

LAND AT SHILLINGFORD ROAD, SHILLINGFORD ABBOT, SHILLINGFORD ST GEORGE, DEVON

(NGR SX 9118 8900)

Results of an archaeological watching brief

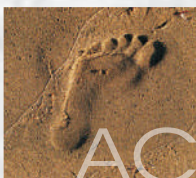
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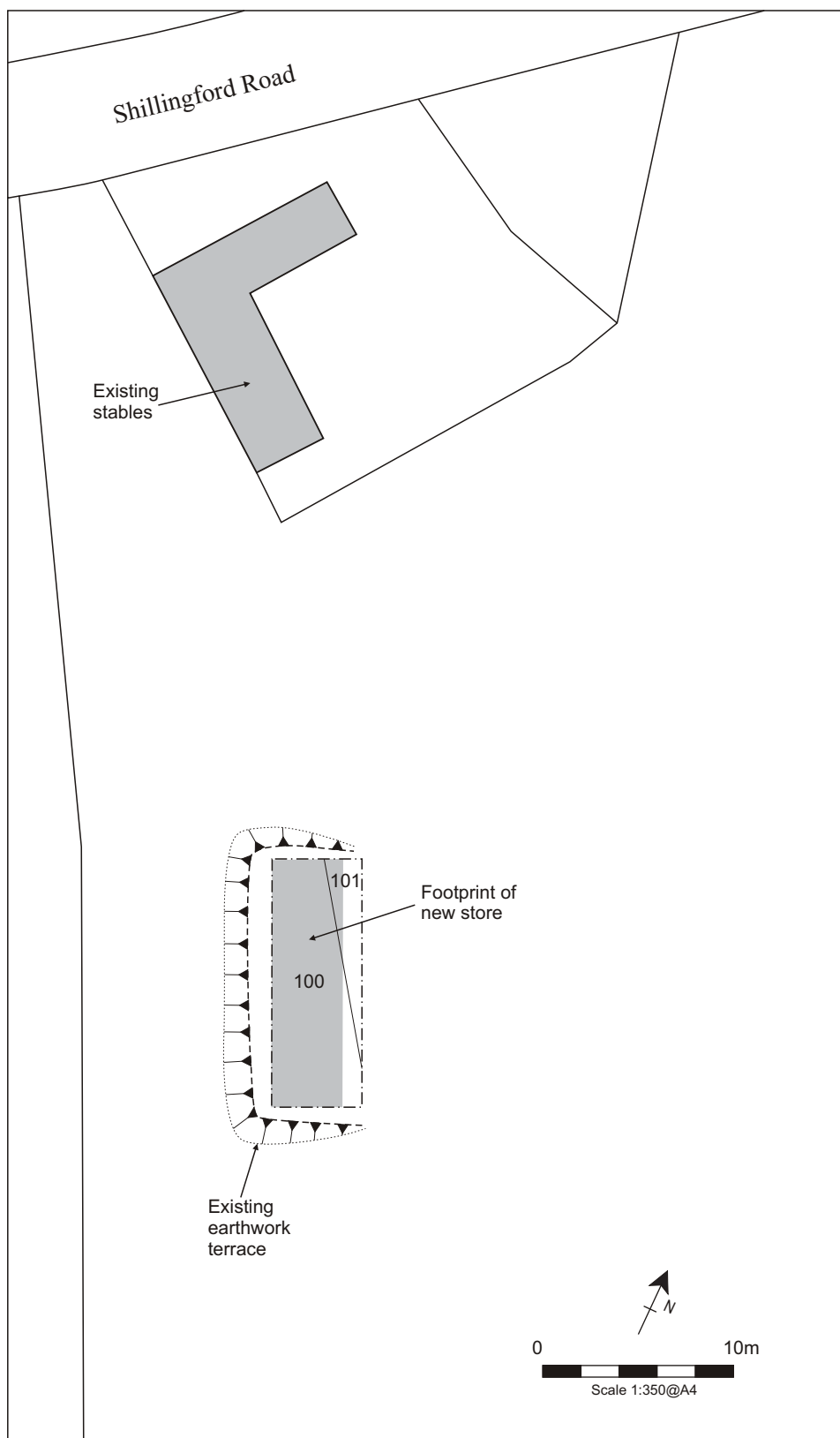
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| Subject: Land at Shillingford Road, Shillingford Abbot, Shillingford St George, Devon; Results of an archaeological watching brief | | Photo attached? N |
| Planning Application no: 14/02858/FUL, condition 3 | Recipient museum: N/A | |
| OASIS ID: 203749 | Museum Accession no: N/A | |
| Contractor's reference number/code: ACD1057 | Dates fieldwork undertaken: 30 January 2015 | |
| <p>Description of works.</p> <p><i>Introduction</i></p> <p>An archaeological watching brief was carried out by AC archaeology in January 2015 during the construction of a new barn on land at Shillingford Road, Shillingford Abbot, Devon (Fig. 1). The investigation was required under condition 3 of the grant of planning permission (reference 14/02858/FULL) by Teignbridge District Council.</p> <p>The site lies in an area containing a number of probable prehistoric to Romano-British enclosures, some of which have been dated as Iron Age and Romano-British. In the plot immediately to the east is a probable single-ditched rectangular enclosure. A possible ring ditch has also been identified in the near vicinity.</p> <p><i>Results</i></p> <p>The plot within which the new barn is located slopes downhill to the south and southwest, and the footprint of the barn occupies an existing platform, which along its west side is 1m higher than the natural ground level (Fig. 2). An area of 13m by 5m, encompassing the footprint of the barn and a strip of land for an access track along its northeast side, was stripped to depths of between 0.08m and a 0.28m below the present ground level. Across the whole site the removed material comprised the dumped material (100) forming the terrace. This consisted of light red friable sandy clay with very frequent breccia ranging in size from pea grit though to larger sub-angular fragments. Two sherds of residual 19th- or 20th-century pottery (1 fragment of white industrial ware and 1 sherd of North Devon coarseware), and a tile fragment were recovered from this layer but have not been retained. This deposit may have derived from excavations to the north at the entrance to the field off Shillingford Lane. In the northeast corner of the site, over an area of 11m by 2m, removal of 100 exposed the former (now buried) topsoil, as present elsewhere in the field (101). This consisted of mid reddish brown firm clayey silt containing small sub-angular degraded breccia fragments; this layer was not fully removed.</p> <p><i>Comments</i></p> <p>The new barn is located on an existing modern terrace, and excavations were not deep enough to expose archaeological deposits. All finds recovered from the modern terrace deposit were residual and of late post-medieval or modern date.</p> <p>This report and the associated OASIS entry represent the archive for the project.</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> | | |
| <p>Recorder:</p> <p>Chris Caine, AC archaeology</p> | | <p>Date sent to HER:</p> <p>16 February 2015</p> |



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Fig. 2: Plan of observations

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