

CHURCH OF ST PETER, CORNWORTHY, DEVON

(NGR SX 8295 5555)

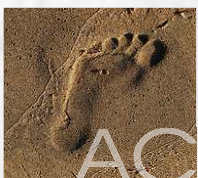
Results of Archaeological Monitoring and Recording

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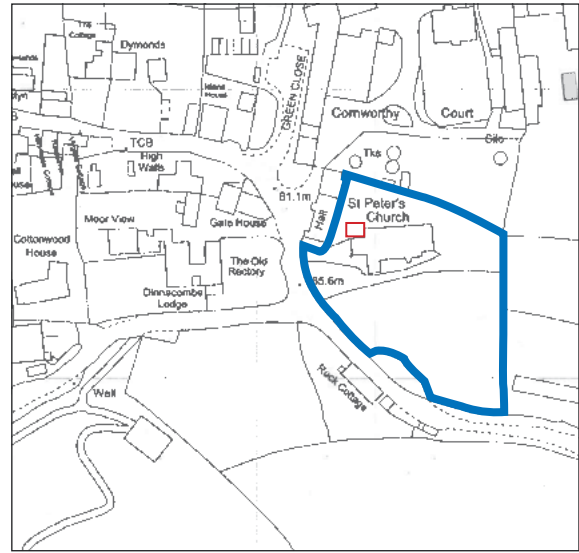
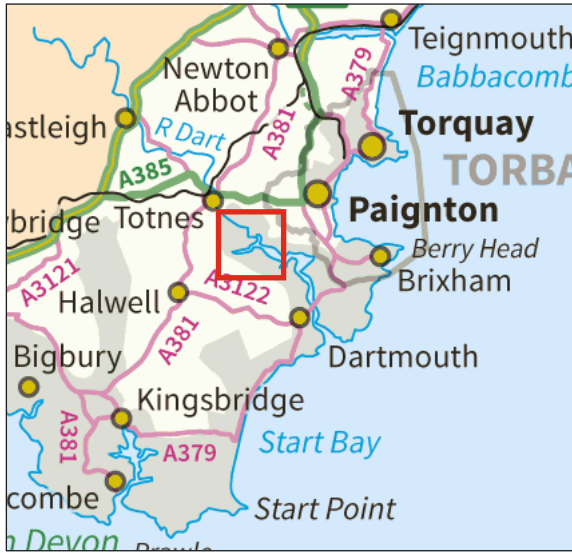
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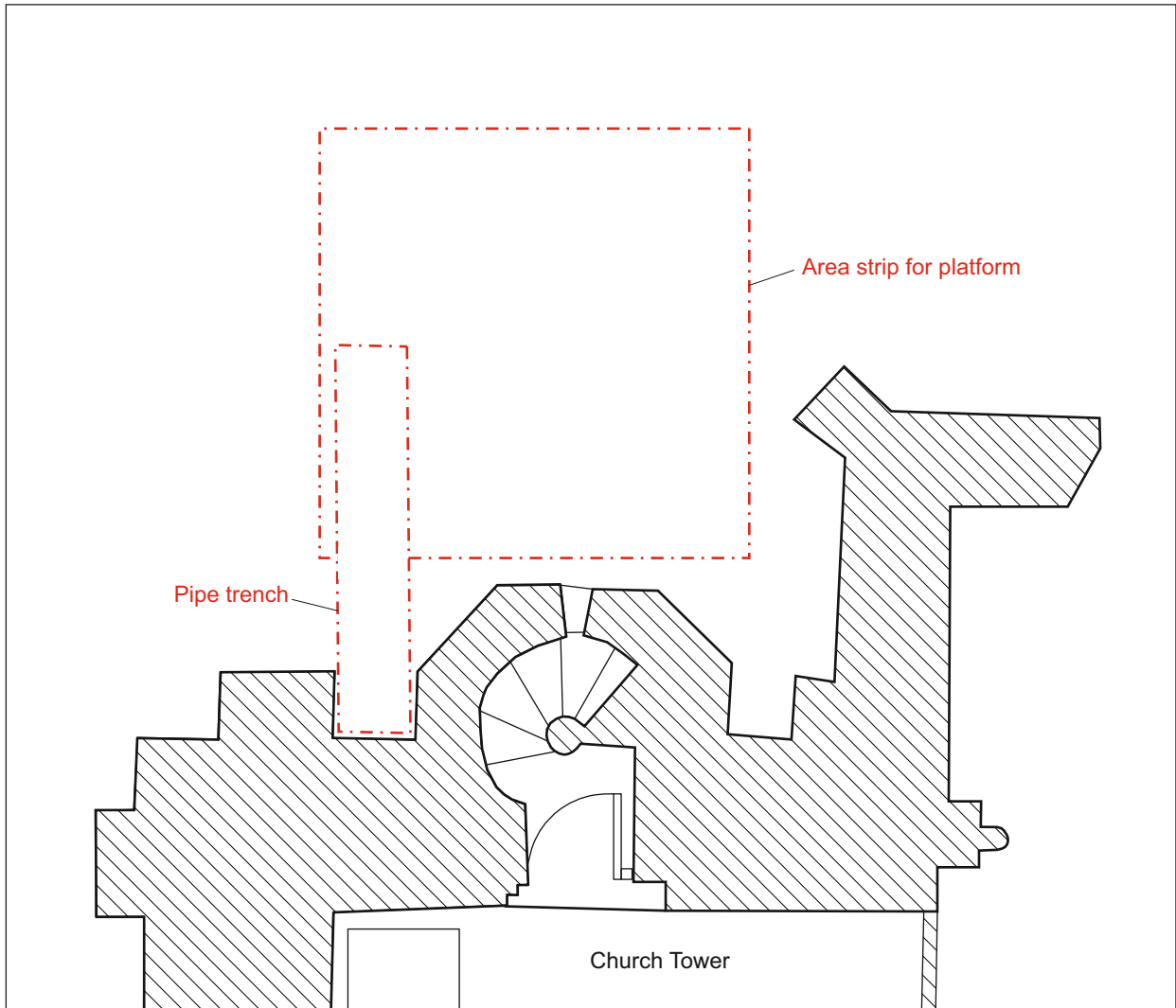
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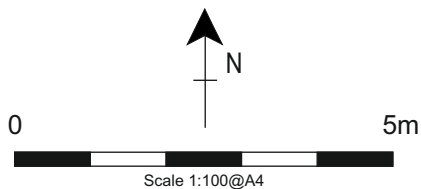
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<p>Introduction</p> <p>Archaeological monitoring and recording was undertaken by AC archaeology during the installation of a new oil tank at the Church of St Peter Cornworthy, Devon (SX 8295 5555). The work involved the monitoring of groundworks within the graveyard adjacent to the north side of the tower (Fig. 1). It comprised the stripping and levelling of an area measuring approximately 3m across for a concrete platform and the excavation of a short pipe trench (Plates 1-3). The underlying solid geology comprises mudstone, siltstone, limestone and sandstone of the Nordon Formation (British Geological Survey Online Viewer 2019).</p> <p>The church is Grade-I listed (National Heritage List for England no. 1291647) and dated to the 15th century. The aisles might have been built at different periods in the 15th century and the south porch is probably an early 17th century addition.</p> <p>Results</p> <p>The excavation for the pipe trench measured 0.5m wide and 0.45m deep, while the area for the concrete platform was stripped to 0.1m below existing levels. A weathered natural subsoil was exposed within the pipe trench at a 0.45m below existing levels. This was overlain by a mixed soil layer containing slate rubble, roof slate fragments, and 19th to 20th century ceramics (not retained).</p> <p>Summary</p> <p>The groundworks exposed no archaeological features or deposits. Excavations were maintained within a relatively recent soil layer.</p>		
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Fig. 1: Site location and area monitored





Plate 1: Church of St Peter, Cornworthy, looking northwest



Plate 2: Showing groundworks in progress. View to southwest



Plate 3: General view following the completion of groundworks, looking south (1m scale)

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