

Land North of Chapel Cottage, Culm Davy, Devon

ST 1241 1511

Results of an archeological watching brief

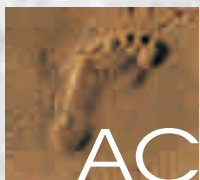
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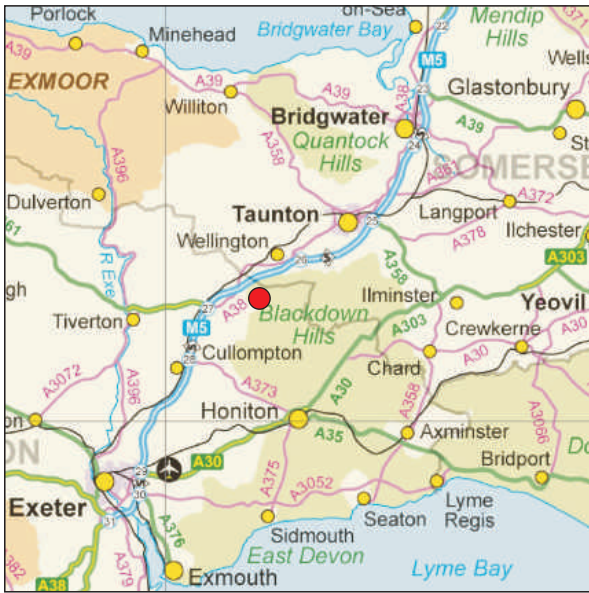


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Planning Application no: 11/01289/FULL	Recipient museum: RAMM	
OASIS ID: 150170	Museum Accession no: 11/69	
Contractor's reference number/code: ACD400	Date fieldwork undertaken: 10/01/2012	
<p>Description of works.</p> <p>An archaeological watching brief was undertaken during groundworks for the installation of 16 photovoltaic panels on land north of Chapel Cottage, Culm Davy, near Hemyock (Fig. 1). The investigations were required by Mid Devon District Council as a condition of the grant of planning permission, and were carried out in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation prepared by AC archaeology.</p> <p>Chapel Cottage and its grounds lie within an ovoid enclosed area that also includes the 15th-century Culm Davy Chapel. The enclosure may have formed part of an early settlement. The aim of the watching brief was to preserve by record any archaeological features or deposits exposed during groundworks associated with the development, with particular reference to any early settlement remains.</p> <p>The main groundworks consisted of terracing for a concrete pad aligned east-west that measured 8.08m x 3.35m, by up to 0.30m deep (Fig. 2). Within the levelled area four trenches for footings, measuring 3.35m x 0.45m wide, were excavated to a depth of 0.75m. Two of these strips were adjacent to the E and W edges of the levelled area with other two spaced equally between these at approximately 2.0m apart. From the levelled area to the cottage a 0.45m wide cable trench was excavated to a depth of 0.60m.</p> <p>The soil sequence revealed in the cable trench was a 0.15m thick topsoil comprising firm mid greyish-brown clayey-silt with occasional pea grit, overlying a 0.35m thick subsoil of firm mid reddish-brown silty-clay with moderate amounts of sub-rounded pebbles. At this depth natural subsoil, comprising mid red friable clay was exposed.</p> <p>No archaeological features or deposits were encountered in the groundworks, and no finds were recovered.</p>		
<p>A plan as well as any other relevant drawings must be attached showing the location and extent of site, areas investigated and features exposed.</p>		
Recorder: Chris Caine, AC archaeology	Date sent to HER: 23 May 2013	

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Site location

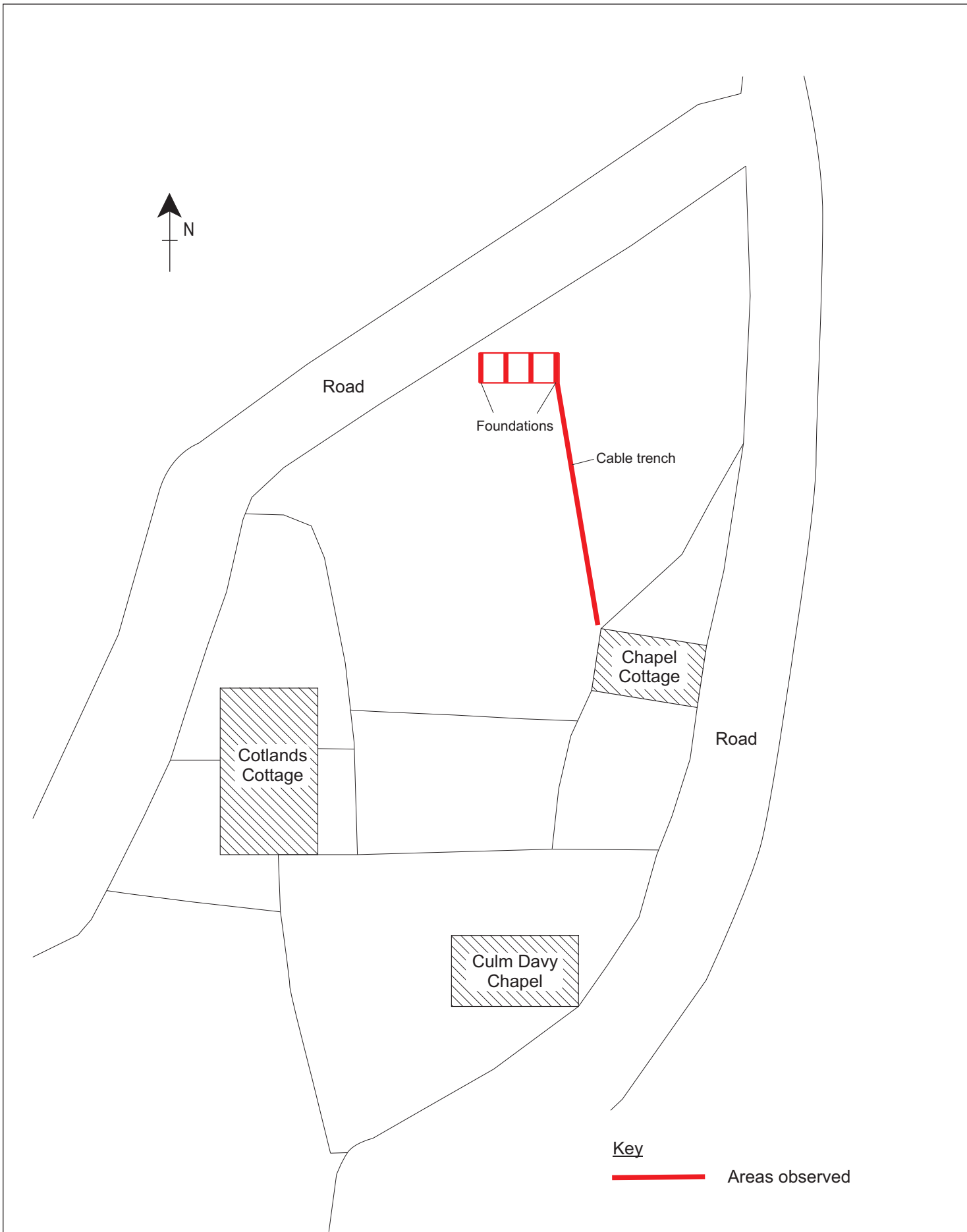
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Fig. 1: Location of site





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Fig. 2: Location of areas observed



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