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BYES LANE, SILCHESTER, HAMPSHIRE**

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Summary

John Moore Heritage Services carried out an archaeological watching brief at Land adjoining Bridles View, Byes Lane, Silchester, Hampshire (NGR SU 62500 60820 centred). The groundworks consisted of the mechanical excavation of four building footprints, each reduced to the natural horizon. The only archaeological evidence recorded was a single posthole cut into the natural geology in Plot 1. No dating evidence or finds were recovered from the posthole, or from any other deposits on the site.

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Site Location (Figure 1)

The development site is located on the north side of Byes Lane, Silchester, 150 yards along from the south junction of Byes Lane and Little London Road (NGR: SU 62500 60820 centred). The site between lies at approximately 72.5m and 70.73m AOD from north to south. The underlying geology is London Clay Formation. The site was previously pasture.

1.2 Planning Background

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council granted planning permission for the **erection of 2 no. 5 bed dwellings each with detached double garage and cycle store (22/03274/FUL)**. Advice from the Senior Archaeologist at Hampshire County Council is that the possible archaeological potential of the site can be dealt by an archaeologist monitoring all groundworks.

1.3 Archaeological Background

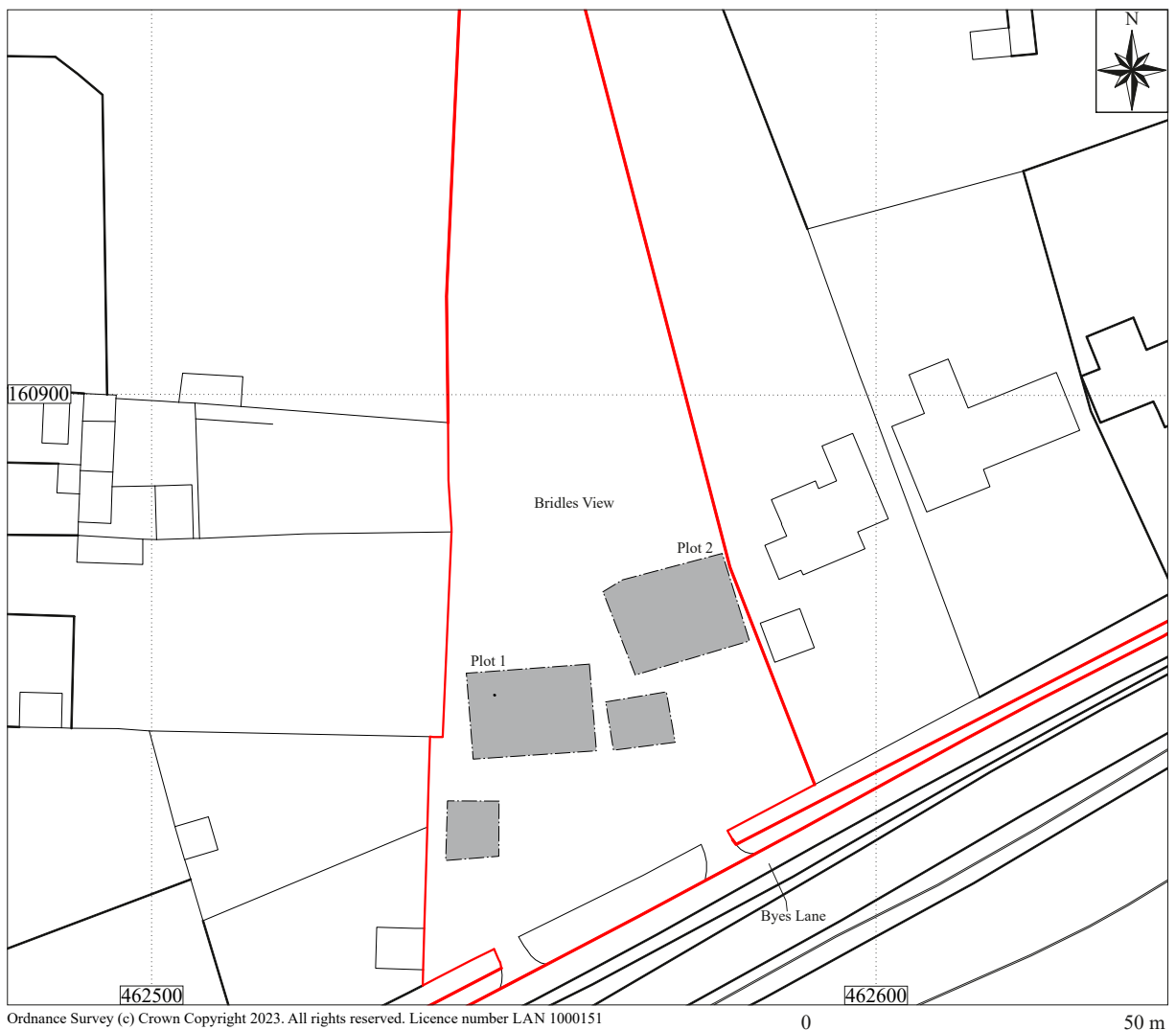
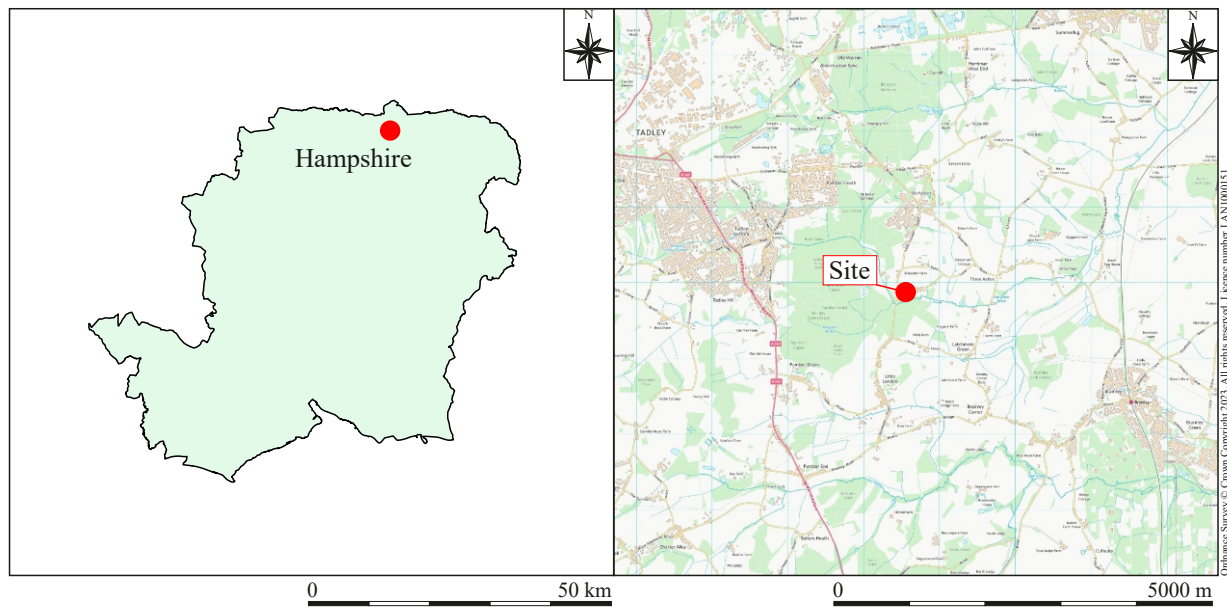
The site of the proposed development is located *c.*20 metres to the north of a scheduled linear earthwork, one of several such earthworks associated with the Late Iron Age precursor of the Roman town of Calleva Atrebatum that is situated *c.* 2km to the north east. This earthwork is a Scheduled Monument (1008727). The archaeological potential of a site so close to a Scheduled Monument was sufficient to consider the chances of exposing hitherto unrecorded archaeological features associated with the nearby earthwork are good. Similar small-scale development in the area over the past 40 years has provided very useful evidence in understanding the nature of later Iron Age and Romano-British activity.

