

Colchester Archaeological Trust

CAT Report 1436

Archaeological monitoring at Five Oaks, Layer Breton, Essex, CO2 0PN: May 2019

Parish: Layer Breton
Planning reference: 182288
CHER Event no.: ECC4311
OASIS ref.: colchest3-343924
Grid Reference: TL 94573 18805

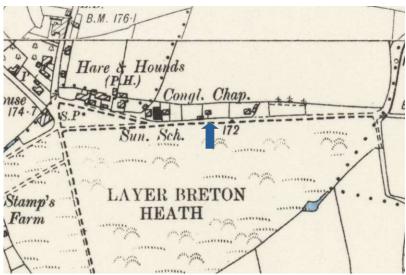
Number of site visits: 3

Dates of visits: 20th, 22nd and 28th

May 2019

Nature of the work: Observation of groundworks for a first-floor balcony across the rear elevation of the existing property.

Reason for condition: The site lies within a burial ground of the Congregation Chapel which was demolished in the 1920s (see Map 1 below). Immediately to the south is a cropmark complex thought to indicate the presence of prehistoric archaeological remains. It also sits in the midst of a number of findspots of Roman artefacts and building material which suggest the presence of Roman villa nearby, and near to areas of historic heathland and village greens.



Map 1 Essex XXXVI.SE; rev. 1895, pub. 1898. Site indicated by the blue arrow

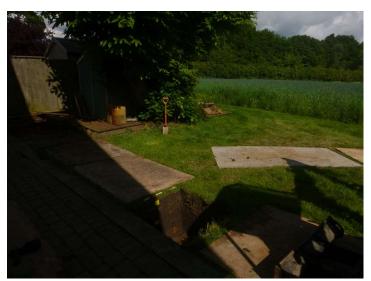
% of total seen: 100% of the groundworks.

Results: The excavation of six foundation pads, each measuring 0.75m by 0.8m and 0.55-0.6m deep, was archaeologically monitored in response to a brief set by Jess Tipper of Colchester Borough Council Planning Services.

Groundworks penetrated four layers. Pad 1, Pad 2 and Pad 3 were excavated through a modern patio (L1, c 0.15m thick, block paving with soft, dry medium yellow sand sub-base), a make-up or subsoil layer (L2, c 0.35m thick, friable/firm, moist dark grey/brown silty-clay with brick flecks) onto natural (L3, firm, moist medium yellow/orange/brown clay, encountered at a depth of c 0.5m below current ground level). Pad 4, Pad 5 and Pad 6 were excavated through modern topsoil (L4, c 0.2m thick, firm, moist dark grey/brown silty-clay) and L2 (c 0.3-0.35m thick) onto L3 (encountered at a

depth of 0.5-0.55m thick).

A modern service was present in Pad 4, but otherwise no significant archaeological deposits or material were encountered.



