

42 High Street Ide, Devon

Archaeological Watching Brief



for
Mr Andrew Ash

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Devon County Council Historic Environment Record

Civil Parish & District: Ide, Exeter	National Grid Reference: 289968 090415	Number:
Subject: 42 High Street, Ide, Exeter, Devon		Photo attached: N/A
Planning permission no: 19/02547/FUL	Recipient museum: N/A	
OASIS ID:	Museum Accession no: N/A	
Contractor's reference number/code: Site code: HSID20; project number EX0109	Date fieldwork undertaken: 9 March 2020	

Introduction

In March 2020, Cotswold Archaeology (CA) carried out an archaeological watching brief at 42 High Street, Ide, Devon (Fig. 1). The watching brief was undertaken for Mr Andrew Ash. It was carried out in response to a condition attached to planning permission for the replacement of an existing single-storey rear extension, including construction of a new retaining wall and steps.

Archaeological background

The site is to the rear of 43 High Street, Ide, Exeter. The property is a Grade II Listed Building (National Heritage List for England Entry Number 1333860). It was constructed in the late 17th or early 18th century.

The village of Ide was recorded in the Domesday book (1086). The historic core of the village was centred around St. Ida's Church (c. 190m south-west of the watching brief site). The oldest domestic buildings in the village date from the late 15th to 17th centuries (CA 2020).

Methodology

The evaluation followed the methodology set out in the Written Scheme of Investigation (CA 2020). An Archaeologist monitored development groundworks, comprising ground reduction within the new build footprint (Fig. 2).

Results (Figs. 3–5)

The natural geological substrate comprised red-brown clayey sand. It was exposed at a depth of c. 0.95m below the pre-development ground level in the southern part of the site, rising to c. 0.6m in the northern part of the site. The natural substrate was sealed in the majority of the site by up to 0.55m of post-medieval/modern demolition rubble (stone and brick) in a silty matrix (context 110), which was covered in turn by soil layer 109 (red-brown silty sand; 0.08m thick) and the modern garden soil (context 108).

The fragmentary remains of wall 106 ran along the northern boundary of the excavated area. This wall had largely been demolished and was only intermittently present along its former line. The wall was constructed of roughly-hewn sandstone. It was stepped up to the west, corresponding to a rise visible in the pre-development ground surface. A tile fragment recovered from the wall structure was identified as a late 17th/18th century pan tile, with traces of lime mortar to one edge. The area above the demolished wall had been backfilled with redeposited natural 104.

Rubble deposit 110 was not present to the north of wall 106. The wall's northern face was abutted by garden soils 102 and 101 (combined thickness 0.55m). These soils contained a combined total of five pottery sherds, all of which are dateable to the post-medieval/modern periods (including fragments of South Somerset (Donyatt) type (later 16th to earlier 19th centuries) and a 19th century or later 'flowerpot' type sherd).

Discussion

The watching brief recorded the fragmentary remains of a post-medieval stone-built wall running along the northern limit of the site. It is probable that this structure represents the remains of a boundary wall between 42 High Street and 40 High Street to the north.

The natural substrate was directly overlain in the majority of the site by a post-medieval/modern rubble deposit. This indicates that the site has been extensively truncated. Any earlier archaeological features which may once have been present are likely to have been removed by this truncation.

References

Cotswold Archaeology 2020 *42 High Street, Ide, Exeter, Devon: Written Scheme of Investigation for an Archaeological Watching Brief*

