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Site Name: Hawken House, 1 Halt Road, St Newlyn East, Cornwall	
Grid ref (10-fig): SW 82946 56342	OS Map No:
Parish: St Newlyn East	
Site Type: Proposed housing development (Planning application no.: PA11/06084)	
Period: Post-medieval and Modern	Form:
<p>Description: Archaeological monitoring and recording was undertaken by South West Archaeology Ltd. (SWARCH) at the request of Emma Ward (The Client), prior to a residential development on land at Hawken House, 1 Halt Road, St Newlyn East, Cornwall (Figure 1.1). This work was undertaken by J. Bampton on 30th July 2013 in accordance with a Written Sceme of Investigation (WSI) drawn up in consultation with Daniel Ratcliffe, Cornwall County Council Historic Environment Planning Advice Officer.</p> <p>The excavation revealed no archaeological features or significant remains.</p> <p>The proposed development lies in the garden of Hawken House, 50m east of the medieval parish church (Figure 4), at a height of about 90m AOD. The site is shown on 19th century maps as being gardens (generally wooded) belonging to the extant houses surrounding it. The northern end of the proposed development overlaps with the footprint of a now demolished later 20th century workshop.</p> <p>An area encompassing the footprint of the proposed building (9m by 7m at its northern end and 6m at its southern) was excavated by a tracked 360° mechanical digger using a toothless grading bucket under archaeological supervision and in accordance with the WSI (Figures 1.1, 1.2, and 3).</p> <p>The Topsoil (100) consisted of turf and a dark grey-brown, friable sandy-silt with occasional sub-angular and sub-rounded stones (0.32m in depth, although more shallow (0.25m) at the north end of the excavated area). This overlaid Subsoil (101); a mid yellow-brown, friable sandy-silt with occasional small sub-angular stones (0.10-0.30m in depth). Subsoil (101) became thinner and eventually absent at the north end of the excavated area. It also seemed to sit in shallow undulations in the natural, most likely caused by root action, as was evident in some extant examples in the excavation. This subsoil overlaid the Natural (102); a light yellow-orange with occasional blue-grey stone, compact shillet (Figures 1.3, 1.4, 2)</p> <p>The excavation revealed no archaeological features or significant remains. The soil was typically shallow and modern disturbance from garden walls and a 20th century structure on the site would have- or may have fully truncated any small discreet archaeological features.</p> <p>Finds were recovered from the topsoil and subsoil layers and subsequently discarded. The Topsoil (100) finds included: 1 sherd of a 19th century glass vessel (5g); 1 sherd of 19th century industrial slipware (0.5kg); 1 sherd of 19th century red earthenware jug handle (80g); 1 sherd of 18th century North Devon Gravel Free ware (2g); 8 sherds of White Refined Earthenware with blue transfer print (post 1720/1770), some sponge decorated (44g); 1 fragment of 18th century clay pipe stem (4g). The Subsoil (101) finds included: 2 Fe objects (nails) (52g); 1 fragment of animal bone (42g); 5 sherds of White Refined Earthenware with blue transfer print (post 1720/1770), some sponge decorated (26g); 7 sherds of various post-medieval Cornish coarse wares (97g).</p>	

