



YORK ARCHAEOLOGICAL TRUST REPORT

SITE ADDRESS	Utility trench, junction of Winterscale Street and Fishergate, York		
CLIENT NAME	Carillion Telent		
YAT PROJECT #	5478	YAT REPORT #	2011/8
MUSEUM ACCESSION #	n/a	GRID REFERENCE	SE 6077 5093
PLANNING REFERENCE #	n/a	AAI OPS NOTICE #	11011

INTRODUCTION

On January 28th 2011 York Archaeological Trust undertook a watching brief at the junction of Winterscale Street and Fishergate, York (Figure 1). The objective was to any archaeological remains exposed during the excavation for a new pavement mounted telecommunications cabinet and associated trenches to connect it up. The actual excavation work was not observed but the site was visited while the trenches were open. Recording took the form of measured sketches and written notes supplemented by a small number of colour digital photographs. One specimen section was recorded.

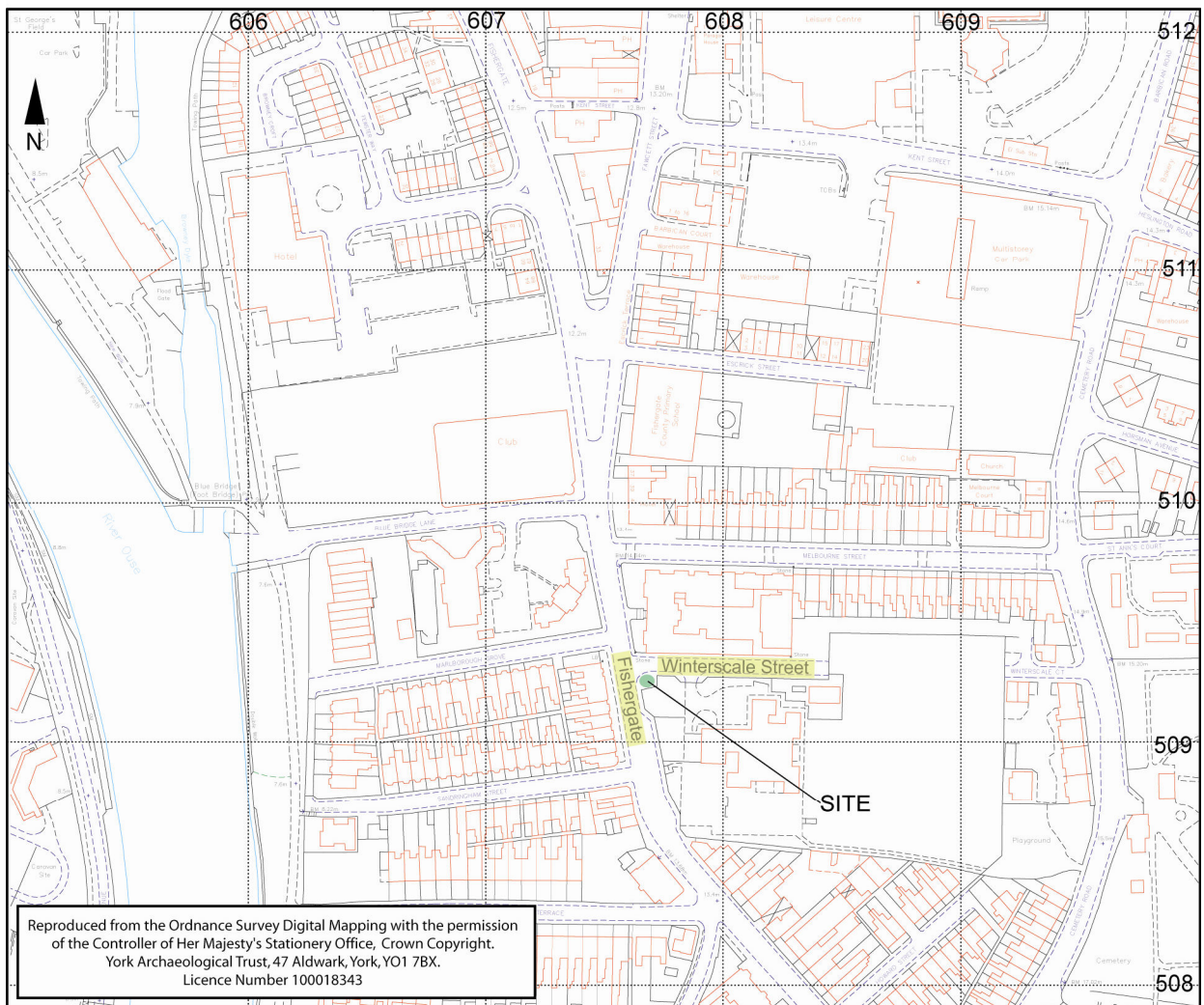


Figure 1 Site location

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RESULTS

In the recorded section the earliest deposit noted, at between 0.15m and at least the base of the trench at 0.4m below modern ground level, was a dark brown silt with occasional pale brown mortar (1000). Above this was a 0.05m deep layer of pale yellow crushed limestone (1001) and above this the modern pavement surface of tarmac (1002).