The above archaeological background has been obtained from the Historic Environment, Hampshire County Council advice note for this site and the adjoining site to the east.

A watching brief undertaken during groundworks for the new build to the east at Bridles View did not find evidence of any archaeological activity (JMHS 2020).

2 AIMS OF THE INVESTIGATION

The aims of the investigation as laid out in the Written Scheme of Investigation were as follows:



Key Site boundary Excavated Areas
 Archaeological features

Figure 1: Site location

- To make a record of any significant archaeological remains revealed during the course of any operations that may disturb or destroy archaeological remains.

In particular:

- To identify, investigate at an appropriate level, and record and report on any remains associated with the Late Iron Age and Roman activity known in the vicinity.

3 STRATEGY

3.1 Research Design

John Moore Heritage Services carried out the work to a Written Scheme of Investigation (JMHS 2023) agreed with the Senior Archaeologist at Hampshire County Council, the archaeological advisor to the Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.

The recording was carried out in accordance with the standards specified by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (2014).

3.2 Methodology

Groundworks consisted of the excavation of four building footprints. These footprints were reduced to the natural horizon at between 0.3m and 0.48m below ground level. The footprints were reduced with a bladed bucket, observed by an archaeologist.

The resultant spoil from the works was visually scanned, especially for finds relating to the Iron Age and Roman periods.

Beyond the excavation of the building footprints, the assessment of all further works indicated that they would not disturb any horizon lower than the overlying topsoil. It was agreed with the County Archaeologist that no further monitoring was required for these works.

Where archaeological horizons were encountered they were cleaned by hand and excavated appropriately. Standard John Moore Heritage Services techniques were employed throughout, involving the completion of a written record for each deposit encountered, with scale plans and section drawings compiled where appropriate. A photographic record was also produced.

4 RESULTS (Figures 2 & 3)

All deposits and features were assigned individual context numbers. Context numbers without brackets indicate features i.e. pit cuts, numbers in () show feature fills or deposits of material, while numbers in bold indicate structural features.

The earliest context encountered was the natural horizon (02). This consisted of mid brownish yellow clay (Fig. 2 & Fig. 3, Sections 2 to 8; Plate 1). This horizon was observed in all four building footprints, with an area of greater than 46m in length, by greater than 36m in width.



Plate 1: Plot 1, reduced to natural horizon (02)

Cut into the natural deposit (02) was a single posthole, 04, located within the Plot 1 footprint. This sub-circular posthole had a sharp break of slope at the top, straight sides, and a gradual break of slope onto a concave base. It measured 0.3m in width, and 0.32m in length, with a depth of 0.26m. (Fig. 2 & Fig. 3, Section 1; Plate 2).

This cut was filled by a single deposit (05), a mid-reddish grey silty clay. The single fill of the posthole contained frequent charcoal inclusions and moderate inclusions of burnt reddened clay. No dating evidence or finds were recovered from the deposit.



Plate 2: Posthole 04, Section 1, Plot 1.