Photograph 1 Site shot

Recorded by: Dr Elliott Hicks **Date:** 14th June 2019

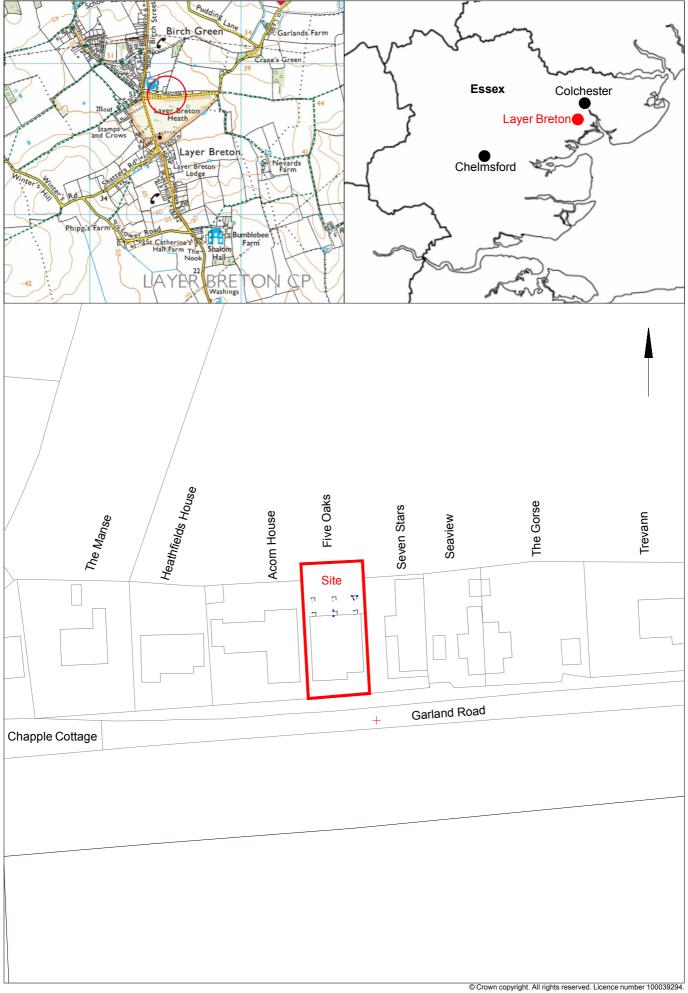


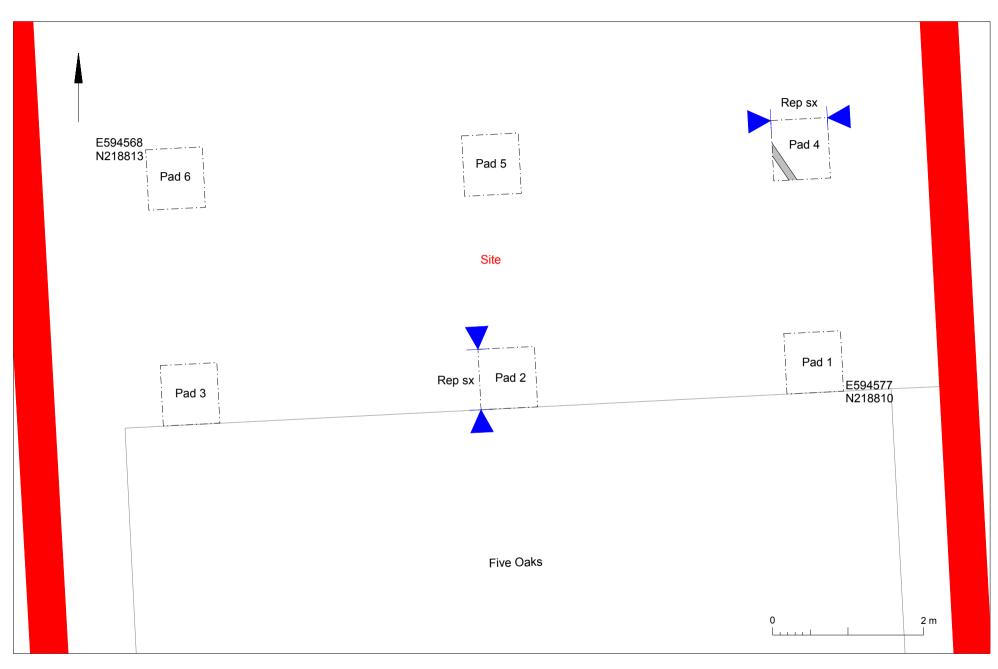
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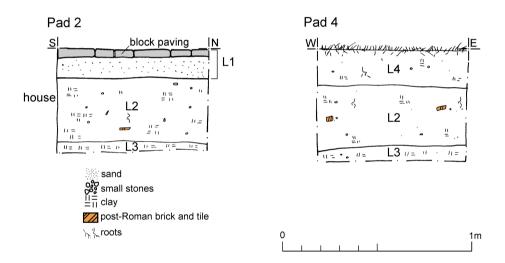


Fig 3 Representative sections.

Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) for continuous archaeological monitoring and recording at Five Oaks, Layer Breton, Essex, CO2 0PN.

NGR: TL 94573 18805 (centre)

Planning references: 182288

Commissioned by and on behalf of: Mark Peat, N.D.Smith (Contracts) Ltd

Curating museum: Colchester **Museum accession code:** tbc

CHER number: ECC4311 CAT project code: 2019/02m

OASIS project number: colchest3-343924

Site manager: Chris Lister

CBC monitor: Jess Tipper

This WSI written: 27/02/2019



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Site location and description

The proposed development site lies approximately 8.15km southwest of the main centre of historic Colchester, at Five Oaks, Garlands Road, Layer Breton, Essex, CO2 0PN (Fig 1). The site is centred at National Grid Reference (NGR) TL 94573 18805.

Proposed work

The development involves the construction of a first floor balcony across the rear elevation of the existing property, and any associated groundworks.

