

# ARCHAEOLOGICAL MONITORING REPORT

## Archaeological Works Associated with Anglian Water Access Track RAF Mildenhall. MNL 568

A REPORT ON THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL MONITORING OF GROUNDWORKS  
RAF MILDENHALL.

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### *Summary*

*An archaeological monitoring was carried out during improvements to the access track to the Anglian Water pumping station on the edge of the airbase. No archaeological levels were disturbed during the work except for trenching carried out to expose pipes at the access to the plant. The section showed preserved archaeological levels which have been excavated to the north of the works continuing onto the airfield where the ground has been made up. No features were identified.*

### **Introduction**

Groundworks associated with the upgrading of an access track to an Anglian Water pumping station were monitored during excavations and the stripping of soil. The primary interest in the area is based upon its location close to the settlement-rich fen edge. The work was funded by Defence Estates USAF (contract No. DEUSFMIL/13016). The site is located close to the taxiway on the north-west end of the airfield and to the south of 30 Acre Field which has recently been the subject of extensive excavations.

### **Methodology and Results**

Three visits were carried out to the site during machine stripping and the excavation of trenches. No archaeological levels were disturbed except for those carried out to expose pipes at the access to the plant. The section showed preserved archaeological levels which have been excavated to the north of the works continuing onto the airfield where the ground has been made up. No features were identified.

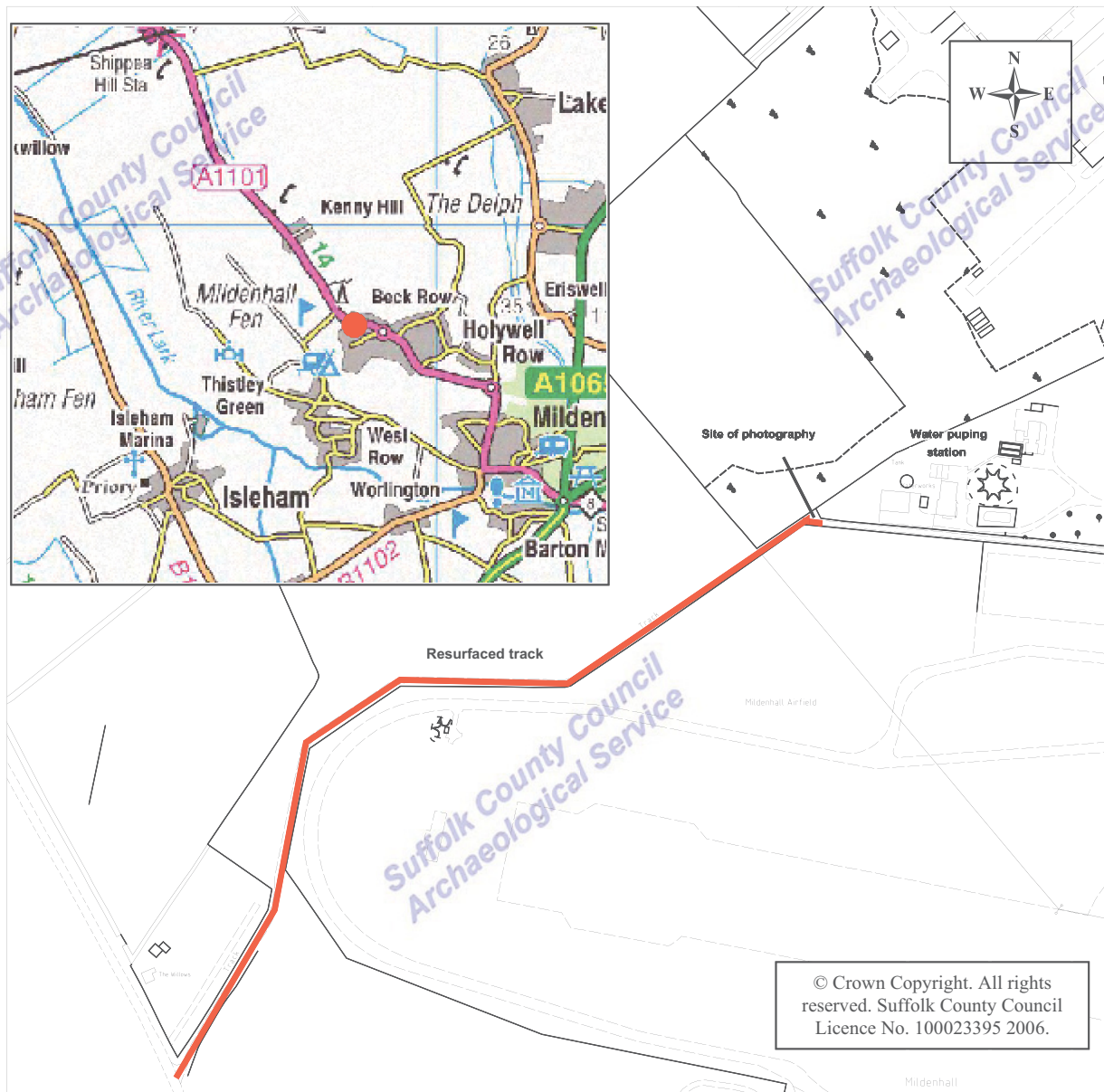


Figure 1. Site location plan

## Discussion

The evidence from the monitoring confirms the survival of archaeological levels below the waterworks and a layer of plough soil that continues under the airfield. No features of archaeological interest were identified and no finds were recovered from the site.

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