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| Location: | Church Road, Hauxton, Cambridgeshire |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| District: | South Cambridgeshire |
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Summary

An archaeological watching brief was conducted for Anglian Water Services Limited during groundworks associated with the construction of a new Rising Main off Church Road, Hauxton.

Several ditches and quarry pits were found, but the lack of associated artefacts suggests that these were not related to any adjacent settlement. The ditches were thought to be agricultural boundary features, while the quarry pits may be associated with surfacing Church Road.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Plans to introduce a new rising main across fields to the north of Church Road, Hauxton (Fig. 1) by directional drilling required archaeological monitoring of the drill insertion and receptor pits. Problems associated with trying to directional drill around the corner of the St Edmund's churchyard caused part of the pipeline to be installed in an open trench, which was continuously monitored.

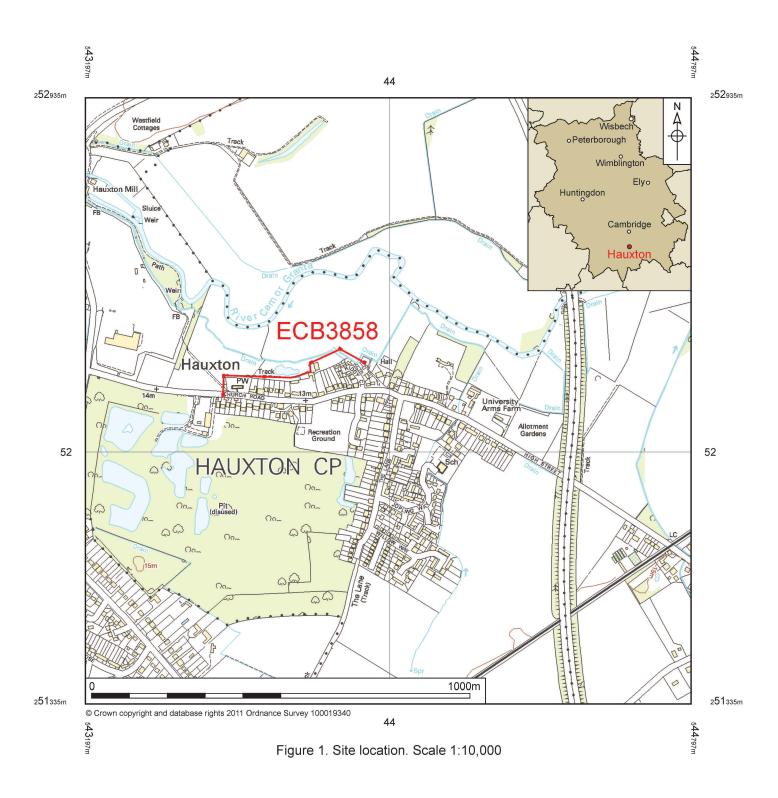
This work was undertaken to fulfil planning requirements set by Anglian Water Services Limited and a Brief issued by Cambridgeshire County Council Historic Environment Team (Thomas 2012). The work was conducted in accordance with a Project Design and Method Statement prepared by NPS Archaeology (NAU/BAU3154/DW). This work was commissioned and funded by Anglian Water Services Limited.

This programme of work was designed to assist in defining the character and extent of any archaeological remains within the proposed redevelopment area, following the guidelines set out in *National Planning Policy Framework* (Department for Communities and Local Government 2012). The results will enable decisions to be made by the Local Planning Authority about the treatment of any archaeological remains found.

The site archive is currently held by NPS Archaeology and on completion of the project will be deposited with the Cambridgeshire County Stores following the relevant policies on archiving standards.

2.0 GEOLOGY AND TOPOGRAPHY

The site lies upon Quaternary River Terrace Deposits of sand and gravel above Cretaceous Chalk of the West Melbury Marly Chalk Formation (http://mapapps.bgs.ac.uk/geologyofbritain/home.html).



