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WATCHING BRIEF: WESTGATE PETERBOROUGH

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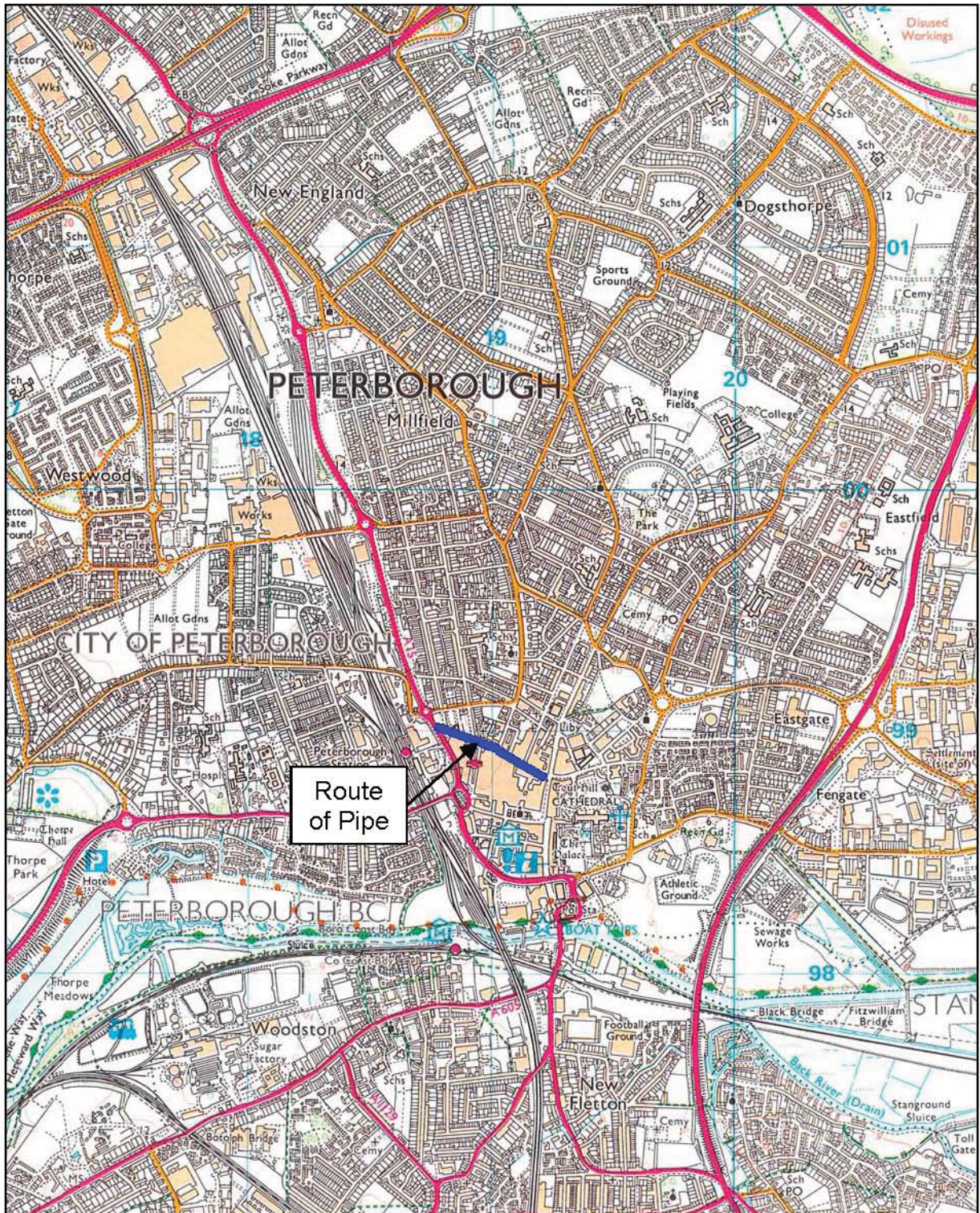


Figure 1: General location (scale 1:25,000)

Summary

During July – August 2007 ASC Ltd carried out a watching brief during replacement of a water main running under Westgate, Peterborough. Sections of the pipe trench had been partially backfilled prior to the initial watching brief visit although the open sections suggested that much of the replacement pipe passed through ground already disturbed by insertion of services during relatively recent decades. Late Post Medieval deposits were present at the junction of Westgate with Acland Street and outside Westgate Church and preserved surfaces were revealed by the pipe trench east and west of Lincoln Road. The upper surface deposits were relatively recent although the two basal deposits could predate the Post Medieval period.

1. Introduction

1.1 In July and August 2007 *Archaeological Services and Consultancy Ltd (ASC)* carried out a watching brief at Westgate, Peterborough (NGR TL 1900 9980: Fig. 1). The project was commissioned by *BSP Associates Ltd* on behalf of *Anglian Water Services Ltd*. The watching brief was carried out in accordance with ASC's standard watching brief methodology, which was reviewed by *Peterborough Archaeology Service* the archaeological advisor (AA) to the local planning authority (LPA), *Peterborough City Council*.