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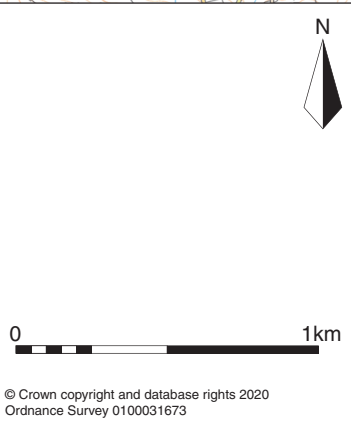
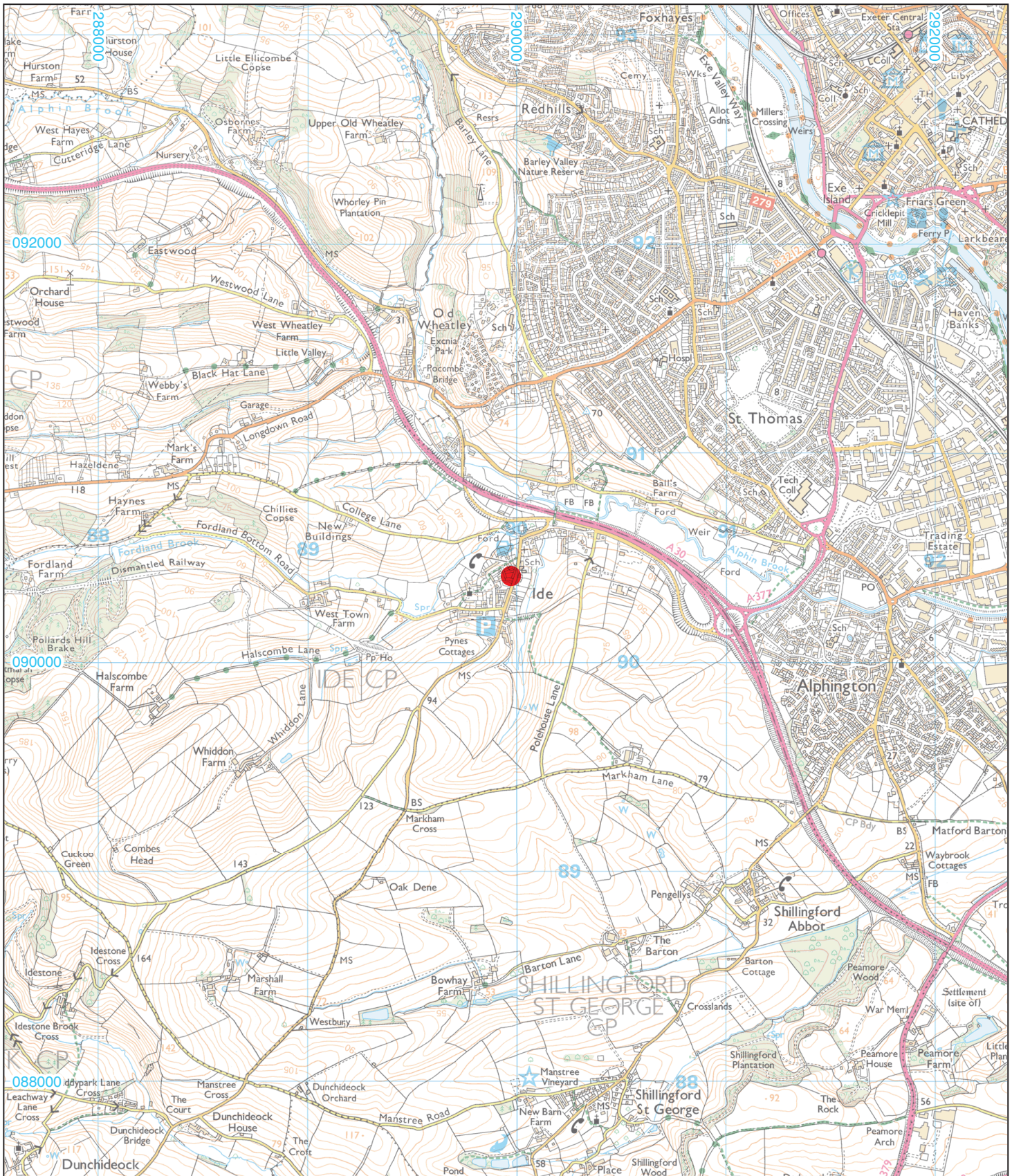
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APPENDIX A: OASIS REPORT FORM