Archaeological background

The following archaeological background draws on the Colchester Archaeological Trust report archive, the Colchester Historic Environment Record (CHER) accessed via the Colchester Heritage Explorer (www.colchesterheritage.co.uk):

The site is located *c* 250m east of the village of Birch Green, within an area of very gently undulating, rural landscape to the southwest of Colchester. The field pattern is very varied, ranging from irregular fields (these are probably medieval or earlier in origin) to a more coaxial rectilinear system (medieval or earlier in origin).

To the immediate north of the site is an area of cropmarks recorded through aerial photography. Interpretations of the cropmarks suggest there is half a sub-circular enclosure with two entrances, a small ring-ditch with a central pit, and ditches towards the east (MCC8157). Cropmarks can tenuously suggest evidence of prehistoric occupation, but may also be evidence of old agricultural boundaries. A find spot of Neolithic flints recovered within the cropmark area could indicate the cropmarks may well be prehistoric in origin (MCC8257).

There have been multiple HER recordings of Roman artefacts to the south of the site on farmland east of Layer Breton Lodge. Large quantities of Roman roof, floor and flue tiles alongside Roman pottery have been spotted across the field, especially after ploughing (MCC7340-2, MCC7423-4, and MCC8244). The concentration suggests there is Roman occupation close by, probably a Roman villa.

The site is located on the northwestern edge of Layer Breton heath (MCC9138), east of the historic Birch Green (MCC9111) and southwest of Craxe's Green (MCC9316). The historic heathland and green areas are recorded on the 1777 map of Essex by Chapman and André.

The CHER records tell us of a small Independent Chapel fronting the north side of Layer Breton Heath, which included a manse and two small burial grounds to the east; only the easternmost burial ground survives today (the other has been built over with dwellings). The chapel was opened in 1798 and demolished mid 1920s (CHER 9319). The current site lies within the area defined for one of the small burial grounds.

Planning background

A planning application was made to Colchester Borough Council in September 2018 (application No.182288) proposing a 1st floor balcony across rear elevation of existing property. Glass balustrade to rear of balcony, privacy and sound absorbing partition to left side, to provide additional privacy and acoustic screening from and to neighbouring property.

As the site lies within an area highlighted by the CHER as having a high potential for archaeological deposits, an archaeological condition was recommended by the Colchester Borough Council Archaeological Advisor (CBCAA). The recommended archaeological condition is based on the guidance given in the *National Planning Policy Framework* (MHCLG 2018.

Requirement for work

The required archaeological work is for continuous archaeological monitoring and recording of all groundworks. Details are given in a Project Brief written by CBCAA (CBC 2019).

Specifically:

The monitoring and recording is being undertaken to identify and record any surviving archaeological deposits that may exist on site. As groundworks have already commenced, prior to an approved WSI, the monitoring will be limited to recording sections of open foundations, searching the spoil heap and monitoring any outstanding groundworks and services.

If unexpected remains are encountered the CBCAA will be informed immediately and the CBCAA will decide if amendments to the brief are required to ensure adequate provision for archaeological recording.

General methodology

All work carried out by CAT will be in accordance with:

- professional standards of the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, including its Code of Conduct (ClfA 2014a, b)
- Standards and Frameworks published by East Anglian Archaeology (Gurney 2003, Medlycott 2011)
- relevant Health & Safety guidelines and requirements (CAT 2018)
- the Project Brief issued by the CBCAA (CBC 2019).

Professional CAT field archaeologists will undertake all specified archaeological work, for which they will be suitably experienced and qualified.

Notification of the supervisor/project manager's name and the start date for the project will be provided to CBCAA one week before start of work.

Unless it is the responsibility of other site contractors, CAT will study mains service locations and avoid damage to these.

At the start of work (immediately before fieldwork commences) an OASIS online record http://ads.ahds.ac.uk/project/oasis/ will be initiated and key fields completed on Details, Location and Creators forms. At the end of the project all parts of the OASIS online form will be completed for submission to Essex Historic Environment Record (EHER). This will include an uploaded .PDF version of the entire report.

A unique HER event number will be obtained from the CBCAA prior to the commencement of fieldwork alongside a project or site code from the curating museum. This code will be used to identify the project archive when it is deposited at the curating museum.

Staffing

The number of field staff for this project is estimated as follows: One CAT officer for the duration of the groundworks.

Monitoring methodology

There will be sufficient on-site attendance by CAT staff to maintain a watch on all contractors' ground works to record, excavate or sample (as necessary) any archaeological features or deposits.

All topsoil removal and ground reduction will be done with a toothless bucket.

If archaeological features or deposits are uncovered, time will be allowed for these to be planned and recorded.

