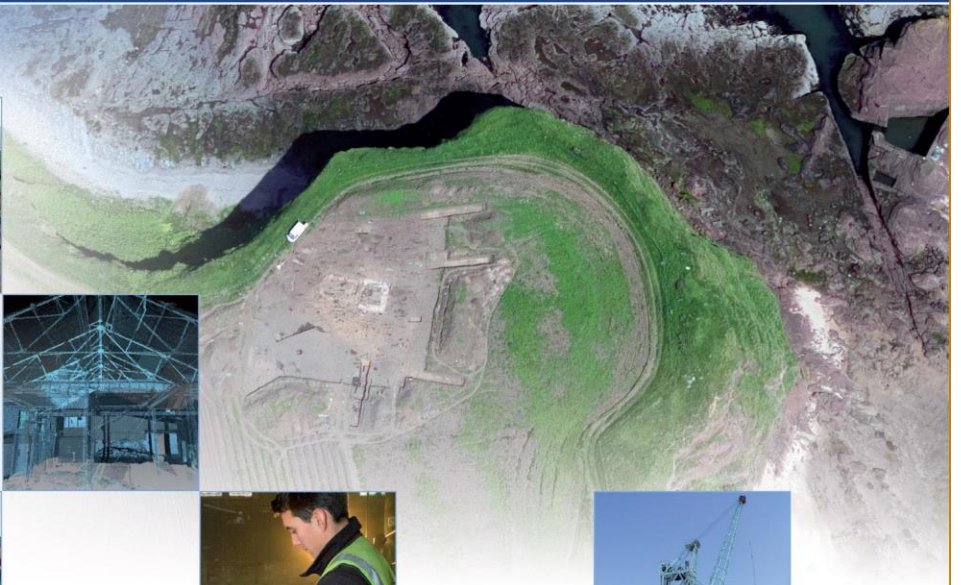


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Summary

This report presents the results of a photographic Historic building survey and archaeological evaluation undertaken prior to the redevelopment of a 19th century farmhouse at 67 Lauriston Farm Road, Edinburgh.

The evaluation required a 10% trenching sample of the development area – a total of 150m². Several walls and a culvert associated with the eastern extension of the building were identified within the 'barn' area. In addition, several rubble field drains were identified in the trenches to the south of the development site. A simple photographic survey was required of the unroofed barn, and these have been represented as plates in this report.

No further archaeological works are considered necessary within the development area. However, this will need to be confirmed in writing by the CEC Archaeology Service on behalf of the CEC.

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

- 1.1.1 A programme of archaeological works was required by Development Direct Ltd ahead of the redevelopment of a 19th Century farmhouse at 67 Lauriston Farm Road, Edinburgh. The archaeological works included a simple photographic survey of the unroofed barn that were to be affected by the development, together with a 10% evaluation of the development area. The need for, and scope of, the works was determined by the City of Edinburgh Council (CEC) who are advised on archaeological matters by the City of Edinburgh Council Archaeology Service (CECAS)
- 1.1.2 The programme of archaeological works was in keeping with the policies outlined in *Scottish Planning Policy* (2014) and *PAN 2/2011 Planning and Archaeology* (2001) in order to record the extent and significance of any archaeological remains which may be present within the development area.

1.2 Location

- 1.2.1 The development area consists of a farmhouse with garden lying to the north-west of Lauriston Farm Road immediately to the east of the Toby Carvery Restaurant and car park. There is open farmland to the north and south and Lauriston House and grounds to the west. It is centred on NGR: NT 20475 76105 (Figure 1).

1.3 Archaeological Background

- 1.3.1 The development site forms part of the historic Lauriston Estate which is centred upon the A-Listed Lauriston House (HES No NT27NW1) which lies immediately to the west and dates from the 1600s. The history of Lauriston may date from the 13th century and there are indications the medieval centre of the estate lay to the east of Lauriston House. General William Roy's map from ca. 1747-1755 also shows buildings to the east of Lauriston House which may lie close to or within the development area.
- 1.3.2 The Farmhouse building at 67 Lauriston Farm Road dates from the early 19th century (HES No. NT27NW607) is described as a stone built two-storey building formerly called Lauriston Mains. The mid-19th century First Edition Ordnance Survey map clearly shows the building and its relationship to Lauriston House (which is annotated as 'Lauriston Castle'). (Figure 3)

