

# LAND AT REAR OF 20 FORE STREET, THE NEW CUT, CULLOMPTON, DEVON

(NGR ST 02042 07254)

## Results of Archaeological Monitoring and Recording

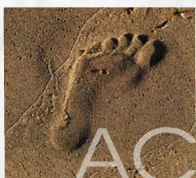
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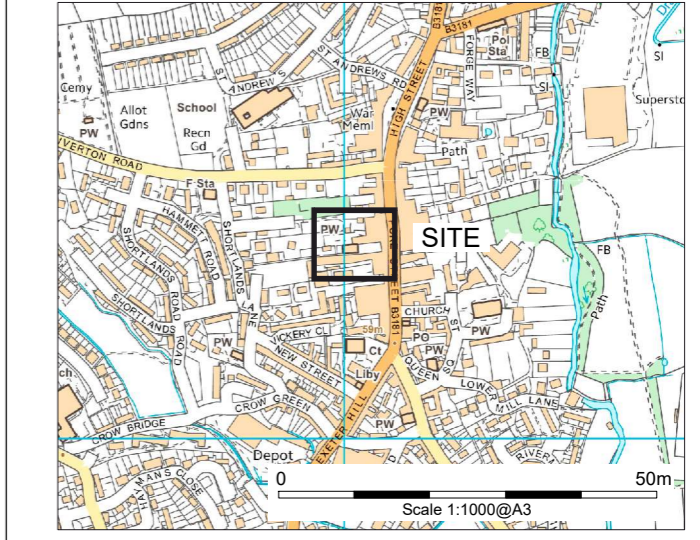
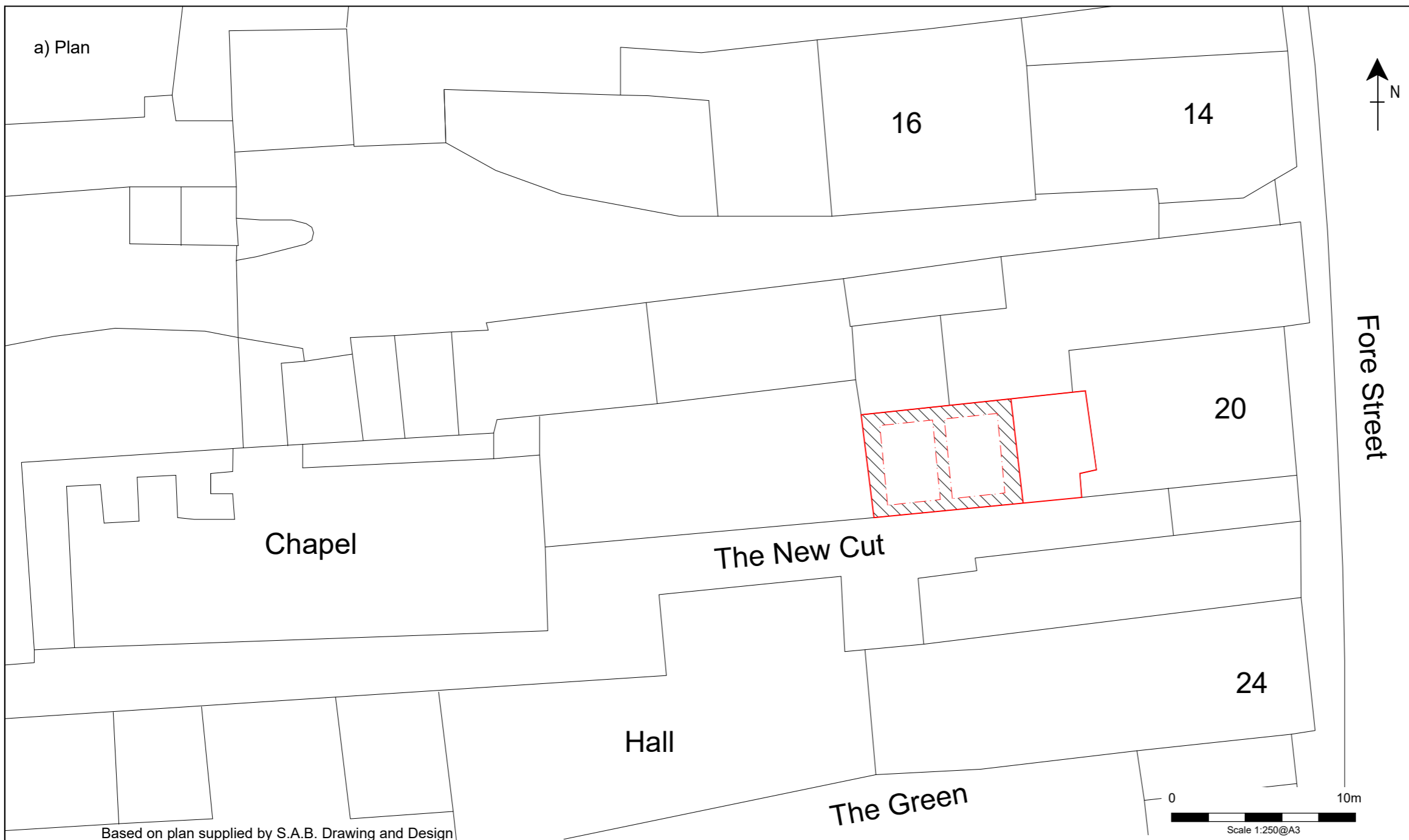


