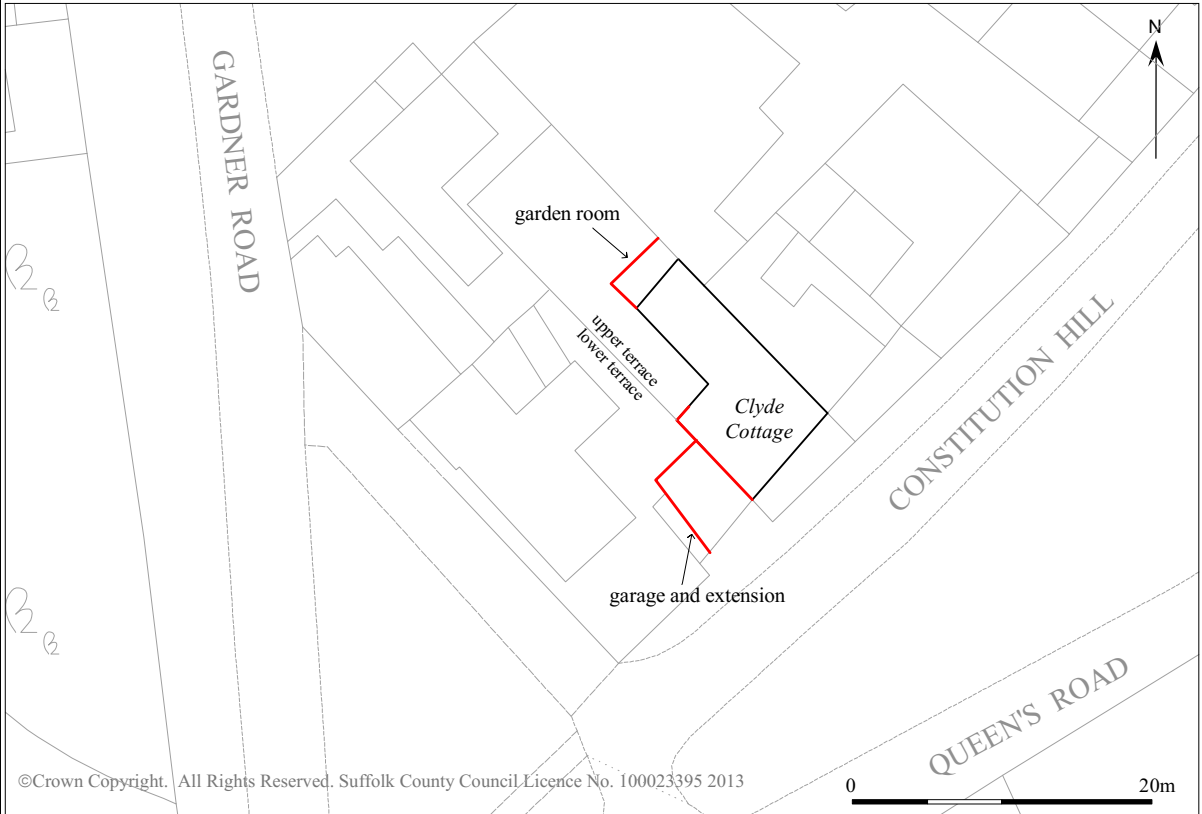


ARCHAEOLOGICAL MONITORING REPORT

SCCAS REPORT No. 2013/092	Parish: Southwold
Clyde Cottage 15 CONSTITUTION HILL SOUTHWOLD	Planning Application No.: DC/12/1115
	HER Event No.: SWD 068
	<i>OASIS ref: suffolkc1-154069</i>
Address: 15, Constitution Hill Southwold	Grid Reference: TM 5071 7586
	Number of Site visits: 2
	Date of visits: 23rd April and 14th May 2013
Nature of the work: excavation of footings for extensions to an existing property.	
Reason for condition: site is located in the medieval historic core of Southwold, within the area of archaeological interest defined on the County HER (SWD 051). It is also in the vicinity of a documented medieval castle site (SWD 009).	
% of total seen: 80% of footing trenches	
Location Map:	
	
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Results: Two areas were monitored; an extension to the rear of the house for a garden room and a rebuild/extension of a garage and part of the existing house to the south west of the main structure.

The rear extension was on a strip foundation that revealed a deposit of clean sand and gravel at a depth of 0.2m below the present ground surface (plate 1). No features or artefacts were identified.



Plate 1. view of the footing trench for the rear extension

The second area monitored was more complex due to the sloping nature of the site which had been previously formed into two terraces. The footings on the lower terrace were 1.35m deep at which depth a deposit of sand and gravel was encountered (plate 2); again, no features or artefacts were revealed.

Excavation along the boundary between the two terraces revealed over 2.5m of made ground, from the level of the upper terrace (plate 3), indicating that much of this upper terrace was formed by dumping imported material against a wall. The upper section of the wall was built of brick whilst the lower portion, presumably an earlier phase, was built of large flint pebbles and mortar. No dating evidence was recovered for this lower section of wall although it was not thought to be of any great antiquity.



Plate 2. footing on the lower terrace



plate 3. trench between terraces

Finds: none

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Date: 28th June 2013