1.2 *Planning Background*

The watching brief was required to fulfil Anglian Water Services Ltds' statutory obligations to the historic environment.

1.3 *Location*

Westgate is located in the heart of the modern retail area of the historic core of Peterborough city centre.

1.4 *Description*

Westgate is a main shopping thoroughfare that runs eastward from the western periphery of the city centre toward the northern side of the Cathedral. Many of the retail outlets lining Westgate were constructed during the second half of the 20th century although the long history of this thoroughfare is illustrated by the presence of a small number of surviving post medieval buildings.

1.5 *Geology & Topography*

The superficial and solid geologies underlying Peterborough city centre are not surveyed (Soil Survey 1983). Urbanisation of the city centre is likely to have significantly truncated, if not totally removed, the natural soil profile. Westgate descends gently from c.10.7m AOD at the west to c.8.0m AOD at the east.

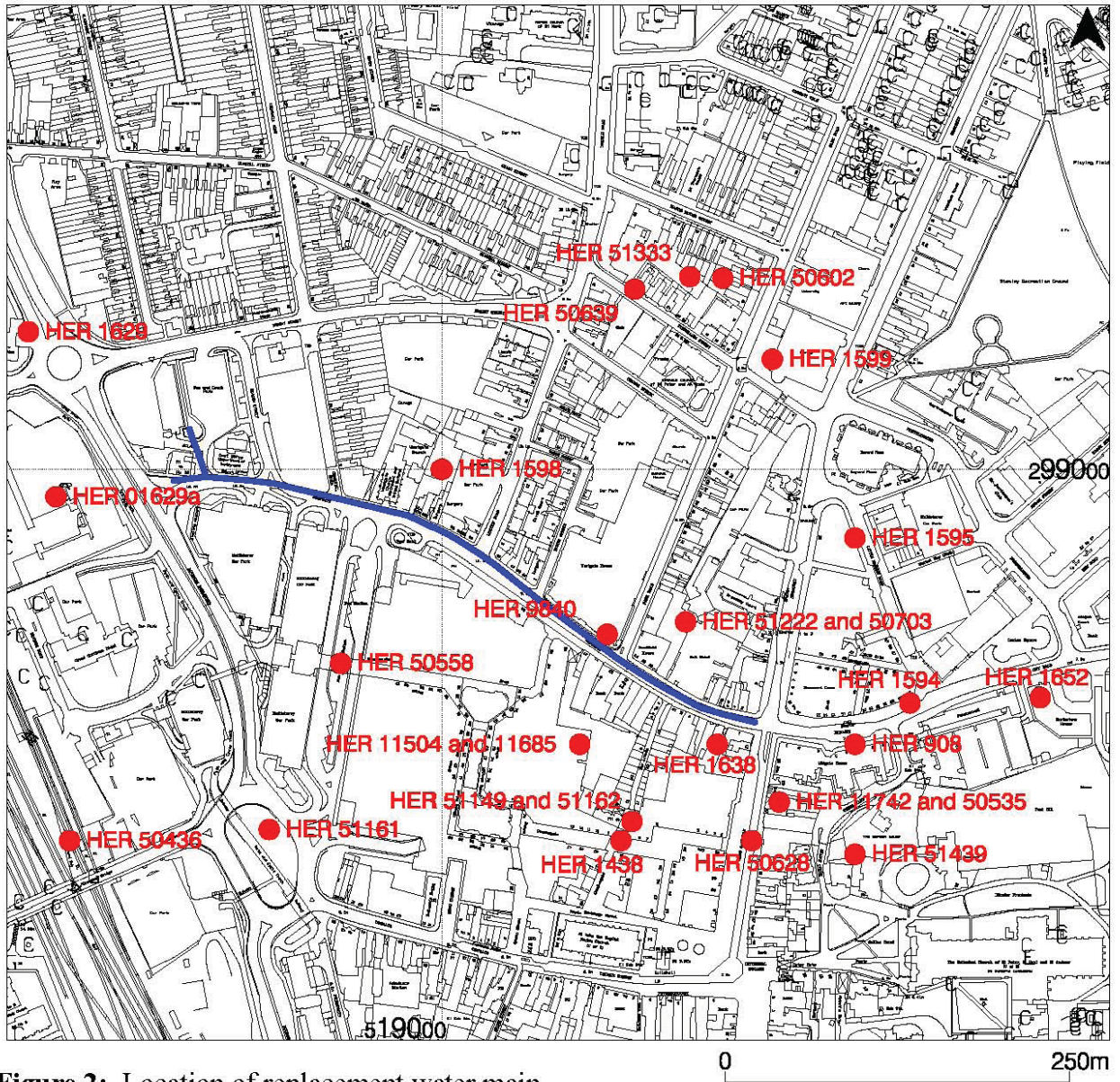


Figure 2: Location of replacement water main and HER entries (scale 1:5000)

2. Aims & Methods

2.1 Aims

As described in ASC's standard watching brief methodology, the aims of the watching brief were:

- To determine the location, extent, date, character, condition, significance and quality of any surviving archaeological remains encountered by the proposed development.
- To carry out appropriate levels of investigation, recording and sampling of discovered archaeological features in the attempt to characterise their form and function.

