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ARCHAEOLOGICAL WATCHING BRIEF

AT

BRIGHTWELL MANOR A,

BRIGHTWELL STREET,

BRIGHTWELL-CUM-SOTWELL OX10 0RT

NGR SU 57829 90706

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OASIS No:	johnmoor1-521323
Site Code:	BSBS 23
Archive Location:	A copy of the digital archive is maintained by John Moore Heritage Services (ID 4956). Digitised copies of the primary records are available on OASIS

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Summary
John Moore Heritage Services carried out an archaeological watching brief at Brightwell Manor A, Brightwell-cum-Sotwell, Oxfordshire, OX10 0RT (NGR SU 57829 90706). Planning permission was granted by South Oxfordshire District Council for construction and installation of a new outdoor swimming pool (11m x 4m), including holding tank, soak-away and associated service trenches. No archaeological features, deposits or artefactual finds associated with the medieval moated site were observed during the monitored works.

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Site Location (Figure 1)

The development site is located in the south eastern part of the grounds of Brightwell Manor A, Brightwell-cum-Sotwell, Oxfordshire (NGR SU 57829 90706). The site lies at approximately 50m OD. The underlying geology is shown as Upper Greensand Formation - Siltstone and sandstone; sedimentary bedrock formed between 113 and 93.9 million years ago during the Cretaceous period overlain by Alluvium - Clay, silt, sand and gravel; sedimentary superficial deposit formed between 11.8 thousand years ago and the present during the Quaternary period.

1.2 Planning Background

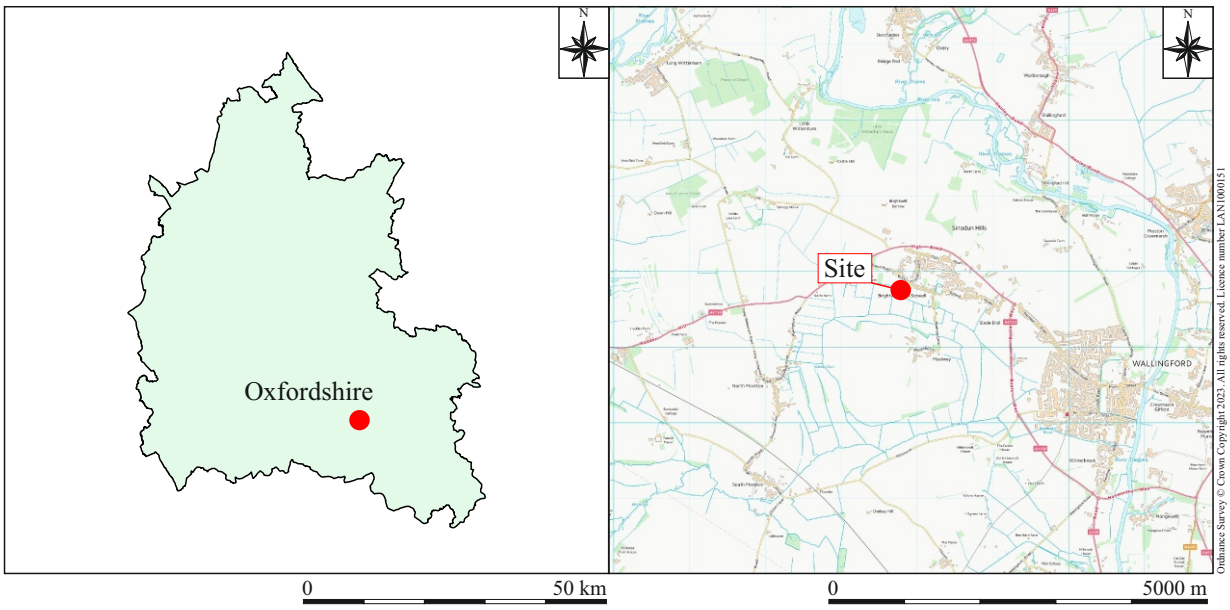
South Oxfordshire granted planning permission for the construction and installation of a new 'outdoor' swimming pool (11m x 4m), including holding tank and soak-away. External tiled surround to the pool (as amplified by ecological information received on 21 August, Great Crested Newt Habitat Assessment and Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment and biodiversity matrix received 6 September 2023, by NatureSpace Certificates received 12 September 2023 and amended by location and site plan rev D received 15 September 2023) at Brightwell Manor A (Planning ref: P23/S2069/HH).

Due to the archaeological and historical importance of the surrounding area a condition was attached to the permission requiring a watching brief to be maintained during the course of building operations or construction works on the site.