If any features or deposits uncovered are to be destroyed by the proposed development, time will be allowed for these features to be excavated by hand. This includes a 50% sample of discrete features (pits, etc), 10% of linear features (ditches, etc) and 100% of all complex features and burials (see Human Remains policy below).

Fast hand-excavation techniques involving (for instance) picks, forks and mattocks will not be used on complex stratigraphy.

A metal detector will be used to examine spoil heaps, and the finds recovered.

Individual records of excavated contexts, layers, features or deposits will be entered on proforma record sheets. Registers will be compiled of finds, small finds and soil samples.

Site surveying

Normal scale for archaeological site plans and sections is 1:20 and 1:10 respectively, unless circumstances indicate that other scales would be more appropriate.

The site grid will be tied into the National Grid. Corners of excavation areas and trenches will be located by NGR coordinates.

Environmental sampling policy

CAT has an arrangement with Val Fryer/Lisa Gray whereby any potentially rich environmental layers or features will be appropriately sampled as a matter of course, but only if they are datable. Any processing and reporting will be done by VF/LG. If any complex or outstanding deposits are encountered, VF/LG will be asked onto site to advise. EH Regional Adviser is available for further advice.

Human remains

CAT follows the policy of leaving human remains *in situ* unless there is a clear indication that the remains are in danger of being compromised as a result of their exposure or unless advised to do so by the project osteologist or CBCAA. If circumstances indicated it were prudent or necessary to remove remains from the site during the monitoring, the following criteria would be applied; if it is clear from their position, context, depth, or other factors that the remains are ancient, then normal procedure is to apply to the Department of Justice for a licence to remove them and seek advice from the project osteologist. Following HE guidance (HE 2018) if the human remains are not to be lifted, the project osteologist should be available to record the human remain *in situ* (i.e. a site visit). Conditions laid down by the DoJ license will be followed. If it seems that the remains are not ancient, then the coroner, the client, and CBCAA will be informed, and any advice and/or instruction from the coroner will be followed.

Photographic record

Will include both general and feature-specific photographs, the latter with scale and north arrow. A photo register giving context number, details, and direction of shot will be prepared on site, and included in site archive.

Finds

All significant finds will be retained.

All finds, where appropriate, will be washed and marked with site code and context number.

Matthew Loughton (CAT) normally writes our finds reports. Some categories of finds are automatically referred to other CAT specialists:

small finds, metalwork, coins, etc: Laura Pooley

animal bones (small groups): Alec Wade / Adam Wightman

flints: Adam Wightman

or to outside specialists:

animal bones (large groups) and human remains: Julie Curl (Sylvanus)

environmental processing and reporting: Val Fryer / Lisa Gray

conservation of finds: staff at Colchester Museum / Laura Ratcliffe (LR Conservation)

Other specialists whose opinion can be sought on large or complex groups include:

Roman brick/tile: Ernest Black / Ian Betts (MOLA)

Roman glass: Hilary Cool

Prehistoric pottery: Stephen Benfield / Paul Sealey / Nigel Brown

Other: EH Regional Adviser in Archaeological Science (East of England).

All finds of potential treasure will be removed to a safe place, and the coroner informed immediately, in accordance with the rules of the Treasure Act 1996. The definition of treasure is given in pages 3-5 of the Code of Practice of the above act. This refers primarily to gold or silver objects.

Requirements for conservation and storage of finds will be agreed with the appropriate museum prior to the start of work, and confirmed to CBCAA.

Results

Notification will be given to CBCAA when the fieldwork has been completed.

An appropriate archive will be prepared to minimum acceptable standards outlined in *Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment* (Historic England 2006).

The report will be submitted within 6 months of the end of fieldwork, with a copy supplied to CBCAA as a PDF.

The report will contain:

- Location plan of the groundworks in relation to the proposed development. At least two corners of the site will be given 10 figure grid references.
- Section/s drawings showing depth of deposits from present ground level with Ordnance Datum, vertical and horizontal scale.
- Archaeological methodology and detailed results including a suitable conclusion and discussion and results referring to Regional Research Frameworks (Medlycott 2011).
- All specialist reports or assessments
- A concise non-technical summary of the project results.

An EHER summary sheet will also be completed within four weeks and supplied to CBCAA.

