

## ARCHAEOLOGICAL MONITORING REPORT

SCCAS REPORT No. 2012/182	Parish: Nayland with Wissington
<b>Loretto, 6 Church Lane</b>  <b>NYW 053</b>	Planning Application No.: B/12/00053/FHA/JD
	HER Event No.: NYW 053
Address: Loretto 6 Church Lane Nayland with Wissington	Grid Reference: TL 9761 3429
	Number of Site visits: 1
	Date of visit: 19th November 2012

### Introduction:

As a condition of planning permission, a programme of archaeological monitoring was required to observe any below ground interventions associated with the construction of extensions to this property. The site is close to the medieval core of the village, with the Church of St James and the medieval ring work of Court Knoll, 60m and 200m to the south respectively (Fig. 1). There is high likelihood that medieval deposits or remains might extend into the grounds of this property

Figure 1. Plan showing site, medieval church & Court Knoll:

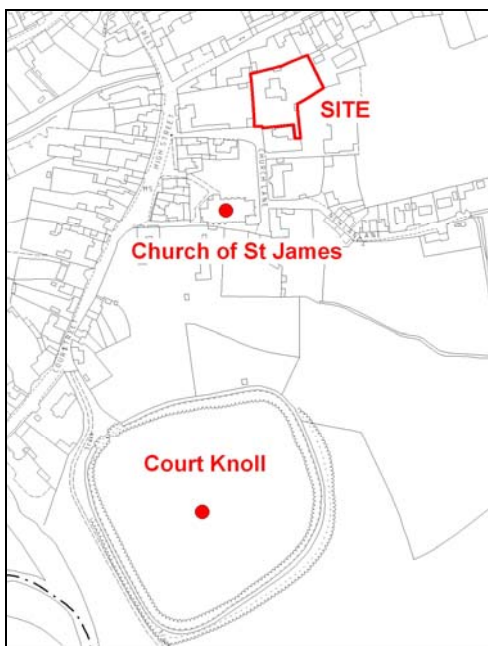
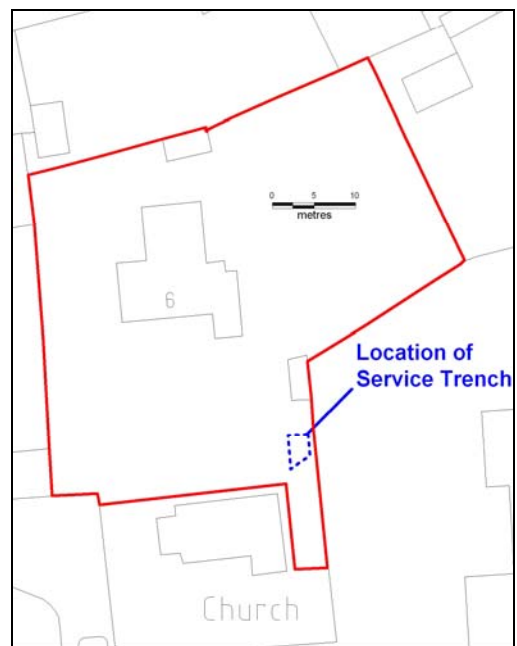


Figure 2. Site plan showing location of service trench:



Results:

Unfortunately the Archaeological Service was not contacted during the digging of footings or service runs (PIs 1 & 2). A short segment of service trench associated with an adjacent property (but within the garden of Loretto) could be viewed however and this was recorded (Fig. 2).

The service trench observed had been excavated along the line of an earlier service so that the ground was highly disturbed. The northern edge of the trench however appeared to cut undisturbed deposits and these were recorded and photographed (PIs 3 & 4).

The deposits consisted of dark brown humic topsoil (0.3m thick) directly over clean (probably truncated) yellow sand and gravel. No archaeological features or finds were recognised. The surrounding trench edges and associated spoil were checked for finds but none were found.

Conclusions :

No archaeologically significant features, deposits or finds were identifiable in the small area monitored. Previous landscaping or other severe truncation had occurred at this location but is not necessarily representative of the rest of the site.

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Date: 20th November 2012



Plate 1. View looking north showing extension under construction (with scaffolding) with new build behind



Plate 2. View showing disturbed ground to the south of Loretto where septic tank, drain runs and other services were located



Plate 3. Section against north side of service trench showing sharp contact between topsoil and underlying natural (suggesting truncation)



Plate 4. General view looking north showing location of edge of service trench recorded (see 1m ranging rod)