9. The applicant, or their agents or successors in title, shall be responsible for organising and implementing an archaeological watching brief, to be maintained during the period of construction/during any groundworks taking place on the site. The watching brief shall be carried out by a professional archaeological organisation in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation that has first been approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason - To safeguard the recording and inspection of matters of archaeological importance on the site in accordance with the NPPF (2021) and policy ENV9 of the South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2035. Following the approval of the Written Scheme of Investigation

10. Following the approval of the Written Scheme of Investigation referred to in



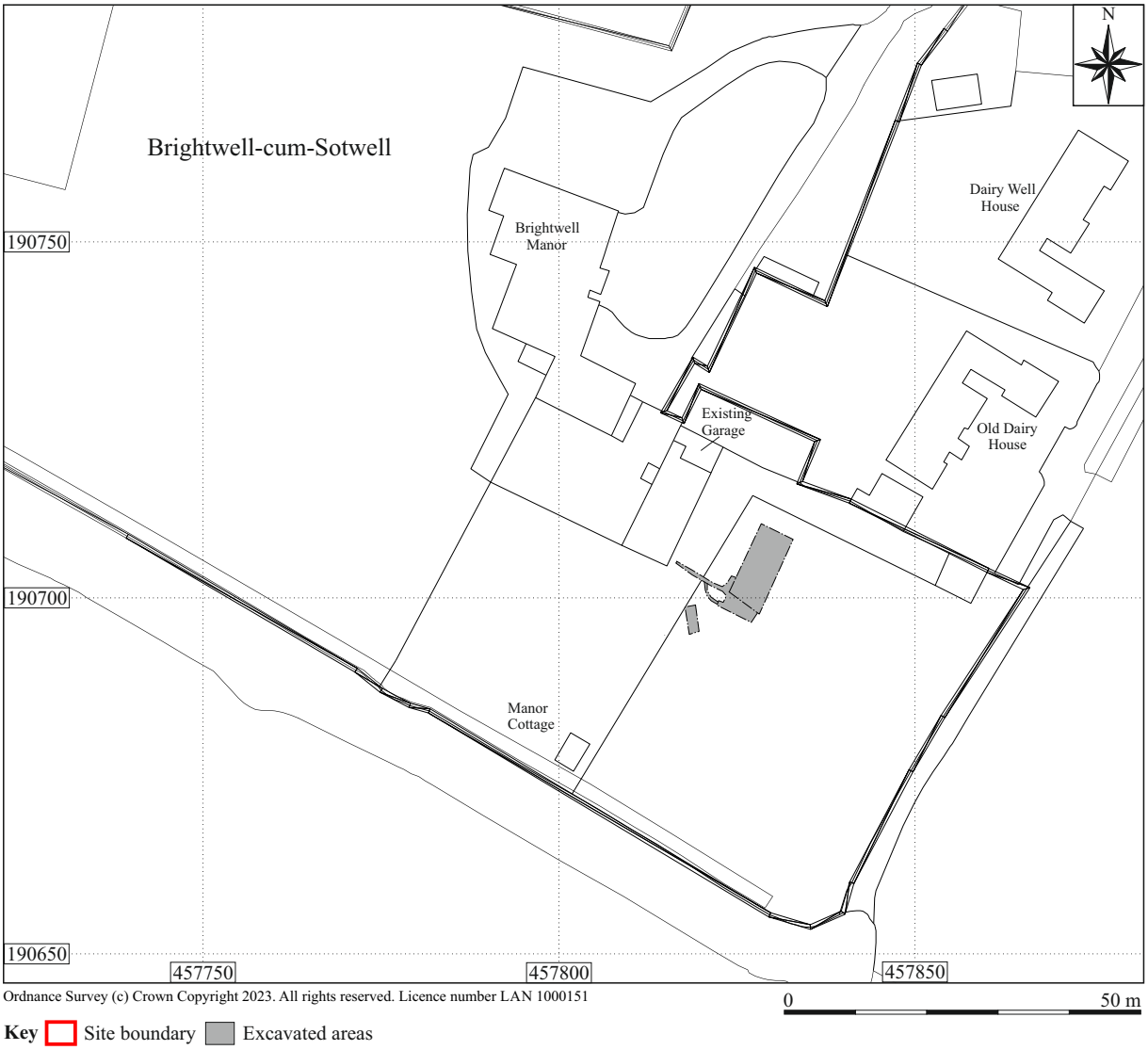


Figure 1: Site location

condition 9, no development shall commence on site without the appointed archaeologist being present. Once the watching brief has been completed its findings shall be reported to the Local Planning Authority, as agreed in the Written Scheme of Investigation, including all processing, research and analysis necessary to produce an accessible and useable archive and a full report for publication which shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority within two years of the completion of the archaeological fieldwork.

Reason - To safeguard the recording and inspection of matters of archaeological importance on the site in accordance with the NPPF (2021) and policy ENV9 of the South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2035.

1.3 Archaeological Background

The site is located in an area of considerable archaeological interest and potential in occupying a former moated site believed to be the location of a 12th century siege castle. The moat, situated c.33m to the south, which is now only partially extant, is further thought to have enclosed the 12th century church of St Agatha and medieval rectory, partly dating to the 14th century, to the north.

