SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL ARCHAEOLOGICAL SERVICE

96a, Angel Street, Hadleigh HAD 080 Planning application no. B/04/01468/FUL Archaeological Monitoring Report no. 2006/143 OASIS ID No. 16404

Summary

Hadleigh, 96a, Angel Street (TM/029428; HAD 080) Conditional planning consent for the construction of new dwellings at 96a Angel Street, Hadleigh, required archaeological monitoring of the associated groundworks. The shallow ground beams inspected did not break through recently disturbed ground, therefore no conclusions can be drawn about the presence or lack of archaeological deposits.

(Linzi Everett for S.C.C.A.S. and Poppywood Ltd; report no. 2006/143)

1. Introduction

Conditional planning consent for work at the former Holbrow's Showroom, 96a Angel Street, Hadleigh, required a programme of archaeological monitoring. The site is centred on TM 0294 4284, at a height of approximately 26m OD. A Saxon cremation urn is recorded as being found immediately north of the site whilst evaluation of a site 75m to the south east showed extensive pitting, probably for gravel extraction, during the post-medieval period.

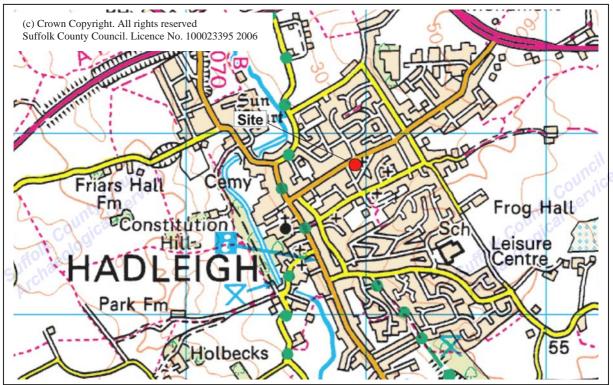


Figure 1: Site location

2. Methodology

Vists made to the site by the Field Projects Team of Suffolk County Council's Archaeological Service (SCCAS) in order to inspect the excavated footings. The site was recorded under the SMR code HAD 080. A Brief and Specification for the archaeological work was produced by Keith Wade of the SCCAS Conservation Team (Appendix I). The monitoring work took place in April 2006 and was funded by Poppywood Ltd.

The monitoring archive is held in the county SMR in Bury St. Edmunds.

3. Results

Ground beams were excavated to a depth of approximately 400mm, exposing only disturbed, made up ground. No features or artefacts were observed, nor was any natural subsoil revealed.



Figure 2: Location of inspected groundworks

5. Discussion

The groundworks observed were not excavated to a depth where archaeological features might be expected to be seen. As such, the lack of evidence from these ground beams cannot be taken as an indication of whether or not archaeological deposits survive on this site.

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