The new rising main runs from Church Road just to the west of the church (TL 43562 52149) northwards to the north-west corner of the graveyard. It then turns eastwards along the back of the graveyard and the back of the properties fronting onto the north side of Church Road, through a farmyard and thence across fields to the waterworks at TL 43936 52235.

For most of the route the pipeline runs along the edge of the first river terrace of the River Cam, at a height of c.13m OD.

3.0 ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Information held in the Cambridgeshire Historic Environment Record (CHER) and historic mapping resources have been consulted during the preparation of this section. Relevant information is summarised below, in broadly chronological order

Prehistoric

A Neolithic stone axe (CHER 05028) carved out of andesite has been found 500m north-west of the west end of the Rising Main.

A Mesolithic flint scatter and an Iron Age double enclosure and pits (CHER MCB19163) have been found 500m north-east of the eastern end of the new rising main.

A Bronze Age flat axe, palstave and pestle (CHER 04979) have been found close to Hauxton Mill, 600m north-west of the western end of the new rising main.

Nineteenth century phosphate quarrying in the area of Hauxton Mill, 600m northwest of the west end of the rising main produced evidence of Iron Age occupation. Later investigations in 1920-21 produced a ditch and more Iron Age pottery (CHER 04978).

Roman

Roman pottery (CHER MCB17144) and probably Roman coins (CHER MCB19092) have been found to the rear of the parish church.

A member of the public reported the recovery of Roman pottery (CHER MCB19091), in particular greywares in good condition, from the side of a ditch, 100m north of the western end of the new rising main.

There is evidence from close to Hauxton Mill of Roman cremations and inhumations (CHER 04979a) with possible grave goods.

This amount of Roman material found so close to the parish church is very indicative of a Roman occupation site close by. This is strengthened by the amount of Roman brick and tile and potentially masonry reused in the construction of the 12th-century church.

Anglo-Saxon

Anglo-Saxon bronze disc-pins (CHER 04387) and three mid to Late Anglo-Saxon strap ends (CHER 05057) have been found at Hauxton Mill, 700m north-west of the new rising main.

Early Anglo-Saxon brooches, plate and pottery (CHER 04979b) has also been found close to Hauxton Mill, possibly indicating an Early Anglo-Saxon cemetery.

Eleventh-century Saxo-Norman pottery (CHER 04385) has been found in the vicinity, consisting of the neck and sherds of a black shelly -ware jug with very soft soapy brown surfaces and horizontal bands of oblong rouletting.

The finds of Early Anglo-Saxon material close to Hauxton Mill, suggests that the Roman cemetery there continued in use for a considerable period after Roman occupation ended.

Medieval

Hauxton parish church (CHER CB14881) has a 12th-century Norman nave and chancel, with Norman windows, a doorway and chancel arch. Excavation has proved the existence of an apse. The Norman transepts have since been removed. The west tower is 15th-century in date. Internally are 13th-century wall paintings. A local resident recalled the discovery of a stone coffin on the north-east side of the vestry during excavations for a soakaway.

The Old House (CHER DCB5146) located 100m south-east of the eastern end of the new rising main, is a timber-framed house of c.1500, with later alterations.

Tudor House (CHER DCB5911), some 100m south-east of the eastern end of the new rising main, is a 15th-century timber-framed hall and cross-wing house with later additions.

The modern field boundaries of the parish are straight and regular, reminiscent of Parliamentary enclosure of medieval common openfields. It seems likely that through most, if not all, of the medieval period Hauxton was a nucleated settlement surrounded by common open fields, like most of the parishes to the west of Cambridge.

Post-medieval

There are a couple of early 18th-century milestones (CHER MCB18314 and MCB18316) on the old Cambridge to London road (now the B1368).

The bridge (CHER DCB6411) over the mill race at Hauxton Water Mill, some 550m north-west of the western end of the new rising main, is of early 19thcentury date, although the brickwork at the southern end may be early 18th century.

The house at 11 High Street (CHER DCB4684), located 100m south-east of the eastern end of the new rising main is a late 18th- or early 19th-century brick built structure.

