

# Devon County Council Historic Environment Record

<b>Civil Parish &amp; District:</b> Woodland Teignbridge	<b>National Grid Reference</b> 277256.068576	<b>Number:</b> (Leave blank for HES to fill in)
<b>Subject:</b> Evaluation excavation prior to erection of an agricultural building		<b>Photo attached?</b> No
<b>Planning Application no:</b>	<b>Recipient museum:</b> RAMM	
<b>OASIS ID:</b> southwes1-65991	<b>Museum Accession no:</b> 412/2009	
<b>Contractor's reference number/code:</b>	<b>Dates fieldwork undertaken:</b> 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2009	
<p><b>Description of works.</b></p> <p>South West Archaeology undertook evaluation excavations on land at Crazy Acres, Well Farm, Woodland, Nr Ashburton, Devon prior to the submission of a planning application for the erection of a feed and machinery store.</p> <p>The work was laid out in a Written Scheme of Investigation drawn up in accordance with a brief from DCHES.</p> <p>Four evaluation trenches were dug within the footprint of the proposed agricultural building (see Fig. 1).</p> <p>These trenches were opened by a tracked mechanical excavator using a 1.8m wide toothless grading bucket, and the work was carried out under strict archaeological supervision. The archaeological monitoring was carried out by B. Morris and S. Ottery.</p> <p>Trenches #1 and #2 were c.22.50m long and ran north to south. Trenches #3 and #4 were c.15m long and ran east to west.</p> <p>The trenches were excavated down to the level of the natural bedrock [Gurrington Slate Formation], which was encountered at a depth of between c.0.5m and c.0.8m. The surface of the bedrock was not found to be level, and undulated across the site. Beneath the turf the soil was found to be of a single unit, being a soft to firm mid brown clayey silt with abundant shale lithorelicts.</p> <p>No archaeological features were encountered, and only two sherds of post-medieval pottery were found in the topsoil. No further works were undertaken.</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>		
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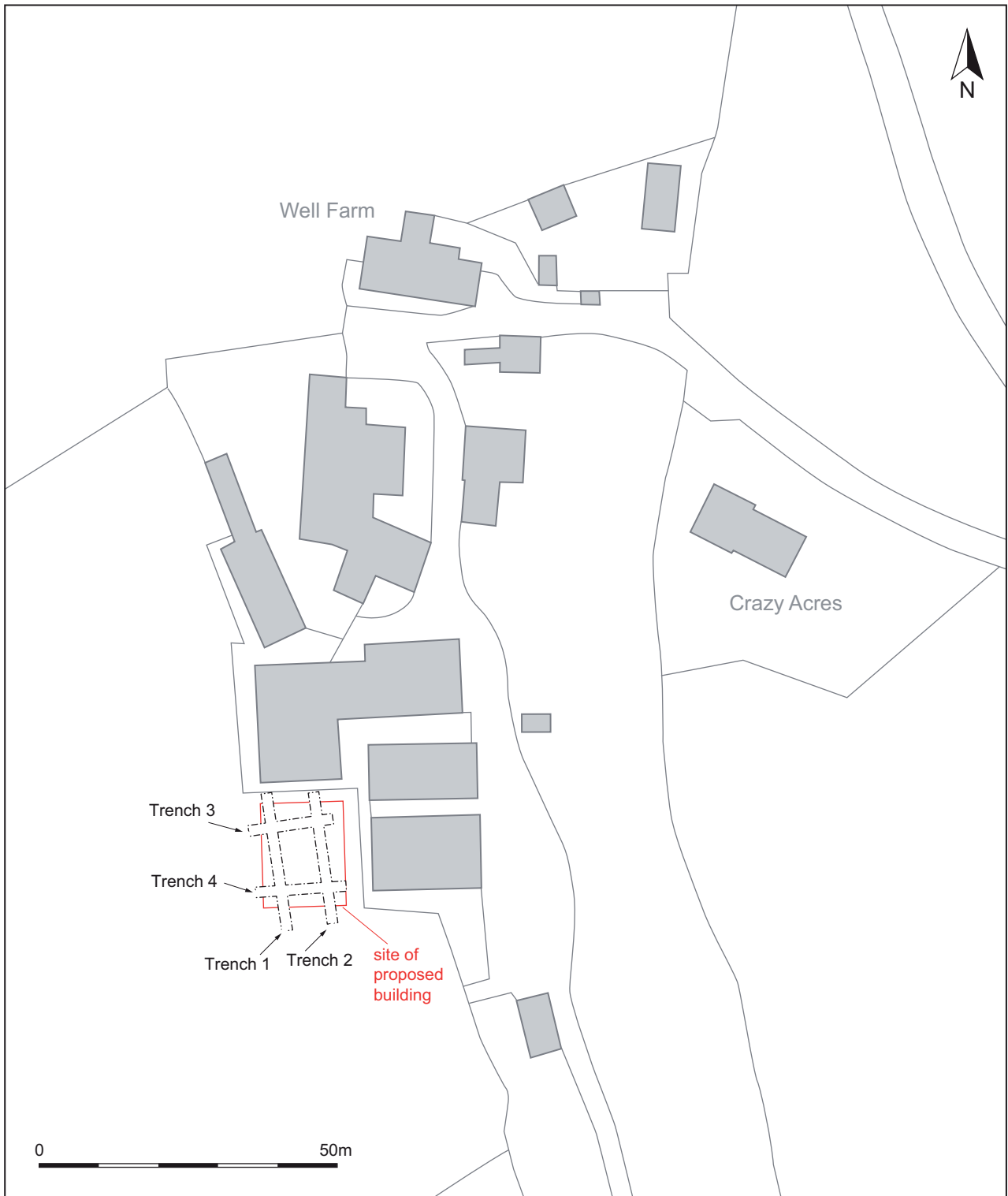


Fig. 1: Location of evaluation trenches at Well Farm/Crazy Acres, Woodland, Teignbridge.