

Devon County Council Historic Environment Record

Civil Parish & District: Willand	National Grid Ref. ST 0314 1144	Number:
Subject: Archaeological trench evaluation at Tiverton Junction, Willand Road, Devon		Photo attached? N
Planning Application no:	Recipient museum: Royal Albert Memorial Museum, Exeter.	
OASIS ID: 40251	Museum Accession no: 18/2008	
Contractor's reference number/code: 6349	Dates fieldwork undertaken: 4-6.2.2008	
<p>Description of works.</p> <p>The site lies on and adjacent to the floodplain of Spratford Stream, at a height of <i>c.</i> 64m AOD. The results of the trench evaluation will accompany a planning application for the proposed erection of new storage buildings, a lorry park and a new access road.</p> <p>Nine trenches were excavated, each 2m wide, and with a total length of 347m (Fig. 1).</p> <p>Trenches 1-5, situated within agricultural land, exposed the following general layer sequence: 0-0.25m: mid/dark brown friable silty clay (topsoil) 0.25-0.4m: either yellowish brown silty clay colluvium or clay alluvial deposits 0.4m+: Mottled <i>in situ</i> sandy clay with occasional water-worn pebbles.</p> <p>Trench 9 was situated on the northern edge of an area of recent made ground. Modern deposits of soil and demolition material to a depth of 1.15m sealed the <i>in situ</i> natural clays.</p> <p>Trenches 6-8, located within a former industrial area, exposed similar deposits to those seen in trenches 1-5, sealed by up to 0.7m of modern make-up levels, demolition material or hard-standing.</p> <p>No archaeological features were exposed, and no significant artefacts were recovered. No evidence of palaeo-channels was detected.</p>		
Recorder: P. Pearce, Exeter Archaeology		Date sent to HER: 4.3.08

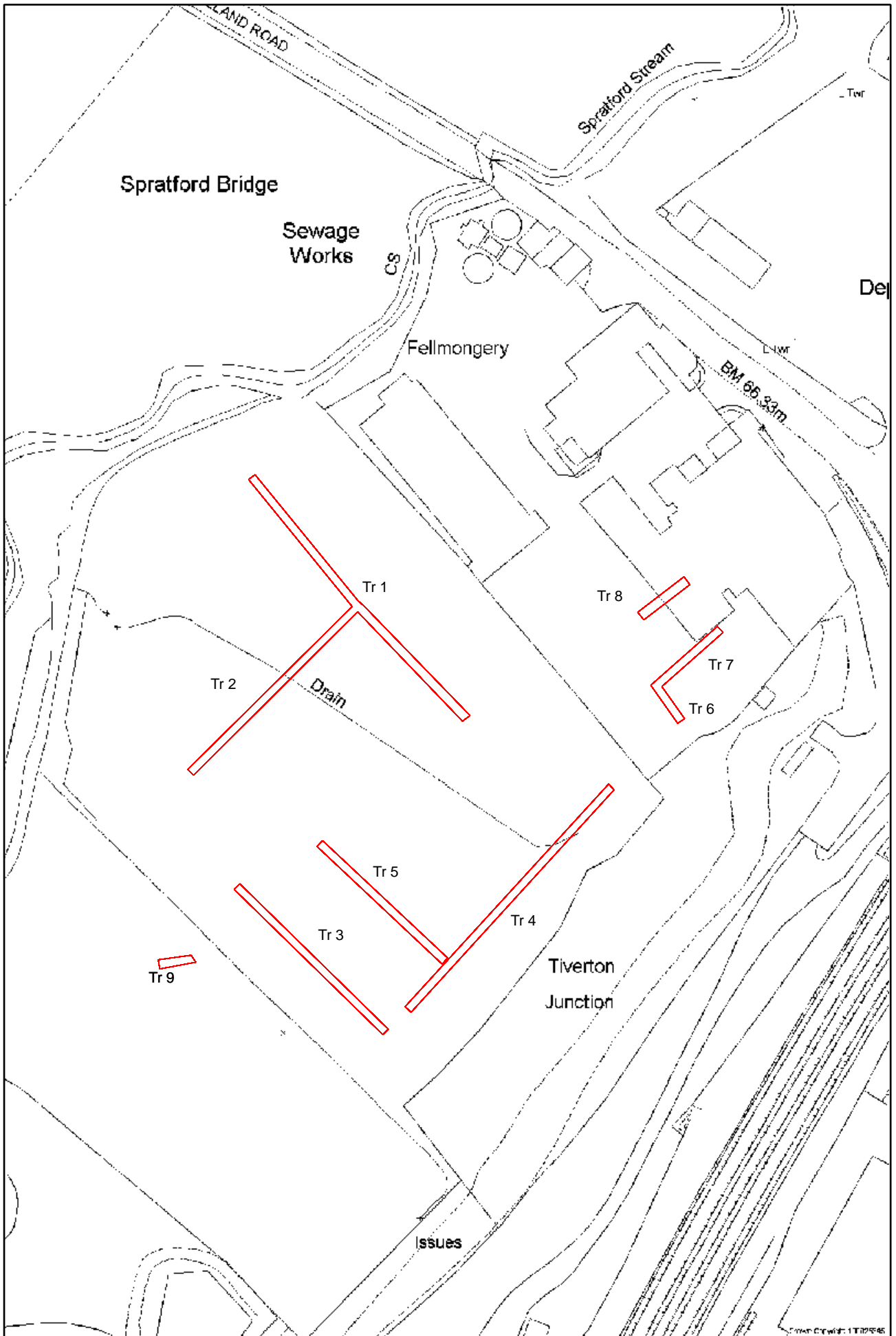


Fig. 1 Trench locations (1:1250).