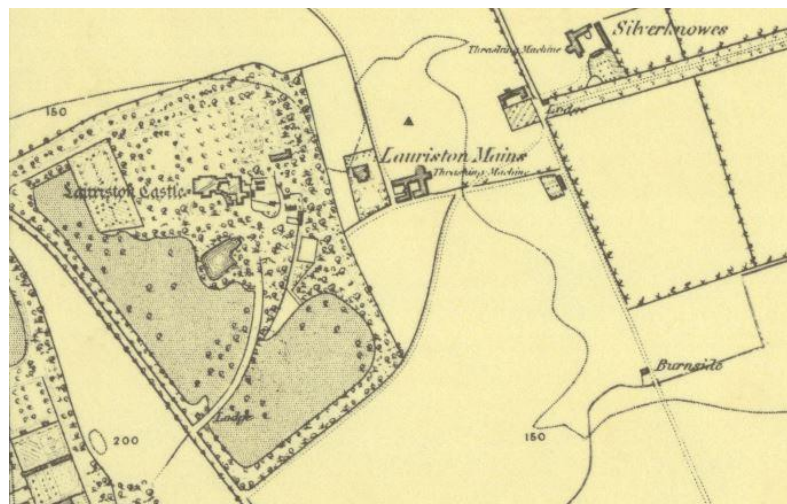


Figure 4: Extract from 1st Edition Ordnance Survey

2 OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The objectives of simple photographic survey of the unroofed barn was to create a 'preservation by record' of the structure prior to development.
- 2.2 The objective of the archaeological works was to determine and assess the character, extent, condition, quality, date and significance of any buried archaeological remains within the proposed development area

through evaluation trenching. Another objective was to advise and implement an appropriate form of mitigation, formulated with the approval of CECAS, such as excavation, post excavation analyses and publication, given the infeasibility of preserving the archaeological material *in situ*.

3 METHODOLOGY

3.1 Photographic Survey of the Unroofed Barn

3.1.1 A photographic survey of the unroofed barn was undertaken in colour digital using a digital SLR camera. A 2m ranging pole was used in all photographs where access and health and safety allowed. A running register of photographs was taken on site and can be found in Appendix 3 below. A selection of photographs have been used as plates in the report and an annotated existing floor plan shown in Figure 3.

3.2 Evaluation

3.2.1 The details of the archaeological evaluation, laid out below, were designed to meet the requirements of the City of Edinburgh Council as advised by CECAS.

3.2.2 The development area measures 1500m² in total. The Council, as advised by CECAS, required that a 10% evaluation be undertaken across the entire site. This equated to 150m². The evaluation was achieved through excavation using a mechanical excavator equipped with a smooth-bladed ditching bucket. Where live services were present, suitable buffer zones were put in place. Figure 2 shows the trench locations.

3.3.3 Excavation was in shallow units/spits until the first significant archaeological horizon or natural drift geology was reached. Trenching was stepped where localized ground conditions necessitated. All trial trenching was undertaken according to AOC Archaeology Group's standard operating procedures. All machine excavation was supervised by an experienced field archaeologist.

3.3.4 All significant archaeological features revealed were cleaned and fully defined. Trial trenches were extended around specific archaeological features to determine their lateral extent (while remaining within the development area). A sufficient number of significant features were excavated, sampled and recorded to determine their character, function, nature, date and significance.

3.3.5 The palaeo-environmental strategy comprised the removal of two basic sample types for every hand-excavated context. As such, every archaeological context was sampled by this impartial and non-judgmental approach.

i) Routine Soil Samples; a representative 500g sample from every excavated soil context on site. This sample is used in the characterisation of the sediment, potentially through pollen analysis, particle size analysis, pH analysis, phosphate analysis and loss-on-ignition.

ii) Standard Bulk Samples; a representative 10 litre sample from every excavated soil context on site. This sample is used, through floatation sieving, to recover a sub-sample of charred macroplant material, faunal remains and artefacts.

3.3.6 No specialised re-instatement was undertaken. Trenches were backfilled with spoil and then compacted by driving over using the mechanical excavator. The backfilling of trenches was not individually supervised other than in areas with identified archaeology.

4 RESULTS

- 4.1 Trenches 1, 6 and 7 were located close to the farmhouse and all contained made ground comprising sandstone rubble and lime fragments up to 1.2m in depth forming the foundation for the farmhouse. The natural subsoil was not reached.
- 4.2 Trenches 2 and 3 contained a number of rubble field drains orientated north-west/south-east. Trench 4 contained no below-ground features, although some blue and white ceramic sherds, probably 19th century/early 20th century in date, were identified in the topsoil.