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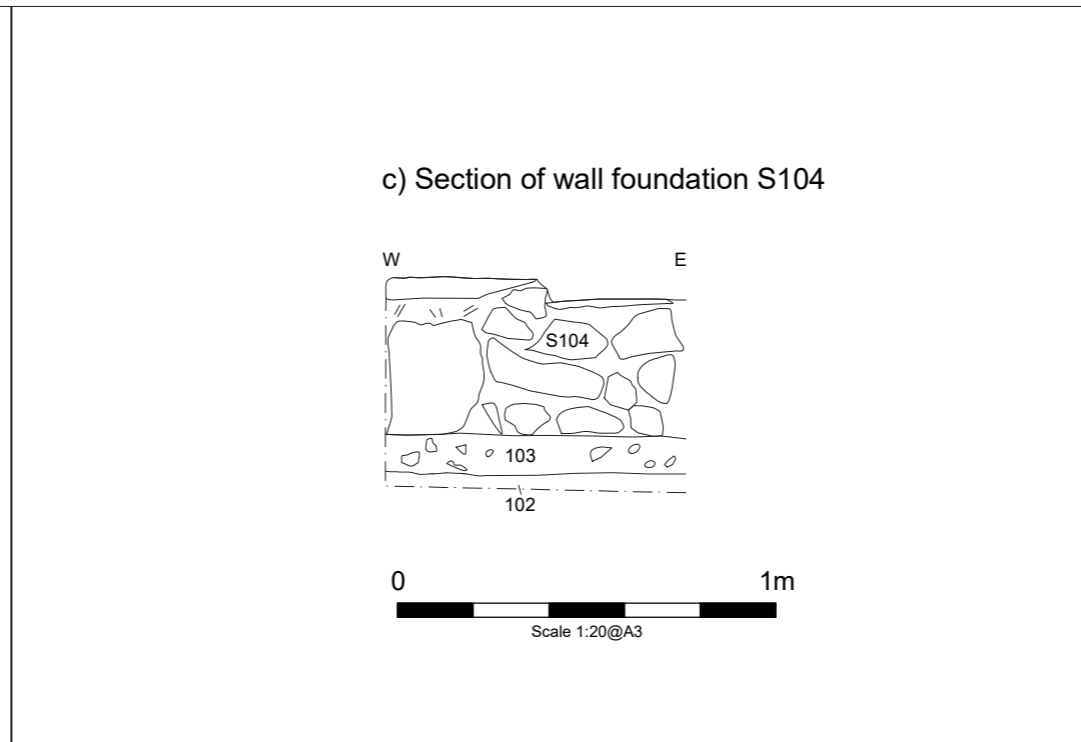
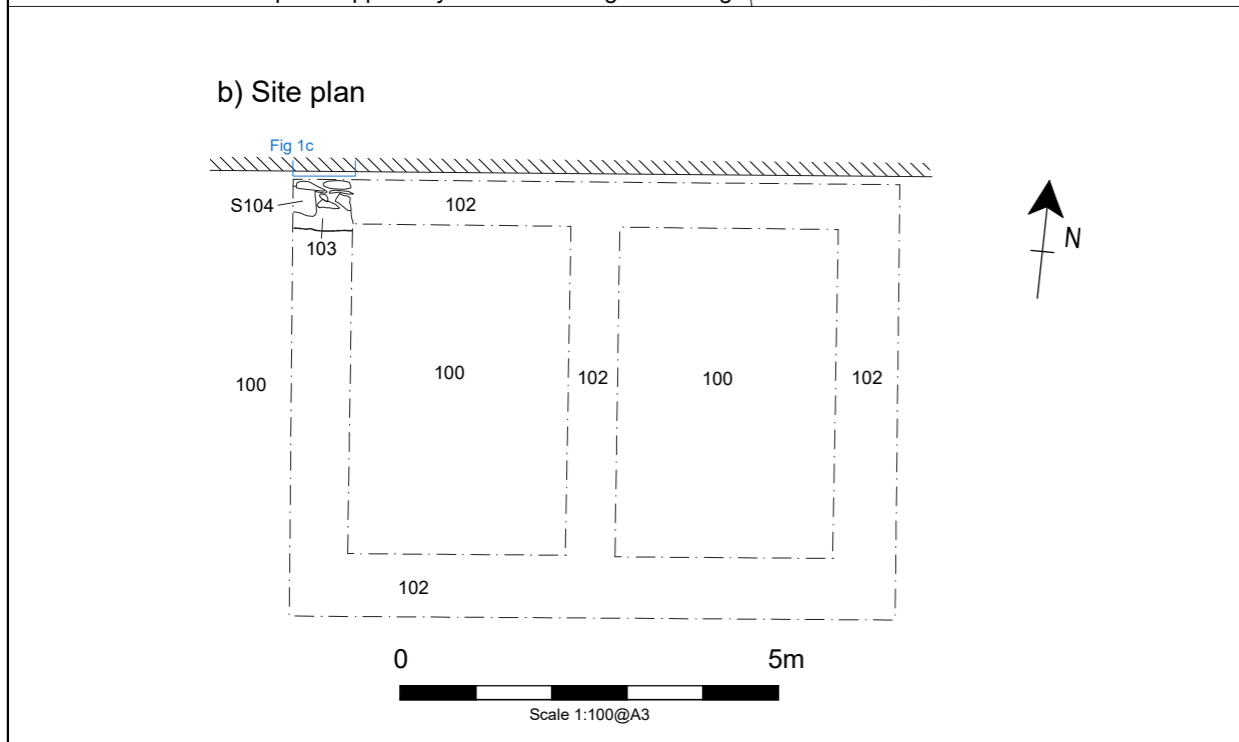
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# Devon County Council Historic Environment Record

