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### **Summary**

Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by GL Hearn Limited on behalf of Tesco Stores Ltd to undertake an archaeological evaluation of land proposed for mixed commercial and light industrial development at Grove Farm, Worcester (the Site, centred on NGR 382200 254300).

The Site lies on a gentle slope falling from c. 32m aOD at the western end to c.28m aOD at the eastern end and consists of agricultural land apportionments totalling c. 19ha, of which approximately 11ha are proposed for development. Grove Farm, a Grade II Listed Building of eighteenth century date located within a moated enclosure probably dating to the fifteenth century, is located immediately beyond the eastern boundary of the Site. Cartographic analysis indicates that until recently large areas of the Site were set to orchard.

An archaeological desk-based assessment and geophysical survey of the Site had been undertaken previously. The desk-based assessment found that, although there are no known sites, deposits or artefacts from any period within the Site boundary, the location of the Site on a raised interfluvial area between the Rivers Teme and Severn indicates potential for prehistoric or Roman activity. Potential for the survival of evidence for medieval farming practices associated with the moated enclosure at Grove Farm was also identified. The geophysical survey did not identify any features of potential archaeological interest within the survey area.

A total of 38 evaluation trenches, representing a 3% sample of the area available for evaluation (c. 6ha), was excavated in the southern two thirds of the proposed development area, in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) submitted to and approved by the Archaeological Officer for Worcester City Council. The northern third of the Site was unavailable for evaluation as it is currently under a conifer plantation. The evaluation was monitored by the City Archaeological Officer.

The evaluation located no evidence for either human habitation of the land or for previous human interaction with the land, other than that associated with post-medieval agricultural practices. The only features encountered comprised tree holes and modern postholes relating to the recent use of the Site as orchards. Throughout the evaluation, including the scanning of the spoil heaps, no artefacts predating the post-medieval period were retrieved from the Site.

The evaluation has confirmed the conclusion of the geophysical survey that there are no archaeological features present within the area evaluated. Based upon the results of the evaluation trenches, the geophysical survey and the desk-based assessment, the potential for uncovering archaeological remains within the, as yet, unevaluated plantation area of the Site may be regarded as low.

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### **Acknowledgements**

Wessex Archaeology would like to thank GL Hearn Limited for funding for the assessment. Thanks are due to Su Ross of GL Hearn Limited for facilitating access to the Site and providing drawings of the proposed development layout.

The fieldwork was undertaken under the direction of Barry Hennessey. This report was compiled by Peter Reeves and illustrated by Linda Coleman. The project was managed by Peter Reeves and Paul White.

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## **ARCHAEOLOGICAL EVALUATION**

### **1 INTRODUCTION**

#### **1.1 Project Background**

**1.1.1 Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by GL Hearn Limited to carry out an archaeological field evaluation on land at Grove Farm, Worcester, Worcestershire (NGR 382200 254300, hereafter referred to as 'the Site', Figure 1), which is proposed for mixed commercial and light industrial development.**

**1.1.2 The Site had previously been the subject of an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), which included consideration of Cultural Heritage issues. This was prepared from an archaeological desk-based assessment of the Site (Wessex Archaeology 2006a). Although no known archaeological sites or findspots are indicated from the Site, its location on higher ground between the rivers Severn and Teme suggests some archaeological potential for remains from the prehistoric and Roman periods. Archaeological deposits relating to the Listed Medieval Farmhouse at Grove Farm, located to the east of the development area may extend into the Site. A geophysical survey of the Site (Stratascan 2006) did not identify any potential archaeological features.**

**1.1.3 A Draft Development Brief for the Grove Farm Business Park, produced by Worcester City Council in May 2005 states (para. 4.8.2) that an archaeological evaluation on the site will be required. Accordingly, further information on the archaeological implications of the proposed development prior to determination of a planning application was requested by the Archaeological Officer for Worcester City Council, in the form of an archaeological evaluation through trial trenching.**

