

WATCHING BRIEF RECORD - SCCAS

Grid Reference: TL 7780 8625

Parish: BRANDON (BRD171)

Address: 20 Church Road
Brandon

Planning app. no.: F/2004/0068/FUL

Number of visits made: one

Date of visit/s: 10/05/04

(What was seen)

Footings **Trenches** **Stripped area** **Other (please state)**

Please circle

Total number of trenches / footings :

How many did you see: All footings

(e.g. 10 footings to be dug in total, you saw 5)

Sketch Plan: *(location of trenches – e.g. front or back of house etc)* **See Attached**

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

Two sets of footings alongside house dug for extensions.

Site visited after Trenches excavated. C.0.4m of topsoil over natural yellow sand. Two features, see plan + sections attached. 0003, Linear pit deepest in drawn section tailing up from east to west. Fill of mid brown sand. Looked old but no finds (spoil already levelled on open ground but driven over) dr). Feature 0002 0.7m deep flat bottom with lots of charcoal. Some burnt stone. Large piece of pot recovered from base of feature, bone next to it.

A second visit was made to collect surface finds recovered by the owner from spoil

Finds: 0002, fragment of horse metapodial (73g). Body sherd , medium sandy greyware, prob. Early Saxon (37g).

0004, 8 fragments animal bone including cow metacarpals and sheep scapula (184g). Four sherds Thetford ware (62g) including two jar rims, and one St. Neot's Ware jar rim with rouletting (20g) - Late Saxon. One iron spike (24g), square-section, 176mm long in total, but bent.

Retained? Yes

Recorded by: A., Tester

Date:11/05/04

Any extra information:

Suggest single large piece of pot provides good dating evidence for feature.