Results will be published, to at least a summary level (i.e. round-up in *Essex Archaeology & History*) in the year following the archaeological field work. An allowance will be made in the project costs for the report to be published in an adequately peer reviewed journal or monograph series

Archive deposition

It is a policy of Colchester Borough Council that the integrity of the site archive be maintained (i.e. all finds and records should be properly curated by a single organisation), with the archive available for public consultation. To achieve this desired aim it is assumed that the full archive will be deposited in Colchester Museums *unless otherwise agreed in advance*. (A full *copy* of the archive shall in any case be deposited).

By accepting this WSI, the client agrees to deposit the archive, including all artefacts, at Colchester & Ipswich Museum.

The requirements for archive storage will be agreed with the curating museum.

If the finds are to remain with the landowner, a full copy of the archive will be housed with the curating museum and provision must be made for additional recording (e.g. photography, illustration and analysis) as appropriate.

The archive will be deposited with Colchester & Ipswich Museum or an alternate repository (approved by COLEM and CBCAA) within 3 months of the completion of the final publication report, with a summary of the contents of the archive supplied to CBCAA.

Monitoring

CBCAA will be responsible for monitoring progress and standards throughout the project, and will be kept regularly informed during fieldwork, post-excavation and publication stages.

Notification of the start of work will be given to CBCAA one week in advance of its commencement.

Any variations in this WSI will be agreed with CBCAA prior to them being carried out.

CBCAA will be notified when the fieldwork is complete.

The involvement of CBCAA shall be acknowledged in any report or publication generated by this project.

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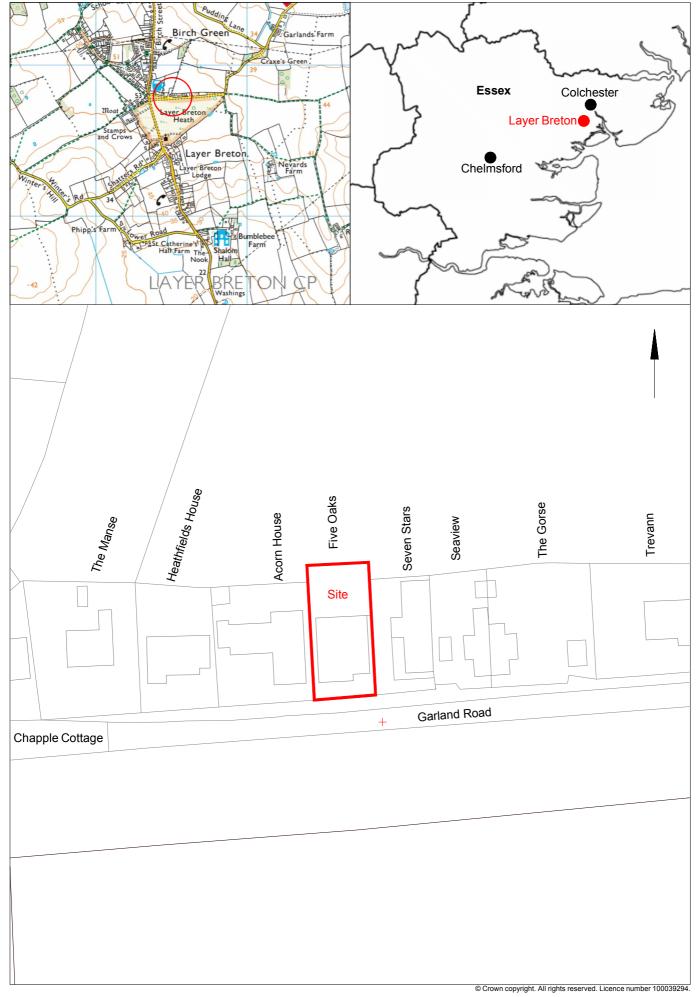


Fig 1 Site location 0 20 m

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Project details

Continuous archaeological monitoring and recording at Five Oaks, Layer Breton, Project name

Essex, CO2 0PN

Short description of

the project

Archaeological monitoring was carried out at Five Oaks, Layer Breton, during the excavation of six foundation pads to accommodate a first-floor balcony. Despite being located in an archaeologically-sensitive area, no significant archaeological remains

were encountered.

Project dates Start: 20-05-2019 End: 28-05-2019

Previous/future work No / Not known

Any associated project 182288 - Planning Application No.

reference codes

Any associated project 2019/02m - Contracting Unit No.

reference codes

Any associated project COLEM: 2019.16 - Museum accession ID

reference codes

Any associated project ECC4311 - HER event no.

reference codes

Type of project Recording project

Site status None

Current Land use Other 3 - Built over Investigation type ""Watching Brief""

Prompt National Planning Policy Framework - NPPF

Project location

Country England

Site location ESSEX COLCHESTER LAYER BRETON Five Oaks, Layer Breton, Essex

Postcode CO2 0PN Study area 0.03 Hectares

Site coordinates TL 94573 18805 51.833389723295 0.824329161089 51 50 00 N 000 49 27 E Point

Project creators

Name of Organisation Colchester Archaeological Trust

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Type of Developer

sponsor/funding body

Name of

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sponsor/funding body

Project archives

Physical Archive Exists?

