

ARCHAEOLOGICAL MONITORING REPORT

SCCAS REPORT No. 2013/076	Parish: Saxmundham
45 High Street	Planning Application No.: C11/1211
HER ref: SXM 031	OASIS ref: Suffolkc1-151301
Address:	Grid Reference: TM 38614 63277
45 High Street Saxmundham	Number of Site visits: 2
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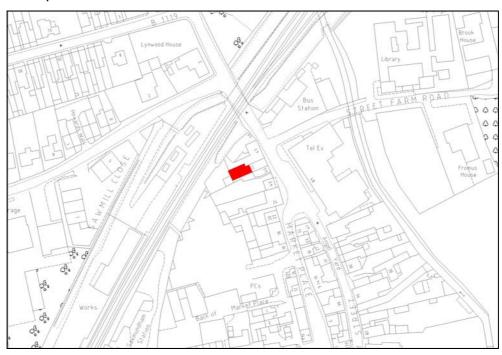
What was seen - nature of the work, condition of trenches etc.

Linear strip foundation trenches for a major extension to the rear and to west of property, approximately 13m by 7m

Total number/length of trenches (include measurements) / footings and % of which seen :

About 70% of footing trenches observed, min depth of 1.8m so not entered

Location Map:



Results: (e.g. Spoil examined, subsoil visible, depth and nature of deposits, were you there during excavation etc.?)

Trenches were in most places c.1.8m deep, with natural sand encountered in most places at c.1.4m. An extensive 'soft spot' area was encountered within the centre of the site; this proved to be a large pit with a diameter of c.5m. This feature was not bottomed at 1.8m depth. Due to the depth of the trench and the loose nature of the fill the trench was not entered and details of the deposits were not fully recorded.

Spoil from the area of the pit was searched for finds and a single sherd of unglazed earthenware pottery was found. This is likely to belong to a flowerpot of 18th to 20th century date. The large pit is therefore likely to be of fairly recent date.

No other finds, features or deposits of archaeological interest were observed.



View of large pit within footings trench, looking north-east

Recorded by: Jezz Meredith Date: 22nd May 2013