Hauxton Watermill (CHER DCB5226), located 700m north-west of the western end of the new rising main, is of grey brick and was built in 1862 on the site of an earlier mill house. The previous corn and oil mill on this site (CHER FCB19956) had existed since at least 1740; it burnt down in 1851. The Domesday Book records a mill on the site.

The Old Mill House (CHER DCB5523), 700m north-west of the western end of the new rising main, is a brick built house of c.1700 with a mid 18th-century addition.

Little Manor House (CHER DCB5522), 30m south of the new rising main, is a timber-framed house of the late 16th and early 17th centuries.

Undated

There are undated cropmarks (possible a coaxial fieldsystem) recorded from aerial photographs at Rectory Farm (CHER 08341) 700m south-west of the new rising main. There is also a possible enclosure (CHER 8942) 800m south of the new rising main, a small enclosure and other linear features (CHER 9628) 400m to the north and linear features (CHER 09631) 600m south-east of the route.

Previous Archaeological Work in the Vicinity

An evaluation and excavation (CHER ECB3330, Crawley 2010), 300m east of the eastern end of the new rising main, found ditches of Iron Age and medieval date, undated gullies ands possible medieval or later quarry pits.

Excavations at Rectory Farm, Great Shelford between 1975 and 1978 (CHER ECB2188), 500m north-east of the eastern end of the new rising main have taken place in an area of extensive cropmarks of multi-period occupation. The excavations revealed a Late Neolithic or Early Bronze Age ditch, an Early Iron Age enclosure, Late Iron Age ditches and Roman ditches, pits and postholes. The excavations took place on the site of Scheduled Monument Cambridgeshire 58, an undated settlement complex.

Excavations in 1980 at The Hollicks (CHER ECB3654), 200m north of the new rising main, revealed Roman and earlier ditches, gullies, a pit and surfaces.

An evaluation at Hauxton Primary School in 2004 (CHER ECB1715) located 300m south-east of the eastern end of the new rising main revealed nothing of archaeological significance.

Watching brief at the former Bayer Crop Science site in 2006 (CHER ECB2495), 250m west of the western end of the new rising main revealed a high degree of modern disturbance.

An evaluation north of the Bayer Crop Science site in 2006 (CHER ECB2307), 250m north-west of the western end of the new rising main, revealed only deep alluvial layers.

4.0 **METHODOLOGY**

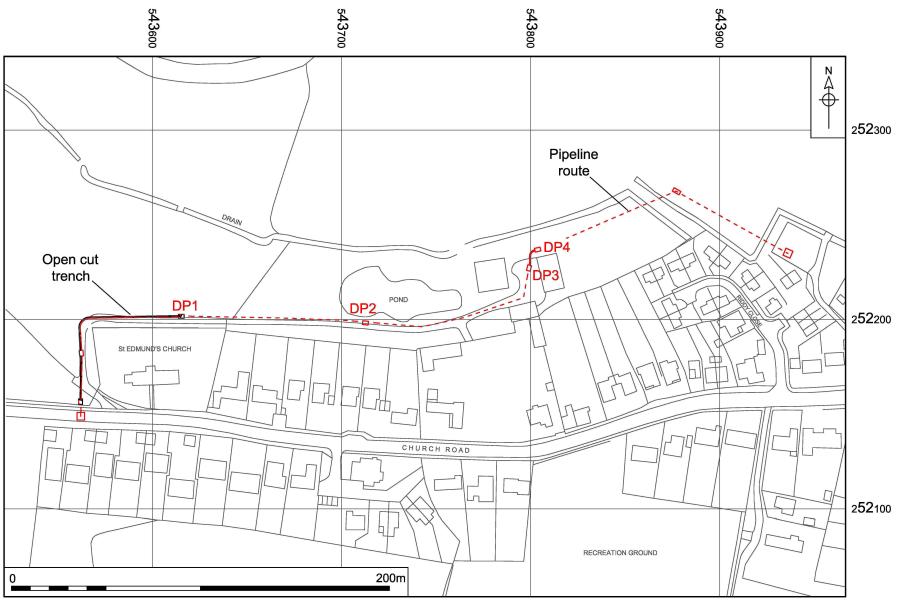
The objective of this watching brief was to identify and record archaeological remains within four drill pits and a section of the route.