#### **1.2 The Site, Topography and Geology**

**1.2.1 The Site comprises an approximately rectangular plot of land extending to c. 19 ha to the south of Bromyard Road. The Site is currently occupied by a conifer plantation to the north covering approximately 25% of the Site, with the remainder given over to arable farming. The Site is situated to the west of Worcester, in the parish of Rushwick. Grove Farm itself is located in the centre of the Site's eastern boundary.**

**1.2.2 The Site is located on a raised interfluvial area between the River Severn and River Teme and lies on a gentle slope falling from c. 32m above Ordnance Datum (aOD) at the western end to c.28m aOD at the eastern end. Geological maps indicate that the Site lies on Clay, overlying Marl (British Geological Survey, sheet).**





- 1.3 Archaeological and Historical Background**
- 1.3.1** The archaeological background is set out in the EIA and desk-based assessment and is summarised only here. A geophysical survey was undertaken across the evaluation area prior to the fieldwork.
- 1.3.2** There are no known sites, deposits or artefacts from any period within the Site boundary. A fish pond that may have been medieval in origin has recently been re-landscaped for fishing.
- 1.3.3** Grove Farm, a Grade II Listed Building is located in the centre, and outside, of the Site's eastern boundary. The extant eighteenth century buildings are located within a moated enclosure probably dating to the fifteenth century. The development proposals include a buffer zone around the farmhouse, thereby removing any direct impacts and reducing any indirect impacts on setting.
- 1.3.4** Cartographic analysis indicates that until recently large areas of the site were set to orchard. A central hedgeline running east to west appears to be represented on a map dating to 1741 and may, therefore, be considered as important under the historical criteria set out in the Hedgerow Regulations 1997.
- 1.3.5** The location of the Site on a raised interfluvial area between the rivers Teme and Severn indicates a moderate potential for the recovery of prehistoric or Roman activity. There is also a moderate potential for the survival of evidence for medieval farming practises associated with the moated enclosure at Grove Farm.
- 1.3.6** Geophysical survey (Stratascan 2006) did not identify any features of potential archaeological interest within the survey area. The survey did trace an anomaly, possibly of pedological origin that runs centrally through the survey area on a north-south axis. By calculating the presumed path of the anomaly beyond the survey area it is possible that it links to the pond in the southern part of the site and may, therefore, represent the remains of an ephemeral stream.
- 2 AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**
- 2.1** The evaluation aimed to enhance the existing archaeological data for the Site in order to enable informed decisions to be made on the archaeological potential of the Site, the likely impact of the proposed development and the mitigation measures required to remove, reduce or ameliorate those impacts, taking into account the quality and importance of the archaeology and the engineering requirements of the developer.
- 2.2** The objective of the evaluation was to establish within the constraints of the evaluation sampling strategy the presence or absence, location, extent, date, character, condition, and depth of any surviving remains within the Site.



### **3 METHODS**

#### **3.1 Evaluation Strategy**

**3.1.1** In order to enhance existing data, the Archaeological Officer for Worcester City Council requested a 3% evaluation of the Site, with a further 1% held as a contingency. The Site covers an area of approximately 19 ha of which 11ha are to be developed. However, due to problems of access within the conifer plantation the available area for evaluation is approximately 6 ha.

**3.1.2** A Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) (Wessex Archaeology 2006b) proposing the excavation of 38 trial trenches, representing a 3% sample of the area available for evaluation and a 2% sample of the Site overall, was submitted to and approved by the Archaeological Officer for Worcester City Council, prior to commencement of work on site.

**3.1.3** The approved WSI provides for the excavation of an additional 18 trenches in the area (5 ha) covered by the conifer plantation, if required following submission of this report to the Archaeological Officer; this would take the overall site evaluation to a 3% sample.

**3.1.4** Proposed trench locations were based on the results of the geophysical survey, the proposed development design and the known site constraints. Of the 38 trenches excavated, 4 were targeted at a specific feature, the possible ephemeral stream channel suggested by the geophysical survey. In order to prevent potential damage to flora, no trial trenches were located within 5m of the central east-west aligned hedge.

