

# Devon County Council Historic Environment Record

<b>Civil Parish &amp; District:</b> Dartmouth	<b>National Grid Reference</b> SX 878 514	<b>Number:</b> (Leave blank for HES to fill in)
<b>Subject:</b> St Saviours Church, Dartmouth		<b>Photo attached?</b> N
<b>Planning Application no:</b> Condition of Faculty	<b>Recipient museum:</b> Plymouth Museum	
<b>OASIS ID:</b> exeterar1-63108	<b>Museum Accession no:</b> AR.2009.7	
<b>Contractor's reference number/code:</b> EA 6489	<b>Dates fieldwork undertaken:</b> 09-02-09/10-02-09	
<p><b>Description</b></p> <p>An archaeological watching brief was carried out on improvement works to the drainage on the north side of St Saviours Church immediately to the west of the main entrance. This work was required by Diocese as a condition of Faculty.</p> <p>The excavation of a new service trench extending from the north wall of the church to the within c 1m of the churchyard wall was monitored. It avoided an existing (now disused) soak-away and connected the drainage into the main services in the road.</p> <p><b>Results (Fig. 1)</b></p> <p>The new service trench measured approximately 10m long, 400mm wide and was excavated to maximum depth of 300mm. Natural subsoil was not encountered.</p> <p>The typical sequence of deposits consisted of 150mm of dark brown loamy topsoil containing slate chips and frequent small stones, overlying brown clay subsoil containing abundant slate fragments and stones, occasional mortar fragments, and occasional unarticulated human bone fragments. A small number of recent ceramic sherds were recovered from this subsoil. They were discarded.</p> <p>Excavation of the new service trench exposed the eastern end of a brick lined burial vault at a depth of approximately 270mm. It comprised a lining of red brick bonded with lime mortar, capped by slate flagstones. This tomb is likely to be of mid 19th century date. No other features or deposits were observed.</p>		
<p><b>A plan as well as any other relevant drawings must be attached showing the location and extent of site, areas investigated and features exposed.</b></p>		
<b>Recorders:</b> GY	<b>Date sent to HER:</b>	

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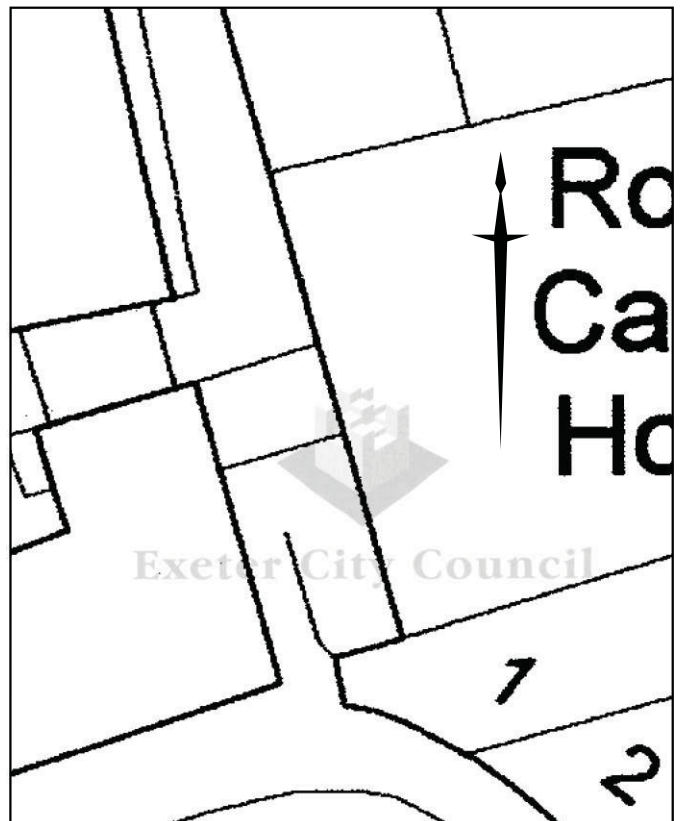
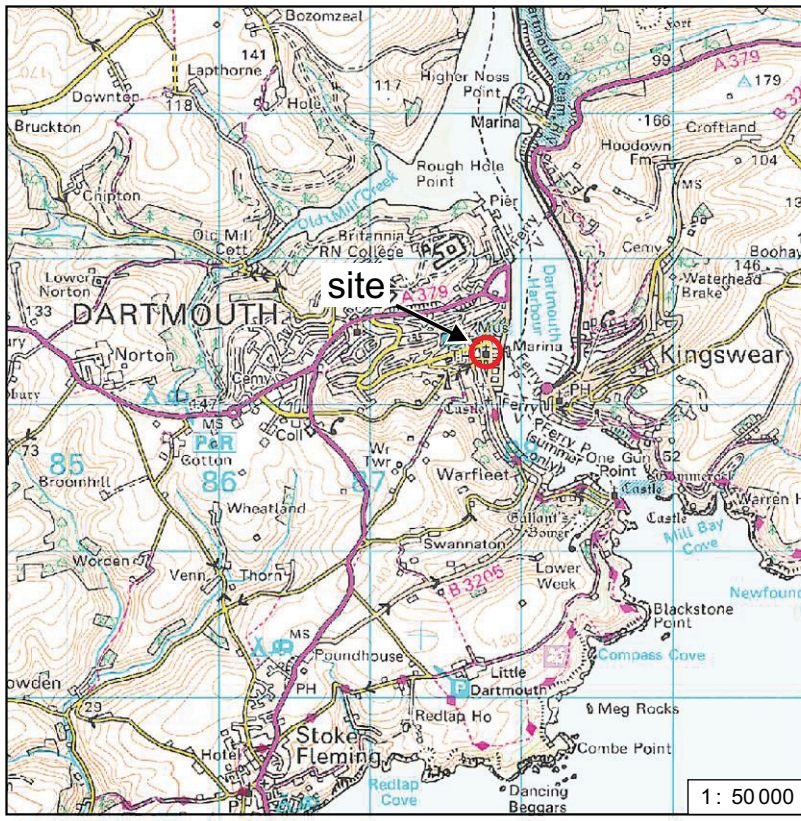


Fig. 1 Site location and plan 1:250 (1:50000 inset).