The above historic and archaeological background has been taken from the OCAS advice note for this site.

2 AIMS OF THE INVESTIGATION

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

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

- To record the extent, nature, and date of any archaeological features or deposits that may be present.

In particular:

- To investigate any evidence related to the development and use of the moated site

3 STRATEGY

3.1 Research Design

John Moore Heritage Services carried out the work to a Written Scheme of Investigation agreed with Steven Weaver (JMHS 2023), an archaeological advisor to the South Oxfordshire District Council.

The recording was carried out in accordance with the standards specified by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (2023).

3.2 Methodology

The new outdoor pool was excavated with a 360° excavator with a toothless ditching bucket under the supervision of an archaeologist. The holding tank, soak-away and associated service trenches were not excavated under archaeological supervision. JMHS were not notified that this work was taking place until after the holding tank, soak-away and service trenches had already already excavated. These excavations were recorded post excavation before they were back-filled.

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.

The resultant spoil from the works was visually scanned, especially for finds relating to the medieval moated site.

4 RESULTS (Figure 2)

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 deposit encountered was a firm mid yellowish-grey silty clay natural (03) with patches of chalk and rare sub-rounded pebbles up to 20mm in size. Overlying natural (03) was a firm mid brownish-grey silty clay subsoil (02), with frequent sub-angular stones up to 10mm in size. The deposit had an average thickness of 0.30m. Stratigraphically above subsoil (02), was topsoil (01). This comprised a soft dark brownish-black loamy clay, with rare sub-angular stones up to 150mm in size with abundant grass rooting with an average thickness of 0.20m (Plate 1). Within topsoil (01) fragments of modern CBM, tile and glass were observed. These were not collected.