PROJECT DETAILS		
Project name	42 High Street, Ide, Devon	
Short description	<p>In March 2020, Cotswold Archaeology carried out an archaeological watching brief at 42 High Street, Ide, Devon. The watching brief was maintained during groundworks associated with the replacement of an existing single-storey rear extension, including construction of a new retaining wall and steps.</p> <p>The watching brief recorded the fragmentary remains of a post-medieval stone-built wall running along the northern limit of the site. It is probable that this structure represents the remains of a boundary wall between 42 High Street and 40 High Street to the north.</p> <p>The natural substrate was directly overlain in the majority of the site by a post-medieval/modern rubble deposit. This indicates that the site has been extensively truncated. Any earlier archaeological features which may once have been present are likely to have been removed by this truncation.</p>	
Project dates	9 March 2020	
Project type	Watching brief	
Previous work	None	
Future work	None	
PROJECT LOCATION		
Site location	42 High Street, Ide, Devon	
Study area (m ² /ha)	0.12ha	
Site co-ordinates	289968 090415	
PROJECT CREATORS		
Name of organisation	Cotswold Archaeology	
Project brief originator	N/A	
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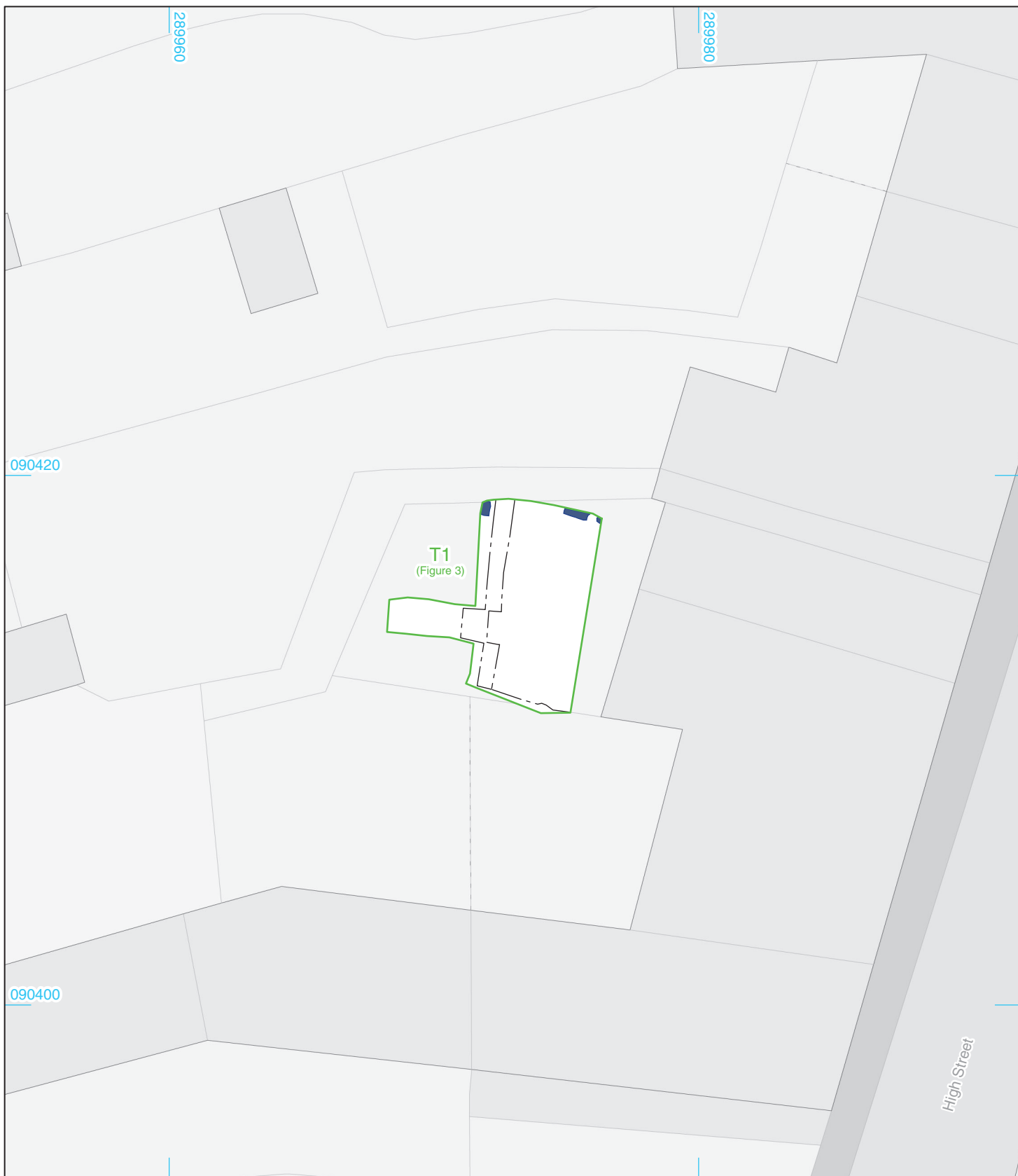