2.2 Standards

The work conformed to ASC's watching brief methodology, and to the relevant sections of the Institute of Archaeologists' *Code of Conduct* (IFA 2000) and *Standard & Guidance Notes* (IFA 2001). It also conformed to the Association of Local Government Archaeological Officers East of England Region *Standards for Field Archaeology in the East of England* (ALGAO 2003), and to the relevant sections of ASC's own *Operations Manual*.

2.3 Methods

The work was carried out according to ASC's standard watching brief methodology (Section 1), which requires:

- monitoring by an experienced archaeologist of ground disturbance.

2.4 Constraints

ASC was notified of the need for a watching brief at an advance stage of the groundworks. Much of the replacement water main had already been laid in the pipe trench and some areas of the trench were partially backfilled with ballast.

3. Archaeological & Historical Background

3.1 Introduction

The local and regional settings of archaeological sites are factors that are taken into consideration when assessing the implications of development proposals. The following sections provide a summary of readily available sources detailing the archaeological and historical background of the immediate area impacted by the pipeline and examine its environs. *HER = Historic Environment Record.*

3.2 Peterborough city centre is an area of considerable archaeological and historical importance. Insertion of the replacement water main provided the opportunity to examine a significant area at the northwest of the historic core of the city. The site offered the potential to reveal evidence of a variety of periods, but the focus of interest was anticipated to lie in the Medieval and Post Medieval periods.

3.3 Prehistoric *(before 600BC-AD43)*

In contrast to the fen edge at the east of the city, *e.g.* Fengate and Flag Fen (Pryor 2005), little is known of this period in the immediate environs of Westgate. The only recorded evidence of is the chance discovery of a Neolithic stone axe during early 20th century groundworks in the area of the junction of Westgate and Park Road (HER 9840).

3.4 Roman *(AD43-c.450)*

Settlement in the Peterborough area was dominated by the town of *Durobrivae* during the Roman period (Water Newton). The remains of *Durobrivae* are located *c.* 7km west-southwest of the centre of Peterborough. The Roman town was bisected by a major road, now known as *Ermine Street*, which linked *Londinium* (London) with *Lindum* (Lincoln) and *Eburacum* (York) (Fincham 2004). A second major road, now known as *King Street*, intersected with *Ermine Street* near *Durobrivae* and provided access to the smaller Roman town at Bourne. Little evidence of this period has been recovered in the area of Westgate although the HER records discovery of a tentatively identified tessera *c.*300m to the north (HER 50602).

3.5 Saxon *(c.450-1066)*

The earliest recorded name of Peterborough, Medeshamstede, indicates that an early/mid Saxon settlement preceded the later Saxon town. A Benedictine monastery was founded at Medeshamstede in *c.*655 and was sacked by the Danes in 870 and later rebuilt *c.*970 (Pevsner 1968). The Anglo-Saxon Chronicle records that the Abbot Kenulf made a wall about the minster in the late 10th century and renamed the town as Burgh. The town itself appears not to have been surrounded by a wall (VCH 1970). Little direct evidence of this period is known from the area of Westgate although the HER notes recovery of a strap fitting (HER 1652) of this period *c.*200m to the east.

3.6 Medieval *(1066-1500)*

The population of Burgh is recorded in the Domesday Survey as 7 slaves, 37 villans and 2 bordars and the land was held by the Abbey of Burgh (Williams and Martin 1992). The abbey church was destroyed by fire in 1116 and the earliest parts of the church that later became the cathedral of St Peter, St Paul and St Andrew date to the subsequent rebuilding.

The town plan was reorganised in the 12th century with the market moving from a more easterly location to the west of the Abbey church, and the town subsequently expanded around the new market site. St Leonards Hospital at the western end of Westgate was founded in the 11th century to house lepers (HER 1629, 1629a). Much of the archaeological evidence recorded in the immediate area of Westgate dates from the 12th and later centuries.

3.7 Post-Medieval and Modern (1500-present)

Tenements are shown fronting the northern and southern sides of Westgate on Speeds 17th century map (Fig 3). The layout of Westgate in the mid 19th century is shown on the first edition Ordnance Survey map (Fig 4), some semblance of burgage plots appear to remain in the layout of buildings. Later editions of the Ordnance Survey map (Figs 5 and 6) show that little change took place to the buildings fronting Westgate during the first half of the 20th century although some infilling of open spaces occurred and a tramway was laid along the eastern half of Westgate. Development of the town centre during the 1970's saw demolition of many of the historic buildings fronting Westgate. Two of the older buildings that remain are the Almshouse and The Bull Hotel.