Plate 1: Representative Section 01 Pool Area

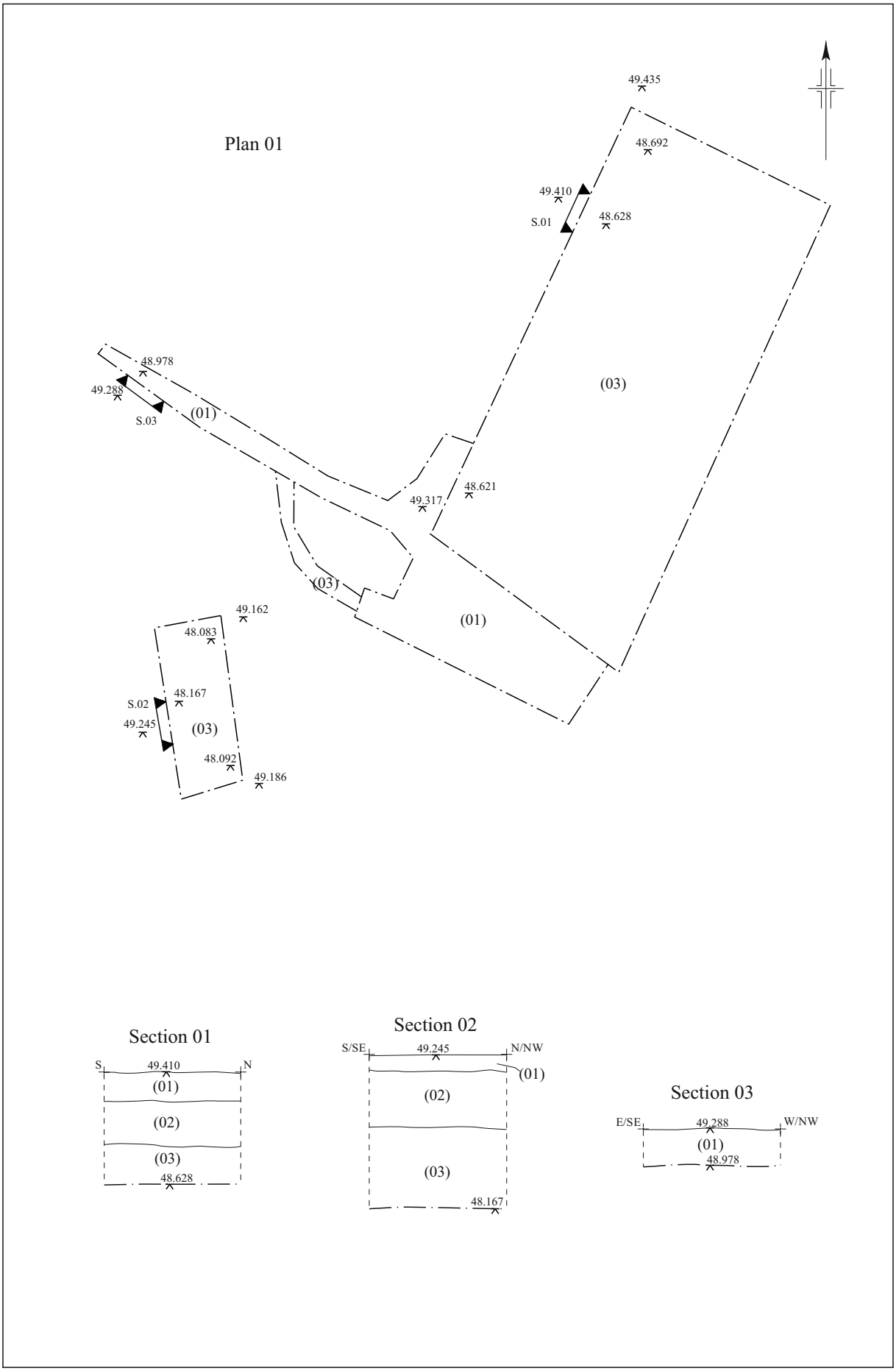


Figure 2: Plan of excavated area and Sections

Plan 0 5 m

Sections 0 5 m

Plate 2: Pool Area Excavation

5 DISCUSSION

The development site was located within a former moated site believed to be the location of a 12th century siege castle. Part of the aims of the investigation were to investigate any evidence related to the development and use of the moated site. However, no archaeological features, deposits or artefactual finds were observed during the monitored works.

6 ARCHIVE

Archive Contents
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 johnmoor1-521323), 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 4956) 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

Chartered Institute for Archaeologists 2023 *Standard and Guidance for an Archaeological Watching Brief*

John Moore Heritage Services. 2023 P23/S2069/HH – Brightwell Manor A, Brightwell Street, Brightwell-Cum-Sotwell OX10 0RT Archaeological Watching Brief Written Scheme Of Investigation

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BRIGHTWELL MANOR A

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ARCHAEOLOGICAL WATCHING BRIEF

DATA MANAGEMENT PLAN AND SELECTION STRATEGY

SEPTEMBER 2023

Document Information	
Title	Data Management Plan and Selection Strategy
Author	Simona Denis
Description	This document describes the type of data that were acquired and generated during the archaeological project, the way the data was selected, managed and stored, and the mechanisms to preserve and share the data; it also describes the criteria for the selection of the data, documents and materials included in the final project archive

Document History					
Version	**Status**	**Date**	**Author**	**Changes from the previous version**	
1	Final	23/08/2023	Simona Denis	Not applicable	
2	Draft	28/09/2023	Simona Denis	Project-specific edits	
Document Control Grid					
Revision	Status	Date	Author	Checked by	Reason for revision
1.1	Final	30/08/2023	Simona Denis		Edits to table formatting
2.1	Draft	07/12/2023	Aimée Skillen-Thompson		Edits to reflect fieldwork results
2.2	Final	02/01/2024	Simona Denis		Revision for final project archive

