

LAND AT MILIZAC CLOSE, YEALMPTON, DEVON

Centred on SX 573 518

Results of an archaeological watching brief, Phase II

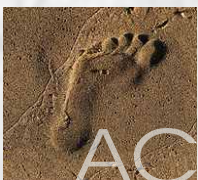
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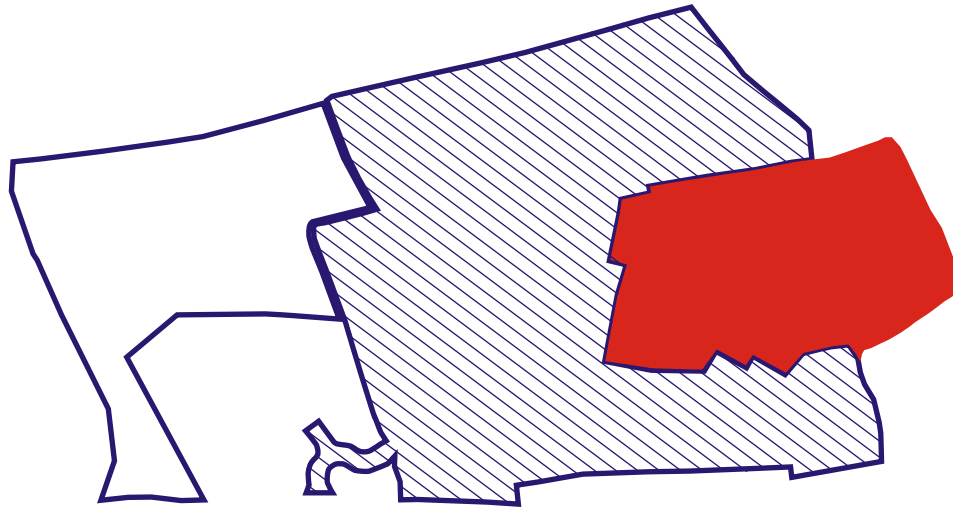
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Contractor's reference number/code: ACD568	Dates fieldwork undertaken: 29th Jan to 25th Feb, 14th March & 9th May, 2014	
<p>Description of works.</p> <p><i>Introduction</i></p> <p>An archaeological watching brief was undertaken during groundworks associated with the construction of Phase II of a hybrid planning application for mixed use development on land at Milizac Close, Yealmpton, Devon (Fig 1). The investigations were required by South Hams 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>The development area lies on the western outskirts of Yealmpton on what is currently agricultural land. It occupies an area of about 6 ha, with the underlying solid geology comprising of Middle Devonian Slates.</p> <p>Phase II of the development is for residential use of up to 45 units with means of access.</p> <p><i>Results (Fig. 2)</i></p> <p>Groundworks comprised of the excavation of the foundation trenches (Plates 1 and 2). The external foundation trenches measured 0.90m wide and the internal trenches measured 0.70m wide. They were dug to the minimum level of 1m. The southwest corner of the new dwelling is adjacent to an old boundary stone wall and the foundation trench was excavated to a level of 1.8m for 2m along the foundation trench corner.</p> <p>The following soil sequence was recorded: a topsoil, measuring 0.35m thick, comprising moderate dark greyish brown clayey-silt with occasional brick, occasional small glass, occasional small to medium animal bone, below which was a subsoil, measuring 0.20m thick, consisting of fairly compact mid greyish brown sandy clay with occasional medium sub-rounded stones and occasional small charcoal flecks. The underlying natural consisted of a compact light brown-yellow sandy clay with occasional sub-rounded stone. The topsoil contained an abundance of fragmented clay tobacco pipes.</p> <p><i>Summary</i></p> <p>No archaeological features or deposits were encountered. The soil profile consisted of a typical agricultural sequence.</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>		
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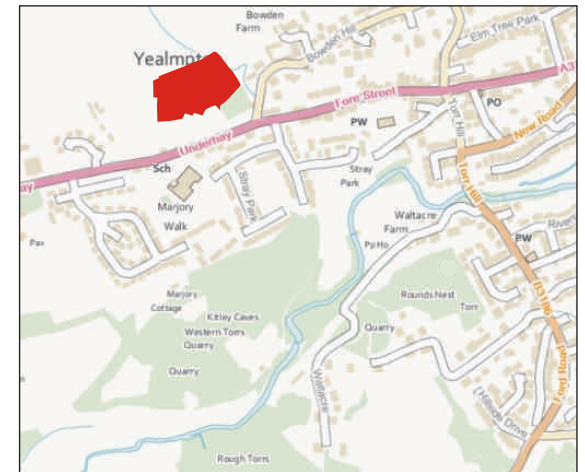


- Key**
-  Phase 1
 -  Phase 2
 -  Employment land

Plan supplied by Taylor Wimpey



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PROJECT
Phase 2, Land at Milizac Close, Yealmpton, Devon

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Fig. 1: Location of monitored area





Plate 1: Turf stripping, looking east (scale 1m)



Plate 2: Foundations digging, looking east

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