

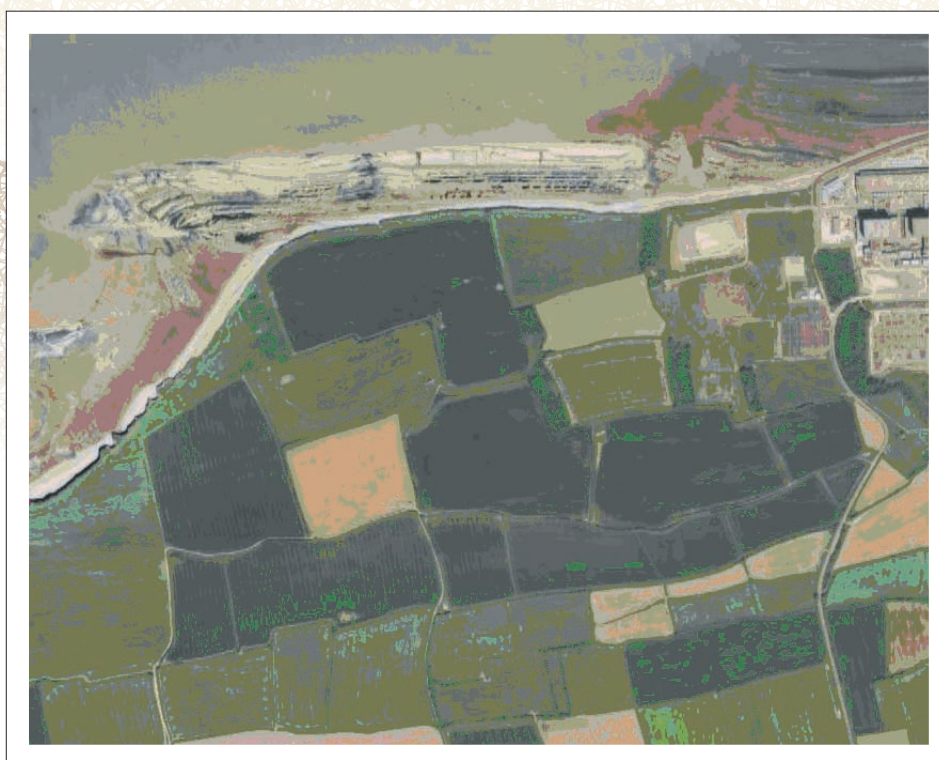


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LAND TO THE WEST OF HINKLEY POINT:

ARCHAEOLOGICAL BASELINE DATA STUDY

Introduction

The feasibility of new build on land to the west of the Hinkley Point power stations is being investigated by EDF Development Company Ltd. The proposed site is situated west of Hinkley Point, just to the north of Shurton, Somerset, (proposed area centred on *OS NGR: ST 20019 45813*). FIG 1 shows the proposed development boundary of the scheme.

Cambrian Archaeological Projects Ltd (CAP) prepared a report on cultural heritage as part of an environmental impact assessment for a wind farm application (Environment Statement submitted in October 2006). CAP's report comprised an assessment of the impact of the proposed development on the cultural heritage (CAP Report No 278, 2004), and a geophysical survey of two areas of the wind farm (CAP Report No 301, 2004).

This current report details the results of a baseline data study for new sites and research that has been undertaken since CAP's work in 2004.

A search of the Heritage Environment Record (HER) at Somerset County Council (SCC) has been made and no new sites or studies were identified.

The National Monuments Record was checked via the Archaeology Data Service (ADS) web site. The ADS website has a link to the NMR data. The ADS web site was searched for new data on the study area. No new data was found.

The study takes into account the various Planning Policy Guidelines, in particular PPG 15 (Planning and the Historic Environment) and PPG 16 (Archaeology and Planning).

Scope and Objectives of the Study

The main scope and objectives of the archaeological baseline study was to reveal by desk-based study, the nature, significance and, where possible, the chronology of the archaeology within the area of the proposed development of material added to the HER and NMR since CAP's studies in 2004.

Methodology

For the purposes of the archaeological baseline data search desk based study the following repository was consulted:

- ? Historic Environment Record (HER), Somerset County Council
- ? Archaeology Data Service (ASD) web site, which links to data on the NMR

An on-line search of the Somerset County Council Historic Environment Record (HER) was searched on the 21 June 2008. Contact was also made with Chris Webster (on the 24 June 2008) of the HER for data that may have been received by the HER, but not entered into its database.