#### **3.2 Excavation and Recording**

**3.2.1** Prior to excavation, all trench locations were scanned for the presence of services.

**3.2.2** All trenches were excavated by a machine using a wide toothless or ditching bucket, under the direction of an archaeologist. Mechanical excavation proceeded until archaeological remains or, in their absence, natural deposits (brickearth or gravel) were revealed, whichever was first encountered. All mechanical excavation was carried out under constant archaeological supervision. Trench records were compiled using *pro forma* sheets and representative sections of each trench were drawn at a scale of 1:10 or 1:20 as appropriate; a description of each trench is appended to this report (Appendix 1: Trench Summary Tables).

**3.2.3** The spoil from all trenches was scanned for artefacts.

**3.2.4** At the satisfactory conclusion of the evaluation, trenches were backfilled with arisings, levelled and compacted with a machine bucket.

### **3.3 Finds and Environmental Sampling**

**3.3.1 There were no finds predating the post-medieval period retrieved throughout the course of the evaluation.**

**3.3.2 No archaeological features or deposits were encountered during the evaluation and therefore no samples were taken.**

### **3.4 Monitoring**

**3.4.1 An appropriate programme of monitoring visits was agreed with Mr James Dinn, Archaeological Officer for Worcester City Council, in advance of the commencement of fieldwork.**

**3.4.2 The evaluation was undertaken in two stages with the northern sector completed first. Mr Dinn visited the site to confirm the absence of features and the trenches were backfilled.**

**3.4.3 Upon completion of the trenches in the southern sector Mr Dinn was informed of the lack of archaeological features within them and permission was granted for their backfilling.**

## **4 RESULTS**

**4.1 None of the 38 evaluation trenches excavated exhibited any evidence for the presence of archaeological structures, features or deposits.**

**4.2 The only features encountered comprised tree holes and modern postholes relating to the previous use of the Site as orchards.**

**4.3 Throughout the evaluation, including the scanning of the spoil heaps, no artefacts predating the post-medieval period were retrieved from the site.**

## **5 DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION**

**5.1 The evaluation located no evidence for either human habitation of the land or for previous human interaction with the land, other than that associated with post medieval agricultural practices, in particular twentieth century orchard cultivation.**

**5.2 The evaluation has confirmed the conclusions of the geophysical survey that there are no archaeological features present within the area evaluated. Based upon the results of the evaluation trenches, the results of the geophysical survey and the desk-based assessment, the potential for uncovering archaeological remains within the plantation area of the Site may be regarded as low.**

## **6 ARCHIVE**

### **6.1 Storage and deposition**

**6.1.1** The archive has been prepared in accordance with Standards for the Deposition of Archaeological Archives with Worcester City Council and to the standards set out in Management of Archaeological Projects (English Heritage 1991). The archive consists of paper records of trench descriptions and photographs and is currently stored at Wessex Archaeology, Portway House, Salisbury.

**6.1.2** The Site Archive will be prepared for long-term storage in accordance with Guidelines for the preparation of excavation archives for long term storage (Walker 1990) and Standards in the museum care of archaeological collections (Museums and Galleries Commission 1994). The archive will be deposited with Worcester City Museum.

**6.1.3** Where necessary, the paper records of the Site archive will be security microfilmed prior to deposition.

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**APPENDIX 1: TRENCH SUMMARY TABLES**

<b>TRENCH 1</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
101	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay with moderate gravel.	0.00-0.30m
102	Sub soil. Mid Red Brown Clay with frequent gravel.	0.00-0.50m
103	Natural. Red Brown clay with occasional sandy silt and gravel.	0.50m +

<b>TRENCH 2</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
201	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt with occasional gravel.	0.00-0.28m
202	Natural. Mid-Light Red Brown Silt Clay with occasional Sandy Gravel.	0.00-28m

<b>TRENCH 3</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
301	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay.	0.00-0.25m
302	Natural. Mid Red Brown Clay with patches of Yellow Brown Silt	0.25m+

