna. Smith, D. & Hayward, R. (2007).

An unbound copy of The history of 14-16 Top Street, Appleby Magna, Leicestershire. Steward, F. (2006).

The archive will be held by Leicestershire County Council under the Accession Number X.A53. 2019.

A version of the summary (above) will be submitted to the editor of the local journal Transactions of Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society for inclusion in the next edition.

## 6.1 OASIS Record Summary

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Development Type	Residential
Prompt	Listed Building Consent (LBC)
Archive Recipient	Leicestershire Museums

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