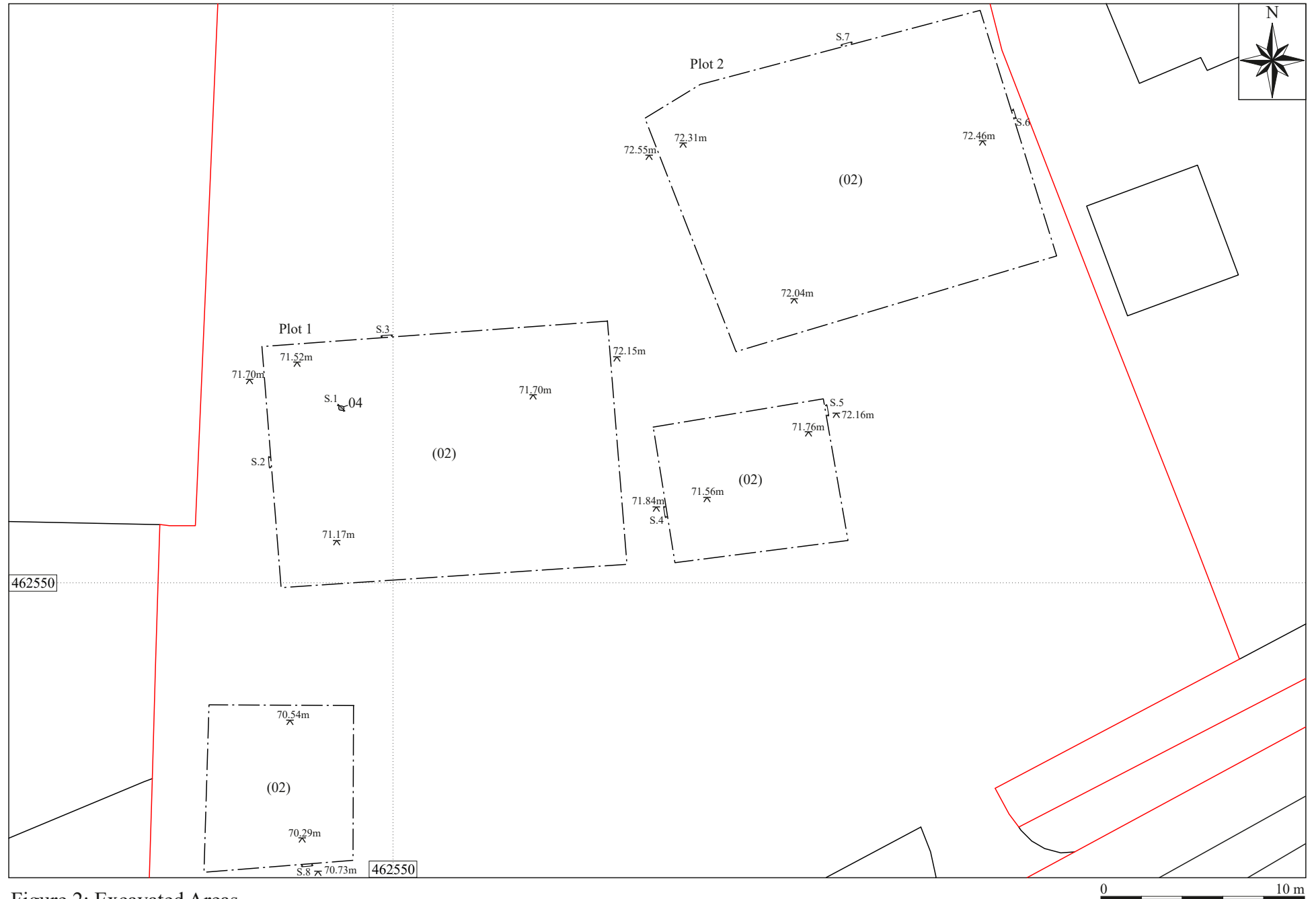


Figure 2: Excavated Areas

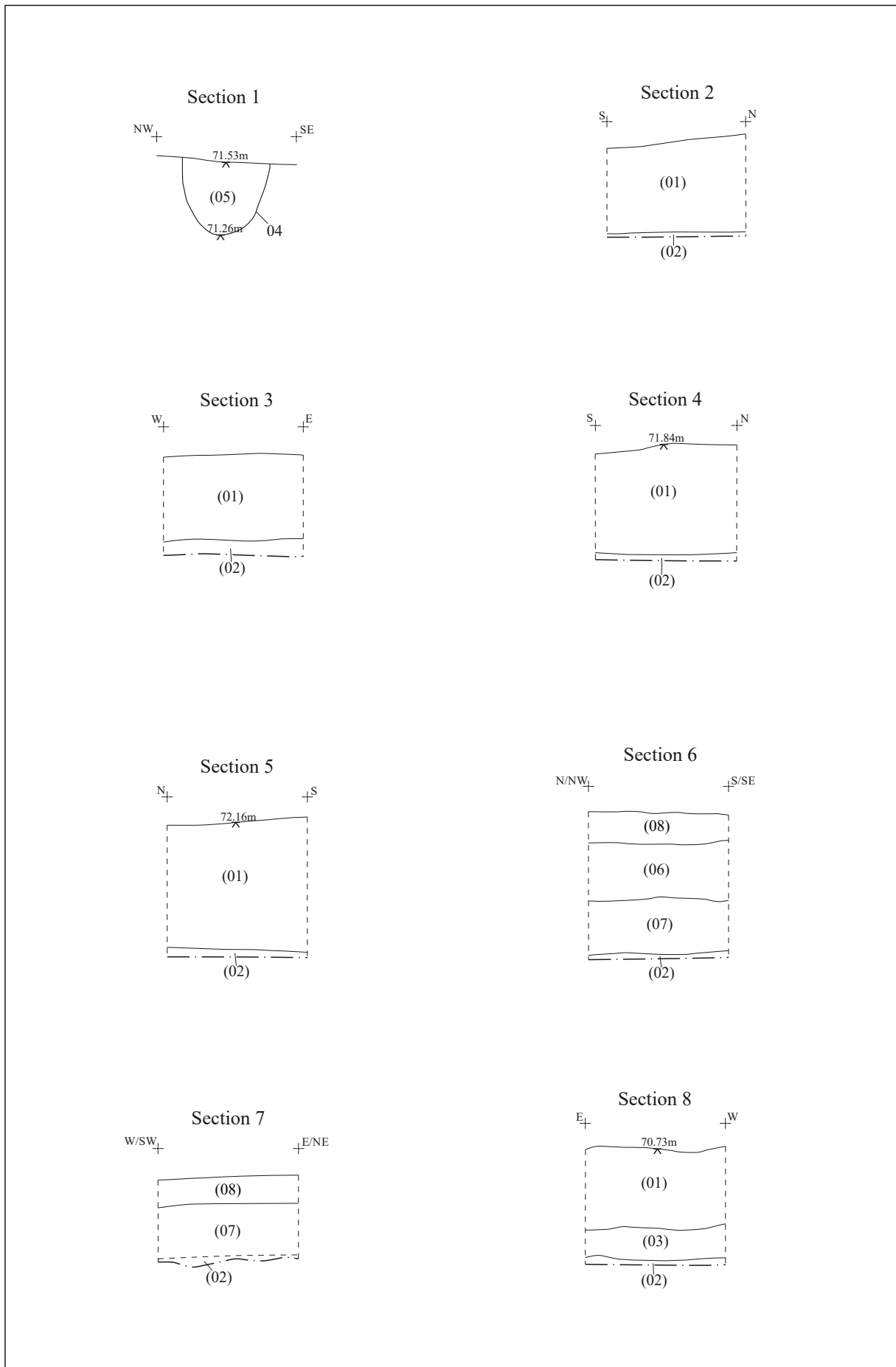


Figure 3: Sections

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Stratified above this was a subsoil deposit (03) observed in the footprint for the garage of Plot 1 (Fig. 2 & Fig. 3, Section 8). This consisted of a dark brownish yellow silty clay with frequent sub-angular stone and flint inclusions. Moderate rooting was observed throughout the deposit.

Stratified above this was a topsoil deposit (01). This deposit spread across the location of Plot 1, the location of garage for Plot 1, and the location of garage for Plot 2, but was severely disturbed towards the Plot 2 location (Fig. 2 & Fig. 3, Sections 2 to 5 & 8) The deposit consisted of a mid-greyish brown silty clay. It measured greater than 33m in length, by greater than 26m in width, and varied in thickness between 0.25m and 0.47m

Plot 2 contained a series of slumped modern deposits that although physically overlying natural (02) were stratigraphically later than topsoil (01). The earliest of these modern deposits was deposit (07) (Fig. 3, Sections 6 & 7). This consisted of a mid-brownish grey silty clay with extensive modern inclusions, primarily rubble. It measured greater than 12m in length by greater than 4m in width and had a thickness of 0.2m. This was overlain by a modern deposit (06). This comprised a mid-brownish yellow silty clay. It contained moderate modern rubble inclusions, and measured greater than 16m in length, by greater than 12m in width and had a thickness of approximately 0.2m.

Stratified above deposit (07) was a further topsoil deposit (08). This consisted of a mid-greyish brown silty clay. The deposit showed signs of extensive modern disturbance from plant vehicle tracks and construction materials spread across site. It was observed as being greater than 16m in length and greater than 13m in width. It had a thickness of 0.1m.

Modern disturbance of this area is visible in historical google earth satellite imagery dated to April 2022, and it is likely these deposits relate to such activity.

Reliability of Results