During the 19th century Peterborough expanded as it became a hub for a number of different railways. The first railway into the city was a branch of the London and Birmingham in 1845. Further lines were opened over the next decade and the city was firmly placed on what is now known as the East Coast Main Line in 1852.

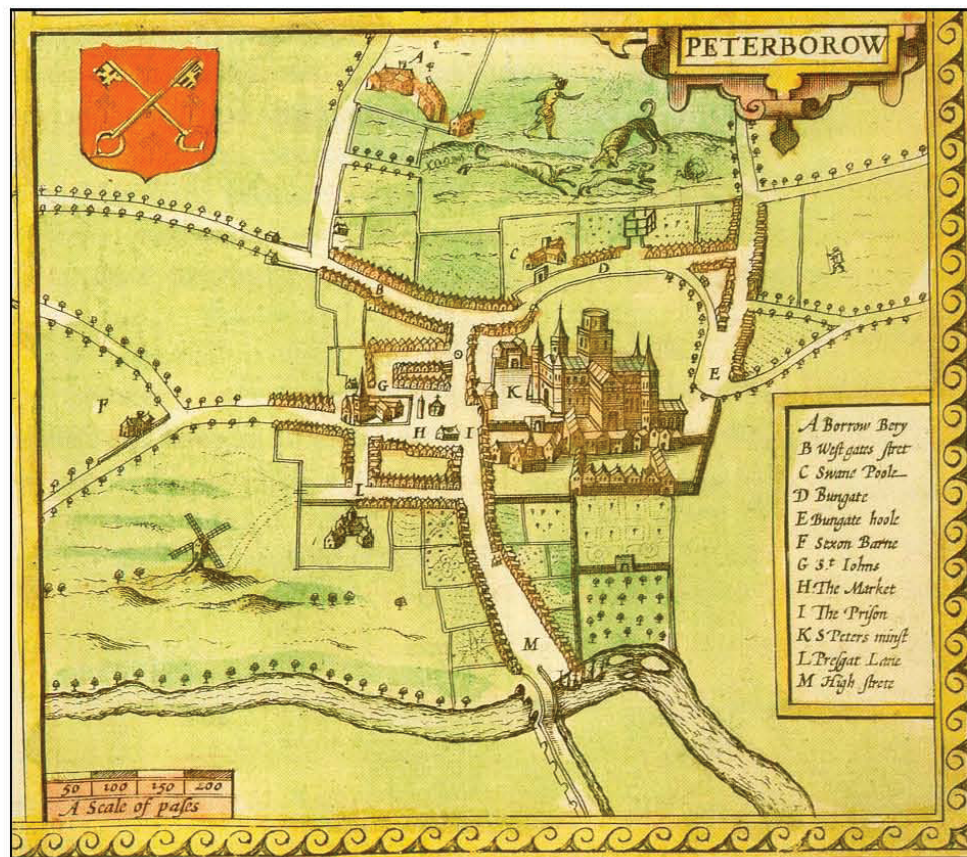


Figure 3: Speeds Map of Peterborough, 17th Century.