No

Digital Archive

Colchester Museum

recipient

Digital Archive ID COLEM: 2019.16

Digital Media available "Images raster / digital photography", "Text"

Paper Archive

recipient

Colchester Museum

Paper Archive ID COLEM: 2019.16

Paper Media available "Context sheet", "Drawing", "Photograph", "Report"

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Planning Services

Brief for Continuous Archaeological Monitoring and Recording

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Five Oaks, Garlands Road, Layer Breton, CO2 0PN

PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER: 182288

GRID REFERENCE: TL 94573 18805

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL: 1st floor balcony across rear elevation of

existing property.

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Archaeological Background

1.1 The proposed development is situated within the area of high archaeological interest that has been defined in the Colchester Historic Environment Record (HER), within the area of the burial ground of the Congregation Chapel; the chapel was demolished in the 1920s (HER Monument no. MCC9319). There is, therefore, high potential for encountering burials at this location. Groundworks relating to the application would cause ground disturbance that has potential to damage any archaeological deposits that exist.

Planning Background

2.1 In accordance with paragraph 199 of the National Planning Policy Framework, the Local Planning Authority has attached the following planning condition (No. 4) relating to archaeological investigation:

No works shall take place until the implementation of a programme of archaeological work has been secured, in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation which has been previously submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Local Planning Authority. The Scheme shall include an assessment of significance and research questions; and:

- a. The programme and methodology of site investigation and recording.
- b. The programme for post investigation assessment.
- c. Provision to be made for analysis of the site investigation and recording.
- d. Provision to be made for archive deposition of the analysis and records of the site investigation.
- e. Nomination of a competent person or persons/organisation to undertake the works.
- f. The site investigation shall thereafter be completed as agreed and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To safeguard archaeological assets within the approved development boundary from impacts relating to any groundworks associated with the development scheme and to ensure the proper and timely investigation, recording, reporting and presentation of archaeological assets affected by this development, in accordance Adopted Development Policy DP14 (2010, Revised 2014) and the Colchester Borough Adopted Guidance titled Managing Archaeology in Development (2015).

- 2.2 The archaeological contractor must submit a copy of their Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI), based upon this brief of minimum requirements, to the Archaeological Advisor for Colchester Borough Council (CBC/AA).
- 2.3 The WSI should be approved before costs are agreed with the commissioning client, in line with the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists' guidance. Failure to do so could result in additional and unanticipated costs.
- 2.4 Following acceptance, the WSI should be submitted to the planning officer for formal consultation. The planning officer will be advised that an appropriate scheme of work is in place, and recommend partial discharge of the condition to allow work to commence. The WSI, however, is not a sufficient basis for the full discharge of the planning condition relating to archaeological investigation. Only the full implementation of the scheme (completion of fieldwork and reporting), will enable the condition to be discharged.
- 2.5 The WSI will provide the basis for measurable standards and will be used to establish whether the requirements of the planning condition will be adequately met.

Requirement for Archaeological Investigation

- 3.1 Assessment of the available archaeological evidence indicates that it will be adequate for the groundworks undertaken by the building contractor, relating to the installation of the posts for the new balcony, to be continuously monitored and recorded by an experienced archaeologist. Any ground works, and also the upcast soil, are to be closely monitored during and after excavation by the archaeological contractor in order to ensure no damage occurs to any heritage assets.
- 3.2 The machine (if machine-excavated) is to be under the supervision and guidance of the archaeological contractor. If any complex archaeological features are encountered, machine excavation must be halted and these features must be fully investigated by the archaeological contractor; it may be also necessary to extend beyond the limits of the excavation to obtain to full extent of any burials. The WSI should provide for a contingency for absolute dating of human remains, to establish the date range of the burials. CBC must be informed immediately.
- 3.3 The archaeological investigation should provide a record of archaeological deposits which are damaged or removed by any development [including services and landscaping] permitted by the current planning consent. Opportunity must be given to the archaeological contractor to hand excavate and record any archaeological features which appear during earth moving operations. Adequate time is to be allowed for hand excavation and recording of archaeological deposits revealed during excavation, of soil sections following excavation (and before infilling) and also for the sifting of spoil for finds.