Plate 1: General view of stone lined culvert [5003] in Trench 5

- 4.3 Trench 5 exposed a stone lined culvert [5003], orientated north/south and curving to the north-west, continuing under the north wall of the barn and the farmhouse to the south (Plate 1). The foundations of an east/west internal stone wall [5004] was identified built over the culvert. The foundation of a single internal brick wall [5005] extending north/south, was also observed and abutted the internal stone wall [5004] and the north wall of the farmhouse. A square metal box drain [5006] was noted alongside this. The features were cut in a light orange brown slightly sandy clay natural subsoil.
- 4.4 The stone-lined culvert [5003] observed in Trench 5 continued NNW in Trench 6 [6003] at a depth of about 1m below ground level. The topsoil was of a dark greyish brown clay silt loam, 0.20m in depth, over a made ground of sandstone and lime rubble (Plate 2)
- 4.5 The barn extension to the east of the farmhouse consisted of a single-storey building, abutting the east-facing wall of the farmhouse.
- 4.6 Two windows in the northern wall of the barn are visible to the exterior, and a single red down-pipe survived to the east of the first window from the farmhouse.
- 4.7 Some of the original features of the barn survive in the south-facing elevation, including the remains of a former vertical partition (Plate 3) and two horizontal timber beams. The foundation of the vertical partition was uncovered during the excavation of Trench 5. An east/west internal wall extends from the east-facing elevation of the farmhouse, possibly creating a former room in the north-west corner (Plate 4).



Plate 2: General view of Trench 6

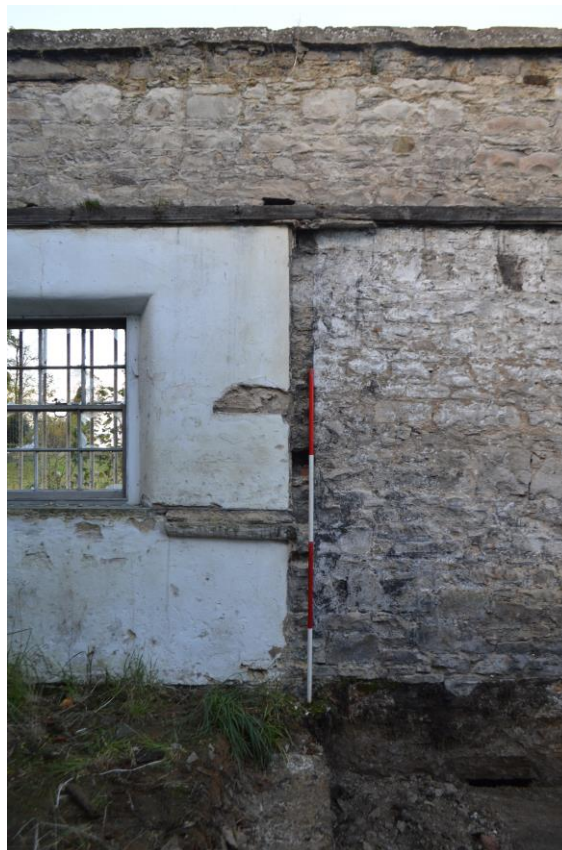


Plate 3: South-facing elevation of the barn

- 4.8 The area directly to the south of the east/west internal wall is indicated on the historic mapping as an open area, possibly a courtyard. This area appears to have been enclosed to the south and west by the external walls of the farmhouse, its sloping tiled roof, gutter, doors and windows having survived (Plate 5).



Plate 4: General view of the barn from the east



Plate 5: General view of the barn from the east

5 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 The archaeological evaluation undertaken on the developed area exposed the remains of the eastern extension of the 19th century farmhouse. A north/south stone-lined culvert was exposed in Trench 5, continuing to the north-west below the external north elevation of the eastern extension and was again observed in Trench 6. The culvert appeared to continue south below the building.
- 5.2 The photographic survey of the barn, documented the surviving remains of the structure prior to development.

- 5.3 No further archaeological works are recommended on the site prior to development, although this will need to be confirmed in writing by the CEC Archaeology Service on behalf of CEC.

