

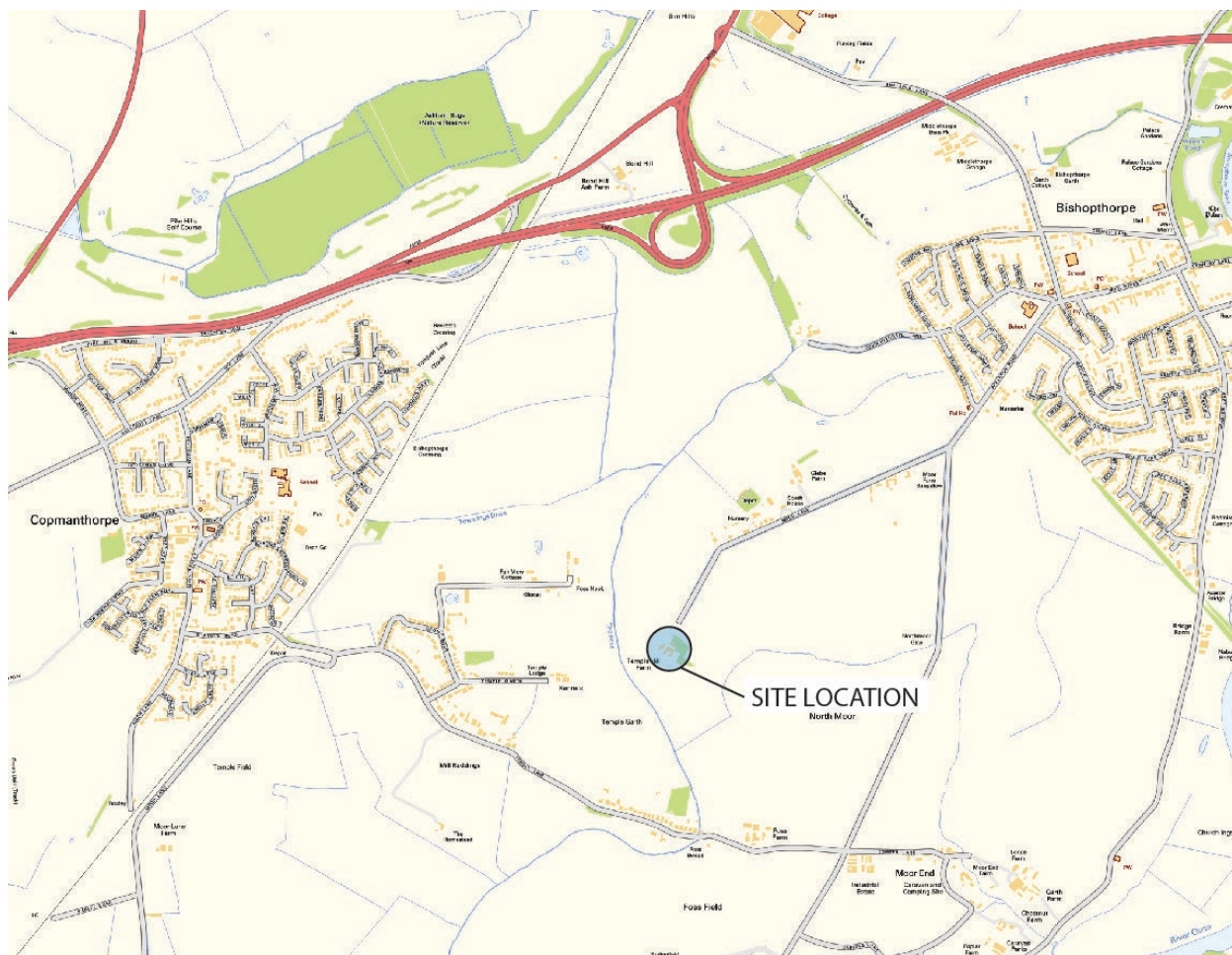


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INTRODUCTION

A watching brief on ground works for an extension to the existing farm building was undertaken by York Archaeological Trust on behalf of Peter Calam on the 11th September 2018 at Temple Farm, Moor Lane, Bishopthorpe, NGR SE 57960 46476 (Figure 1). The objective of the watching brief was to record any archaeological deposits or structures exposed by the ground works.