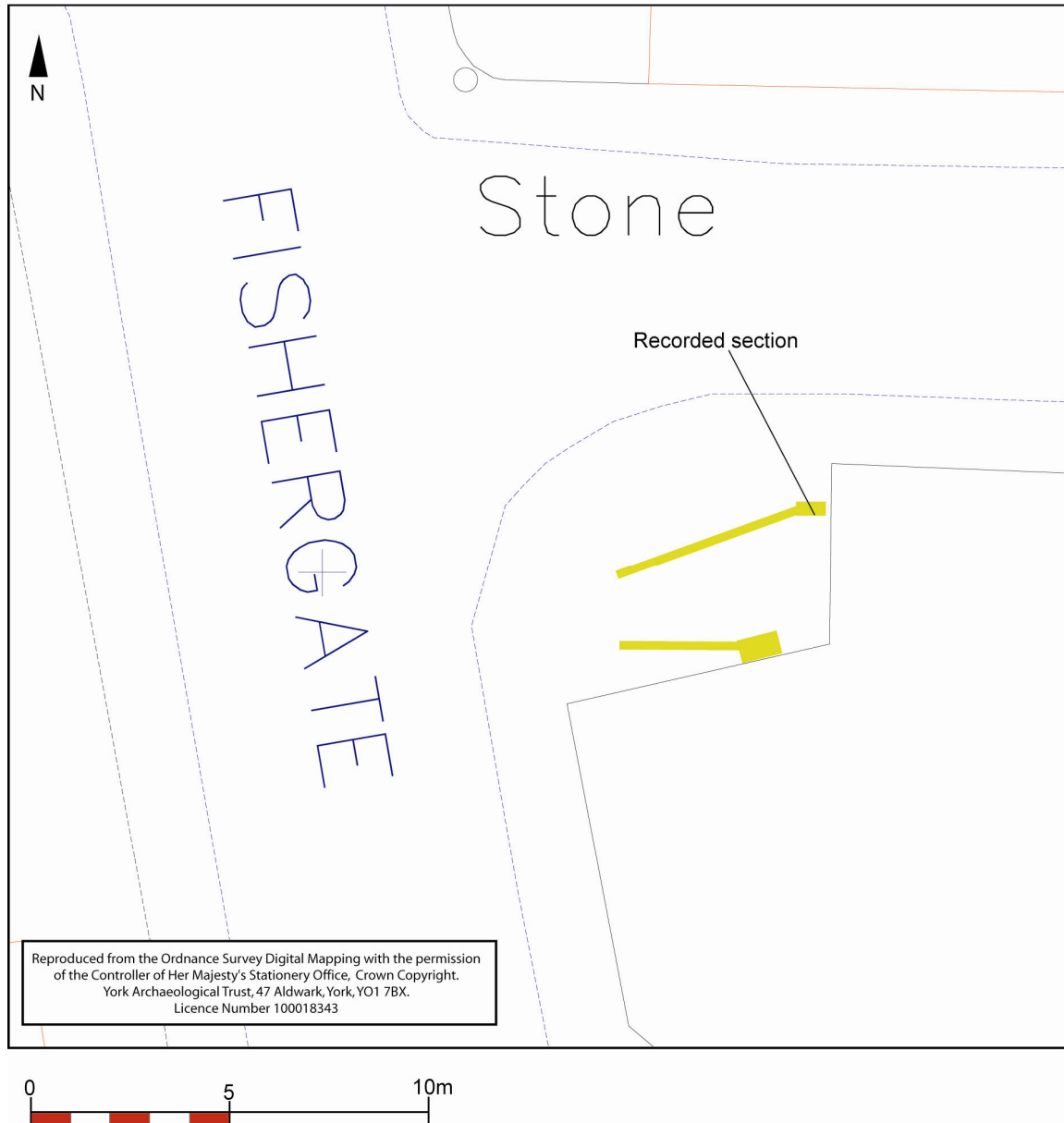


Figure 2 Location of trenches and recorded section

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Plate 1 Trench for new cabinet, looking south-east

CONCLUSIONS

No features or buried structural remains were seen within any of the trenches. The relatively clean dark brown silt, Context 1000, in the recorded section appeared to be undisturbed and may be an agricultural or horticultural soil. Since no finds were recovered from these works the date of this soil remains uncertain but it was probably of post-medieval, or possibly earlier, date. No archaeological remains of any great significance were observed or disturbed during these works.

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