6 REFERENCES

First Edition Ordnance Survey, 1852

Scottish Government 2014 *Scottish Planning Policy 2014*

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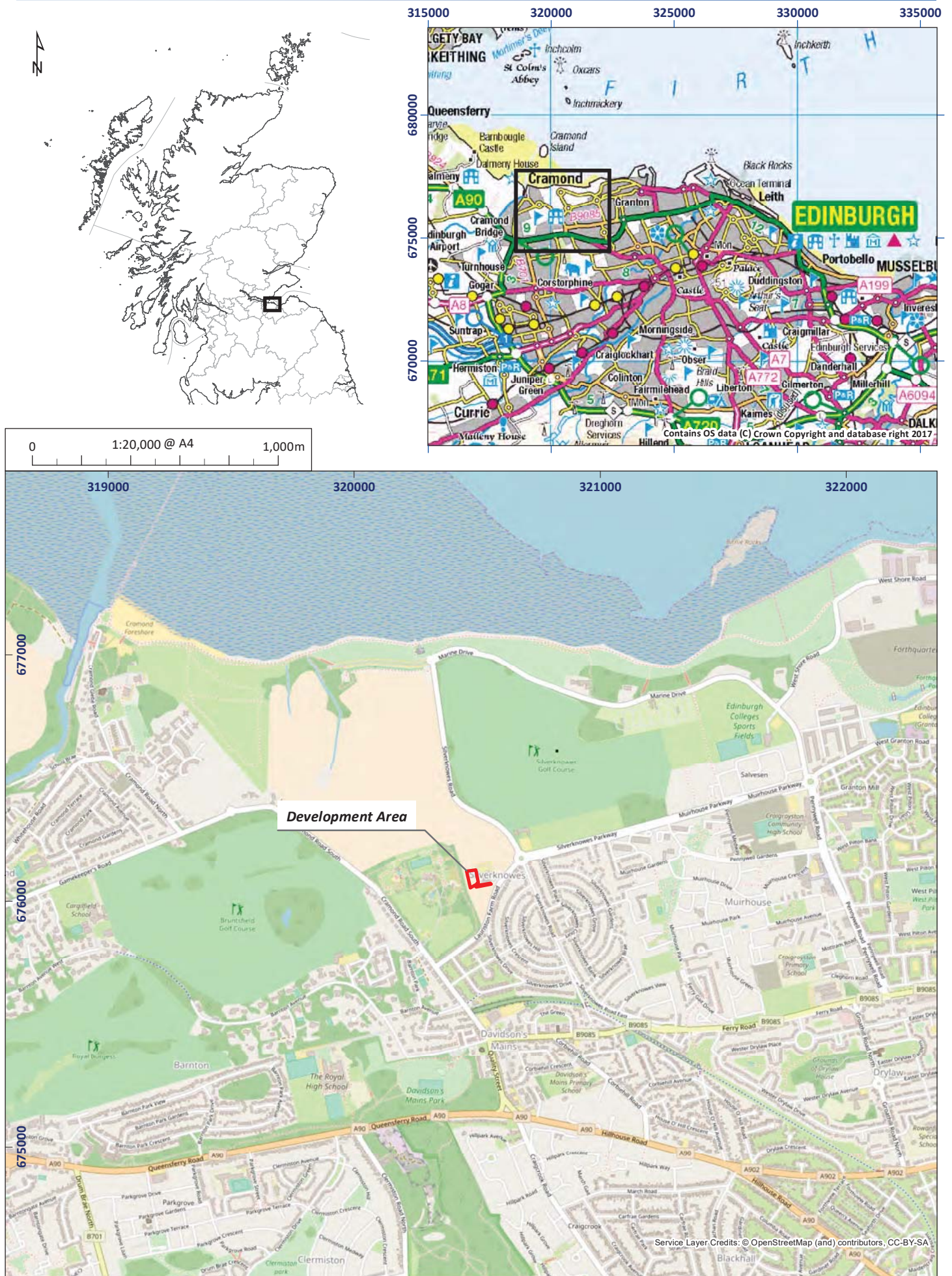


Figure 1: Site location plan

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Figure 2: Trench location showing features