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Figure 1 Site Location

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METHODOLOGY

An L-shaped foundation trench, 8.29m in length and 3.21m in width, was excavated to a depth of around 730mm by an 8-tonne rubber tracked excavator (Figure 2, Plate 1). Digital photographs and measured sketches were taken throughout the monitoring.

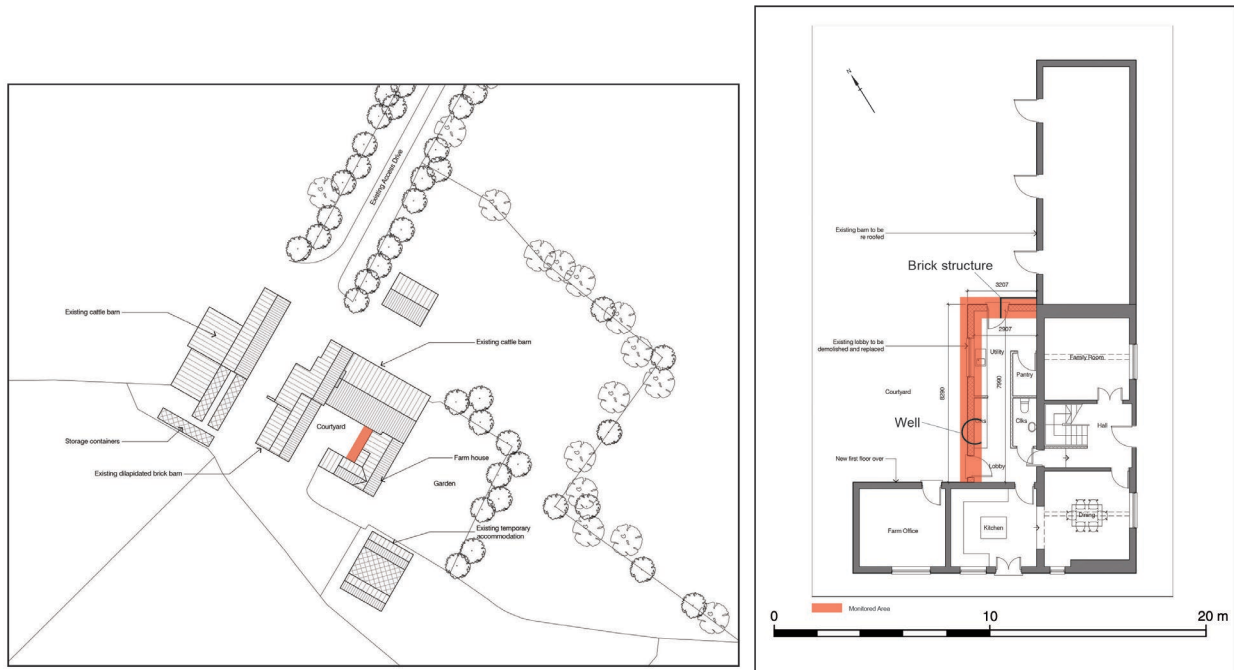


Figure 2 Location of foundation trench monitored
Taken from dc-architecture plan no's. 15-74_110_P04 and 15-74_005_P00

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Plate 1 Foundation trench mid-excavation. View north-east

RESULTS

Natural sand and clay was uncovered just 0.21m below the present ground level, which was formed from a layer of modern made ground containing brick and concrete rubble. The only notable features recorded during the watching brief were a late post-medieval to modern brick lined well, recorded 2.20m from the southwest end of the foundation trench (Figure 2, Plate 2), and a modern brick lined structure recorded adjacent to the existing building to the east (Figure 2, Plate 3). Both the features were located beneath the modern made ground deposits and are likely associated with the 19th century farm.

CONCLUSIONS

No archaeological features or finds dating to before the current farm was built in the 19th century were encountered.

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Plate 2 Brick lined well, view north-east



Plate 3 Brick structure, view north-east

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