Section 1 – Administrative Data		
Data Set ID	Site Code	BSBS 23
	JMHS Project No.	4956
	OASIS ID	johnmoor1-521323
	ADS ID	N/A
	Accession No.	N/A
Project Name	Brighton-cum-Sotwell, Brightwell Street, Brightwell Manor A	
Data Set Description	Nature of Project	Watching Brief
	Aims of Investigation	To investigate any evidence related to the development and use of the moated site
	Investigation Techniques	The new outdoor pool was excavated with a 360° excavator with a toothless ditching bucket under the supervision of an archaeologist. The holding tank, soak-away and associated service trenches were not excavated under archaeological supervision. JMHS were not notified that this work was taking place until after the holding tank, soak-away and service trenches had already already excavated. These excavations were recorded post excavation before they were back-filled.
	Purpose	Construction and installation of a new 'outdoor' swimming pool (11m x 4m), including holding tank and soak-away. External tiled surround to the pool
Project Funder	Anchor Design Ltd	
Project Manager	Alessandro Guaggenti	Project Manager, John Moore Heritage Services
Principal Investigator	Aimée Skillen-Thompson	Project Officer, John Moore Heritage Services
Data Contact Person	Simona Denis	Archive Manager, John Moore Heritage Services
Data Management Policies and Guidance	Archaeology Data Service, 2022 *Instructions for Depositors* Australian Research Data Commons, 2022 *Data Management Plans* Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, Historic England, 2019 *Toolkit for Selecting Archaeological Archives* Digital Curation Centre, 2013 *Checklist for Data Management Plan* v.4.0 Edinburgh Digital Preservation Coalition, 2015 *Digital Preservation Handbook*, 2nd Edition. Technical Solutions and Tools Duranti, L., Suderman, J. and Todd, M., 2005 *A Framework of Principles for the Development of Policies, Strategies and Standards for the Long-term Preservation of Digital Records*. The InterPARES 2 Project Foster, M., 2019 *Work digital/think archive. A guide to managing digital data generated from archaeological investigations.* DigVentures Historic England, 2018 *Historic England Excavation Recording Manual* Historic England, 2019 *ADAPt: The Archaeological Digital Archiving Protocol Toolkit* International Standards Organization, 2003 standards: *Reference Model (ISO 14721:2003)* John Moore Heritage Services, 2023 *POL0006: Quality Control Policy Statement* John Moore Heritage Services, 2023 *POL0010: Digital Archives Preservation Policy Statement* John Moore Heritage Services, 2023 *POL0014: Data Protection Policy Statement* John Moore Heritage Services, 2023 *Archive Guidelines* John Moore Heritage Services, 2023 *P23/S2069/HH – Brightwell Manor A, Brightwell Street, Brightwell-cum-Sotwell OX10 0RT Archaeological Watching Brief. Written Scheme of Investigation* The National Archives, 2011 *Digital Preservation Policies: Guidance for archives* Oxfordshire County Museum Service, 2023 *Requirements for Transferring Archaeological Archives 2023-2024* Skillen-Thompson, A, 2023 *Archaeological Watching Brief At Brightwell Manor A, Brightwell Street, Brightwell-Cum-Sotwell OX10 0RT. Unpublished JMHS report 4965* Thomas, S., 2009 *A Guide to Archival and Related Standards*. Society of Archivists Data Standard Group Whyte, A., Wilson, A., 2010 *How to Appraise and Select Research Data for Curation*. 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 supplemented the data collected during the project. Selected generated data were incorporated in the final report text included in the project archive	
Data Collection Standards and Methodologies	Analogue data sets acquisition standards	Historic England, 2018 *Excavation Recording Manual* John Moore Heritage Services, 2022 *Field Handbook. Draft* Museum of London Archaeology Service, 1994 *Archaeological Site Manual*. Third Edition
	Digitised data sets acquisition standards	Historic England, 2019 *File-naming Conventions*. Archaeological Digital Archiving Protocol (ADAPt) 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 creation standards	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, 2015 *Digital Image Capture and File Storage* Historic England, 2019 *Guidance for Databases and Spreadsheets*. Archaeological Digital Archiving Protocol (ADAPt) Historic England, 2019 *Image Capture Standards*. Archaeological Digital Archiving Protocol (ADAPt)		
	No external specialists individual reports were produced			
Created Data	This table summarises the data types, formats and archive volume for this project			
	File		**Data Archive Estimated Volume**	
	Type	**Format**	**No. of Files**	**No. of Bytes**
	Text	.odt	1	97,000
		.doc	1	8,086,000
		.docx	3	1,209,000
		.pdf	2	1,510,000
	Spreadsheet	.xlsx	None	
	Raster Image	.jpg	44	179,282,940
	Vector Graphic	.svg	3	2,689,000
		.dxf	None	
	Photogrammetry	.obj/.mtl/.jpg	None	
	Geospatial Vector Data	shp/.shx/.dbf	None	
		.qgz	1	320,000
Data Storage and File Naming System	The working project archive is stored in a dedicated project folder in the 'Projects' partition of JMHS's server. All files are: • renamed following JMHS's file naming format, based on ADS standard and including version control, as laid out in JMHS' *Archive Guidelines* • organised following JMHS's project folder structure laid out in JMHS' *Archive Guidelines* All files included in the working project archive indicate: • Company's project identifier or Site code • File descriptor • Version number			
Quality Control	• All mechanical and electronic equipment used in the collection of data was calibrated prior to use • All collected data was checked during project delivery			

Section 3 – Documentation and Metadata		
Data Documentation	Data documentation is compliant with the Written Scheme of Investigation and ADS 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 final project archive was migrated to: • widely supported international standards • most recent format version	
Metadata	All metadata was created in compliance with relevant ADS standards	
	Metadata for all files include	File name File format Language Creation/conversion software and version
	Text Metadata for text files include	Title Abstract Name of the creators Page count Publishing details
	Metadata for spreadsheet files include	N/A
	Metadata for raster image files include	Caption Subject keywords Period Name of the creator Copyright holder Location

		Date of the capture of the image
	Metadata for vector graphic files include	Caption Description Name of the illustrator Copyright holder Period of creation Location Conventions used in the illustration Location
	Metadata for geospatial vector data files include	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	Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2018 EU Copyright Directive 2001 Data Protection Act 1998 Current best practice
Collected Personal Data	Project Team Members • Name
Personal Data Management	Management of personal data is carried out in compliance with JMHS' 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: • 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: JMHS is the copyright holder of any collected and created data included in the project archive in all forms of records and media • Licence of Copyright: JMHS grants ADS 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 ADS ◦ 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	• Back-up of raw digital data generated during fieldwork was provided by secure remote access to JMHS's server • Digital copies of the primary records were made immediately on completion of fieldwork and stored on JMHS's server • Security copies of all archive records and born-digital files were made in digital format and stored on JMHS'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 • JMHS'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 JMHS's server. An appraisal of the digital data 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 did not yield any results new research data regarding the medieval moated site and possible siege castle
Selection Review Points	Data Management Plan and Selection Strategy were revised in consultation with the relevant stakeholders and updated at the following stages: • Project Design • Project Reporting • Archive Preparation Prior to the transfer, Data Management Plan and Selection Strategy was finalised in agreement with all stakeholders
Selected Data Preparation	Selected data were normalised and organised in standardised folders, to guarantee consistency and retrievability, and to prevent data loss. Normalisation includes: • Format migration to widely supported international standards • Version migration to most recent format version • File naming normalisation to ADS standards • Organisation in the predefined file structure Metadata compliant with ADS standards was generated for all selected data
Long-Term Preservation of Selected Data	• Digital data: selected data was prepared for long-term curation and transferred to the CoreTrustSeal certified ADS via OASIS V. A further copy of the full digital archive is maintained on JMHS's servers.
Long-Term Preservation of Deselected Data	• 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, Bicester)