Figure 4: First Edition Ordnance Survey Map, 1886



Figure 5: Second Edition Ordnance Survey Map, 1901

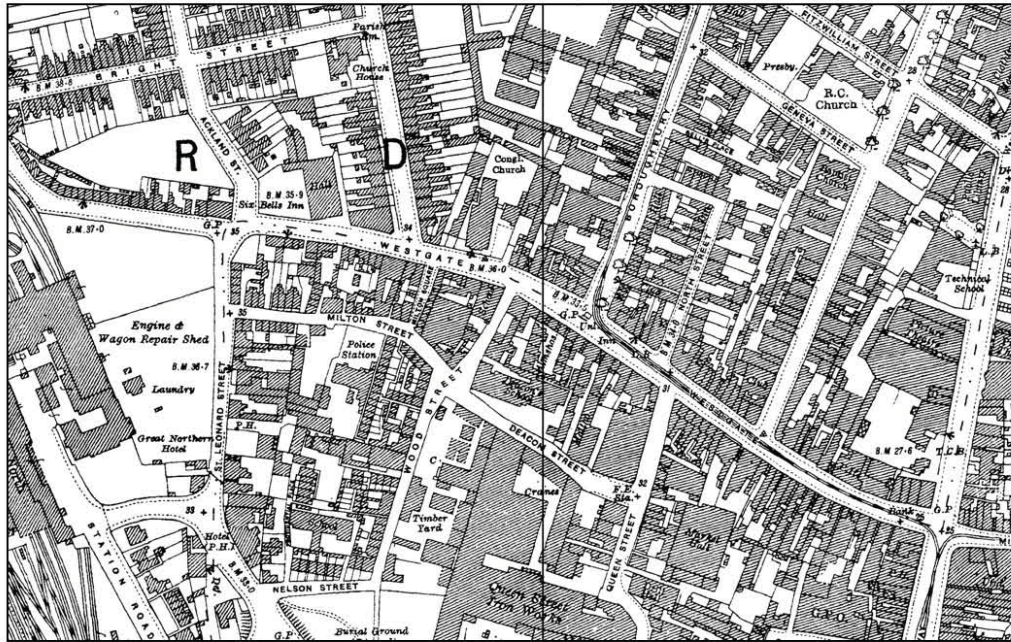


Figure 6: Ordnance Survey Map, Edition of 1926

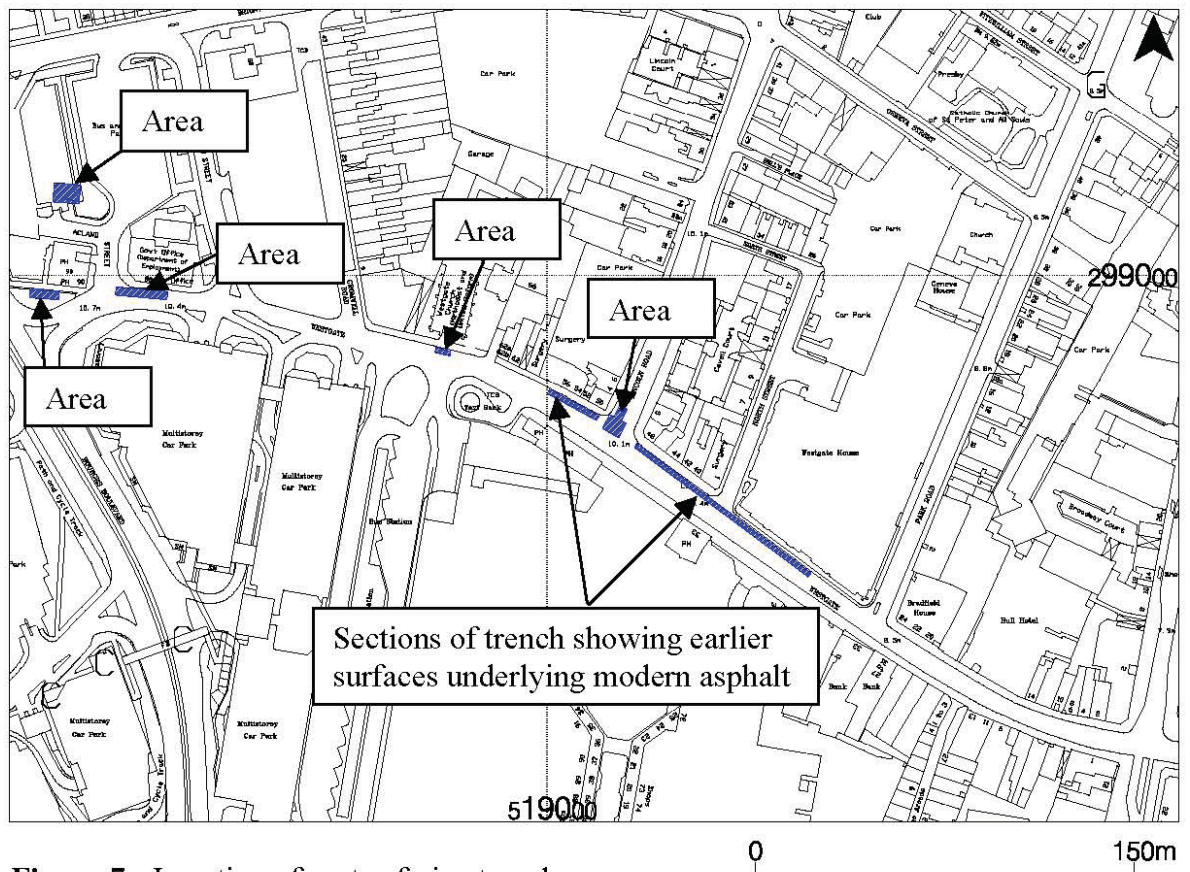


Figure 7: Location of parts of pipe trench discussed in Section 4

4. Results

- 4.1** The initial monitoring visit showed that the replacement water main had already been laid in the continuous stretch of pipe trench running east of the centre of Westgate House. The pipe trench in this area was shallow, little wider than the diameter of the water main and was partially backfilled with ballast. The ballast obscured the majority of the sides of the trench and it was not possible to definitively determine the presence/absence of archaeological finds or features in this area. An earlier service pipe was occasionally visible on the northern face of the trench.
- 4.2** Discontinuous sections of pipe trench and a number of valve pits west of Westgate House were largely open and unobscured by the presence of backfill. The more favourable conditions enabled examination of these areas to determine the presence/absence of archaeological features. The ensuing paragraphs detail the observations made during monitoring visits in areas differentiated by the numbering system set out on Fig 7.
- 4.3** Area 1 was a large, deep valve/connector pit dug in the bus and coach park located north of Acland Street. Unfortunately, the sides of the pit had slumped into it by the time of the initial monitoring visit (Plate 1), and the condition of the pit meant that it was impossible to determine the presence or absence of archaeological features. The southern side of the pit was immediately adjacent to a concrete inspection chamber for a service pipe and the groundwork to insert the chamber will have removed any archaeology that may be present in this area.
- 4.4** Area 2 was a small connector pit excavated at the western end of Westgate. The pit contained two earlier service pipes and an associated valve and it had been dug entirely within the backfill of the trenches of the earlier services (Plate 2). No archaeological finds or features were observed in this area.
- 4.5** Area 3 was located at the junction of Acland Street and Westgate immediately outside the Brewery Tap pub. The eastern end of the trench had been cut into deep deposits of sand and gravel which appeared to be relatively modern make up and/or the backfill of earlier service trenches. The western end of the trench had exposed a *c.*7m wide and *c.*0.4m deep deposit of mid brown sandy silt, which lay *c.*0.4m below the modern asphalt road surface (Plate 3) and overlay apparently natural deposits of gravel and clay. The sandy silt was visible in both the northern and southern sides of the trench. Rapid investigation of this deposit showed that it contained fragments of glass and black/brown glazed earthenware of probable 19th century date.
- 4.6** Area 4 was a small, relatively shallow valve pit located outside Westgate Church. The southern side of the pit had exposed a deposit of mid brown sandy silt that was cut by a vertical sided pipe trench backfilled with a mid yellowish brown sandy gravel (Plate 4). Rapid investigation illustrated that the mid brown sandy silt contained small fragments of well fired ceramic building material (cbm). Further dating evidence was not recovered.
- 4.7** Area 5 was a deep valve pit excavated across the junction of Lincoln Road and Westgate. The western half of the pit had been shored and was consequently obscured, although a deep undifferentiated deposit of yellow sandy gravel ballast was partially visible behind the shoring. Two brick walls located on the southern side of the eastern half of the trench were constructed with frogged bricks and appeared to define the location of a possible