The Brief required that the excavation of the drill pits be continuously monitored. When the plan was changed and part of the pipe was to be laid in an open trench, this too was continuously monitored.

Machine excavation was carried out with a hydraulic 360° excavator equipped with a toothless ditching bucket and operated under constant archaeological supervision.

Spoil, exposed surfaces and features were scanned with a metal-detector. All metal-detected and hand-collected finds other than those which were obviously modern, were retained for inspection.

Archaeological features and deposits were recorded using NPS Archaeology pro forma.



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Figure 2. Location of pipeline. Scale 1:2000

Trench locations, plans and sections were recorded at appropriate scales. Colour, monochrome and digital photographs were taken of all relevant features and deposits where appropriate.

Site conditions were good, with the work taking place in fine weather.

5.0 RESULTS

The location of the drill pits (DP1-DP4) and the open-cut trench can be seen on Figure 2.

5.1 Drill Pit DP1

Drill Pit DP1 was excavated on 4 February. It measured 3.0m long, 1.5m wide and 2.0m deep (Fig. 3). This pit (and the three others) flooded quickly.

The natural gravel was present at a depth of 0.9m and was cut by two features. The earliest, ditch [5] was aligned north-west to south-east and was 0.7m wide. 0.3m deep and had a concave base. Its fill (6) was a dark greyish brown gravelly sand.

Ditch [5] was cut by feature [3] which may have been a large north-east to southwest aligned ditch (Fig. 3 Section 1, Plate 1). Its fill (4) was a dark brown gravelly sand with occasional animal bone fragments.



Plate 1. Drill Pit DP1 facing north, showing possible ditch [3]

Sealing the two features was subsoil (2), a 0.6m thick layer of dark brown gravelly sand, containing fragments of probable lava quernstone and animal bone, with topsoil (1) above that.

Topsoil (1) was 0.3m deep and was very dark brown gravelly sand.

Although there were two features present, the small number of artefacts present suggests that the ditches were agricultural boundaries rather than associated with settlement.

5.2 Drill Pit DP2

Drill Pit DP2 was also excavated on 4 February and measured 3.0m long, 1.5m wide and 2.0m deep (Fig. 2, Plate 2).



Plate 2. Drill Pit DP2 facing west

The earliest deposit encountered was a layer of black gravelly peat (10) containing twigs and scraps of black polythene, suggesting a 20th-century date.

Above deposit (10) was a 0.3m thick layer of black peat (9) with lumps of degraded chalk.

Above (9) was layer (8), a 0.65m thick layer of dark brownish green clayey sand with frequent flint gravel. The upper-most layer (7) was a 0.35m thick layer of very dark brown gravelly sand topsoil with frequent modern hardcore fragments.

The presence of black plastic in the lowest layer indicates that all the deposits in DP2 are modern in date and may be associated with reclamation of the adjacent pond.

5.3 Drill Pit DP3

Drill Pit DP3 was excavated during the afternoon of 5 February and was located within a modern farmyard (Fig. 2, Plate 3).

The pit measured 3.0m long, 1.5m wide and 1.5m deep.



Plate 3. Drill Pit DP3 facing south

The earliest deposit encountered was a layer of black peat (13) with occasional wood fragments and flint gravel.

Above deposit (13) was a 0.85m thick layer of clean dark grey silt (12).

The upper-most layer (11) was a modern hardcore farmyard surface, 0.45m thick.

The two earliest layers, (13) and (12) were probably flood plain deposits of the River Cam valley. The earliest (13), being peat, probably relates to a period when this part of the valley was not draining well and bog was growing. The layer above that (12), being clean silt, indicates slowly moving water or flood deposits.

