



**Stourport Narrow Lock No 1  
Stourport Basin, Stourport  
Worcestershire**

**Statement of Results for  
Archaeological Watching Brief**

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### Summary

Wessex Archaeology (WA) was commissioned by Nomenca Limited (hereafter the 'Client',) to prepare a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) for the monitoring of groundworks for the Canal & River Trust at Stourport basin (hereafter 'the Site'), at National Grid Reference (NGR) 380990, 271065 (Figure 1).

The works comprised the installation of one electric sign at Stourport Narrow Lock No 1. The associated groundworks comprised the excavation of a trench 1.5 x 1.5 x 0.9 m as well as a small service trench for a power cable.

The archaeological watching brief was undertaken on 29th March 2017 by Roy Krakowicz of Wessex Archaeology.

The groundworks identified made ground deposits comprising topsoil and redeposited silts containing frequent ash, grit and slaggy industrial waste. This material would have been brought to Site during the construction of the locks and associated landscaping. A redeposited layer of sand and gravels was recorded at the base of the trench. No *in-situ* features or deposits of archaeological interest were identified.

The project archive is currently held by Wessex Archaeology under the project code 116550. The archive will be deposited with Worcester Museums under accession number WSM69152 in due course.



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Site name	Stourport Narrow Lock No 1, Stourport Basin, Stourport, Worcestershire		
Site address	Stourport Narrow Lock No 1 Mart Ln, Stourport-on-Severn DY13 9EN		
Site code	116550	Grid ref	380990, 271065
Planning ref	n/a		
Dates(s) of attendance	29/03/2017		
Description of construction activities monitored	Monitoring of groundworks for insertion of new safety sign and associated power cable.		
Summary of site stratigraphy			
<p>The works comprised the installation of one electric sign at Stourport Narrow Lock No 1 for the Canal and River Trust. The associated groundworks comprised the excavation of a trench 1.5 x 1.5 x 0.9 m as well as a small service trench for a power cable.</p> <p>A 0.15 m thick topsoil deposit was identified (101) comprising an imported turf. Beneath this layer was a made ground 102 which comprised a 0.20 m thick black silt containing frequent ash, grit and slaggy industrial waste. Beneath this layer was made ground layer 103 which comprised a 0.55 m thick pink and brown sand and gravels. This deposit represents a redeposited natural layer.</p>			
Archaeological features	None	Natural features	None
Finds observed	20th century (topsoil finds)		
Finds collected	None	Samples	None
Photography	Digital		
Other records	Day records, Site drawings, photographic registers, WSI.		
Current archive location	Wessex Archaeology, Sheffield		
Long term archive location	Worcester Museums		
Interpretation			
Deposits associated with the construction of the locks and associated landscaping.			
Other information			
Form completed by	C.Swales	Date	03/04/2017
Checked by	A.Norton	Date	03/04/2017
Checked by		Date	
Additional documentation attached -			



Figure 1. – Site and watching brief location

Plates:

Plate 1: Groundworks beside the lock

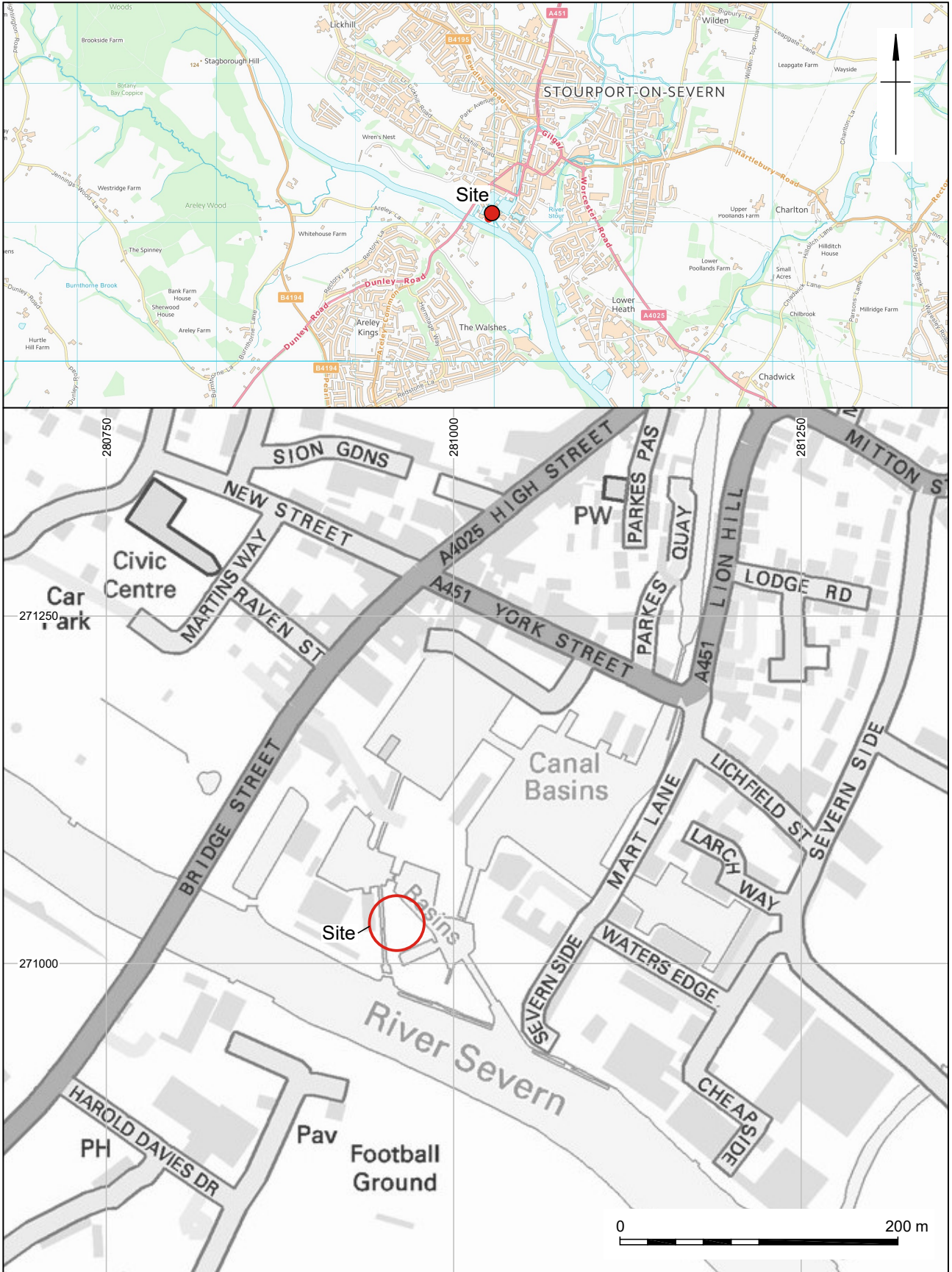
Plate 2: Representative section




Plate 1: Groundworks beside the lock



Plate 2: Representative section



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Site location

Figure 1