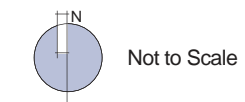


 Planning Application Boundary of Entire Site



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## Appendices

### A. Time Chart & Glossary

#### Time Chart

Palaeolithic	Before c. 10000 BC	Old Stone Age - development of man and earlier hominids, hunting, gathering and the use of chipped flint tools. Divided into lower, middle and upper.
Mesolithic	c.10000 BC - 4000 BC	Middle stone age - nomadic hunter gatherer groups, and the beginnings of food production. Divided into early and late.
Neolithic	c. 4000 BC - 2200 BC	New stone age - first settled agrarian communities and monumental structures. Divided into early, middle and late.
Bronze Age	c. 2600 BC - 700 BC	First use of bronze - copper mining, extensive trade links. Divided into early, middle and later sub-periods.
Iron Age	800 BC - 43 AD	First use of iron and earliest hillforts and oppida. Some interaction with Romans and others. Divided into early, middle and later.
Roman	43 - 410 AD	The first historical period, with written records, saw southern Britain subject to Roman government and culture (also Romano-British). Starts with Roman invasion of 43AD and ends with emperor Honorius advising Britain to rake up its own defence.
Early medieval	410 - 1066 AD	What has been called the Dark Ages, the period from the departure of the Roman legions, and breakdown of Roman rule, to the Norman Conquest. This period saw the colonisation of much of Britain by Angles, Saxons, Vikings and others.
Medieval	1066 - 1540 AD	Also known as the Middle Ages. From the Norman Conquest through to the dissolution of Monasteries.
Post-medieval	1540 - 1750 AD	From the dissolution of monasteries. It covers the Tudor, Elizabethan, Jacobean and Part of the Hanoverian periods, including the English Civil War and Revolution.
Industrial age	1750 - 1899 AD	Late Hanoverian and Victorian reigns, Empire, Industrial Revolution and the full emergence of the capitalist economy.
20 <sup>th</sup> Century	1900 - 1999 AD	Previously recorded as Modern. Heritage assets from a post industrial age economy, including those related to WWI and WWII.

## Glossary

<b>Archaeological interest</b>	There will be archaeological interest in a heritage asset if it holds, or potentially may hold, evidence of past human activity worthy of expert investigation at some point. Heritage assets with archaeological interest are the primary source of evidence about the substance and evolution of places, and of the people and cultures that made them.
<b>Conservation (for heritage policy)</b>	The process of maintaining and managing change to a heritage asset in a way that sustains and, where appropriate, enhances its significance.
<b>Designated heritage asset</b>	A World Heritage Site, Scheduled Monument, Listed Building, Protected Wreck Site, Registered Park and Garden, Registered Battlefield or Conservation Area designated under the relevant legislation.
<b>Heritage asset</b>	A building, monument, site, place, area or landscape identified as having a degree of significance meriting consideration in planning decisions, because of its heritage interest. Heritage asset includes designated heritage assets and assets identified by the local planning authority (including local listing).
<b>Historic environment</b>	All aspects of the environment resulting from the interaction between people and places through time, including all surviving physical remains of past human activity, whether visible, buried or submerged, and landscaped and planted or managed flora.
<b>Historic environment record</b>	Information services that seek to provide access to comprehensive and dynamic resources relating to the historic environment of a defined geographic area for public benefit and use.
<b>Setting of a heritage asset</b>	The surroundings in which a heritage asset is experienced. Its extent is not fixed and may change as the asset and its surroundings evolve. Elements of a setting may make a positive or negative contribution to the significance of an asset, may affect the ability to appreciate that significance or may be neutral.
<b>Significance (for heritage policy)</b>	The value of a heritage asset to this and future generations because of its heritage interest. That interest may be archaeological, architectural, artistic or historic. Significance derives not only from a heritage asset's physical presence, but also from its setting.