5.4 Drill Pit DP4

Like Drill Pit DP3, DP4 was also located in the modern farmyard (Fig. 2, Plate 4) and was excavated on the 13 February; despite a clear arrangement to be informed prior to work starting, this did not happen on this occasion.

The pit measured 3.0m long and 2.0m wide and was flooded.



Plate 4. Drill Pit 4 facing north-east

The earliest visible deposit (14) was a layer of very dark brown silty peat with rare occurrences of flint gravel seen at a depth of 0.8m below the surface.

Above deposit (14) was modern hardcore farmyard surface (11), here 0.8m thick.

A shallow open-cut trench was dug between Drill Pits DP3 and DP4, revealing layers (11) and (14).

5.5 Open-Cut Trench

Because of problems involved with directional drilling around the north-west corner of the churchyard, here the pipe was installed in an open-cut trench between Church Road and Drill Pit DP1 (Fig. 3). The trench was dug between the 18 and 21 February and measured 0.5m wide and 1.2m deep and followed the modern track around the north and west sides of the churchyard.

The same topsoil (1) and subsoil (2) layers seen in Drill Pit DP1 were present along the whole length of the open-cut trench. The topsoil (1) was 0.3m thick and the underlying subsoil (2) was c.0.5m thick.

Several probable quarry pits and ditches were encountered, but the limited depth and width of the trench made specific interpretation problematic. Again, the absence of artefacts suggests that these features were not associated with settlement.

The following feature descriptions start with at the eastern end of the trench and continue around to the west and then south to Church Road (Fig. 3).