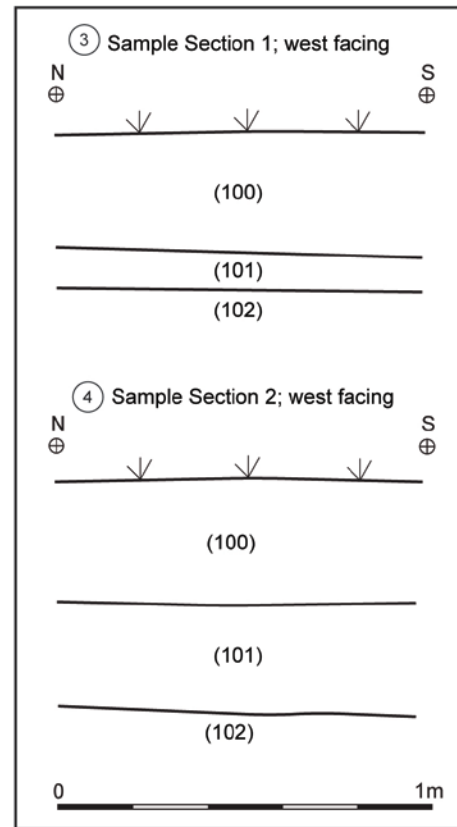
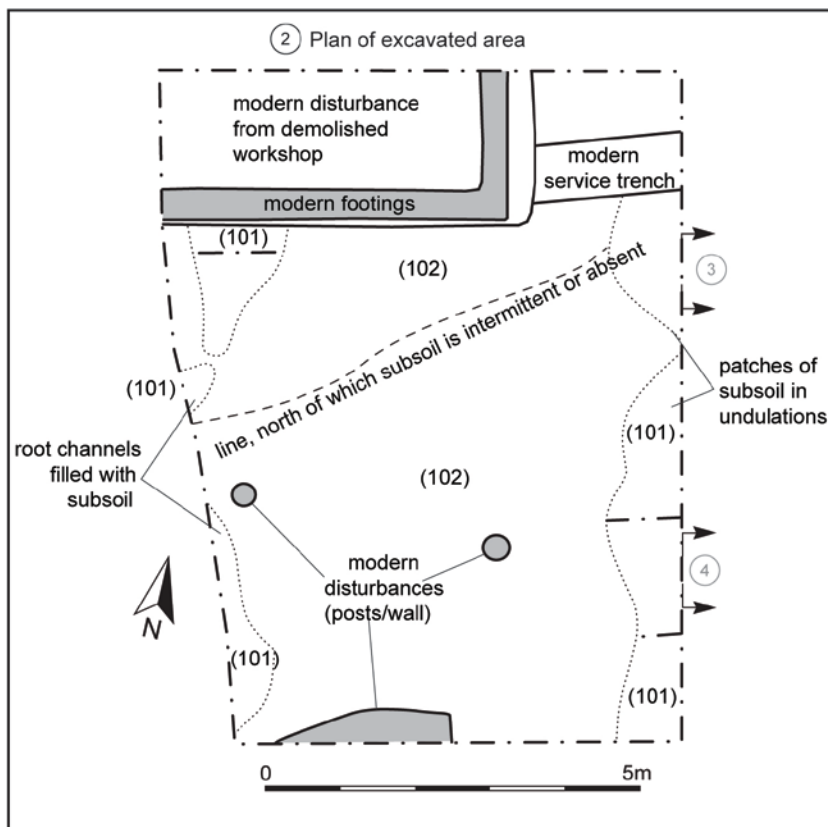
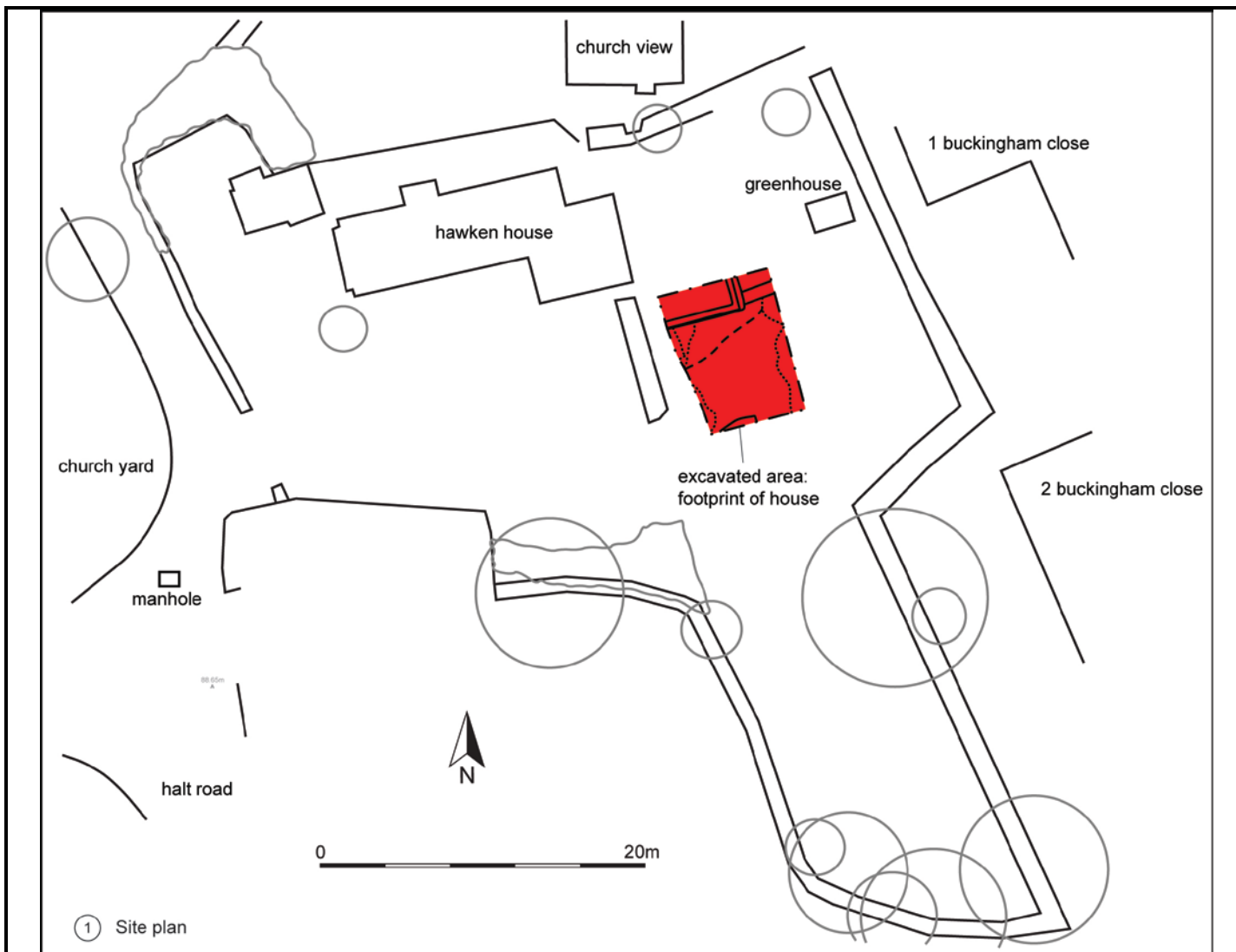


Figure 1: Site drawings; 1.1 Site plan; 1.2 Plan of excavated area; 1.3 Sample section 1; 1.4 Sample section 2



Figure 2: Photo of Sample section 1, from the west (scale: 1m)



Figure 3: Excavated area, from the south (2m scale)



Figure 4: Site to the church, From the east (no scale)

Land Use (Area): Residential

Land Use (Site): Gardens and out-building

Date of Site Visit: 30/7/13

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