<b>TRENCH 4</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
401	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.22m
402	Subsoil. Mid Red Brown Sandy Silt with occasional Gravel.	0.22-0.44m
403	Natural. . Mid Red Brown Sandy Silt with occasional Gravel and Clay patches.	0.44m+

<b>TRENCH 5</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
501	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay with moderate Gravel.	0.00-0.25m
502	Subsoil. Mid Grey Brown Clay Silt with Gravel.	0.25-0.35m
503	Natural. Light Yellow Brown Sandy Silt mottled with Light Grey Silt Clays.	0.35m+

<b>TRENCH 6</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
601	Topsoil. Mid-Light Brown Clay Silt with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.28m
602	Subsoil. Light Yellow Brown Clay Silt with Gravel.	0.28-0.51m
603	Natural. Light Yellow Brown Clay Silt with rare Gravel.	0.51-0.71m
604	Natural. Mid Red Brown Clay with Gravel.	0.71m+
605	Cut. Irregular. Root disturbance	
606	Blue Grey Sandy Gravel with manganese.	

<b>TRENCH 7</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
701	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.25m
702	Subsoil. Mid Red Brown Clay with occasional Gravel.	0.25-0.35m
703	Natural. Red Brown Clay with Sandy Silt and Gravel.	0.35m+

<b>TRENCH 8</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
801	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.19m
802	Subsoil. Mid Brown Silt with occasional Sand and common Gravel.	0.19-0.26m
803	Natural. Red Brown Clay with Gravel and patches of Mid Brown Sandy Silt.	0.26m+

<b>TRENCH 9</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
901	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.30m
902	Subsoil. Mid Red Brown Clay with patches Gravel.	0.30-0.35m
903	Natural. Red Brown Clay with frequent patches of Sandy Silt and Gravel.	0.35m+

<b>TRENCH 10</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
1001	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.16m
1002	Subsoil. Mid Red Brown Silt with Gravel.	0.16-0.25m
1003	Natural. Mid Red Brown Sandy Silt with bands of Mid Red Clay.	0.25m+

<b>TRENCH 11</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
1101	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay moderate Gravel.	0.00-0.29m
1102	Subsoil. Mid Red Brown Clay with frequent Gravel.	0.29-0.30m
1103	Natural. Red Brown Clay with Gravel and silt patches.	0.30m+

<b>TRENCH 12</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
1201	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay with moderate Gravel.	0.00-0.30m
1202	Subsoil. Mid Red Brown Silt Clay with Sandy Silt patches.	0.30-0.45m
1203	Natural. Mid Red Brown Clay.	0.45m+

<b>TRENCH 13</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
1301	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.30m
1302	Subsoil. Mid red Brown Silt Clay with occasional Gravel.	0.30-45m
1303	Natural. Very Light Brown Silt Clay.	0.45-.070m
1304	Natural. Mid Red Clay.	0.70m+

<b>TRENCH 14</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
1401	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay.	0.00-0.27m
1402	Natural. Light Red Brown Silt with occasional Quartzite pebbles.	0.27-0.65m
1403	Mid Red Brown Clay with fine Sand and Gravel.	0.65m+

<b>TRENCH 15</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
1501	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.30m
1502	Subsoil. Mid Red Brown Silt Clay with occasional Gravel.	0.30-0.40m
1503	Natural. Mid Red Brown Clay with Sand, Silt and Gravel.	0.40m+

<b>TRENCH 16</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
1601	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay.	0.00-0.26m
1602	Natural. Mid Red Brown Clay with Gravel and Silt patches.	0.26m+

<b>TRENCH 17</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
1701	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay with moderate Gravel.	0.00-0.18m
1702	Subsoil. Mid Red Brown Clay with frequent Gravel.	0.18-26m+
1703	Natural. Red Brown Clay with moderate Gravel, Sand and Silt Clay patches.	0.26m+

