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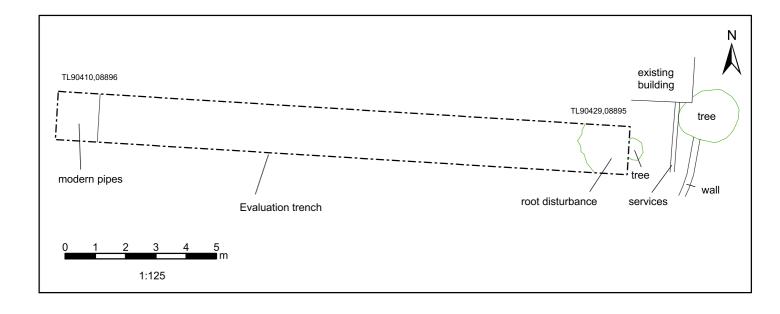


Fig.1. Location of archaeological evaluation trench



EHER SUMMARY SHEET

Site NamelAddress: Land Adjacent to Old School, Church Street, Goldhanger, Essex	
Parish: Goldhanger	District: Maldon
NGR TL 904 088	Site Code: GOOS08
Type of Work: Evaluation	Site Director/Group: Tony Blowers, ECC FAU
Date of Work: 23 rd October 2008	Size of Area Investigated: 28.5sq m
Location of Finds/Curating Museum: Colchester Museum	Funding Source: Smith Construction
Further Work Anticipated? No	Related EHER Nos: 46257, 46359, 13450, 13451, LBS 118861
Final Report: EAH Summary	OASIS ID: essexcou1-50245

Periods Represented: medieval

SUMMARY OF FIELDWORK RESULTS:

A programme of archaeological works was undertaken in response to a brief produced by the Historic Environment Management team (HEM) of Essex County Council for an archaeological evaluation by trial trenching on the site of a new dwelling on land to the rear of 5 Church Street, Goldhanger.

A single trial trench, measuring 19m x 1.50m, was excavated to a maximum depth of 0.55m on to medium-grained natural gravel. Tree root disturbance was evident at the eastern end of the trench and a 20thC drain pipe truncated the western end. No archaeological features were present but this may be due to the fact that this area may well have been part of the original village green, with the pond 12m to the north and St Peters church approximately 100m to the south-east.

Although the development plot lies in an area of considerable archaeological significance within the boundaries of the medieval village, it is possible that any archaeological remains which may have been present have been truncated by 19th/20th century farmyard development although there does not appear to have been a great deal of landscaping activity. Alternatively, given the relatively small size of the investigation, earlier remains may survive elsewhere on site.

Previous Summaries/Reports: None	
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