Section 7 – Data Sharing	
Data Accessibility	Final Results are 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 • All selected data will be made available upon direct request for reuse, re-analysis, re-interpretation, and re-publication by secondary researchers
Intellectual Property	JMHS 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 ADS via OASIS V; additionally, selected digital data will be made accessible to the public upon request.

Section 8 – Responsibilities and Resources		
Responsibilities	Fieldwork Project Team Members	Collection and storage of analogue data sets
	Post-Excavation Project Team Members	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
	Oxford Mac Solutions Ltd	Data storage and backup management
	Post-Excavation Manager	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

Stakeholders	Project Manager	Alessandro Guaggenti, John Moore Heritage Services
	Archive Manager	Simona Denis, John Moore Heritage Services
	Collecting Institutions	Archaeology Data Service
	County Archaeological Services	Oxfordshire County Archaeological Services
	Landowner/Developer	Anchor Design Ltd
	Specialists	N/A
Resources	Resources required to prepare selected data and implement the DMP were covered by standard John Moore Heritage Services resources and project budget; No unusual resources were required in addition to JMHS normal operating equipment and staff.	

Section 9 – Digital Data Selection Strategy				
Data Management Plan	The procedure is outlined in Sections 2, 3 and 6 and in the JMHS POL0010 Digital Archives (available upon request)			
De-Selected Digital Data	Digital files were reviewed following the approval of the final report by the Oxfordshire County Archaeological Services and only the most recent versions were 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 Section 6 and JMHS POL0010 Digital Archives (available upon request)			
Amendments	**Date**	**Amendment**	**Rationale**	**Stakeholders**
	07/12/2023	Retention strategy revision	Revision following the completion of the final report	JMHS Archaeology Data Service
	02/01/2023	Retention strategy revision	Revision following the selectin of data for inclusion in the final project archive	JMHS Archaeology Data Service

Section 10 – Documents Selection Strategy				
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 CIfA 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 johnmoor1-521323), for public release in the Archaeology Data Service (ADS) Library. The procedure is outlined in the DMP Section 6 and JMHS POL0009 Archives (available upon request)			
Amendments	**Date**	**Amendment**	**Rationale**	**Stakeholders**
	07/12/2023	Retention strategy revision	Revision following the completion of the final report	JMHS Oxfordshire County Museum Service
	02/01/2023	Retention strategy revision	Revision following the selectin of data for inclusion in the final project archive	JMHS Oxfordshire County Museum Service

Section 11 – Bulk Finds Selection Strategy				
Uncollected Materials	Unstratified and Modern materials were not collected. The presence of the materials were noted in the primary records.			
Selected Materials	• No materials were collected during fieldwork			
De-Selected Materials	• N/A			
Amendments	**Date**	**Amendment**	**Rationale**	**Stakeholders**
	07/12/2023	Retention strategy revision	Revision following the	JMHS

			completion of the final report	
	02/01/2023	Retention strategy revision	Revision following the selectin of data for inclusion in the final project archive	JMHS

Section 12 – Environmental Remains Selection Strategy				
Selected Materials	• No environmental samples were collected			
De-Selected Materials	N/A			
Amendments	**Date**	**Amendment**	**Rationale**	**Stakeholders**
	07/12/2023	Retention strategy revision	Revision following the completion of the final report	JMHS
	02/01/2023	Retention strategy revision	Revision following the selectin of data for inclusion in the final project archive	JMHS

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CONTEXT REGISTER

Site Name: BRIGHTWELL MANOR | Site Code: BSBS23

Context No.	Type (deposit, cut, Structural or timber)	Stratigraphic Relationships	*Group No.*	Drawn			Initials & Date	Description/ Comments
				Section	Plan	Sheet		
(01)	DEP	U: (02)		S.01	GPS	#1	AJT 16/10/23	TOP SOIL / TURF
(02)	DEP	U: (01) U: (03)		↓	↓	↓	↓	SUBSOIL
(03)	DEP	U: (03)		↓	↓	↓	↓	NATURAL.