<b>Civil Parish &amp; District:</b> Cullompton, Mid Devon	<b>National Grid Reference</b> ST 02042 07254	<b>Number:</b>
<b>Subject:</b> Land at rear of 20 Fore Street, The New Cut, Cullompton, Devon: Results of archaeological monitoring and recording		<b>Photo attached:</b> Plates 1-4
<b>Planning Application no:</b> 19/02144/FULL	<b>Recipient museum:</b> N/A	
<b>OASIS ID:</b> 394433	<b>Museum Accession no:</b> N/A	
<b>Contractor's reference number/code:</b> ACD2272	<b>Dates fieldwork undertaken:</b> 7 December 2020	
<p><b>Introduction</b> (Fig. 1; Plate 1) Archaeological monitoring and recording was carried out by AC archaeology during groundworks associated with the construction of new commercial unit on land at the rear of 20 Fore Street, The New Cut, Cullompton, Devon (ST 02042 07254). The site lies on the west side of Fore Street in the centre of Cullompton. Prior to commencement it comprised a disused yard area to the rear of the street frontage property, which is bounded to the south by The New Cut, a pedestrian passage.</p> <p>The site is situated in the historic core of the town. It lies within one of a series or burgage plots that extend to the west of the street frontage properties. The 1889 First-Edition and 1904 Second-Edition Ordnance Survey maps depict an outbuilding occupying the west portion of the site. This was removed by the first half of the 20th century as shown by an RAF 1940s aerial photograph. A subsequent outbuilding, which had reused some surviving elements of the earlier building retained in the property boundary, was present until the commencement of the development.</p> <p><b>Results</b> (Fig. 1; Plates 2-4) Monitored groundworks comprised the machine-excavation of footings for the new unit, which measured 1.1m wide by 0.6m deep. Natural subsoil (context 102) composed a mid-brown sandy gravel and was exposed at a depth of between 0.16m to 0.38m below ground surface. It was overlain in different parts of the site by a garden soil (100) or made ground deposits (101) and (103).</p> <p>The trenches revealed a stone wall foundation (S104) in the northwest corner of the footings trench. This corresponded with a wall stub and associated roofline scar in the boundary wall above. It measured 0.4m deep and was comprised of rubble and subangular blocks, which overlay a made ground deposit (103). No finds were recovered.</p> <p><b>Comments</b> The exposed stone wall foundation (S104) was likely to represent localised underpinning of the boundary wall comprising the rear wing of the Grade-II listed early 19th century No. 18 Fore Street. Its position indicates that it related to the former outbuilding that previously occupied this part of the site. No other evidence for this building was present and is therefore likely to have had only very shallow footings elsewhere. Although undated, the demolished outbuilding was likely to also have been of early 19th century date.</p> <p>This report represents the archive for the project.</p>		
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- Key
- Application boundary
  - Building foundations



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Fig. 1: Location of site, site plan and section of wall foundation S104





Plate 1: General view of the site, looking east along The New Cut towards Fore Street



Plate 2: General view of the site following the completion of groundworks, looking southwest (1m scale)



Plate 3: Stone wall foundation S104, looking north (1m scale)



Plate 4: Stone wall foundation S104, showing wall of No. 18 Fore Street above (1m scale)

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