

**EHER Summary Sheet: No. 1 Maynards, Museum Street, Saffron Walden****FAU Project No. 1689**

<b>Site Name/Address:</b> No. 1 Maynards, Museum Street, Saffron Walden	
<b>Parish:</b> Saffron Walden	<b>District:</b> Uttlesford
<b>NGR:</b> TL 5380 3861	<b>Site Code:</b> SW 51
<b>Type of Work:</b> Archaeological monitoring	<b>Site Director/Group:</b> A. Letch, ECC FAU
<b>Date of Work:</b> 29-30 August 2006	<b>Size of Area Investigated:</b> c.32m <sup>2</sup> in total
<b>Location of Finds/Curating Museum:</b> Saffron Walden Museum	<b>Funding Source:</b> Owner, Mr. Pat Rowell
<b>Further Work Anticipated?</b> No	<b>Related EHER Nos.:</b>
<b>Final Report:</b> N/A	
<b>Periods Represented:</b> Late 19th-20th century	
<p><b>SUMMARY OF FIELDWORK RESULTS:</b></p> <p><i>Archaeological monitoring was carried out on the excavation by ground works contractors of two areas behind the property of No. 1 Maynards, Museum Street, Saffron Walden. The site lies within an area of archaeological significance, to the south-east of St. Mary's Church and to the west of the inner bailey ditch of Saffron Walden Castle, parts of which are designated as a Scheduled Ancient Monument (SAM 20671).</i></p> <p><i>The excavated areas were for concrete raft footprints to two new structures either end of a narrow patio/garden: a bedroom extension and a separate storage building (Fig. 1, Areas 1 &amp; 2). Each was dug to a depth of c. 0.5 m. Part of a late 19th or 20th-century internal tile floor was revealed immediately beneath the existing modern patio in Area 1 (Fig. 1, floor 2), overlying a mortar spread (context 3) containing transfer-decorated pottery sherds supportive of this date. Area 2 contained a partial concrete surface surrounded by a rich dark grey garden soil. Ground level height was c.62mOD. No subsoil deposits were recorded.</i></p> <p><i>The Maynards are a modern housing development built in 1980 after the demolition of Markins Butchers shop. The tiled surface to the rear of No. 1 Maynards is perhaps the rendering floor behind the shop. Markins also operated its own slaughterhouse and, according to local knowledge, the animals were kept in the vicinity of Area 2, where the concrete surface was found. The finds were discarded after analysis.</i></p>	
<b>Previous Summaries/Reports:</b> N.A.	
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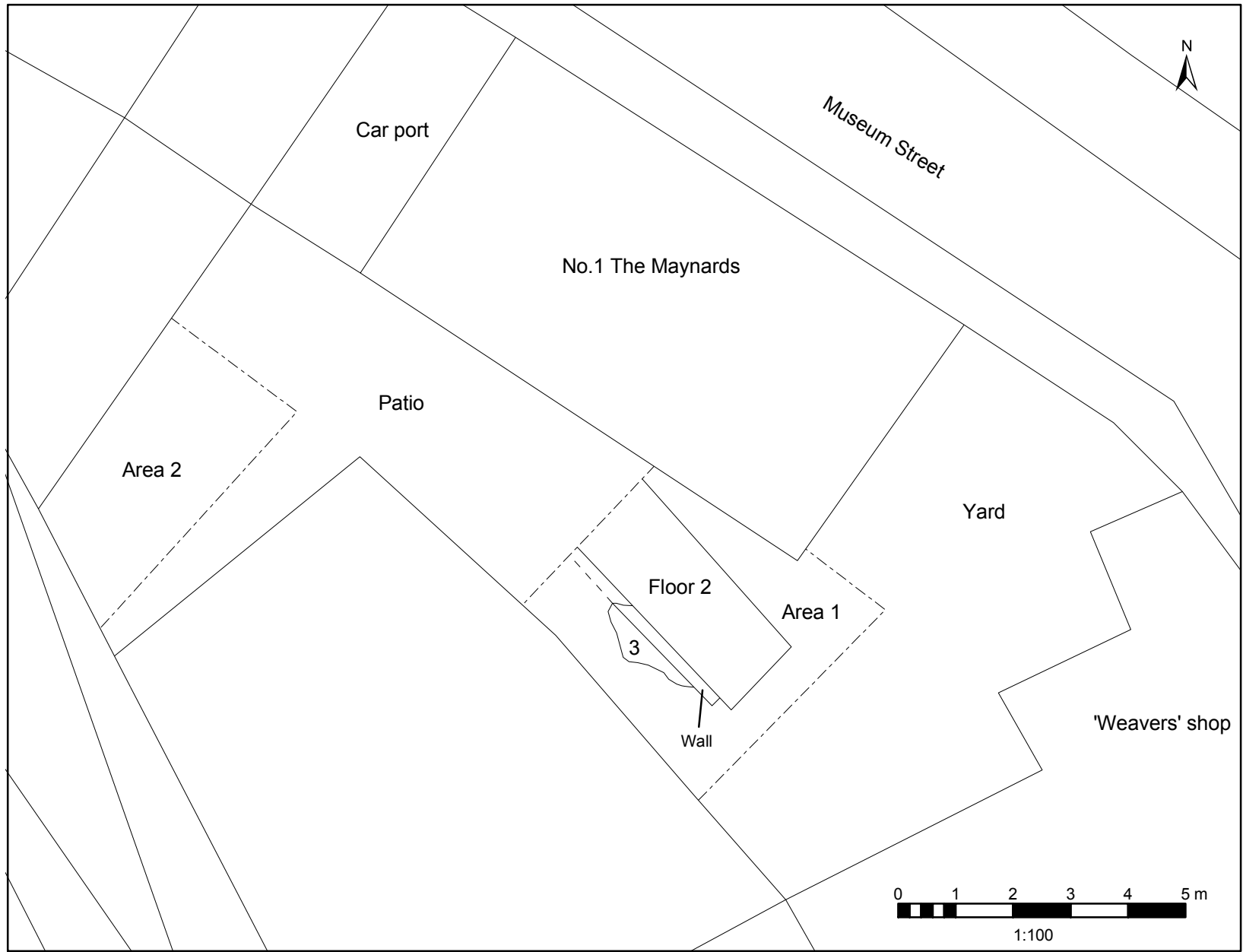


Fig.1. Location of monitoring areas

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