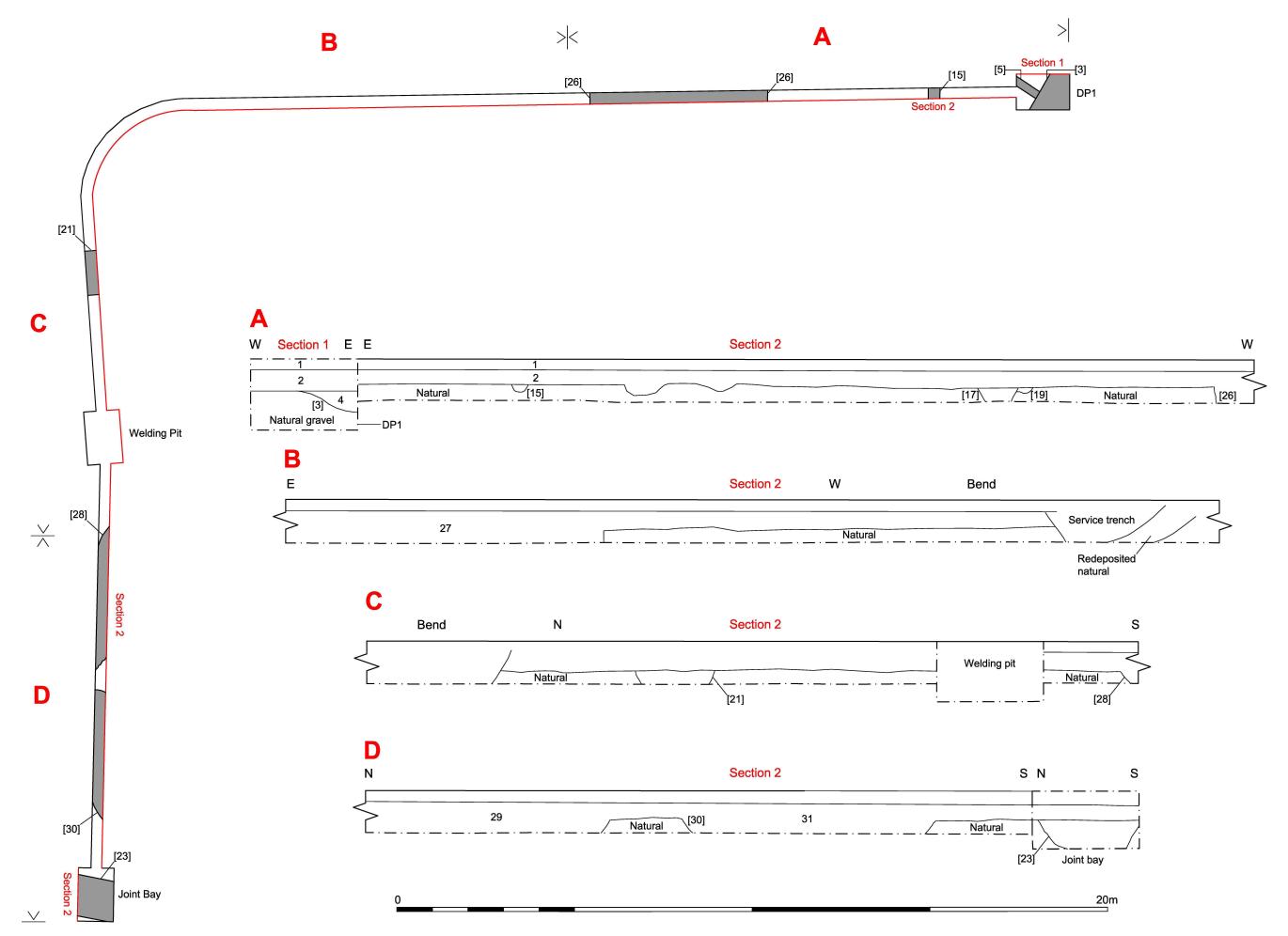


Figure 3. Plan of open cut trench and sections 1 and 2. Scale 1:200 and 1:100

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Ditch [15] (Fig 3 section 2 A) was aligned north to south, perpendicular to the pipe trench and was 0.5m wide and 0.22m deep with steep sides and a concave base.

Its fill (16) was a dark greyish brown gravelly sand. It was sealed by subsoil (2).

Ditch [17] (Fig 3 section 2 A) was also aligned north to south and was 1.15m wide with steeply sloping sides. The base was not reached. It was sealed by subsoil (2).

Its fill (18) was a mid brown gravelly sand. Ditch [17] cut ditch [19].

Ditch [19] (Fig 3 section 2 A) shared the same north-south alignment as ditches [15] and [17]. It was c.0.5m wide and 0.18m deep with shallowly sloping sides and a concave base.

Its fill (20) was a dark brown gravelly sand. It was sealed by subsoil (2).

Feature [26] (Fig 3 section 2 A and B) was 10m wide and had vertical sides. The base was not reached.

Its fill (27) was identical to the subsoil layer (2) above. The form and function of this feature could not be established, but it is probably contemporary with subsoil layer (2).

A large modern service trench (Fig 3 section 2 B) was encountered near the northwestern corner of the churchyard.

Having turned the corner of the churchyard heading southwards, a possible ditch [21] (Fig 3 section 2 C) was encountered. It was aligned east to west and was 2.25m wide with steeply sloping sides. The base was not reached.

Its fill (22) was a dark brown gravelly sand. It was sealed by subsoil (2).

Two large features, [28] and [30], probably quarry pits were encountered.

Pit [28] (Fig 3 section 2 D) was 7.3m wide with moderately sloping sides. The base was not reached. Its fill (29) was very similar to subsoil layer (2) above.

Pit [30] (Fig 3 section 2 D, Plate 5) was 7.1m wide with moderately sloping sides. The base was not reached.

Its fill (31) was again very similar to the subsoil (2) above.

Like all the other features encountered these pits remain undated. Their function as quarry pits is likely however as the natural gravel which could have been sourced here would have been useful for surfacing the adjacent Church Road or for paths, floor surfaces and other construction purposes in the nearby St Edmund's church.

The joint bay dug adjacent to the roadside hedge contained the final feature encountered within the open-cut route.

Ditch [23] (Fig 3 section 2 D) was 2.6m wide with steep sides becoming gently sloping towards the bottom of the joint bay trench. The base of the feature was not reached. The alignment of the ditch was not quite the same, being north-west to south-east, as that of Church Road.

