

NEW 11KV LINE, EAST CURRY, NORTH TAMERTON, CORNWALL

(NGR SX 30171 94110 to SX 30852 94273)

Results of an Archaeological Watching Brief

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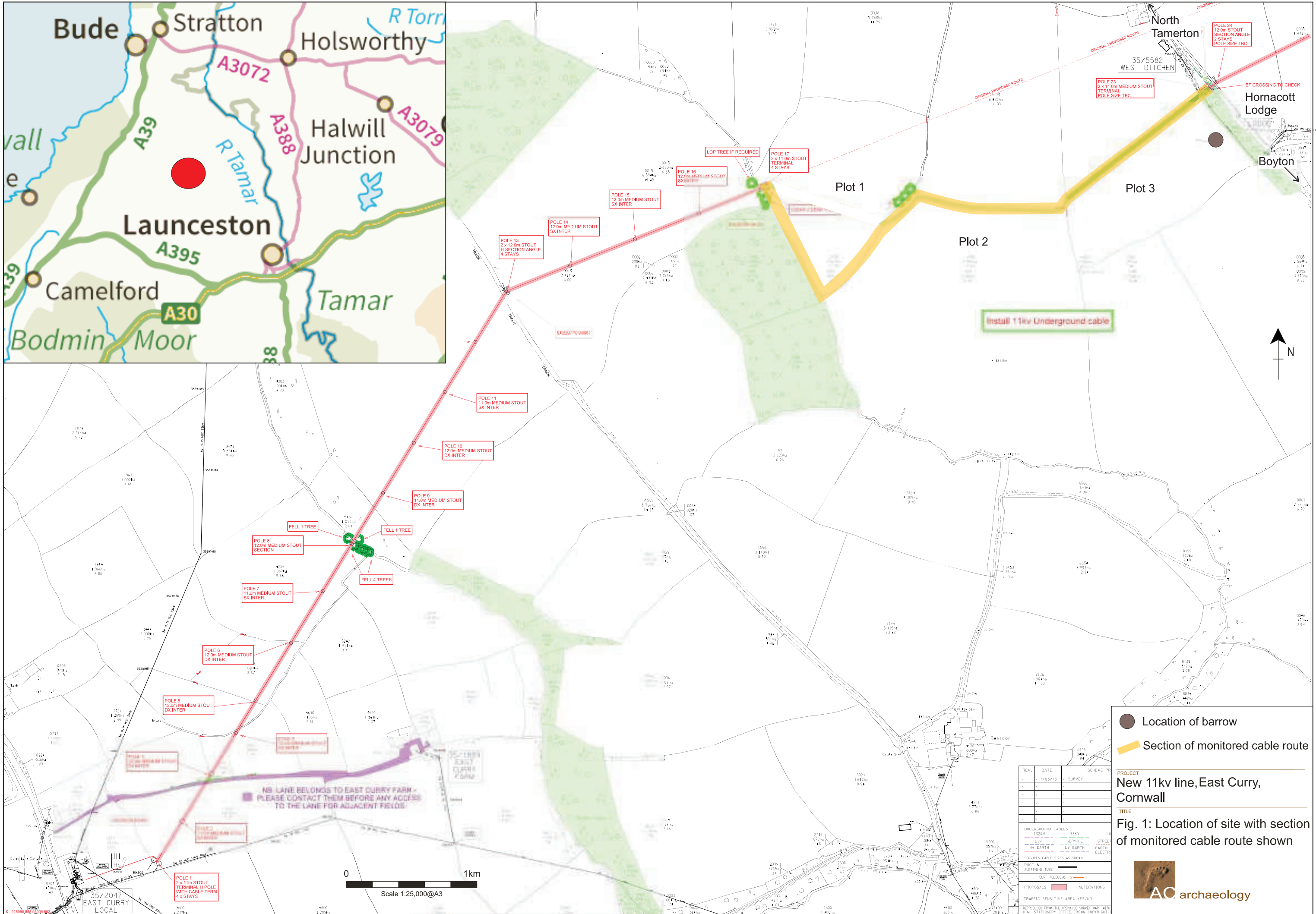
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<p><u>Introduction</u> An archaeological watching brief carried was undertaken by AC archaeology was undertaken during groundworks associated with the construction of a new 11KV electricity cable line between East Curry, Cornwall and Nethercott, Devon (SX 29166 93196 to SX 35844 96372). The cable route extended for a distance of approximately 7.5km and was a combination of auger drilling for erecting poles and trenching. One section of the cable route was selected by the Cornwall Council Historic Environment Planning Advice Officer to be monitored during the groundworks. This section, which comprised trench excavation across three pasture plots (Plots 1-3 on Fig. 1), was located to the southwest of Hornacott Lodge (SX 30171 94110 to SX 30852 94273). The section of monitored cable route crossed close to three probable barrows, one of which is visible, while the remaining two were depicted on an Ordnance Survey surveyor's map of 1803-1807.</p> <p><u>Results</u> Groundworks comprised the machine-excavation of a trench that measured 0.6m wide and a maximum of 1.2m deep (Plate 1).</p> <p>Natural subsoil, which comprised a light brownish-yellow silty-clay, was exposed at a broadly consistent depth of between 0.3m to 0.4m below existing levels. This was overlain by a dark brown clay-silt topsoil (Plate 2).</p> <p>No archaeological features or deposits were exposed and no finds were recovered.</p> <p><u>Comment</u> Despite the close proximity of the cable route to the previously-identified probable barrows, there was no associated activity exposed during these groundworks.</p>		
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Fig. 1: Location of site with section
of monitored cable route shown





Plate 1: General view of cable trench in Plot 1, looking south (scale 1m)



Plate 2: Representative section of cable trench (scale 1m)

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