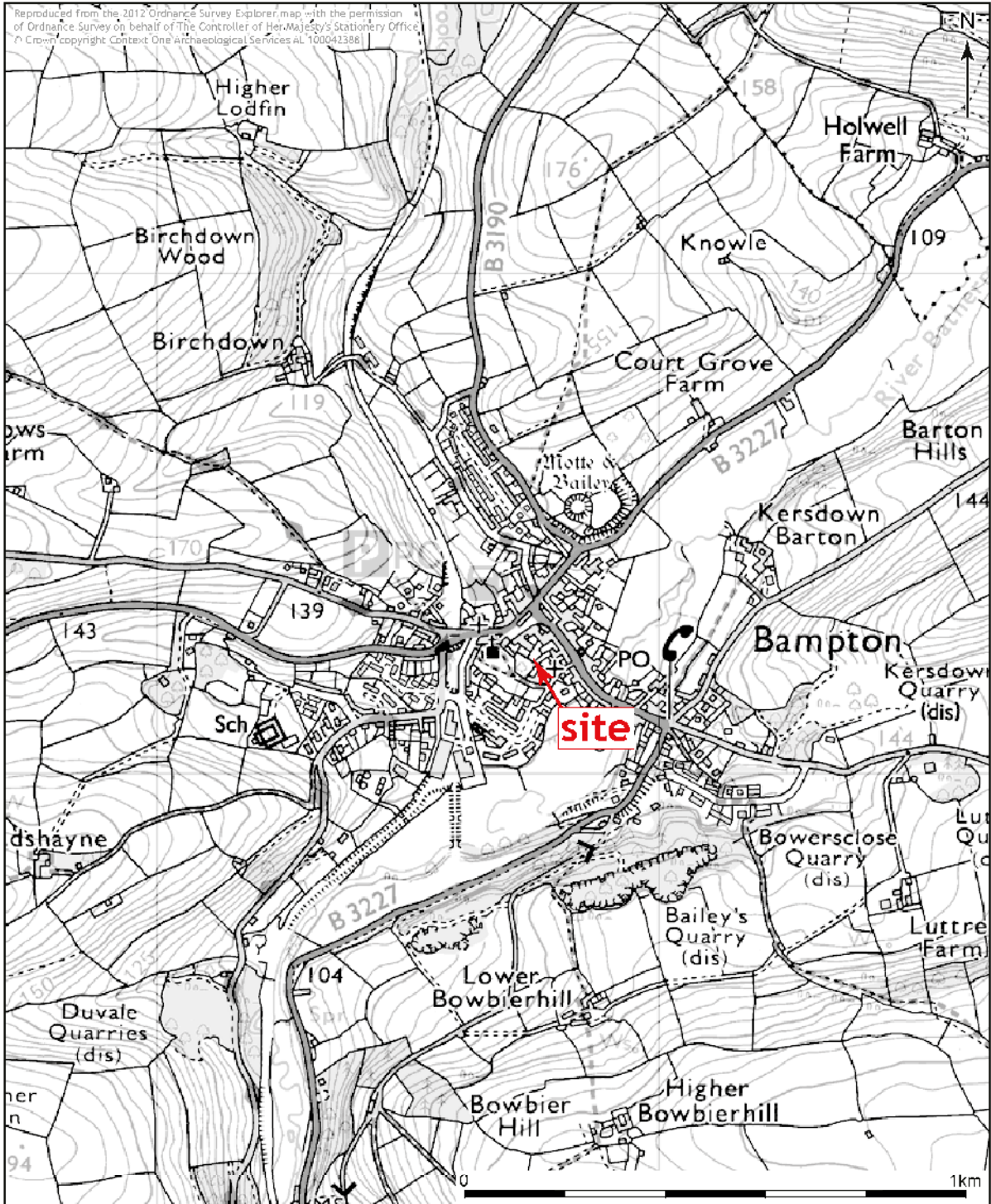


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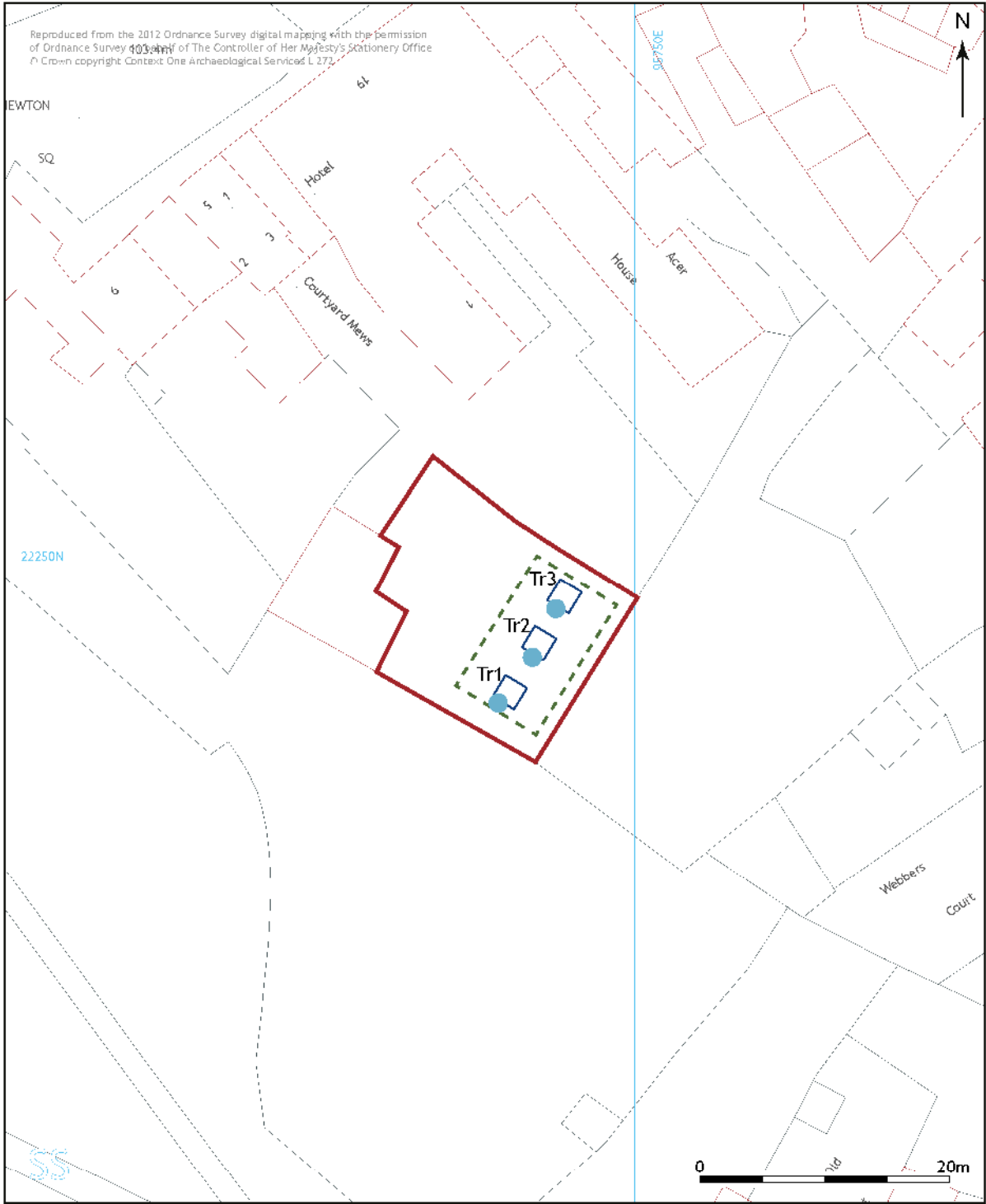
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| Subject: Courtyard Mews, Newton Square, Bampton, Devon Planning Application no: Arch/dc/md/16581 | | Plan/Photo attached? Y | |
| <p>Description of works.</p> <p>Context One Archaeological Services Ltd undertook an archaeological programme of works comprising a written scheme of investigation, desk based appraisal and a field evaluation up to and including a report, on an area of land at Courtyard Mews, Newton Square, Bampton, Devon (centred on NGR SS 95742 22245, hereafter referred to as the Site; Figure 1). The programme of works was commissioned by Ms Victoria Needham on behalf of Mr Edward W Tanner.</p> <p>The request for a programme of archaeological works was made by Mr Stephen Reed (Archaeological Officer, Devon County Council Historic Environment Service) following a consultation request from the Local Planning Authority, in support of the planning application for the proposed development (ref: Arch/dc/md/16581). In a brief for an archaeological evaluation to be undertaken in support of the planning application (dated 24th June 2010) Mr Reed stated that:</p> <p><i>‘The proposed development lies within the historic core of the town of Bampton and in proximity to the church. Groundworks associated with the construction of the new dwelling may expose and destroy archaeological or artefactual evidence associated with the early settlement here.’