3.4 The method and form of development should be also monitored to ensure that it conforms to previously agreed locations and techniques upon which this brief is based. Amendments to this brief may be required to ensure adequate provision for archaeological recording. Any variation to the approved WSI must be agreed with the Archaeological Officer before they are carried out.

Arrangements for Archaeological Investigation

- 4.1 All arrangements for the excavation of the site, the timing of the work and access to the site, are to be defined and negotiated by the archaeological contractor with the commissioning body.
- 4.2 The project manager must also carry out a risk assessment and ensure that all potential risks are minimised, before commencing the fieldwork. The responsibility for identifying any constraints on fieldwork (e.g. designated status, public utilities or other services, tree preservation orders, SSSIs, wildlife sites and ecological considerations) rests with the commissioning body and its archaeological contractor.
- 4.3 Notification of the start of work shall be given to the Archaeological Officer one week in advance of its commencement, to ensure the scheme of archaeological investigation can be adequately monitored. Monitoring will include the fieldwork, post-excavation and publication stages.

Reporting and Archival Requirements

- 5.1 The project manager must obtain a Colchester HER Event number must be obtained from CBC's Archaeological Officer for the fieldwork; this will be the unique reference number for the work in the Colchester HER.
- 5.2 The report should present the results of the evaluation in the spatial and temporal context, relating the site to the information recorded on historic maps held in the Essex Record Office. The WSI should also provide for a contingency in the event of the need for scientific analysis, including environmental studies, absolute dating and conservation of artefacts.
- 5.3 The project manager should consult the intended archive depository (Colchester and Ipswich Museums Service; collections@colchester.gov.uk) before the WSI is prepared regarding the specific requirements for the archive deposition and curation, and regarding any specific cost implications of deposition; agreement in principle for deposition should be obtained prior to approval of the WSI. The intended depository must be prepared to accept the entire archive resulting from the project (both finds and written archive) in order to create a complete record of the project. A clear statement of the form, intended content, and standards of the archive is to be submitted for approval as an essential requirement of the WSI.
- 5.4 It is a policy of CBC that the integrity of the site archive be maintained (i.e. all finds and records should be properly curated by a single organisation), with the archive available for public consultation. It is expected that the landowner will deposit the full site archive, and transfer title to, the Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service, and this should be agreed before the fieldwork commences. If this is not possible for all or any part of the

finds archive, then provision must be made for additional recording (e.g. photography, illustration, analysis) as appropriate. Finds must be appropriately conserved and stored in accordance with guidelines from the Institute of Conservation (ICON).

- 5.5 The WSI should state proposals for the deposition of the digital archive relating to this project with the Archaeology Data Service, or similar digital archive repository, and allowance should be made for costs incurred to ensure proper deposition (http://ads.ahds.ac.uk/project/policy.html).
- A report on the fieldwork and archive, consistent with the principles of MoRPHE, must be provided. Its conclusions must include a clear statement of the archaeological value of the results, and their significance in the context of the Regional Research Framework (East Anglian Archaeology, Occasional Papers 3, 8 and 24, 1997, 2000 and 2011). Reporting should be commensurate with results. Where positive results are drawn from the project, the results should be related to the relevant known archaeological information held in the Colchester Historic Environment Record. When no significant features or finds are found, a short report will be sufficient with the following information: location (grid ref., parish, ward, address), planning application number and type of development, date(s) of visit(s), methodology, plan showing areas observed in relation to ground disturbance/proposed development (a digital vector plan when possible), depth of ground disturbance and soil profile in each area, observations as to land use history (truncation etc), recorder and organisation, date of report.
- 5.7 A copy of the report, clearly marked DRAFT, must be presented to CBC for approval within six months of the completion of fieldwork unless other arrangements are negotiated. Following acceptance, a .pdf digital copy (in PDF/A or PDF/Archive format) should be presented to the Colchester HER.
- 5.8 Where appropriate, a digital vector plan should be included with the report, which must be compatible with MapInfo GIS software, for integration in the Colchester HER. AutoCAD files should also be exported and saved into a format that can be imported into MapInfo (for example, as a .dxf or .TAB files).
- At the start of work (immediately before fieldwork commences) an OASIS online record http://ads.ahds.ac.uk/project/oasis/ must be initiated and key fields completed on Details, Location and Creators forms. When the project is completed, all parts of the OASIS online form must be completed and a copy must be included in the final report and also with the site archive. A .pdf version (in PDF/A or PDF/Archive format) of the entire report should be uploaded.
- 5.10 A copy of the WSI should be appended to the report.
- 5.11 This brief remains valid for six months. If work is not carried out in full within that time this document will lapse; the brief may need to be revised and re-issued to take account of new discoveries, changes in policy and techniques.