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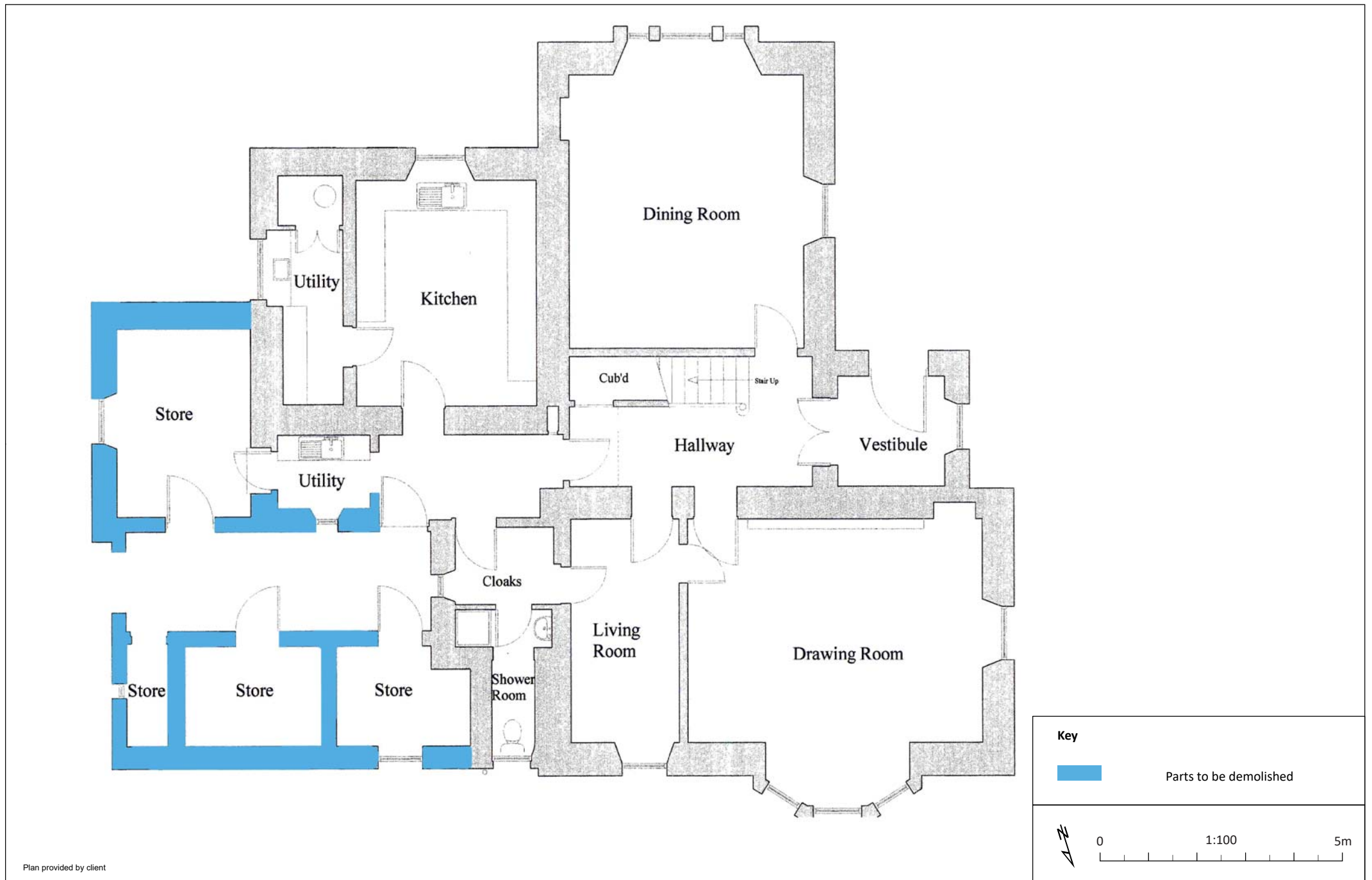


Figure 3: Existing floor plan showing parts to be demolished

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Section 2: Appendices

APPENDIX 1: Evaluation Trench Descriptions

Trench 1

<i>Dimensions</i>	7.0 m by 1.6 m
<i>Total Area</i>	11.2m ²
<i>Excavated Orientation</i>	N to S
<i>Soil Make-up</i>	Made ground, banked up rubble and clay deposit to create an island for the current farm building which sits on much higher ground than the surrounding garden
<i>Significant Features</i>	None
<i>Other Features</i>	None
<i>Natural Subsoil</i>	Not reached
<i>Finds</i>	None

Trench 2

<i>Dimensions</i>	20 m by 1.6 m
<i>Total Area</i>	32 m ²
<i>Excavated Orientation</i>	NW to SE
<i>Soil Make-up</i>	Topsoil up to 0.45m, contains occasional red brick and sandstone fragment inclusions
<i>Significant Features</i>	None
<i>Other Features</i>	Narrow gauge lead pipe SW-NE in linear cut Old water pipe for house N-S rubble field drain NE-SW rubble field drain N-S rubble field drain
<i>Natural Subsoil</i>	Light orange brown slightly sandy clay natural subsoil
<i>Finds</i>	None

Trench 3

<i>Dimensions</i>	20 m by 1.6 m
<i>Total Area</i>	32 m ²
<i>Excavated Orientation</i>	NW to SE
<i>Soil Make-up</i>	Topsoil up to 0.75m, mid greyish brown silty clayey loam with occasional red brick inclusions
<i>Significant Features</i>	None
<i>Other Features</i>	N-S rubble field drain NW-SE rubble field drain N-S rubble field drain NW-SE rubble field drain
<i>Natural Subsoil</i>	Mid orange brown slightly sandy clay, small to medium rounded and sub-rounded stones
<i>Finds</i>	None