inspection chamber for an earlier 20th century service pipe (Plate 5). The inspection chamber had been backfilled with stone and brick rubble prior to being sealed by a stone surface that underlay the modern asphalt and was formed from laminar stone clasts set on edge. The northern side of the pit revealed three earlier service pipes within an undifferentiated matrix of mid yellowish brown sandy gravel. No archaeological finds or features predating the modern period were observed at this location.

4.8 The sections of pipe trench located immediately east and west of Area 5 showed that the modern asphalt road surface overlay a sequence of earlier deposits. The earlier deposits were best preserved east of Lincoln Road and the observed stratigraphy consisted of:

- | | | |
|-------|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (100) | c.0.07m | asphalt |
| (101) | c.0.1m | granite setts |
| (102) | c.0.05 | mid grey concrete |
| (103) | c.0.1m | light grey pebbly concrete |
| (104) | c.0.3m | mid yellowish brown pebbly sand |
| (105) | c.0.2m | mid blackish grey organic silt |
| (106) | c.0.3m | mid yellowish grey gravelly sand (occasional large limestone clasts) |
| (107) | c.0.1m | occasional lenses of dark blackish grey organic silt (freq oyster shell, coal and small wood fragments) |
| (108) | | unknown depth of mid yellowish brown gravelly sand. (natural?) |

Rapid investigation showed that (105) contained occasional fragments of clay pipe stem and a small sherd of brown glazed 19th century earthenware pottery. A small, unabraded, c.0.01m fragment of well fired cbm or large storage jar with one buff surface, orange oxidised exteriors, a grey reduced core and mineral inclusions was recovered from one of the lenses of basal dark blackish grey organic silt (107).



Plate 1: Area 1 in bus and coach park.



Plate 2: Area 2 at western end of Westgate.



Plate 3: 19th century deposit/feature in Area 3.



Plate 4: 19th century deposit/feature in Area 4.



Plate 5: 20th century brick built inspection chamber in Area 5.



Plate 6: Trench west of Lincoln Road revealing earlier surfaces (almshouse visible top right).



Plate 7: Trench east of Lincoln Road revealing earlier surfaces.



Plate 8: Detail of earlier surfaces underlying modern asphalt east of Lincoln Road.

5. Conclusions

- 5.1 It was not possible to determine the presence or absence of archaeological finds, features or deposits along the section of pipe trench east of the centre of Westgate House due to the advanced stage of groundworks.
- 5.2 Valve and connector pits dug at the western end of the replacement water main had either slumped and obscured the faces of the pit (Area 1) or had been cut into the backfill of earlier pipe trenches (Area 2). The presence or absence of archaeological finds or features associated with the 11th century St Leonards Hospital could not be determined.
- 5.3 Evidence of late post medieval activity, probably dating to the 19th century, was observed at the junction of Acland Street and Westgate. An extensive deposit of mid brown sandy silt contained shards of glass and small sherds of black/brown glazed earthenware.
- 5.4 A further deposit of mid brown sandy silt was observed in a valve pit outside Westgate Church. The sandy silt contained small fragments of very well fired ceramic building material and was cut by a 20th century pipe trench. The observed evidence suggests that this deposit dates to the late post medieval period.
- 5.5 Preserved elements of earlier surfaces were revealed in sections of the pipe trench at the eastern and western sides of Lincoln Road. The upper deposits (100-105) were dated to the late post medieval period by fragments of clay pipe and sherds of glazed earthenware observed within (105). Dating evidence was not recovered from (106) and its date of deposition remains unclear. A small, c.0.01m, unabraded fragment of ceramic building material or large storage jar was recovered from the intermittent basal deposit (107) and could suggest that it predates the post medieval period.