Detailed standards, information and advice to supplement this brief are to be found in Standards for Field Archaeology in the East of England, East Anglian Archaeology Occasional Papers 14, 2003. The Chartered Institute for Archaeologists' Standard and Guidance for an archaeological watching brief (revised 2014) should be used for additional guidance in the execution of the project and in drawing up the report.

Notes

The Chartered Institute of Archaeologists maintains a list of registered archaeological contractors (www.archaeologists.net or 0118 378 6446). There are a number of archaeological contractors that regularly undertake work in Colchester Borough and the archaeological advisor will provide advice on request. CBC does not give advice on the costs of archaeological projects.

Site: Layer Breton Five Oaks WB Site code: ECC4311 Layer No.

Interpretation Block paving Period Modern

Location

SOIL DESCRIPTION

Consistence very loose soft friable firm hard dry moist wet

Colour very light medium dark yellow orange green grey brown black

Soil sand silt clay loam clay silt sand

Type

charcoal oyster daub brick tile

Inclusions: flecks

gravel % stone % tile/brick % pot %

Inclusions: pieces

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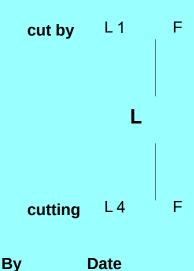
NOTES Modern patio and sand layer

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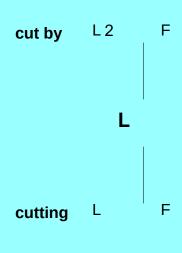
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NOTES Thick sticky clayey soil, contains modern brick and other rubble.



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NOTES Natural clay layer



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Site code: ECC4311 **Site:** Layer Breton Five Oaks WB Layer No. **Interpretation** Topsoil Period Modern Location Pad #4-6 SOIL DESCRIPTION very loose soft friable firm hard dry moist wet **Consistence** very light medium dark yellow orange green grey brown black Colour silt Soil sand clay loam clay silt sand Type charcoal oyster daub brick tile **Inclusions: flecks** gravel % stone % tile/brick % pot % **Inclusions: pieces** 1:10 rep sx drawing and photo RECORDING Plan nos **Section nos**

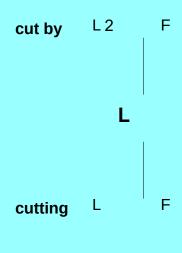
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Photos taken

FINDS Clay fragments, modern ceramic building material and china and glass (none retained)

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NOTES Modern topsoil, humic material with a high level of plant/animal activity. Seals L2, modern improve - landscaping for garden.

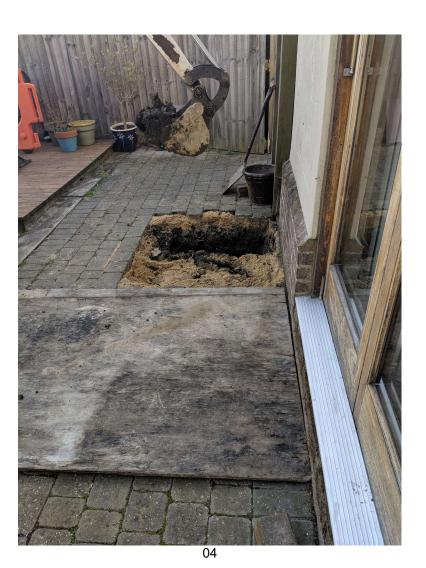


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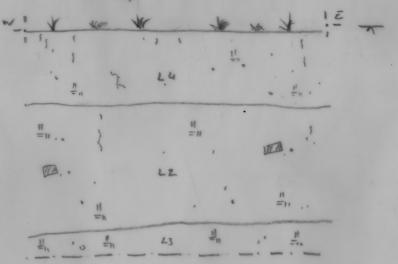
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11-Block pairing and builders sand. 12-Dark grey brown Sity stones day with occassional stones 13-Natural yellows-orange clay. Rap SX DW #4 1:10 BH 28/5/19



24 - mid gray/brown sitis day orward sound stars and plat rock cuting.

L2 } as Cap Sx pad 2.

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