</i></p> <p>Given the recorded archaeological and historical data for the environs, it was considered that archaeological features/deposits could be present on the Site, and that these could be damaged or destroyed by development. However, as the nature or presence of such features/deposits was unproven on the basis of currently available information, it was determined that a reasonable response would be to carry out a programme of archaeological evaluation prior to the determination of a planning application.</p> <p>The request for the archaeological work follows advice given by Central Government set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (DCLG 2012), Devon Structure Plan Policy CO8 and the Local Development Framework Policy on archaeology.</p> <p>The archaeological work involved a desk-based appraisal and a field evaluation of the Site. The appraisal comprised research using online resources and documents held at the Devon Record Office and the Devon Historic Environment Service.</p> <p>For the evaluation three 2m x 2m trenches (Figure 2; Plate 1) were excavated by a 360 degree tracked machine fitted with a 0.40m toothed bucket. A representative section and the exposed surface were cleaned by hand by a qualified archaeologist and the soil sequence was recorded on a <i>pro forma</i> profile sheet. A digital camera was used to record images of the deposits and to reflect the character of the operation.</p> <p>The soil sequence was uniform across the three trenches. Debris from demolished greenhouses lay over a c. 0.06m deep layer of tarmac (100, 200 and 300) supported by a 0.12m to 0.15m thick, dark grey, gravelly</p> | | <p>Reference.</p> <p>COAS site code: C1/EVA/12/CBD</p> <p>OASIS ID: contexto1-133949</p> <p>Accession no: RAMM 12/71</p> | <p>Date. <i>of site visits</i></p> <p>04/10/2012</p> |