Trench 4

<i>Dimensions</i>	20 m by 1.6 m
<i>Total Area</i>	32 m ²
<i>Excavated Orientation</i>	E to W
<i>Soil Make-up</i>	Topsoil up to 0.30m, mid greyish brown silty clayey loam with white and blue and white ceramic sherds
<i>Significant Features</i>	None
<i>Other Features</i>	None
<i>Natural Subsoil</i>	Yellow grey mottled clay with moderated stone fragment inclusions
<i>Finds</i>	None

Trench 5

<i>Dimensions</i>	5 m by 4 m
<i>Total Area</i>	20 m ²
<i>Excavated Orientation</i>	N to S
<i>Soil Make-up</i>	Topsoil – garden soil, dark brown and rooty with occasional paving slabs
<i>Significant Features</i>	Culvert – stone lined, N-S then curving to NW, goes under the (ruined) standing stone wall, north most wall of farm Internal stone wall – E-W built over culvert Internal brick wall – N-S Square metal box drain alongside E-W stone wall
<i>Other Features</i>	None
<i>Natural Subsoil</i>	Light orange brown slightly sandy clay natural subsoil
<i>Finds</i>	None

Trench 6

<i>Dimensions</i>	5 m by 1.5 m
<i>Total Area</i>	7.5 m ²
<i>Excavated Orientation</i>	E to W
<i>Soil Make-up</i>	Topsoil up to 0.1m of type 1 gravel over 1.2m of sandstone blocks, rubble and lime
<i>Significant Features</i>	Stone Culvert, approximately N-S at a depth of 1m below ground surface, same as stone lined culvert within trench 5 to the south. Extends from Lauriston main house towards the sea
<i>Other Features</i>	None
<i>Natural Subsoil</i>	Not reached
<i>Finds</i>	None

Trench 7

<i>Dimensions</i>	10 m by 1.5 m
<i>Total Area</i>	15 m ²
<i>Excavated Orientation</i>	N to S
<i>Soil Make-up</i>	Shallow topsoil and gravel over deep deposit of rubble, stone and lime which has been brought in to create a banked up platform for the house
<i>Significant Features</i>	None
<i>Other Features</i>	None
<i>Natural Subsoil</i>	Not reached
<i>Finds</i>	None

APPENDIX 2: Context Register

Evaluation

Context No.	Description and Interpretation
[1001]	Dark greyish brown clay silt loam Topsoil
[1002]	Made ground of sandstone rubble, large boulders and lime deposit Made ground
[1003]	Silty clay deposit, possibly redeposited Made ground
[2001]	Topsoil up to 0.45m, contains occasional red brick and sandstone fragment inclusions Topsoil
[2002]	Light orange brown slightly sandy clay natural subsoil Subsoil
[2003]	Narrow gauge lead pipe SW-NE in linear cut SW-NE lead pipe
[2004]	Old water pipe for house
[2005]	N-S rubble field drain
[2006]	NE-SW rubble field drain NE-SW rubble field drain
[2007]	N-S rubble field drain N-S rubble field drain
[3001]	Topsoil up to 0.75m, mid greyish brown silty clayey loam with occasional red brick inclusions Topsoil
[3002]	Mid orange brown slightly sandy clay, small to medium rounded and sub-rounded stones Subsoil
[3003]	N-S rubble field drain N-S rubble field drain
[3004]	NW-SE rubble field drain NW-SE rubble field drain
[3005]	N-S rubble field drain N-S rubble field drain
[3006]	NW-SE rubble field drain NW-SE rubble field drain
[4001]	Topsoil up to 0.30m, mid greyish brown silty clayey loam with white and blue and white ceramic sherds Topsoil
[4002]	Yellow grey mottled clay with moderated stone fragment inclusions Subsoil
[5001]	Garden soil, dark brown and rooty with occasional paving slabs Topsoil
[5002]	Light orange brown slightly sandy clay natural subsoil Subsoil
[5003]	Stone lined culvert, N-S then curving to NW, continues under the (ruined) standing stone wall, north most wall of the farm Stone lined culvert
[5004]	Internal stone wall, E-W built over culvert E-W stone wall
[5005]	Internal brick wall N-S N-S brick wall
[5006]	Square metal box drain alongside E-W stone wall Metal box
[6001]	Topsoil up to 0.1m of type 1 gravel Topsoil
[6002]	1.2m of sandstone blocks, rubble and lime Made ground
[6003]	Stone culvert Stone Culvert