Excavation of the building footprints was undertaken in fair weather conditions with good cooperation from site staff, ensuring that the archaeological investigation could be undertaken without impediment.

5 DISCUSSION

The archaeological monitoring of the excavation of the building footprints failed to reveal any dating evidence relating to the Iron Age or Roman periods. No finds were recovered from site.

The single posthole in Plot 1 could not be dated to the Iron Age or Roman periods, or any earlier or later phase of activity in the area. Due to the absence of further archaeological features in the surrounding vicinity further contextual information for the setting of the posthole could not be ascertained.

Some evidence for faint and irregular plough scaring was noted within the natural but this had been observed high in the soil profile.

Two different topsoil deposits were observed. The deposit across the west of site appeared to be naturally formed from silting, whereas the topsoil seen in Plot 2 was likely the result of modern development works occurring prior to the current works. The full extent and point of change from topsoil (01) to topsoil (08) was not observed. Modern disturbance encompassing the area of Plot 2 can be seen from historic Google Earth satellite imagery from April 2022, appearing to relate to development works to the property to the east of the site.

6 ARCHIVE

Digitised copies of all the primary records and drawings, as well as a selection of digital photographs, will be made publicly available as an appendix to the Final Report submitted to information-gathering tool OASIS (ID johnmoor1-514896), for public release in the Archaeology Data Service (ADS) Library.

Additionally, the most recent version of all digital files is maintained by John Moore Heritage Services (ID 4879) and will be made available to the public upon request (to admin@jmheritageservices.co.uk). Security copies of all primary records will be made in digital format and stored on the Company's server, together with final versions of all born-digital files.

The archive includes:

- Digitised primary records
- Digitised versions of primary drawings
- GPS raw data
- QGIS files
- Digital photographs
- Report text files

