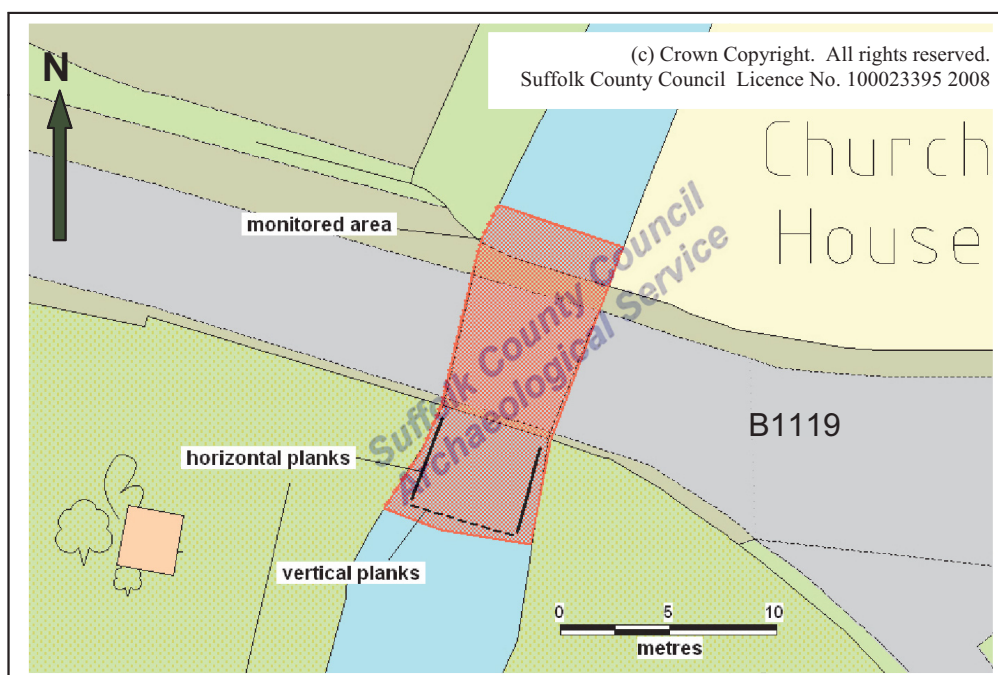


MONITORING RECORD – SCCAS**SXM 019****Grid Reference:** TM 3881 6298**Parish:** Saxmundham**Address:**
Church Bridge,
Saxmundham.**Planning app. no.:** N/A**Report number:** 2008/255
OASIS ID: 48274**Number of visits made:** 3**Date of visit/s:** April 2007*(What was seen)*

Footings Trenches Stripped area Other (please state)
-ground works associated with new road bridge over the River Fromus

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

Brick facing associated with former phases of bridge survive against either bank. These comprised c.3 courses of red brick from the 19th century bridge under white bricks from the bridge built in 1922. Where the river bank was exposed, the only deposits revealed comprised layers of modern made up ground/topsoil (dark brown sandy loam).

No features were observed within the river bed which could be associated with earlier bridge structures. Wooden structures to the south of the bridge consisted of two narrow horizontal planks, each c.50mm thick x 4m long against each side of the river bank, with a series of upright planks c.50mm thick x 125mm wide, the tops of which had decayed somewhat. Whilst the function of these timbers was unclear, they did not appear to be of any great age and they were not in an environment conducive to wood preservation. These timbers will be sawn to the level of the river bed and buried under stone cages as part of the new build.

Finds: No finds were recovered during the monitoring**Retained?** Yes / No**Recorded by:** L. Everett

