

WATCHING BRIEF

MILLENNIUM PLAYING FIELD

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Site Name & Address: Millennium Playing Field, Arkesden, Essex	
Parish: Arkesden	District: Uttlesford
NGR: TL 4835 3460	Site Code: AKMF 05
Type of Work: Watching brief	Site Director/Group: Mark Germany, Essex County Council Field Archaeology Unit
Date of Work: 8/4/05 and 12/4/05	Size of Area Investigated: 75m ²
Location of Finds/Curating Museum: Saffron Walden	Funding Source: Developer
Further Work Anticipated? No	Related HCR Nos: 3947, 3948
Final Report: Essex Archaeology and History (Summary)	
Periods Represented: Modern	
SUMMARY OF FIELDWORK RESULTS: The watching brief observed the construction of a children's play ground in the north-west corner of Millennium Playing Field, next to the parish church of St Mary. The construction work comprised excavation of post-holes and the landscaping of two small areas (Fig. 1, A and B), measuring c. 6m by 9m and 3m by 7m respectively. Most of the landscaping was contained within the depth of the topsoil, and involved little disturbance. It exposed the subsoil at the north end of area A, but nowhere else. There were no archaeological features or finds. The excavation of the post-holes was not observed, because the disturbance caused by that excavation was believed to be minimal. The topsoil was c. 0.25m thick. The underlying subsoil was orange brown clay with few inclusions.	
Previous Summaries/Reports: None	
Author of Summary: Mark Germany	Date of Summary: 12/4/05

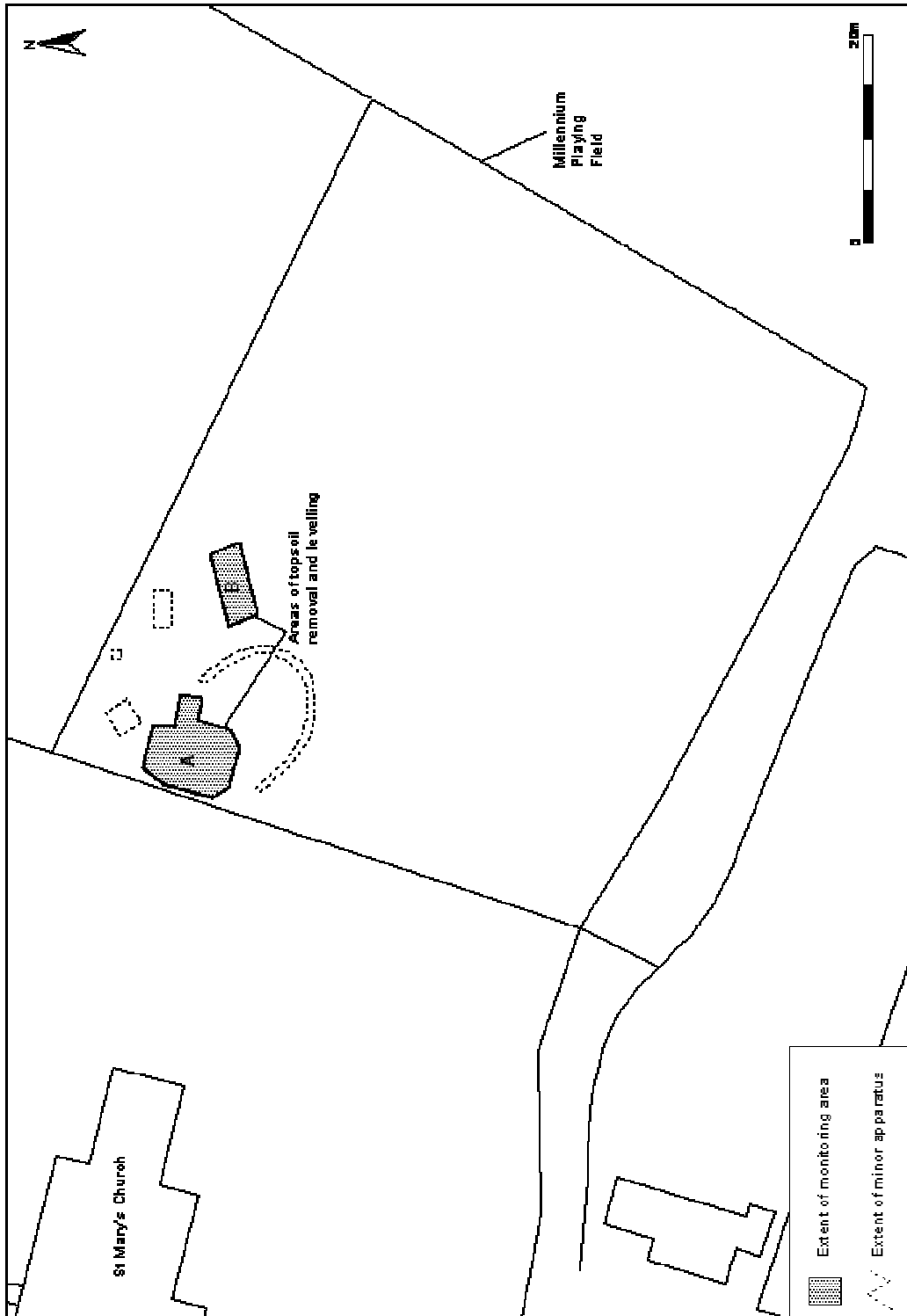


Fig. 1. Millennium Playing Field, Arkesden, Essex. Watching brief, April 2005

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