7 BIBLIOGRAPHY

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~~Recessed Area Deposit~~

Buried Sussan containing present grave inclusions

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or Finds.				
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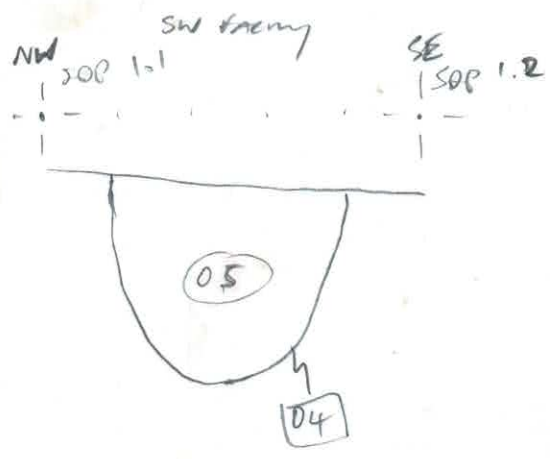
DEPOSIT 1 Compaction 2 Colour 3 Composition 4 Inclusions 5 Horizon clarity 6 Comments 7 Method & Conditions	Description <i>1. SOFT.</i> <i>2. MID SILTY CLAY</i> <i>3. SILTY CLAY.</i> <i>4. MODERATE MODERN MATERIAL, CBM.</i> <i>5. CLEAR.</i> <i>6.</i> <i>7. MACHINE EX.</i>
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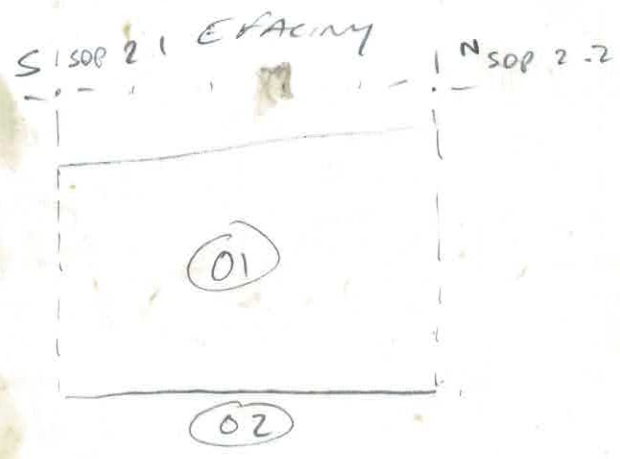
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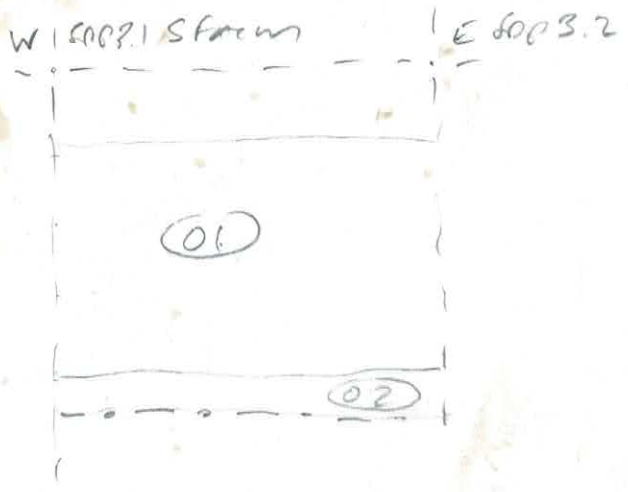
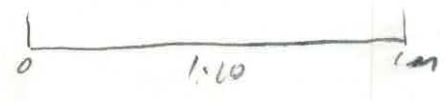
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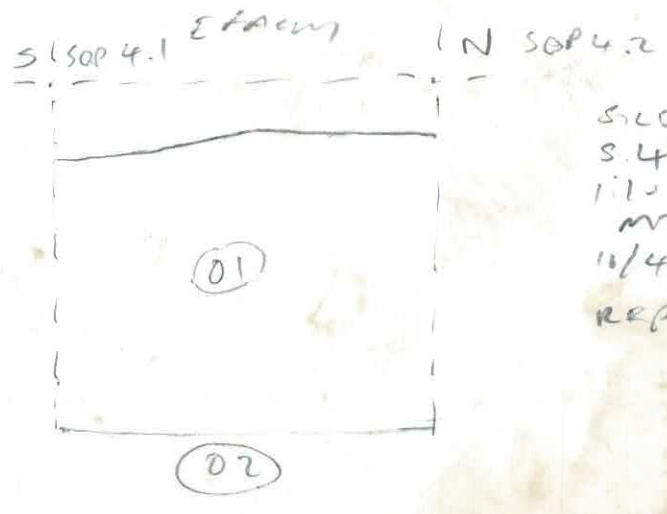
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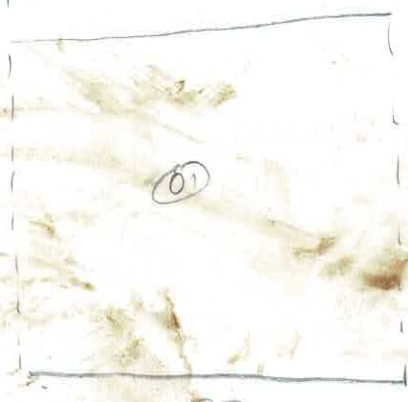
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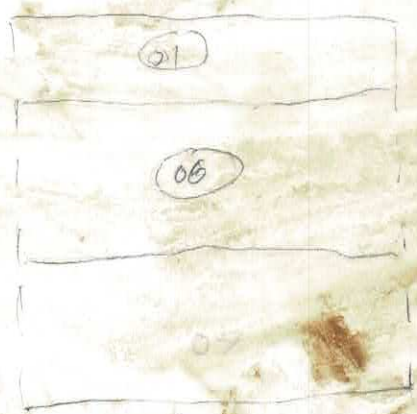
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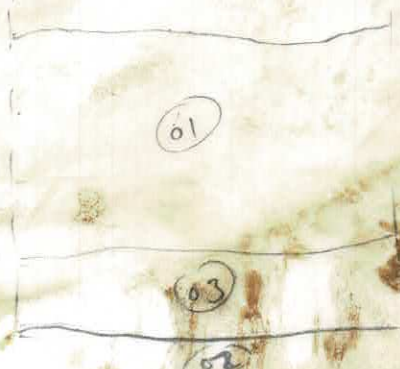
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DATA MANAGEMENT PLAN

FEBRUARY 2023

Document Information	
Title	Data Management Plan
Author	Simona Denis
Description	This document describes the type of data that was acquired and generated during the archaeological project, the way the data is managed and stored, and the mechanisms to preserve and share the data.