<b>TRENCH 18</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
1801	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt with common Gravel.	0.00-0.28m
1802	Natural. Mid Red Brown Silt Clay with patches of Silt and Gravel.	0.28m+

<b>TRENCH 19</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
1901	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay with moderate Gravel.	0.00-0.30m
1902	Natural. Mid Brown Silt Clay with patches of Gravel.	0.30m+

<b>TRENCH 20</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
2001	Topsoil. Mid Grey Brown Clay Silt with occasional Gravel and Quartzite pebbles.	0.00-0.30m
2002	Natural. Yellow- Red Brown Clay with patches of Gravel.	0.30m+

<b>TRENCH 21</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
2101	Topsoil. Mid Grey Brown Clay Silts with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.30m
2102	Natural. Mid-Dark Yellow Brown Clay with patches of Gravel.	0.30m+

<b>TRENCH 22</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
2201	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.30m
2202	Subsoil. Light Red Brown Slightly Sandy Silt with occasional Gravel.	0.30-40m
2203	Natural. Mid Red Brown Sandy Silt with mod manganese.	0.40m+

<b>TRENCH 23</b>		
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<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
2301	Topsoil. Mid-Dark Brown Clay Silt.	0.00-0.25m
2302	Natural. Mid Yellow Brown Silt Clay with rare Gravel and common manganese.	0.25m+

**TRENCH 24**

<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
2401	Topsoil. Dark Grey Brown Clay Silt with occasional Gravel and Quartzite pebbles.	0.00-0.30m
2402	Natural. Mid Yellow Brown Alluvial Silts with occasional Gravel.	0.30m+

**TRENCH 25**

<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
2501	Topsoil. Dark Grey Brown Silt.	0.00-0.30m
2502	Natural. Mid Red Brown Clay Alluvial Silts.	0.30m+

**TRENCH 26**

<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
2601	Topsoil. Mid Grey Brown Clay Silt with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.25m
2602	Natural. Light Red Brown Clay with patches of Gravel	0.25m+

**TRENCH 27**

<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
2701	Topsoil. Mid-Dark Brown Clay Silt with sparse Gravel.	0.00-0.32m
2702	Natural. Mid Dark Red Brown Clay with common Gravel.	0.32m+

**TRENCH 28**

<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
2801	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt Clay with moderate Gravel.	0.00-0.30m
2802	Natural. Mid Red Brown Clay with patches of Blue Grey Clay and frequent Gravel.	0.30m+

**TRENCH 29**

<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
2901	Topsoil. Mid-Dark Brown Clay Silts with occasional Gravel	0.00-0.32m
2902	Natural. Mid Red Brown Clay with patches of Gravel.	0.32m+

**TRENCH 30**

<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
3001	Topsoil. Mid Grey Brown Clay Silt with occasional Gravel and Quartzite pebbles.	0.00-0.35m
3002	Natural. Mid Yellow Brown Clay with occasional Gravel.	0.35m+

**TRENCH 31**

<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
3101	Topsoil. Mid Grey Brown Clay Silt with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.28m
3102	Natural. Light-Dark Yellow Brown Clay with Gravel spread to the North of trench.	0.28m+



<b>TRENCH 32</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
3201	Topsoil. Mid Grey Brown Silt with occasional gravel and Quartzite pebbles.	0.00-0.30m
3202	Natural. Mid Red Brown Alluvial Silt.	0.30m+
<b>TRENCH 33</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
3301	Topsoil. Mid Brown Silt with sparse Gravel.	0.00-0.35m
3302	Natural. Mid Red Brown Silt with sparse Gravel and manganese.	0.35m+
	Modern machine slot and steel anchor rod at mid point also burned grass within topsoil.	