[7001]	Shallow topsoil and gravel Topsoil
[7002]	Deep deposit of rubble, stone and lime which has been brought in to create a banked up platform for the house Made ground

APPENDIX 3: Digital Photographic Register

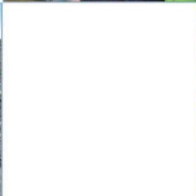
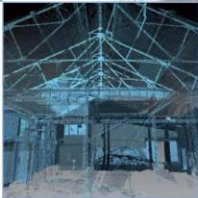
Photo No.	Trench	Description	Taken From
1	-	Registration shot	-
2	TR 1	Pre-excavation shot of ground conditions near entrance/porch	SE
3	TR 1	E facing section of sondage at N end of trench	NE
4	TR 1	E facing section of sondage excavated at N end of trench	E
5	TR 1	E facing section of sondage excavated at N end of trench	E
6	TR 1	S facing section at N end of trench showing rubble made ground overlying clay made ground	S
7	TR 1	S facing section at N end of trench showing rubble made ground overlying clay made ground	S
8	TR 1	Post-excavation of trench	N
9	TR 2 & 3	Post-excavation of trenches in garden area	NW
10	TR2	Post-excavation of trenches in garden area	NW
11	TR 2	Post-excavation of trench	NW
12	TR 2	Post-excavation of trench	NW
13	TR 3	Post-excavation of trench	NW
14	-	Condition survey	SW
15	-	Condition survey	SW
16	-	Condition survey	NW
17	TR 4	Post-excavation of trench	SE
18	TR 4	Post-excavation of trench – modern gravel filled feature	SW
19	TR 4	Post-excavation of trench – Linear cut parallel to field boundary stone wall	SSW
20	TR 4	Post-excavation of trench – trench along stone boundary wall	SW
21	-	Site condition survey	W
22	-	Site condition survey	NE
23	-	Site condition survey	SSE
24	TR 5	N-S brick wall abutting outer stone wall with NNW-SSE stone built culvert in foreground continuing under the stone wall foundations	SE
25	TR 5	N-S brick wall abutting outer stone wall with NNW-SSE stone built culvert in foreground continuing under the stone wall foundations	SE
26	TR 5	N-S brick wall foundation abutting E-W stone built foundation wall of 'hen-house' and outside courtyard area	NE
27	TR 5	N-S brick wall foundation abutting stone wall foundations	E
28	TR 5	E-W stone wall truncated by stone built culvert	N
29	TR 5	E-W stone wall truncated by stone built culvert	NW
30	TR 5	E-W stone wall truncated by stone built culvert	NW
31	TR 5	Top slabs of stone lined culvert	W
32	TR 5	View of NNW-SSE stone-lined culvert continuing beneath stone wall foundations	S
33	TR 5	View of NNW-SSE stone-lined culvert continuing beneath stone wall foundations	S
34	TR 5	View of NNW-SSE stone-lined culvert continuing beneath stone wall foundations	S
35	TR 5	View of NNW-SSE stone-lined culvert continuing beneath stone wall foundations towards farm house outbuilding	NNW
36	TR 5	Post-excavation shot of trench	NW
37	TR 6	Post-excavation shot of trench	W
38	TR 6	N facing section showing topsoil over stone-lined culvert the same as found in Trench 5 on S side of the stone wall	N
39	TR 6	N facing section showing topsoil over stone-lined culvert the same as found in Trench 5 on S side of the stone wall	N
40	TR 6	Post-excavation shot of trench	W

