

Devon County Council Historic Environment Record

Civil Parish & District: Halwell Parish, South Hams District	National Grid Reference SX 782 530	Number: (Leave blank for HES to fill in)
Subject: Monitoring and recording during the widening of the A3122 between Halwell Cross and Halwell Business Park		Photo attached? N
Planning Application no: N/A	Recipient museum: Plymouth	
OASIS ID: 54721	Museum Accession no: AR.2008.1	
Contractor's reference number/code: 6365	Dates fieldwork undertaken: 14/01/08 – 17/01/08 + 23/01/08 – 24/01/08	
<p>Description of works.</p> <p>Monitoring was undertaken during the works associated with the widening of the A3122 between Halwell Cross and Halwell Business Park (Fig.1). The site lies close to the south-west of Halwell Camp, an Iron Age hillfort and Scheduled Monument.</p> <p>Groundworks comprised the stripping of topsoil to a depth of 0.3m from a 10 x 264m area to the east of the hedgebank, and the relocation of the bank on the eastern side of this area</p> <p>The hedgebank was of up-cast subsoil (mid reddish brown silty clay) construction with no indication of stone or other revetting. It was c. 2.3-2.5m wide, 1m high on the field (east) side, and up to 2.1m high from road level. There was no evidence of a buried soil, which was presumably removed prior to construction. The heavily truncated remains of a ditch (0.4m wide, 0.13m deep) were exposed on the east side.</p> <p>Hazel, blackthorn, holly, ash and gorse were growing upon the hedgebank, and were evidently frequently cut.</p> <p>No dating evidence was recovered, although a single unstratified worked flint was recovered during topsoil stripping.</p>		
Recorder: J Austin Exeter Archaeology		Date sent to HER: 30.1.08

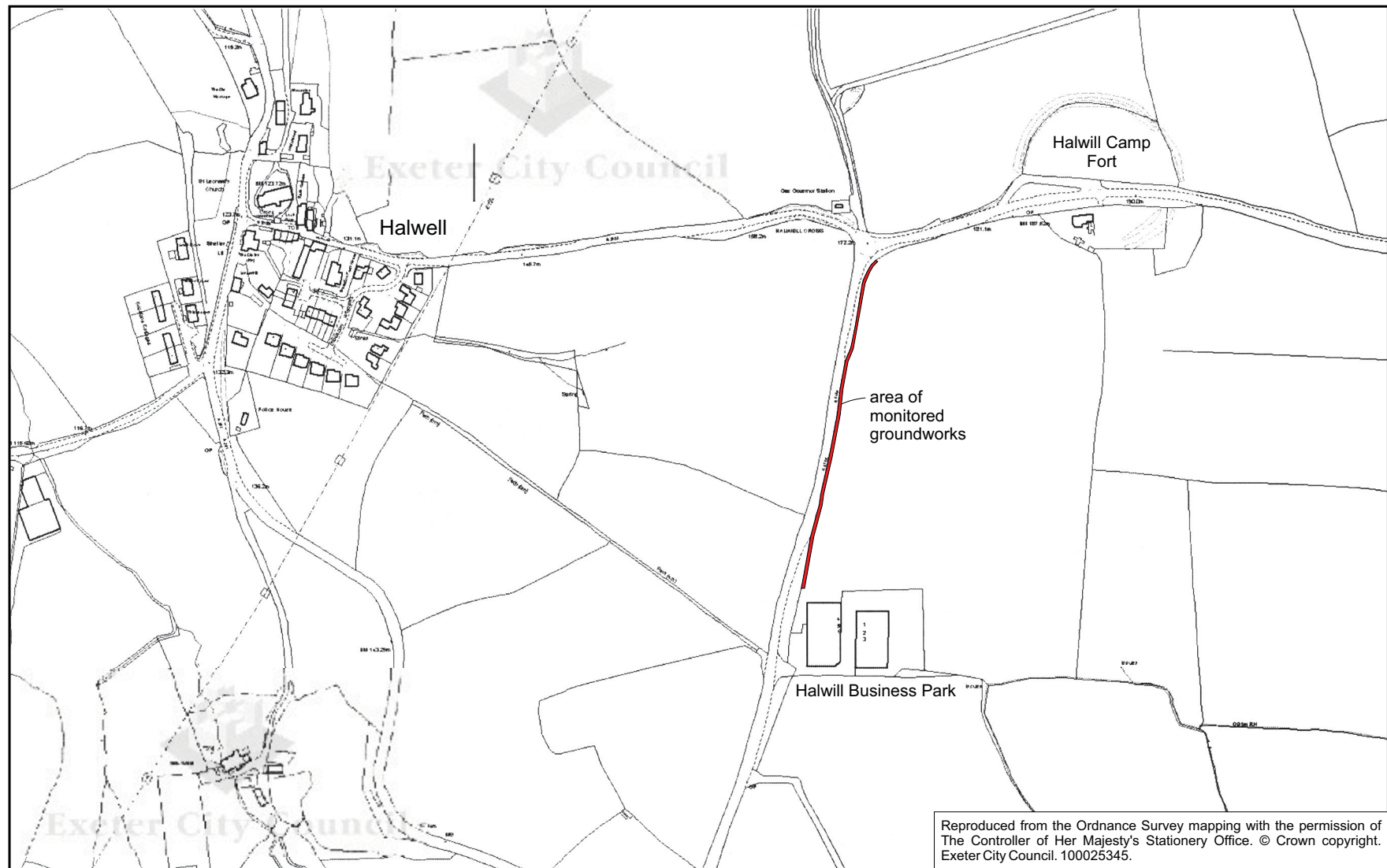


Fig. 1 Location of observations. Scale 1:5,000 @ A4.