Document History				
Version	Status	Date	Author	Changes from the previous version
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2.0	Final Template	17/05/2019	Simona Denis	Minor edits
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9.1	Draft	17/04/2023	Simona Denis		Revision following the completion of the final report
9.2	Final	25/08/2023	Simona Denis		Revision for final project archive

Section 1 – Administrative Data
Data Set ID
Site code: SIBL 23 JMHS project no: 4879 OASIS ID: johnmoor1-514896
Project Name
Land Adjoining Bridles View, Byes Lane, Silchester
Data Set Description
Nature of project: Archaeological Observation, Investigation, Recording, Analysis and Publication of Works Aims of investigation: to identify, investigate at an appropriate level, and record and report on any remains associated with the Late Iron Age and Roman activity known in the vicinity Investigation techniques: Groundworks consisted of the excavation of four building footprints. These footprints were reduced to the natural horizon at between 0.3m and 0.48m below ground level. The footprints were reduced with a bladed bucket, observed by an archaeologist. The resultant spoil from the works was visually scanned, especially for finds relating to the Iron Age and Roman periods. Beyond the excavation of the building footprints, the assessment of all further works indicated that they would not disturb any horizon lower than the overlying topsoil. It was agreed with the county archaeologist that no further monitoring was required for these works Purpose: Erection of 2 no. 5 bed dwellings each with detached double garage and cycle store
Project Funder
Dariston Land & Development Ltd
Project Manager
John Moore (Director), John Moore Heritage Services
Principal Investigator
Maxwell Talbot (Project Supervisor), John Moore Heritage Services
Data Contact Person
Simona Denis (Archive Manager), John Moore Heritage Services
Data Management Policies and Guidance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Archaeology Data Service, 2022 <i>Instructions for Depositors</i> • Australian Research Data Commons, 2022 <i>Data Management Plans</i> • Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, Historic England, 2019 <i>Toolkit for Selecting Archaeological Archives</i> • Digital Curation Centre, 2013 <i>Checklist for Data Management Plan v.4.0</i> Edinburgh • Digital Preservation Coalition 2015 <i>Digital Preservation Handbook</i>, 2nd Edition. Technical Solutions and Tools • Duranti, L., Suderman, J. and Todd, M., 2005 <i>A Framework of Principles for the Development of Policies, Strategies and Standards for the Long-term Preservation of Digital Records</i>. The InterPARES 2 Project • Foster, M., 2019 <i>Work digital/think archive. A guide to managing digital data generated from archaeological investigations</i>. DigVentures • Hampshire Cultural Trust, 2022 <i>Depositing Archaeological Archives</i> • Historic England, 2018 <i>Historic England Excavation Recording Manual</i> • International Standards Organization, 2003 standards: <i>Reference Model (ISO 14721:2003)</i> • John Moore Heritage Services, 2023 <i>POL0006: Quality Control Policy Statement</i> • John Moore Heritage Services, 2023 <i>POL0010: Digital Archives Preservation Policy Statement</i> • John Moore Heritage Services, 2023 <i>POL0014: Data Protection Policy Statement</i> • John Moore Heritage Services, 2023 <i>Archive Guidelines. Draft</i> • John Moore Heritage Services, 2023 <i>22/03274/FUL – Land Adjoining Bridles View, Byes Lane, Silchester, Hampshire Archaeological Observation, Investigation, Recording, Analysis and Publication of Works. Written Scheme of Investigation</i> • Talbot, M., 2023 <i>Archaeological Observation, Investigation, Recording, Analysis and Publication of Works at Land Adjoining Bridles View, Byes Lane, Silchester, Hampshire</i>. • The National Archives, 2011 <i>Digital Preservation Policies: Guidance for archives</i> • Thomas, S., 2009 <i>A Guide to Archival and Related Standards</i>. Society of Archivists Data Standard Group • Whyte, A., Wilson, A., 2010, <i>How to Appraise and Select Research Data for Curation</i>. DCC How-to Guides. Edinburgh: Digital Curation Centre

Section 2 – Data Collection
Assessment of Existing Data
Existing quantitative and qualitative data provided by third parties as well as non-proprietary data were accessed, re-used and re-evaluated and the generated information were supplement the data collected during the project. Selected generated data were incorporated in the final report text included in the project archive.
Created Data
This table summarises the data types, formats and archive volume for this project.

File Type	File Format	Data Archive Volume
Text	.odt	None
	.docx	None
	.doc	2 files, 10,284,000 bytes
	.pdf	2 files, 2,766,000 bytes
Spreadsheet	.xlsx	2 files, 16,000,000 bytes
Raster Image	.jpg	48 files, 218,272,813 bytes
Vector Graphic	.cdr	2 files, 3,513,000 bytes
	.svg	3 files, 1,266,060 bytes
Photogrammetry	.obj/.mtl/.jpg	None
Geospatial Vector Data	shp/.shx/.dbf	6 files, 92,000 bytes

Data Collection Standards and Methodologies

- Analogue data sets

Acquisition standards are defined against the following:

Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, 2014 *Standards and Guidance for the collection, documentation, conservation and research of archaeological materials*

English Heritage, 2015 *Digital Image Capture and File Storage*

John Moore Heritage Services, 2022 *Field Handbook. Draft*

Museum of London Archaeology Service, 1994 *Archaeological Site Manual. Third Edition*

- Digitised data sets

Acquisition standards are defined against the following:

The National Archives, 2016 *Digitisation at The National Archives*

Thomas, S., 2009 *A Guide to Archival and Related Standards*. Society of Archivists Data Standard Group

- Born-Digital data sets

Creation standards are defined against the following:

Archaeology Data Service/Digital Antiquity, 2011 *Guides to Good Practice*

Cole, S., 2015 *Digital Image Capture and File Storage. Guidelines for Best Practice*. English Heritage

Data Storage and File Naming System

- The working project archive is stored in a dedicated project folder in the 'Projects' partition of the company's server
- All files were renamed following the company's file naming format, based on ADS standard and including version control, as laid out in JMHS' *Archive Guidelines*
- All files included in the working project archive include
 - Company's project identifier
 - File descriptor
 - Version number
- All files are organised following the company's project folder structure laid out in JMHS' *Archive Guidelines*

Quality Control

- All mechanical and electronic equipment used in the collection of data was calibrated prior to use and are periodically checked
- All collected data were checked during project delivery

Section 3 – Documentation and Metadata

Data Documentation

Data documentation is compliant with the WSI and Archaeology Data Service requirements and is provided via

- Collection-level metadata providing a detailed overview of the collection
- File-level metadata providing details of each data group and individual files