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

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-  Monitored groundwork
-  Step
-  Structure



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FIGURE TITLE
 The site, showing monitored groundworks

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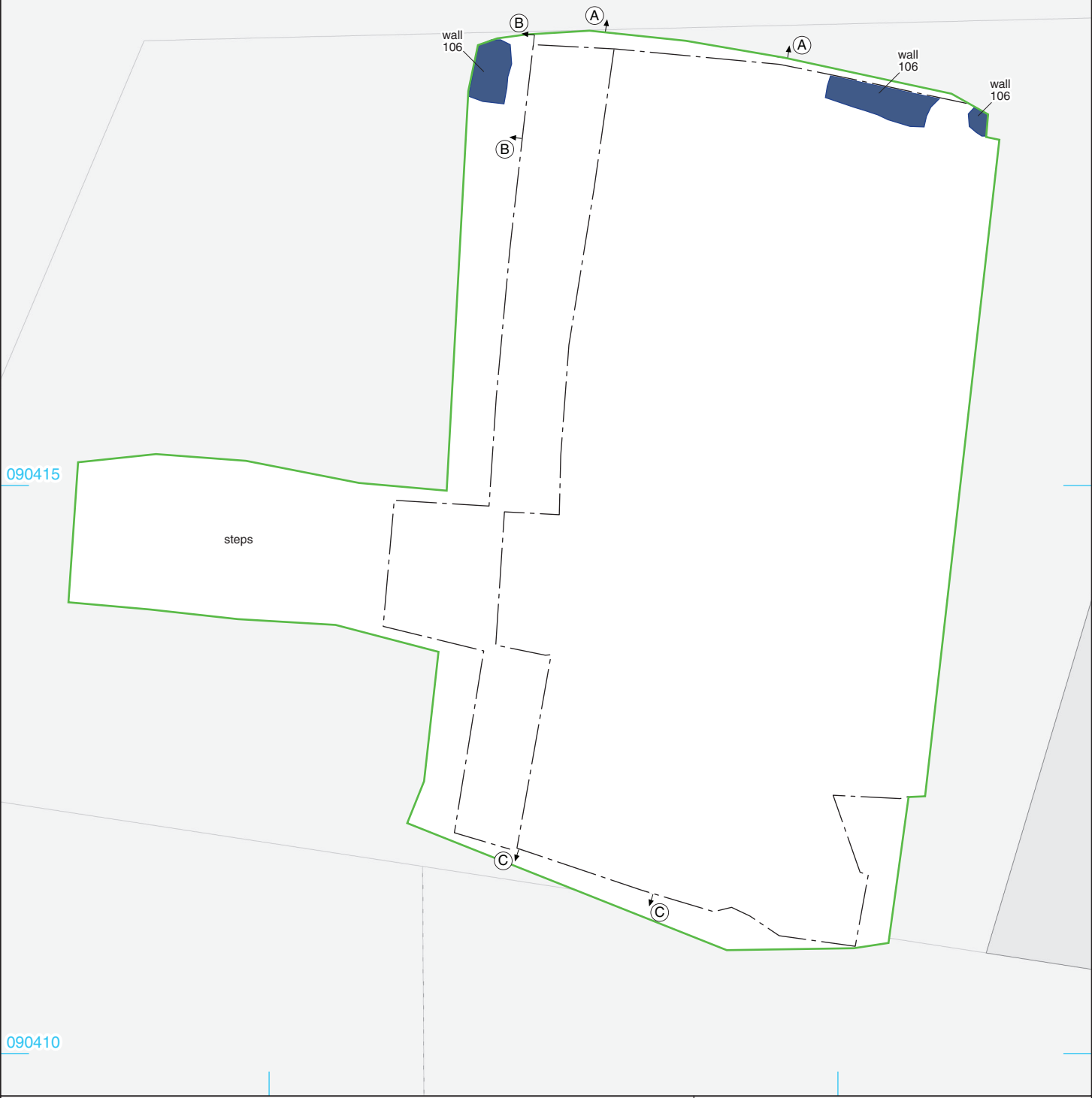
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


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-  Excavation limit (top)
-  Step
-  Structure
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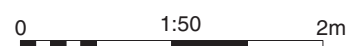


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General view of watching brief area, looking south (1m scales)