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| <p>levelling deposit (101, 201 and 301) which sealed light orange (10YR 8/6) compacted sand clay which included sparse fragments of blocky sandstone (Plate 2).</p> <p>No archaeological features or deposits were identified nor were any finds observed or recovered.</p> <p>The Site archive comprises the single <i>pro forma</i> profile sheet, 12 digital photographic images and a photographic register. The package of information assembled during the desk-based appraisal includes: the results of an Historic Environment Record search within a 100m radius of the Site (provided by Ms Marrina Neophytou, Historic Environment Service); an air photograph (1946); the Tithe Map and apportionments; 25" and 1:25000 Ordnance Survey maps from 1889 to 1970 and excerpts from local publications.</p> | | |
| <p>Recorder Richard Tabor, Context One Archaeological Services Ltd.</p> | <p>Date sent to HER 24/10/2012</p> | |

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| <p>  Site boundary  Footprint of former greenhouses TrX  Trench location and number  Locations of profiles </p> | <p>PROJECT TITLE Courtyard Mews, Newton Square, Bampton, Devon</p> | | |
| | <p>FIGURE TITLE Detailed site setting showing locations of trenches</p> | | |
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Plate 1. The three trenches with Trench 3 in the foreground (from ENE; 1m scales)



Plate 2. Trench 3 (from NE; 1m scales)

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