41	TR 5	View of interior of stone-lined culvert	NNE
42	TR 5	N-S brick wall abutting E-W stone wall foundation truncated by stone-lined culvert	NE
43	TR 5	Close-up of abutment	NE
44	TR 5	View of former interior outhouse building to west of trench 5	E
45	TR 5	N-S brick foundation wall abutting E-W stone wall and truncated by stone lined culvert	E
46	TR 5	N-S brick foundation wall abutting E-W stone wall and truncated by stone lined culvert	NE
47	TR 5	Area adjacent to hen-house building showing the stone lined culvert continuing towards the farmhouse, E-W stone wall is truncated by the culvert	NE
48		Entrance porch on west side of farm building	S
49		Detail of doorway in entrance porch	S
50		Entrance porch on west side of farm building	S
51		West side of building	W
52		NW corner of building – ground floor	NW
53		NW corner of building – upper floor	NW
54		NW corner of building with N facing bay window	NW
55		N-facing bay window	W
56		N-facing bay window – Upper floor	W
57		N-facing section of wall – ground floor	N
58		N-facing section of wall – upper floor	N
59		N-facing wall of extension on east side of building	NW
60		N-facing wall of extension on east side of building	NW
61		East extension, single storey outbuilding	N
62		Extension added onto main farm building – upper floor	NE
63		Extension added onto main farm building – ground floor	NE
64		View of building	NW
65		Truncated north wall of farm building extension	NW
66		Single storey ‘hen-house’ building on east side of farm building	NW
67		Single storey ‘hen-house’ building on east side of farm building	NW
68		North wall of farm building east extension showing interior and exterior	SE
69		North wall of farm building east extension showing interior and exterior	S
70		North wall of farm building extension on east side	SW
71		North wall of farm building extension on east side – culvert continuing beneath wall foundation	SW
72		West end of extension	E
73		Single storey ‘hen-house’	NW
74		Entrance to single storey ‘hen-house’ extension	NE
75		Single storey hen-house extension	N
76		View of hen-house extension	NW
77		View of hen-house extension	NW
78		Interior of N wall of extension	SE
79		Partition between interior and exterior of farmhouse extension	S
80		Partition between interior and exterior of farmhouse extension	S
81		Partition between interior and exterior of farmhouse extension	S
82		NNW-SSE stone culvert continuing beneath N wall of extension	SW
83		NNW-SSE stone culvert continuing beneath N wall of extension	SW
84		Sash window within N wall of extension	S
85		Upper storey corner between two wings of farmhouse building	NE
86		East gable end of farmhouse building	E
87		Chimney on east gable end	E
88		Remains of extension wall at west end of single storey hen house building	N
89		Remains of extension wall at west end of single storey hen house building	N
90		Close up of entranceway wall	N

91		Doorway within single storey hen house	NE
92		Window and second doorway in single storey hen house building	NE
93		Stone lined culvert continuing SSE towards hen house	NW
94		Window within east gable end of single storey hen house	E
95		Part of east gable end of hen house	E
96		View of partially demolished/ruined east extension	SE
97		South elevation of single storey hen house extension	S
98		South elevation of single storey hen house extension	S
99		Window set in east end of farmhouse building adjacent to the single storey hen house extension	SE
100		East gable end of main farmhouse building	E
101		SE corner of farmhouse building	SE
102		SE corner of farmhouse building – upper floor	SE
103		View of southern end of farmhouse building with former roofline visible in east-facing wall	E
104		South facing elevation of farmhouse building showing former roofline set in farmhouse building	S
105		View of southern end of farmhouse building with former roofline visible in east-facing wall	SE
106		Close up of former roofline	SE
107		View of southern end of farmhouse building with former roofline visible in east-facing wall	S
108		South facing elevation of farmhouse building with bay window	SE
109		South facing elevation of farmhouse building with bay window	SE
110		Close up of ground floor bay window on south side	SE
111		Former fireplace in ground floor front room (most northerly with large bay windows looking north)	N
112		Former fireplace in ground floor front room (most northerly with large bay windows looking north)	N
113		Close up of fireplace renovated	-
114		Interior of single storey hen house building	S?
115		Partition wall through to bathroom	SE
116		Partition wall through to bathroom	SE
117		Looking through from single storey hen house into main farm building	E
118		Curved archway on first floor landing leading to bedrooms	E
119		Curved archway on first floor landing leading to bedrooms	E
120		Double archway feature on first floor landing	W
121		Curved archway with some simple architectural detail from second landing through to bedroom	NE
122		Detail shot of iron railing and bannister	NW

APPENDIX 4: 'Discovery and Excavation in Scotland' Report

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MAIN (NARRATIVE) DESCRIPTION: (May include information from other fields)	<p>This report presents the results of a photographic Historic building survey and archaeological evaluation undertaken prior to the redevelopment of a 19th century farmhouse at 67 Lauriston Farm Road, Edinburgh.</p> <p>The evaluation required a 10% trenching sample of the development area – a total of 150m². Several walls and a culvert associated with the eastern extension of the building were identified within the 'barn' area. In addition, several rubble field drains were identified in the trenches to the south of the development site. A simple photographic survey was required of the unroofed barn, and these have been represented as plates in this report.</p> <p>No further archaeological works are considered necessary within the development area. However, this will need to be confirmed in writing by the CEC Archaeology Service on behalf of the CEC.</p>
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