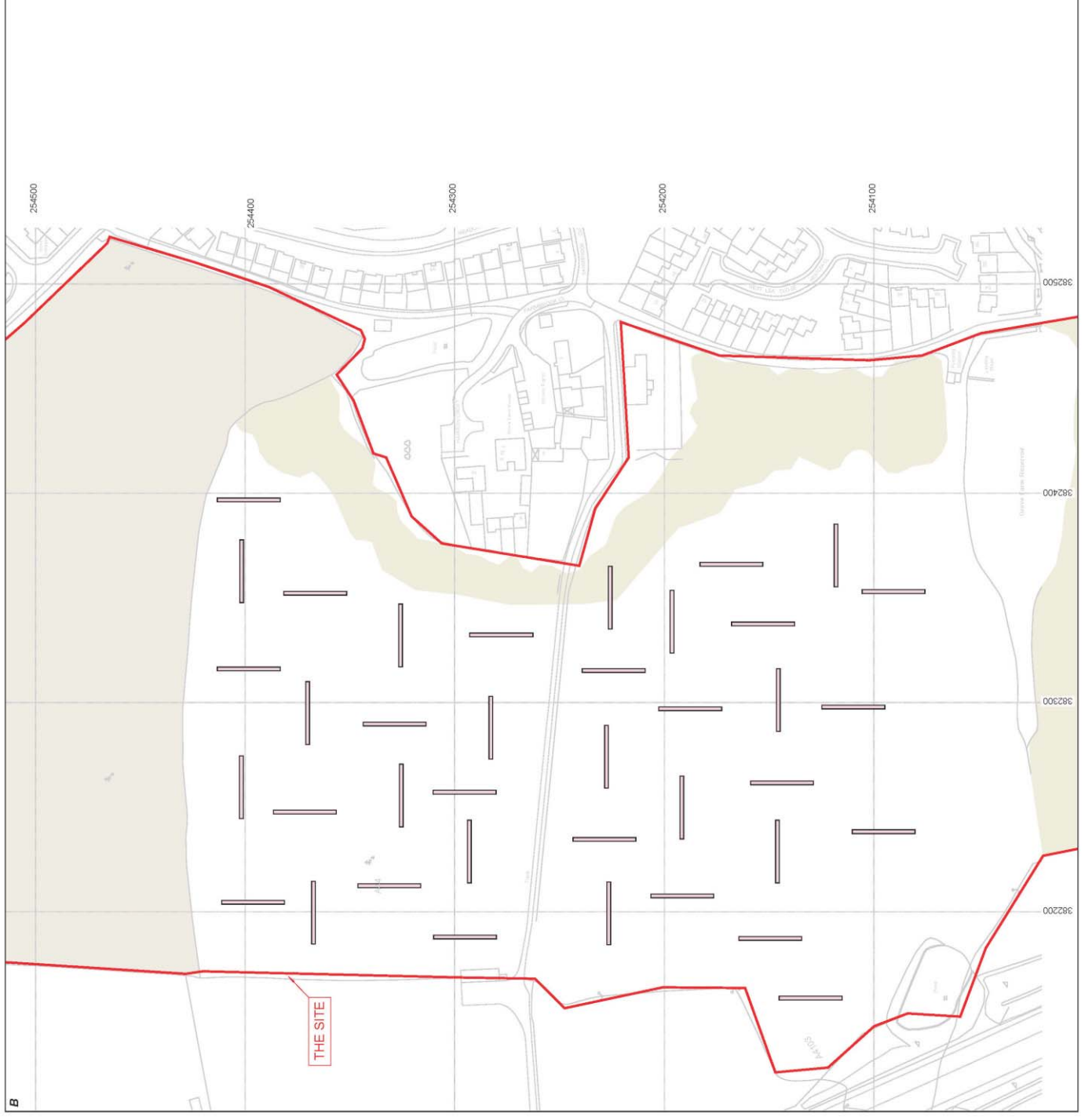
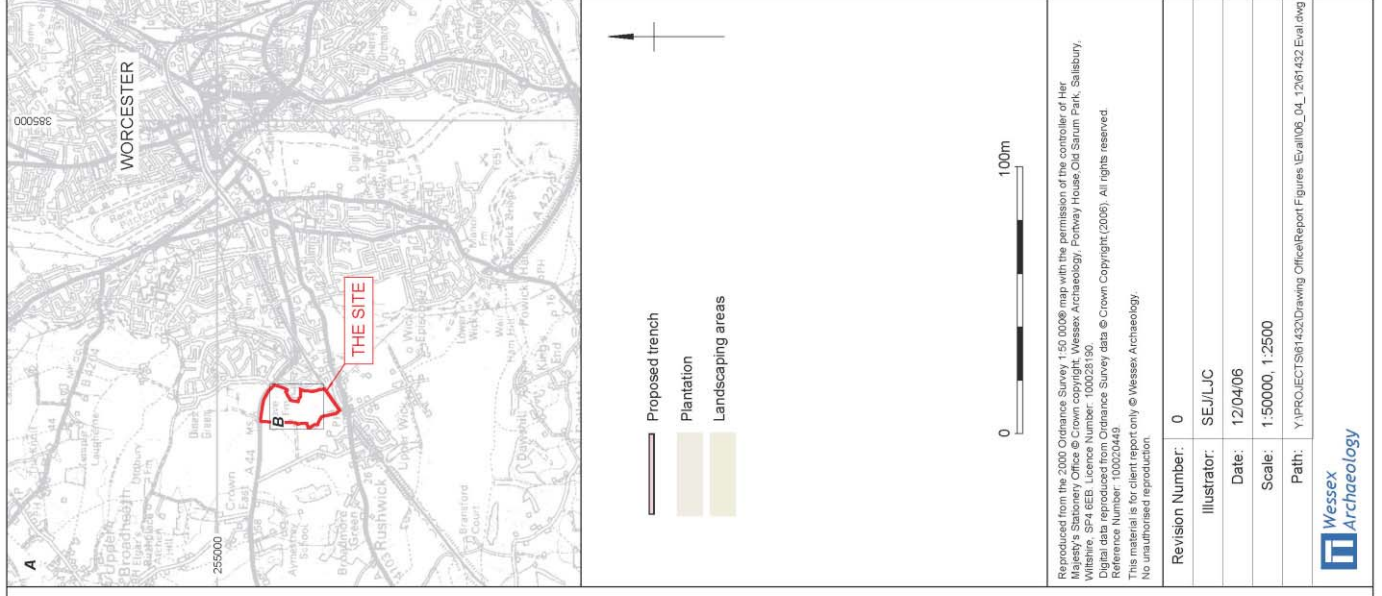
<b>TRENCH 34</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
3401	Topsoil. Mid Brown Sandy Silt with sparse Gravel .	0.00-0.34m
3402	Natural. Mid Yellow Brown Silt Sand with sparse Gravel and common manganese.	0.34m+

<b>TRENCH 35</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
3501	Topsoil. Mid-Dark Brown Silt with rare Gravel.	0.00-0.33m
3502	Natural. Light Yellow Brown Sandy Silt with common Gravel and manganese.	0.33m+

<b>TRENCH 36</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
3601	Topsoil. Dark Grey Brown Clay Silt with occasional Gravel.	0.00-0.38m
3602	Natural. Light Yellow Brown Alluvial Silt with occasional Gravel.	0.38m+
3603	E-W spread of Dark Grey Brown Homogonous Silts at South end of trench. Root disturbance, possible old hedge line.	
3604	As above.	
3605	Fill of post hole. As above with coke pieces.	0.20x0.08
3606	Post hole, one of five, straight sides and flat base probably by hand posthole auger.	..

<b>TRENCH 37</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
3701	Topsoil. Dark Grey Brown Silt .	0.00-0.30m
3702	Natural. Mid Red Brown Alluvial Silts	0.30m+

<b>TRENCH 38</b>		
<b>Context No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Depth (m)</b>
3801	Topsoil. Dark Grey Brown Clay Silt with occasional Gravel	0.00-0.30m
3802	Natural. Yellow Brown Clay with occasional Gravel.	0.30m+



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Site location showing location of trenches

Figure 1



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