Its fill (24) was dark brown gravelly sand.

It is thought likely that this ditch may have been a roadside ditch and that Church Road may have been straightened, because the difference in the alignments of Church Road and ditch [23] is only a few degrees.



Plate 5. The open-cut trench and the final joint bay facing south, with pit [30] visible in the base of the trench

6.0 ARCHAEOLOGICAL MATERIAL

by Rebecca Sillwood

Finds were processed and recorded by count and weight, and information entered onto an Excel spreadsheet outlining broad dating. Each material type has been considered separately and is presented below organised by material. A list of finds ordered by context can be found in Appendix 2a.

6.1 Pottery

Two body sherds of pottery were recovered from this watching brief, both were unstratified, and came from spoil (25) of the open-cut trench.

One of the pieces (14g) is likely to be medieval in date (possibly 12th-14th century), and is of hard pale brown fabric, with a reduced grey core. Its interior surface is uneven and poorly made, with the exterior reasonably smooth.

The second sherd (12g) is likely to be of 15th-16th century date, and is of pale orange fabric.

6.2 Ceramic Building Material

A single fragment of ceramic building material (CBM) (43g) was recovered from the spoil of the trench (25).

The piece is quite small, measuring 47mm x 25mm x 23mm, and is part of a box flue tile of Roman date. The upper surface is scratched with keying, in a pattern of vertical and diagonal lines. This tile would have been part of a larger piece, used in a Roman hypocaust (central heating) system.

Several pieces of Roman flue tile have previously been found in Hauxton, including two pieces during an excavation in 2010 at 33 High Street (Crawley 2010). It is clear that there is Roman activity near to Hauxton, although the evidence from this site is limited.

6.3 Lava

Two formless fragments of grey vesicular lava were recovered from the subsoil in Drill Pit DP1 (2).

These pieces have no surviving surfaces, and so the object that they may have derived from cannot be stated with certainty. However it is reasonable to suggest that they came originally from a quernstone.

6.4 Animal Bone

A single fragment of animal bone was recovered from the subsoil in Drill Pit DP1 (2).

The piece is part of a long bone from a large mammal, probably cattle, and is likely to be the remains of food waste.

7.0 CONCLUSIONS

Although archaeological features were encountered during the watching brief monitoring, there was no evidence to suggest these were settlement related.

The ditches were agricultural boundaries and would have helped to drain the very wet soil conditions in the area. Although most of the trenches were aligned parallel or perpendicular to Church Road, one was at an unusual angle, suggesting that there may have been two phases of field system here.

The two quarry pits were located close to both Church Road and St Edmund's parish church and may have been sources of gravel for surfacing the road or providing gravel paths for the churchyard.

None of the features could be dated, and indeed few artefacts were recovered, suggesting that this area was not close to settlement until the modern era.

The few artefacts that were present included a fragment of Roman flue tile found close to the church, which includes reused Roman brick and tile in its masonry, and therefore may have been brought here for that purpose. The fragments of medieval pottery and lava quernstone may be the result of manuring arable fields with household waste from elsewhere.