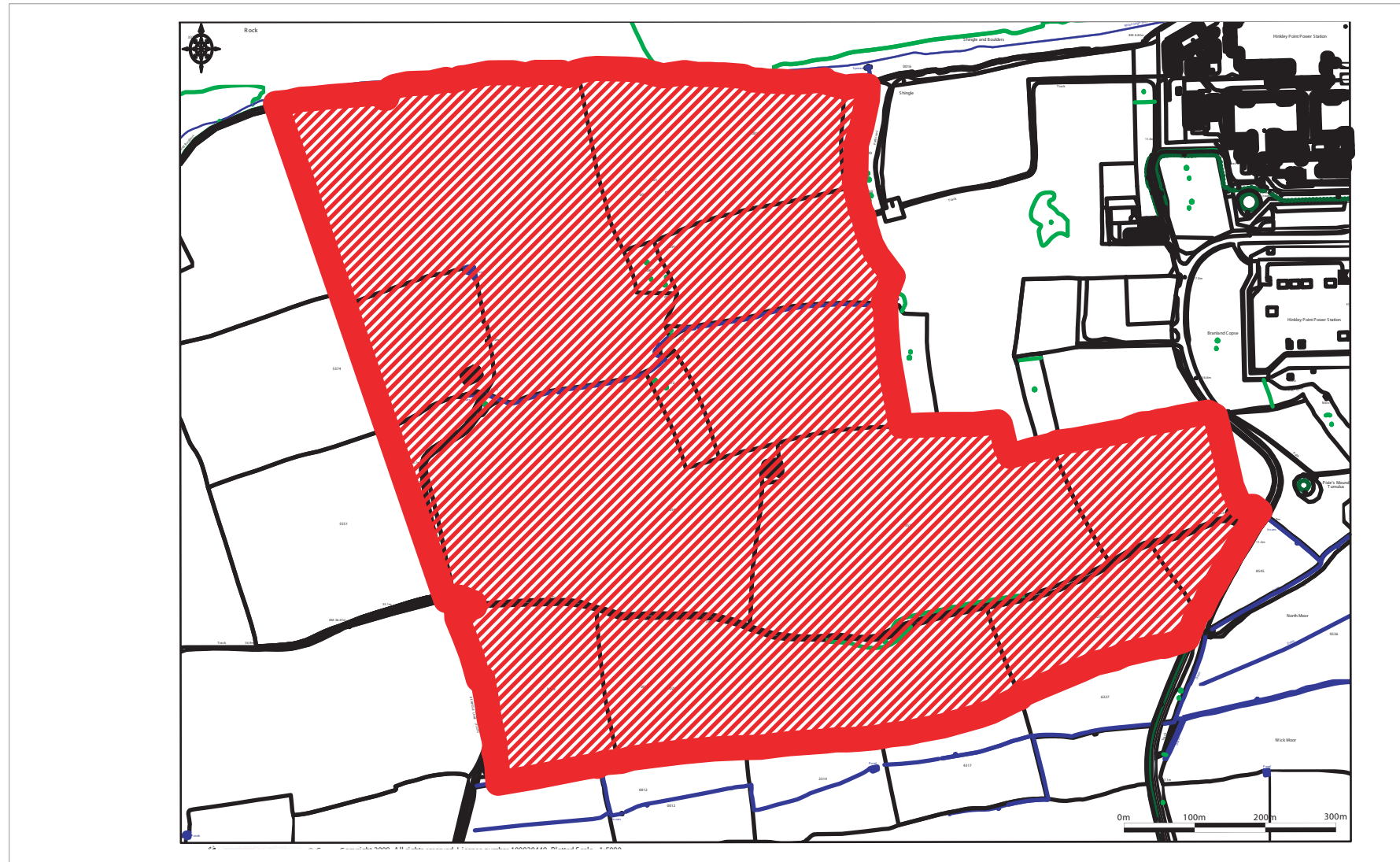
An online search of the National Monuments Record was made, via the Archaeology Data Service on the 27 June 2008.

Summary and Recommendations

The baseline study revealed no new sites added to the HER or NMR since CAP's archaeological assessment undertaken in 2004.

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