6. Acknowledgements

The writer is grateful to *BSP Associates Ltd* for commissioning the project on behalf of *Anglian Water Services Ltd*. Thanks are offered to the construction engineer, *Mark Ringham* for his cooperation during monitoring visits and to *Ben Robinson* the *Planning Archaeologist* of Peterborough City Council for his assistance.

Monitoring visits were carried out by the author. The project was managed and the report edited by Bob Zeepvat BA MIFA.

7. Archive

7.1 The project archive will comprise:

1. Initial Report
2. Clients site plans
3. Site Monitoring Sheets
4. List of photographs
5. B/W prints & negatives
6. CDROM with copies of all digital files.

7.2 The archive will be deposited with Peterborough Museum and Art Gallery.

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Appendix 1: Monitoring Sheets

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Project: WESTGATE		Project No/Code: 969 1 PWG		Sheet: 1 of 1		
PETERBOROUGH		Date of visit: 23/7/07				
Client/Developer: ANGLIAN WATER						
Contact: MARK RINGHAM			Phone: 07802 919319			
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Completed by: ASH						
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Site & weather conditions: REPLACEMENT WATER MAIN THRU MAIN SHOPPING THOROUGHFARE OVERCAST AND MILD						
Observations: 90% - 95% OF PIPE TRENCH OPEN AND OBSERVED. OFF TRENCH SHOWS SIGNIFICANT MODERN DISTURBANCE. TRENCH EAST OF WESTGATE CHURCH RELATIVELY SHALLOW (c.1.0m) AND RUNS ALONG ROUTE OF (19/20 WATER MAINS (x2), GAS MAIN (x1) AND SEWER. STRAT TOTALLY DISTURBED MADE GROUND - SMALL GRAVEL. GRANITE SETS PRESENT UNDER MODERN ASPHALT SURFACE - NUMEROUS SMALL SERVICES RUN C.N-S ACROSS TRENCH AT DEPTH OF c.0.2m MAX. TRENCH AND ACCESS PITS WEST OF WESTGATE CHURCH DEEPER c 2-3m. CUT INTO PIPE TRENCH OF ORIGINAL WATER MAIN AND OTHER SERVICES. STRAT - MADE GROUND. ONE FEATURE FILLED WITH MID BROWN SANDY SILT EVIDENT IN SECTION ON SOUTHERN SIDE OF TRENCH OUTSIDE WESTGATE -						
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Site & weather conditions:						
Observations: CHURCH (NOT PRESENT ON N SIDE P TRENCH). RELATIVELY MODERN (19? CBM PRESENT IN FILL. FILL CUT THROUGH CENTRE BY TRENCH OF N-S ALIGNED SERVICE PIPE, PROB (19-20 FEATURE? ANOTHER FEATURE NOTED IN TRENCH OPPOSITE BREWERY TAP PUB, SIMILAR MID BROWN SANDY SILT FILL EVIDENT IN S AND N SIDE OF TRENCH. LARGE - C.7M WIDE AND 0.4M DEEP. (19-20 GLASS AND SHARD OF GLAZED (19-20 EARTHENWARE RECOVERED FROM FILL. NO ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS OR FEATURES OBSERVED.						
Comments: C. 20M OF TRENCH TO OPEN. ONE FURTHER VISIT REQUIRED.						

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Observations: DIVERTED SECTION OF PIPE TRENCH RUNNING ALONG WESTGATE FROM LINCOLN ROAD TO 40M EAST OF A14 ST EXAMINED. EARLIER SURFACES VISIBLE IN BOTH SIDES OF TRENCH BELOW MODERN ASPHALT. GRANITE SETTS (BELOW ASPHALT) OVERLY PEBBLY CONCRETE. (c.0.2m TOTAL) c.0.3m OF MID YELLOWISH BROWN PEBBLY SAND BELOW CONCRETE c.0.2m OF MID BLACKISH GREY ORGANIC SILT - OCCASIONAL CLAY PIPE STEM AND PIECE BROWN GLAZED (18/19? POTTERY) OBSERVED c.0.3m LAYER MID GREYISH YELLOW GRAVELLY SAND CONTAINING OCCASIONAL LARGE LIMESTONE CLASTS. c.0.2m OF DARK BLACKISH GREY ORGANIC SILT - FREQUENT FRAGMENTS OF BURNT SHELL, PARTLY DEGRADED SMALL WOOD FRAGMENTS (WET), OCC COAL, AND ONE SMALL FRAG OF (18/19?) CBM PRESENT. UNKNOWN DEPTH OF MID YELLOWISH BROWN GRAVELLY SAND.			
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Appendix 2: HER Records