All data included in the project archive was migrated to

- widely supported open international standards
- most recent format version

Metadata

All metadata were created in compliance with relevant ADS standards, and specify for all file types:

- File name
- File format
- Language
- Creation/conversion software and version
- In addition, metadata for document files indicate:
 - Title
 - Abstract
 - Name of the creators
 - Page count

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Publishing details ● In addition, metadata for raster image files indicate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Caption ○ Subject keywords ○ Period ○ Name of the creator ○ Copyright holder ○ Location ○ Date of the capture of the image ● In addition, metadata for vector graphic files indicate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Caption ○ Description ○ Name of the illustrator ○ Copyright holder ○ Period of creation ○ Location ○ Conventions used in the illustration ○ Location ● In addition, metadata for geospatial vector data files indicate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Type of element captured ○ Type of features and/or contexts represented ○ Purpose of data collection ○ Data source and type ○ Data accuracy level ○ Coordinate system used ○ Method of capture ○ Name of surveyor

Section 4 – Ethics and Intellectual Property

Legal and Regulatory Framework

The following acts and directives were taken into consideration:

- Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988
- General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2018
- EU Copyright Directive 2001
- Data Protection Act 1998
- Current best practice

Personal Data

Personal data were collected in the form of:

- Project Team Members
 - Name

Personal Data Management

Management of personal data is carried out in compliance with John Moore Heritage Services' Data Protection Policy Statement.

- Written consent to process and share with the repository personal data was secured for the use specified below:
 - Project Team Members: Names are included in the project archive
- Files containing personal data are:
 - Password-protected
 - Securely stored on a server partition with restricted access
 - Kept only as long as necessary for the relevant, valid purposes

Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)

- Copyright Holder: John Moore Heritage Services is the copyright holder of any collected and created data included in the project archive in all forms of records and media
- Permission to Reuse Third-Party Data: formal consent to include, reuse and share data generated by external specialists will be secured
- Licence of Copyright: John Moore Heritage Services will grant to Archaeology Data Service perpetual and royalty-free licence throughout the world to:
 - reproduce all or any part of the project archive for the purposes of research, study, conservation or publicity relating to Archaeology Data Service
 - display copies of all or part of the project archive in any medium
 - publish any part of the project archive in any form or medium

- permit third parties to do any of the above

Section 5 – Storage and Backup

Storage System Details

- Long-term preservation of electronic records is ensured by storage on magnetic media on a Synology NAS server device with a storage capacity of 5.4TB
- The device is part of a network based on the client-server model with servers situated in separate geographical locations (JMHS's main office in Wheatley and the Director's office in Launton, Bicester)
- The system is managed via Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP)
- The system is set as a Redundant Array of Independent Disks (RAID) and failover

Security Copies

- Digital copies of the primary records were made immediately upon completion of fieldwork and stored on the company's server
- Security copies of all archive records and born-digital files were made in digital format and stored on the company's server

Data Storage and Access

Data storage

- Main and secondary servers are set up to constantly synchronise, effectively creating two copies of each file at any time
- Two additional copies of all files are created via backups:
 - The main server backs up to the Synology C2 Cloud Backup Server daily, starting at 17:30
 - The secondary server backs up to a local drive daily, starting at 17:30
- Versioning of files and backups is available for 30 days
- Multiple recovery methods are used, depending on the nature of the failure

Data access

- The company's server is accessible through a secure log-in by authorised staff on and off-site, via any web browser
- Secure access to the server is granted by a two-factor authentication method. Access to server's partitions containing sensitive data is restricted to authorised users through role-based access control

Section 6 – Selection and Preservation

Appraisal and Selection of Data

All data generated by all stages of the project is stored on the company's server. An appraisal of the digital data was carried out at the project report stage. A further assessment was carried out prior to the completion of the project, in order to select data for long-term curation.

The assessment of each dataset's value was carried out by the Post-Excavation Project Team and was based on the following criteria:

- Relevance
- Scientific/Historic value
- Uniqueness
- Non-Replicability
- Potential for redistribution

The selection of data was agreed with all relevant stakeholders.

Data Reuse

The project failed to reveal any evidence of archaeological remains related to the Late Iron Age and Roman occupation in the Silchester area.

The results might be:

- used to aid the future management of the archaeological site

Selection Review Points

Selection Strategy and Data Management Plan were revised in consultation with the relevant stakeholders and updated at the following stages:

- Project Design
- Project Reporting
- Archive Preparation

Selected Data Preparation

Selected data was normalised and organised in standardised folders, to guarantee consistency and retrievability, and to prevent data loss.

Normalisation included:

- Format migration to widely supported open international standards
- Version migration to most recent format version
- File naming normalisation to ADS standards

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organisation in the predefined file structure <p>Metadata compliant with ADS standards will be generated for all selected data.</p>
Long-Term Preservation of Selected Data
<p>Selected data was transferred to the appropriate repository:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital data: selected data was prepared for long-term curation and transferred to the CoreTrustSeal certified Archaeology Data Service via OASIS
Long-Term Preservation of Deselected Data
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long-term preservation of electronic records is ensured by storage on magnetic media on a server device. The device is part of a network based on the client-server model, available online and securely accessible remotely via any web browser. • The digital archives preservation strategy ensures that two copies of all born-digital items as well as digital surrogates of primary records are made available on two different server devices (server and backup) situated in separate locations (JMHS's main office in Wheatley and the Director's office in Launton).