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| Context Category Cut Type Fill Description Of | | Description | Area | Period | | |
|--|-----------|-------------|------|--|-----------------|---------|
| 1 | Deposit | | | Topsoil, very dark brown gravelly sand | DP1 | Modern |
| 2 | Deposit | | | Subsoil; dark brown gravelly sand | DP1 | Unknown |
| 3 | Cut | Ditch | | North-east to south-west ditch | DP1 | Unknown |
| 4 | Deposit | | 3 | Dark brown gravelly sand | DP1 | Unknown |
| 5 | Cut | Ditch | | North-west to South east ditch | DP1 | Unknown |
| 6 | Deposit | | 5 | Dark greyish brown gravelly sand | DP1 | Unknown |
| 7 | Deposit | | | Topsoil | DP2 | Modern |
| 8 | Deposit | | | Brownish green clayey gravelly sand | DP2 | Modern |
| 9 | Deposit | | | Peat with chalk fragments | DP2 | Modern |
| 10 | Deposit | | | Black gravelly peat | DP2 | Modern |
| 11 | Deposit | | | Modern hardcore farmyard surface | DP3 | Unknowr |
| 12 | Deposit | | | Dark grey silt | DP3 | Unknowr |
| 13 | Deposit | | | Black peat | DP3 | Unknowr |
| 14 | Deposit | | | Dark brown silty peat | DP4 | Unknowr |
| 15 | Cut | Ditch | | North-south ditch | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 16 | Deposit | | 15 | Dark greyish brown gravelly sand | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 17 | Cut | Ditch | | North-south ditch | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 18 | Deposit | | 17 | Mid brown gravelly sand. | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 19 | Cut | Ditch | | North-south ditch | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 20 | Deposit | | 19 | Dark brown gravelly sand | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 21 | Cut | Ditch | | Ditch | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 22 | Deposit | | 21 | Dark brown gravelly sand | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 23 | Cut | Ditch | | Ditch | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 24 | Deposit | | 23 | Dark brown gravelly sand | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 25 | U/S Finds | | | Finds from open-cut trench | Open-cut trench | |
| 26 | Cut | Unknown | | Vertically-sided feature | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 27 | Deposit | | 26 | Dark brown gravelly sand | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 28 | Cut | Pit | | Quarry pit | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 29 | Deposit | | 28 | Dark brown gravelly sand | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 30 | Cut | Pit | | Quarry pit | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |
| 31 | Deposit | | 30 | Dark brown gravelly sand | Open-cut trench | Unknowr |

Appendix 1a: Context Summary

Appendix 1b: OASIS Feature Summary

| Period | Category | Total |
|---------|----------|-------|
| Unknown | Ditch | 7 |
| Unknown | Pit | 2 |
| Unknown | Unknown | 1 |

Appendix 2a: Finds by Context

| Context | Material | Qty | Wt | Period | Notes |
|---------|------------------------------|-----|-----|----------------|-----------------------|
| 2 | Animal Bone | 1 | 19g | Unknown | |
| 2 | Lava | 2 | 12g | Unknown | Formless fragments |
| 25 | Ceramic Building Material | 1 | 43g | Roman | ?Box flue tile |
| 25 | Pottery | 1 | 14g | Medieval | |
| 25 | Pottery | 1 | 12g | Med./Post-med. | |

Appendix 2b: OASIS Finds Summary

| Period | Material | Total |
|----------------|---------------------------|-------|
| Roman | Ceramic Building Material | 1 |
| Medieval | Pottery | 1 |
| Med./Post-med. | Pottery | 1 |
| Unknown | Animal Bone | 1 |
| | Lava | 2 |

Appendix 3: OASIS Report Summary

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Project details

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| Short description of the project | An archaeological watching brief was conducted for Anglian Water Services Limited during groundworks associated with the construction of a new Rising Main off Church Road, Hauxton. Several ditches and quarry pits were found, but the lack of associated artefacts suggests that these were not related to any adjacent settlement. The ditches were thought to be agricultural boundary features, while the quarry pits may be associated with surfacing Church Road. |
| Project dates | Start: 04-02-2013 End: 21-02-2013 |
| Previous/future work | No / No |
| Any associated project reference codes | ECB3858 - HER event no. |
| Type of project | Recording project |
| Site status | None |
| Current Land use | Cultivated Land 3 - Operations to a depth more than 0.25m |
| Monument type | DITCH Uncertain |
| Monument type | PIT Uncertain |
| Significant Finds | TILE Roman |
| Significant Finds | POT Medieval |
| Investigation type | "Watching Brief" |
| Prompt | National Planning Policy Framework - NPPF |
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Project location

| Country | England |
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| Site location | CAMBRIDGESHIRE SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE HAUXTON Church Road Rising Main |
| Study area | 500.00 Square metres |
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