General view of watching brief area, looking east (1m scales)



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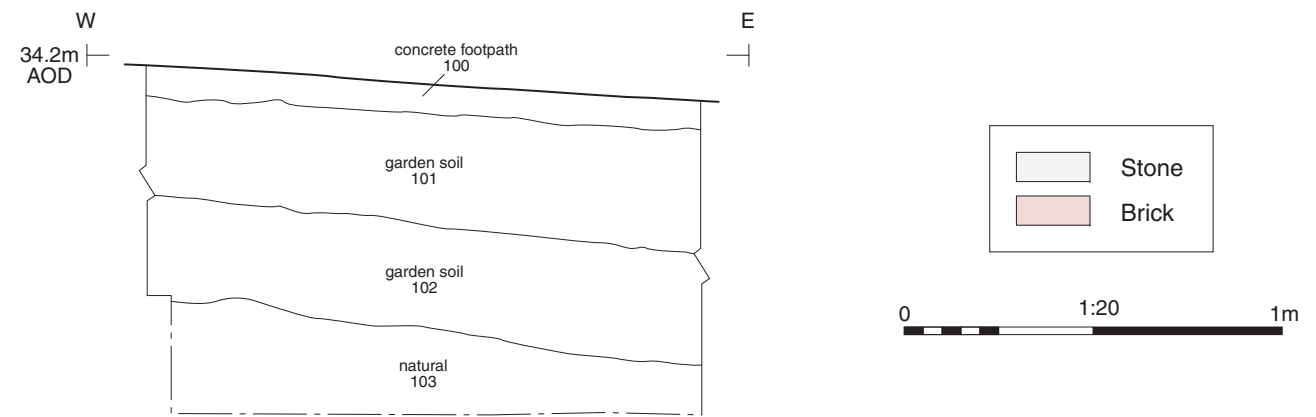
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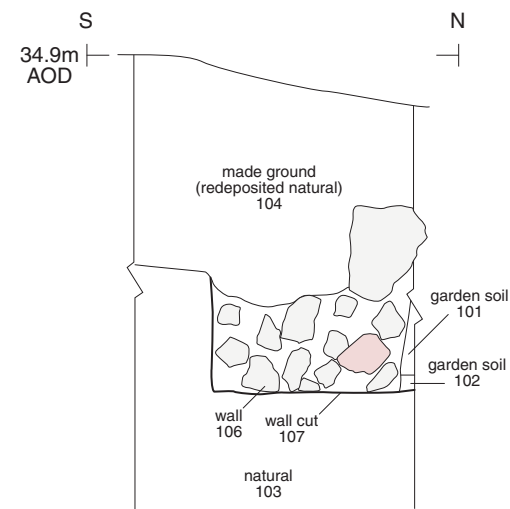
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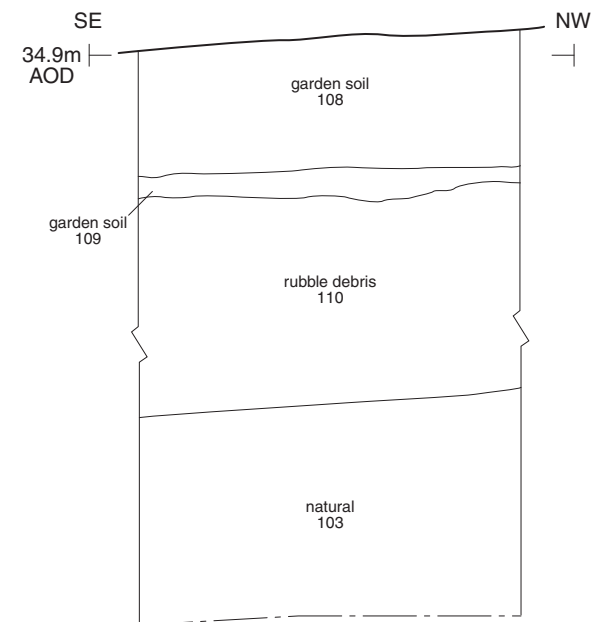
Section AA



Section BB



Section CC



Concrete footpath 100 and buried garden soils 101 and 102, looking north (1m scale)



Wall 106 cut into natural sand 103, looking west (0.4m and 1m scales)



Natural 103 with rubble debris layer 110 and later garden soils 108 and 109, looking south (1m scales)

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