HER Record	Easting	Northin g	Monument/Find Type	Period
1438	51913 0	298730	pit, pot, town	Med
11504	51910 0	298800	cess pit, pit, pot	Med
11685	51910 0	298800	cess pit, rubbish pit, house, oven, drier, garden, cistern, quarry, coin, comb, pin, buckle, mount, chape, painted glass	Med, Post Med
51222	51917 7	298889	burial vault, cemetery, coffin, human remains	Post Med
11742	51924 5	298758	ditch, monastery, tenement, wall	Med
1594	51934 0	298830	token	Med
1595	51930 0	298950	cistern	Post Med
1598	51900 0	299000	figurine	Roman
1599	51924 0	299080	architectural fragment	? Post Med
1629	51870 0	299100	hospital, well	Med
01629a	51872 0	298980	spout	Med
1638	51920 0	298800	cross	Med
1652	51943 4	298834	strap fitting	Anglo Saxon
50436	51873 0	298730	barn	Med, Post Med
50535	51924 5	298758	house, wall, animal remains, architectural fragment, ditch, glass, pot	Med, Post Med
50558	51892 7	298859		Med, Post Med
50602	51920 4	299139	tessera	? Roman
50628	51922 5	298730	animal remains, button, key, pot	? Med, Post Med
50639	51914 0	299131	watermill, horsemill	Post Med
50703	51917 7	298889	chapel, pit, pottery	Post Med
908	51930 0	298800	animal remains, architectural fragment, drain, glass, pot	Med, Post Med
9840	51912 0	298880	handaxe	Neolithic
51149	51913 8	298744	road, yard, pit, pot, shoe	Med, Post Med
51161	51887	298738	cemetery	Post Med

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51162	51913 8	298743	road, yard, pit, pot, shoes	Med, Post Med
51333	51918 0	299140	pond, pot, tile, brick	Post Medieval
51439	51930 0	298720	pot, tile, tobacco pipe	Post Medieval

Appendix 3: List of Photographs

SITE NAME: Westgate, Peterborough			SITE NO/CODE: 969/PWG
Shot	B&W	Digital	Subject
1	✓	✓	Valve pit in bus and coach park.
2	✓	✓	Connector pit at western end of Westgate
3	✓	✓	19 th century deposit/feature outside Brewery Tap pub.
4	✓	✓	19 th century deposit/feature outside Westgate Church.
5	✓	✓	20 th century brick built inspection chamber at junction of Westgate and Lincoln Road.
6	✓	✓	Section of trench west of Lincoln Road containing earlier surfaces (almshouse visible top right).
7	✓	✓	Section of trench east of Lincoln Road containing earlier surfaces.
8	✓	✓	Detail of earlier surfaces underlying modern asphalt in pipe trench east of Lincoln Road.

Appendix 4: ASC OASIS Form

PROJECT DETAILS			
Project Name:	Watching Brief: Westgate, Peterborough		
Short Description:	A watching brief was carried out during replacement of a water main in Westgate, Peterborough. Two late post medieval features of uncertain function were observed at the western part of the pipeline. Deposits probably identifying former road surfaces were revealed at the central part of Westgate. The upper surface deposits were relatively modern or late post medieval in date, however, the two basal deposits could date to earlier periods		
Project Type: (indicate all that apply)	Watching Brief		
Site status: (eg. none, SAM, Listed)	None	Previous work: (eg. SMR refs)	None
Current land use:	Shopping thoroughfare	Future work: (yes / no / unknown)	unknown
Monument type:	Road surface	Monument period:	Med/Post Med/Modern?
Significant finds: (artefact type & period)	CBM		
PROJECT LOCATION			
County:	Peterborough	OS reference: (8 figs min)	TL 1900 9980 (centre)
District:	Central Peterborough	Parish:	Central
Site address: (with postcode if known)	Westgate, Peterborough		
Study area: (sq. m. or ha)		Height OD: (metres)	c.9.0m
PROJECT CREATORS			
Organisation:	Archaeological Services & Consultancy Ltd		
Project brief originator:	na	Project design originator:	na
Project Manager:	Bob Zeepvat	Director/Supervisor:	A J Hancock
Sponsor / funding body:	Anglian Water Services Ltd		
PROJECT DATE			
Start date:	July 2007	End date:	August 2007
PROJECT ARCHIVES			
	Location (Accession no.)	Content (eg. pottery, animal bone, files/sheets)	
Physical:	Peterborough Museum	One small piece cbm?	
Paper:	Peterborough Museum	Monitoring sheets, photo record	
Digital:	Peterborough Museum	Report, photographs, cad drawings,	
BIBLIOGRAPHY (Journal/monograph, published or forthcoming, or unpublished client report)			
Title:	Watching Brief: Westgate, Peterborough		
Serial title & volume:	na		
Author(s):	A J Hancock		
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