Section 7 – Data Sharing

Data Accessibility

Final Results will be made available via the following:

- Project final results for all types of recording actions were made publicly available in digital format via the OASIS Index of Archaeological Investigations
- Summaries will be made publicly available via submission to relevant local, regional or period journals, to be included in the 'round-up' sections. Where significant discoveries are made, notes will also be sent to national journals

All selected data will be made available upon direct request for reuse, re-analysis, re-interpretation, and re-publication by secondary researchers

Intellectual Property

- John Moore Heritage Services holds the copyright of any collected and created data included in the project archive in all forms of records and media
- Digital elements of the project archive disseminated via ADS will be licenced under a creative commons licence
- A data sharing agreement will regulate the access and use of data by secondary researchers as appropriate

Long-Term Access

Long-term access to data is granted via deposition with the Archaeology Data Service via OASIS

Section 8 – Responsibilities and Resources

Responsibilities

Roles and responsibilities were as follows:

- Project Team Members (Fieldwork): Collection and storage of analogue data sets
- Project Team Members (Post-Excavation): Storage and backup of analogue data sets, creation of digitised and born-digital data sets, data quality, data archiving and metadata production for all data sets
- External company (Oxford Mac Solutions Ltd): Data storage and backup management
- Post-Excavation Manager (Simona Denis): Implementation of relevant policies, implementation, review and revision of the DMP, supervision of collection, production, storage, backup and management of all data sets, management of data selection, archiving and metadata production for all data sets, data sharing, project archive transfer

Resources

Resources required to prepare selected data and implement the DMP were covered by standard John Moore Heritage Services resources and project budget.



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SELECTION STRATEGY

FEBRUARY 2023

Project Information		
Project Management		
Project Manager	John Moore	
Archaeological Archive Manager	Simona Denis	
Organisation	John Moore Heritage Services	
Stakeholders		Date Contacted
Collecting Institutions	Archaeology Data Service	17/04/2023
County Archaeological Services	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	17/04/2023
Project Lead	Alessandro Guaggenti	22/02/2023
Resources		
No unusual resources required in addition to JMHS normal operating equipment and staff		
Context		
The full aims and objectives of the project are detailed in the approved WSI. The aims of the projects were to investigate any remains associated with the Late Iron Age and Roman activity known in the vicinity. No archaeological features or finds were recovered.		

Section 1 - Digital Data			
Stakeholders			
Project Manager	John Moore		
Archaeological Archive Manager	Simona Denis		
Digital Repository	Archaeology Data Service		
Selection			
Location of Data Management Plan (DMP)	The DMP (in attachment) is accessible upon request and located as outlined in Sections 5 and 6 All relevant standards, policies and guidelines are listed in Section 1		
De-Selected Digital Data	Digital files were reviewed following the approval of the final report by the Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council Archaeological Services and only the most recent versions was retained. Files will be made available to the public upon request (to admin@jmheritageservices.co.uk). Security copies of all primary records were made in digital format and stored on the Company's server, together with final versions of all born-digital files. The procedure is outlined in the DMP (in attachment) Section 6 and JMHS POL0010 Digital Archives (available upon request)		
Amendments			
Date	Amendment	Rationale	Stakeholders
25/08/2023	Retention strategy final revision	Revision informed by the selection of the final project archive	John Moore Simona Denis Archaeology Data Service

Section 2 - Documents			
Stakeholders			
Project Manager	John Moore		
Archaeological Archive Manager	Simona Denis		
Repository Representative	Robin Iles		
Selection			
Selected Documents	None		
De-Selected Documents	The primary records were not selected for retention due to the results detailed in the final report, which indicate the project is to be considered a 'sterile project' as per ClfA guidance (https://www.archaeologists.net/selection-toolkit/sterile-projects). Digital copies of all primary records are maintained by John Moore Heritage Services and will be made publicly available as an appendix to the Final Report submitted to information-gathering tool OASIS (ID johnmoor1-514896), for public release in the Archaeology Data Service (ADS) Library. The procedure is outlined in the DMP (in attachment) Section 6 and JMHS POL0009 Archives (available upon request)		
Amendments			
Date	Amendment	Rationale	Stakeholders
25/08/2023	Retention strategy final revision	Revision informed by the selection of the final project archive	John Moore Simona Denis Robin Iles

OASIS Summary for johnmoor1-514896

OASIS ID (UID)	johnmoor1-514896
Project Name	Silchester, Byes Lane, Land Adjoining Bridles View
Sitename	Silchester, Byes Lane, Land Adjoining Bridles View
Sitecode	SIBL 22
Project Identifier(s)	SIBL 23, 4879
Activity type	Watching Brief
Planning Id	22/03274/FUL
Reason For Investigation	Planning requirement
Organisation Responsible for work	John Moore Heritage Services
Project Dates	11-Apr-2023 - 11-Apr-2023
Location	Silchester, Byes Lane, Land Adjoining Bridles View NGR : SU 62500 60820 LL : 51.343037700817376, -1.104072611508897 12 Fig : 462500,160820
Administrative Areas	Country : England County : Hampshire District : Basingstoke and Deane Parish : Silchester
Project Methodology	<p>Groundworks consisted of the excavation of four building footprints. These footprints were reduced to the natural horizon at between 0.3m and 0.48m below ground level. The footprints were reduced with a bladed bucket, observed by an archaeologist.</p> <p>The resultant spoil from the works was visually scanned, especially for finds relating to the Iron Age and Roman periods.</p> <p>Beyond the excavation of the building footprints, the assessment of all further works indicated that they would not disturb any horizon lower than the overlying topsoil. It was agreed with the county archaeologist that no further monitoring was required for these works.</p>
Project Results	<p>The archaeological monitoring of the excavation of the building footprints failed to reveal any dating evidence relating to the Iron Age or Roman periods. No finds were recovered from site.</p> <p>The single post-hole in plot 1 could not be securely dated to the Iron Age or Roman periods, and may be related to a later phase of activity in the area. Due to the lack of further archaeological features in the surrounding vicinity, the use of the post-hole or further contextual information could not be ascertained.</p> <p>Two different top soil deposits were observed. The deposit across the west of site appeared to be naturally formed from silting, whereas the topsoil seen in plot 2 was likely the result of modern development works occurring prior to the current works. The full extent and point of change from topsoil (01) to topsoil (08) was not observed.</p>
Keywords	Post Hole - UNCERTAIN - FISH Thesaurus of Monument Types
Funder	Private or public corporation Dariston Land & Development Ltd
HER	Hampshire Archaeology and Historic Buildings Record (AHBR) - unRev - STANDARD

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