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# SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL ARCHAEOLOGICAL SERVICE

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**Lowestoft Magistrates Court,  
Old Nelson Street, Lowestoft  
LWT 155**

**Planning application no. W/2608/5  
Archaeological Monitoring Report, 2005/165  
OASIS ID No. 11154**

## ***Summary***

*Lowestoft*, Lowestoft Magistrates Court, Old Nelson Street, Lowestoft (TM/551933; LWT 155) An application for an extension to the Magistrates Court, Old Nelson Street, Lowestoft, required archaeological monitoring of the groundworks. The area excavated for the raft construction was stripped to a depth of c.200mm which did not impinge on archaeological deposits.

(Linzi Everett for S.C.C.A.S. and Medlock Construction Ltd.; report no. 2005/165)

## ***Introduction***

Conditional planning consent for an extension to Carlisle House, Chapel Street, Bildeston, required a programme of archaeological monitoring. The site is centred on TM 5515 9333, at a height of 5m OD and lies within the area of the medieval Lowestoft as defined in the County Sites and Monuments Record. The site has potential to contain evidence of earlier occupation.

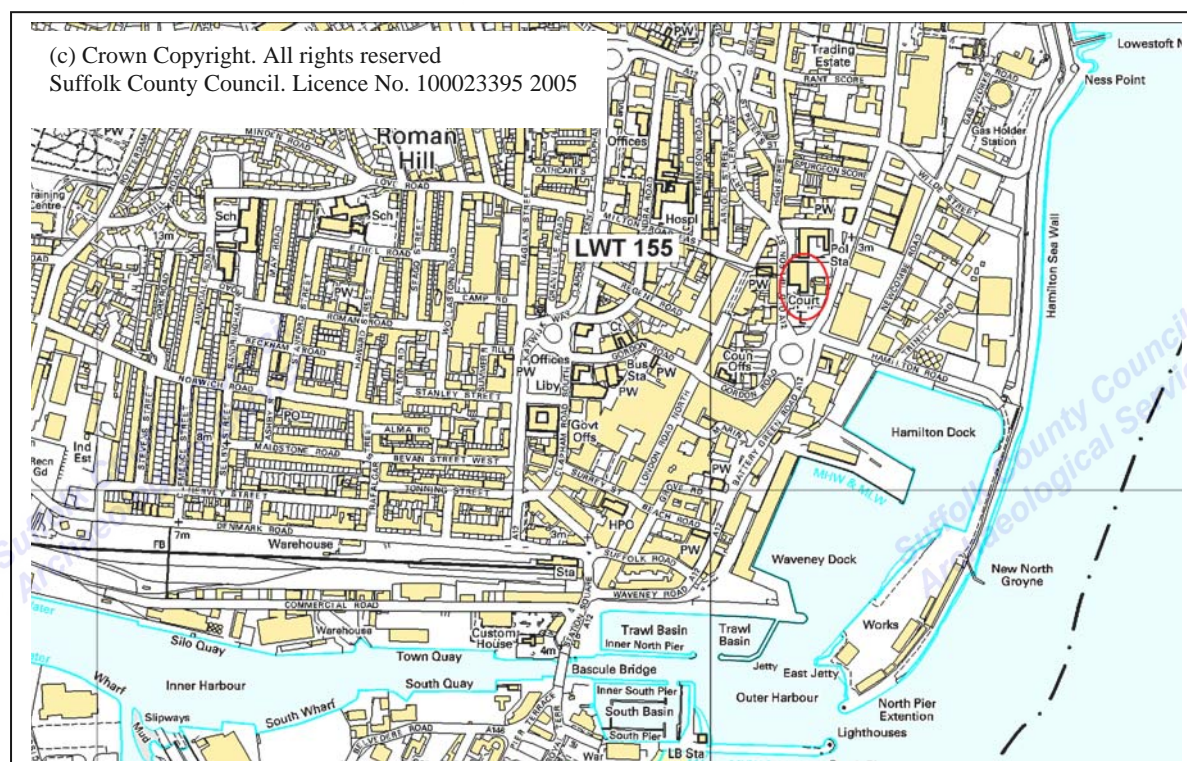


Figure 1: Site location



Figure 2: Location of extension

### **Methodology**

One visit was made to the site by the Field Projects Team of Suffolk County Council's Archaeological Service (SCCAS) in order to inspect the machine excavated foundation trenches. The site was recorded under the SMR code LWT 155. The monitoring work took place on November 8<sup>th</sup> 2005 and was funded by Medlock Construction Ltd. The monitoring archive is held in the county SMR in Bury St. Edmunds.

### **Results**

The stripped area for a raft type of construction was excavated to a depth of c.200mm, revealing a dark brown loamy sand flecked with coal and brick fragments. No archaeological features or deposits were revealed by the groundworks, nor were any artefacts recovered.

### **Discussion**

The extension area was not stripped to a sufficient depth to reveal archaeological deposits, should any be present on this site.

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