John Moore HERITAGE SERVICES — CONTEXT RECORDING SHEET

Grid Squares	Area/Trench	Context Type	Site Code	Context
		DEPOSIT	BSBS23	01

Plan No. on Drawing Sheet No.	Section No. on Drawing Sheet No.	Add. Sheet
GPS.	S-01 S-02 S03 #1	

DEPOSIT
1 Compaction 2 Colour
3 Composition 4 Inclusions
5 Horizon clarity 6 Comments
7 Method & Conditions

CUT
1 Shape in plan 2 Corners
3 Break of slope-top 4 Sides
5 Break of slope-base 6 Base
7 Orientation 8 Inclination of axis
9 Truncation 10 Fill Nos.
11 Other comments

Dimensions
Length: >1m
Thickness/~~Depth~~: 0.20m.
Width: >1m.

Description
1. FRIABLE
2. DARK BROWN BLACK.
3. LOAMY CLAY.
4. RARE SUBANG STONES 1-150mm POORLY SORTED.
5. CLEAR.
6.
7. MACHINE EX - OVERCAST

Stratigraphic matrix
This context is: (01)
(02)

Physical Relationship
BELOW Under: Filled by: Cut by:
CONTEMPORARY *Group No.:* Same as:
ABOVE Over: (02) Fill of: Cuts:

Interpretation & Discussion: Internal External Structural Other (specify)

- TOPSOIL/TURF DEPOSIT
- FRAGMENTS OF CBM/TILE + GLASS WERE OBSERVED BUT NOT RETAINED

Environmental Samples Nos:

Small Finds:

FINDS
none pot CBM fauna flora flint glass metal burntmat.
☐ ☑ ☑ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☑ ☐ ☐
Other finds (specify):

Provisional Date:

Checked by (on site): *Date:*

Completed by: AST **Date:** 16/10/23

Checked by (office): *Date:*

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Grid Squares	Area/Trench	Context Type	Site Code	Context
/	/	DEPOSIT	BSBS23	(02)

Plan No. on Drawing Sheet No.	Section No. on Drawing Sheet No.	Add. Sheet
GPS	S-01 S02 #1	

DEPOSIT
1 Compaction 2 Colour
3 Composition 4 Inclusions
5 Horizon clarity 6 Comments
7 Method & Conditions

CUT
1 Shape in plan 2 Corners
3 Break of slope-top 4 Sides
5 Break of slope-base 6 Base
7 Orientation 8 Inclination of axis
9 Truncation 10 Fill Nos.
11 Other comments

Dimensions
Length: >1m
Thickness/~~Depth~~: 0.30m.
Width: >1m

Description
1. COMPACT
2. MID BROWNISH GREY.
3. CLAYEY.
4. FREQUENT SUBANG STONES UPTO 10mm
POORLY SORTED
5. CLEAR.
6.
7. MACHINE EX- OVERCAST.

Stratigraphic matrix
This context is: (01) (02) (03)

Physical Relationship
BELOW
Under: (01) Filled by: Cut by:
CONTEMPORARY
Group No.: Same as:
ABOVE
Over: (03) Fill of: Cuts:

Interpretation & Discussion: Internal (External) Structural Other (specify)

- SUBSOIL
- FLECKS OF CHARCOAL.
- SLIGHTLY SILTY.

Environmental Samples
Nos: /

Small Finds: /

FINDS
none pot CBM fauna flora flint glass metal burntmat.
/
Other finds (specify):

Provisional Date:

Completed by: AST **Date:** 16/10/23.

Checked by (on site): *Date:*

Checked by (office): *Date:*

John Moore HERITAGE SERVICES — CONTEXT RECORDING SHEET

Grid Squares	Area/Trench	Context Type	Site Code	Context
		DEPOSIT	BSBS23	(03)

Plan No. on Drawing Sheet No.	Section No. on Drawing Sheet No.	Add. Sheet
GPS	S.01 S02. #1	

DEPOSIT
1 Compaction 2 Colour
3 Composition 4 Inclusions
5 Horizon clarity 6 Comments
7 Method & Conditions

CUT
1 Shape in plan 2 Corners
3 Break of slope-top 4 Sides
5 Break of slope-base 6 Base
7 Orientation 8 Inclination of axis
9 Truncation 10 Fill Nos.
11 Other comments

Dimensions
Length: >1m
Thickness/~~Depth:~~ >0.30m.
Width: >1m

Description
1. COMPACT.
2. MID YELLOW/WHITE GREY
3. CLAY SILTY
4. CHALK FLECKS. RARE SUBROUNDED PEBBLES UP TO 20mm.
5. CLEAR.
6.
7. MACHINE EX - OVERCAST.

