

# ARCHAEOLOGICAL MONITORING REPORT

## Archaeological Works Associated with Removal of Oil Storage Tanks RAF Mildenhall. MNL 569

A REPORT ON THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL MONITORING OF GROUNDWORKS  
RAF MILDENHALL.

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### *Summary*

*An archaeological monitoring was carried out during the removal of fuel oil storage tanks on RAF Mildenhall. Ground disturbance was extensive and no archaeological layers were recorded.*

### **Introduction**

Groundworks associated with the removal of oil storage tanks were monitored during August 2006. Two sets of tanks were earmarked for removal but only one group was located below ground (Fig. 1) and these tanks were monitored. 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/12249).

### **Methodology and Results**

Several visits were carried out to the site during the machine removal of the tanks and the associated concrete settings. No archaeological levels were disturbed. This was due to the very extensive holes, which had been excavated when the tanks were first put in.

### **Discussion**

No undisturbed ground was exposed during these works. All of the disturbance was judged to be associated with either the siting of the tanks or their decommissioning.

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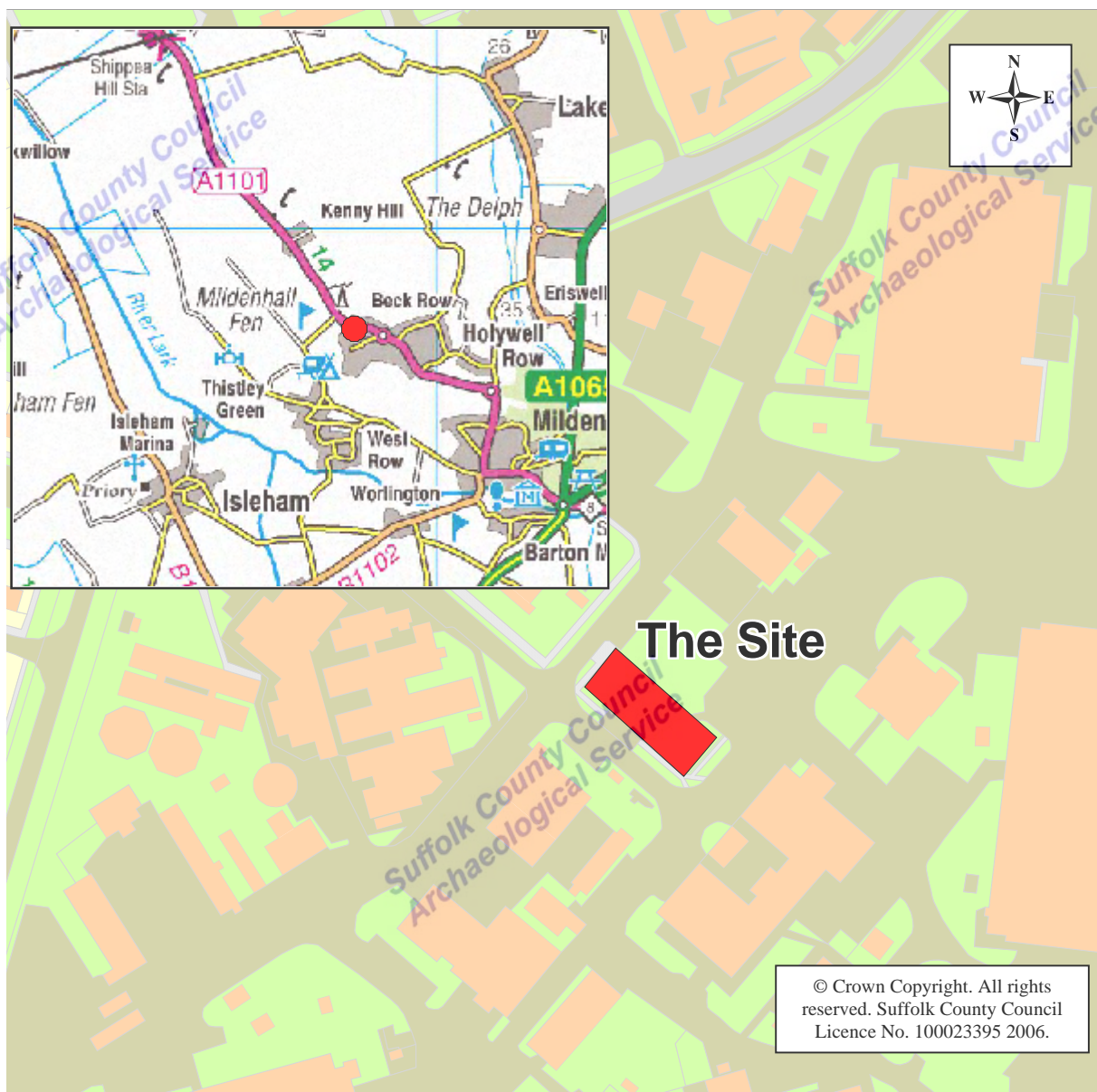


Figure 1. Site location plan

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