

**CHURCH OF ST GERMAIN, BOBBINGWORTH, ESSEX
REPLACEMENT FLOOR TO VESTRY**

ARCHAEOLOGICAL MONITORING AND RECORDING



**Essex County Council
Field Archaeology Unit**

APRIL 2013

ESSEX HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT RECORD

Site name/Address: Church of St Germain, Stony Lane, Bobbingworth, Essex	
Parish: <i>Bobbingworth</i>	District: <i>Epping Forest</i>
NGR: TL 5339 0558	Site Code: SGBB 13
Type of Work: Archaeological monitoring and recording	Site Director/Group: Adam Dyson Essex County Council Field Archaeology Unit
Date of Work: 16/04/13	Size of Area Investigated: c. 16 sq m
Location of Finds/Curating Museum: Epping Forest District Museum	Client: St Germain PCC
Further Seasons Anticipated?: No	Related HER Nos: EHER 4143
Final Report: HER summary	Oasis No.: essexcou1- 148173
Periods represented: Modern	
SUMMARY OF FIELDWORK RESULTS:	
<p>On the 15th April 2013, Essex County Council Field Archaeology Unit monitored works at the Church of St Germain in Bobbingworth, Essex.</p> <p>The proposed works were within the vestry which was located within an extension to the west end of the nave (plate 1). They consisted of the removal of existing timber flooring followed by the laying of a new concrete floor. If ground reduction was required as part of the works then there was significant potential for the presence/survival of below ground archaeological remains.</p> <p>Upon the removal of the existing timber flooring, it became apparent that no further ground reduction would be required prior to the laying of the new floor (plates 2 and 3). The removal of the timber flooring itself did not reveal anything of archaeological interest; a modern construction deposit associated with the vestry and its previous floor was revealed, this was a mid brownish grey, loose silty sand which contained modern rubble.</p> <p>Due to excavation not being necessary no further archaeological monitoring was required.</p>	
Previous Summaries/Reports: N/A	
Author of Summary: Adam Dyson	Date of Summary: April 2013



Plate 1: Vestry location at the west end of the nave, looking north.



Plate 2: Vestry interior after the removal of existing timber flooring, looking west.



Plate 3: Detail showing depth of cavity beneath timber flooring, looking south.
(1 and 0.5m scale).