Stratigraphic matrix

This context is: (02) (03)

Physical Relationship

BELOW
Under: (02) Filled by: Cut by:

CONTEMPORARY
Group No.: Same as:

ABOVE
Over: Fill of: Cuts:

Interpretation & Discussion: Internal External Structural Other (specify)

- SILTY CLAY NATURAL DEPOSIT
- WITH CHALK FLECKS COMING THROUGH QUITE FREQUENTLY

Environmental Samples
Nos:

Small Finds:

FINDS
none pot CBM fauna flora flint glass metal ~~burntmat.~~
Other finds (specify):

Provisional Date:

Checked by (on site): *Date:*

Completed by: AJT **Date:**

Checked by (office): *Date:*

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DRAWING SHEET CHECKLIST

SITE NAME: BRIGHTWELL MANOR	SITE CODE: BSBS23	SHEET No:

Drawing Sheet Number	Plan Numbers	Section Numbers	Sheet Size (A1,A4 etc)
#1	/	S.01 S02 S03.	A4.

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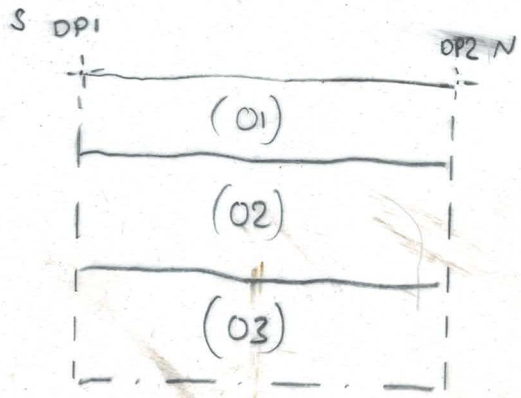
SECTION RECORD SHEET

Site Name: BRIGHTWELL MANOR.	Site Code: BSBS23	Sheet No.

Section No.	Contexts/description	Scale	Drawn By/ Date	Sheet Size A1, A4 etc	Drawing Sheet Number	On plan Number
S.01	REP SEC POOL	1:20	AST 16/10/23	A4	#1	GPS.
S.02	REP SEC SOAKAWAY	1:20	AST 6/12/23	A4	#1	GPS.
S.03	REP SEC SERVICE TRENCH	1:20	AST 6/12/23	A4	#1	GPS.

BSBS23
#1

BSBS23 S.01 1:20
Pool REP SEC AST 16/10/23



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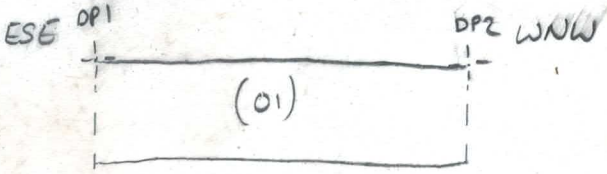

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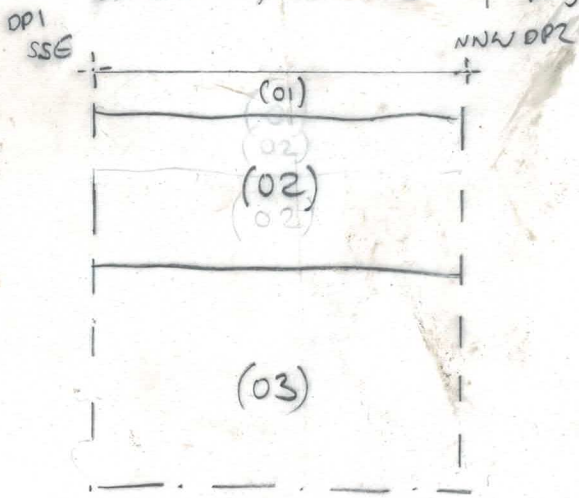

OASIS Summary for johnmoor1-521323

OASIS ID (UID)	johnmoor1-521323
Project Name	Brightwell Manor A, Brightwell Street, Brightwell-Cum-Sotwell
Sitename	Brightwell Manor A, Brightwell Street, Brightwell-Cum-Sotwell
Sitecode	BSBS 23
Project Identifier(s)	4956, BSBS 23
Activity type	Watching Brief
Planning Id	P23/S2069/HH
Reason For Investigation	Planning requirement
Organisation Responsible for work	John Moore Heritage Services
Project Dates	16-Oct-2023 - 06-Dec-2023
Location	Brightwell Manor A, Brightwell Street, Brightwell-Cum-Sotwell NGR : SU 57829 90706 LL : 51.61222280443002, -1.166243228366545 12 Fig : 457829,190706
Administrative Areas	Country : England County/Local Authority : Oxfordshire Local Authority District : South Oxfordshire Parish : Brightwell-cum-Sotwell
Project Methodology	The new outdoor pool was excavated with a 360° excavator with a toothless ditching bucket under the supervision of an archaeologist. The holding tank, soak-away and associated service trenches were not excavated under archaeological supervision. JMHS were not notified that this work was taking place until after the holding tank, soak-away and service trenches had already already excavated. These excavations were recorded post excavation before they were back-filled.
Project Results	The development site was located within a former moated site believed to be the location of a 12th century siege castle. Part of the aims of the investigation were to investigate any evidence related to the development and use of the moated site. However, no archaeological features, deposits or artefactual finds were observed during the monitored works.
Keywords	
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