## B. Historic Environment Record

GLHER ref.	Record Type	Name	MonType	DateRange
DLO14676	LB	FIELD LANE FOUNDATION CENTRE	II	
DLO14847	LB		II	
DLO14901	LB		II	
DLO14902	LB	NUMBERS 75 TO 81 AND 81A AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO14903	LB	NUMBER 121 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO14905	LB	NUMBER 139 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO14906	LB	NUMBERS 141-151 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO14920	LB	NUMBERS 11-26 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS, BYRON COURT (NUMBER 26)	II*	
DLO14924	LB	NUMBERS 1-8 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO14928	LB	NUMBER 165 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO14929	LB	NUMBER 240 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO14930	LB		II	
DLO14931	LB		II	
DLO14932	LB	CALTHORPE ARMS PUBLIC HOUSE	II	
DLO14951	LB	APPLE TREE PUBLIC HOUSE	II	
DLO14952	LB	NUMBERS 47-57 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO14993	LB	ST ANDREWS GARDENS ENTRANCE GATES, SECTION OF SOUTH SIDE RAILINGS AND MONUMENTS	II	
DLO14996	LB	CATTLE TROUGH IN FRONT OF NUMBER 195 (NUMBER 195 NOT INCLUDED)	II	
DLO15040	LB	PAKENHAM ARMS PUBLIC HOUSE	II	
DLO15041	LB	NUMBER 2 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15042	LB	NUMBER 3 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15206	LB	NUMBERS 1-21 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15207	LB		II	
DLO15208	LB	NUMBERS 23-43 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15209	LB	NUMBER 26 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	

GLHER ref.	Record Type	Name	MonType	DateRange
DLO15210	LB	NUMBERS 28-48 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15211	LB		II	
DLO15212	LB		II	
DLO15311	LB	NUMBERS 3 TO 7 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15312	LB	NUMBERS 8, 9 AND 10 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS TO NUMBERS 9 AND 10	II	
DLO15377	LB	NUMBERS 11 AND 13 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15378	LB	NUMBERS 15, 17 AND 19 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15404	LB	NUMBERS 105 TO 110 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15405	LB	BOLLARD AT JUNCTION WITH DOUGHTY STREET	II	
DLO15439	LB	NUMBERS 1-19 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15628	LB	NUMBERS 64 AND 66 AND ATACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15728	LB	NUMBERS 29-38 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15729	LB	NUMBERS 39-47 AND 49-62 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO15730	LB	CHARLES DICKENS HOUSE AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	I	
DLO15801	LB	TWO BOLLARDS WITH SPUR STONES FLANKING ENTRANCE TO BROWNLOW MEWS	II	
DLO16232	LB	ROSEBERY AVENUE VIADUCT, THAT PART IN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN	II	
DLO16332	LB	NUMBERS 2-9 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO16333	LB	NUMBERS 11-20 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO16373	LB	NUMBERS 45-63 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21006	LB		II	
DLO21016	LB		II	
DLO21017	LB	BOLLARD AT SOUTH ENTRANCE (SOUTHEAST CORNER)	II	
DLO21067	LB	NUMBERS 62 AND 64 AND RAILINGS ATTACHED TO NUMBER 64	II	

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DLO21086	LB	NUMBERS 41 AND 42 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21089	LB	NUMBERS 24 TO 29 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21203	LB	NUMBERS 5 TO 24 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21204	LB	NUMBERS 40-43 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21206	LB	NUMBERS 13 TO 19, 19A, 20 TO 20B, 21 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21207	LB	RAILINGS ROUND CENTRAL GARDEN	II	
DLO21293	LB	NUMBERS 44 TO 58 (EVEN) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21355	LB	NUMBER 25 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS AND NUMBERS 1 TO 4 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21366	LB		II	
DLO21367	LB	K2 TELEPHONE KIOSK TO NORTH WEST AT JUNCTION WITH MOUNT PLEASANT	II	
DLO21408	LB	CHURCH OF OUR MOST HOLY REDEEMER, CLERGY HOUSE, CAMPANILE AND PARISH HALL	II*	
DLO21426	LB	NUMBERS 10 TO 16, 18 TO 20 (EVEN) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21436	LB	NUMBERS 25 TO 37 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21437	LB	NUMBER 24-33 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21442	LB	BOLLARD AT NORTH ENTRANCE TO GRANVILLE SQUARE (NORTHEAST CORNER)	II	
DLO21443	LB	BOLLARD AT NORTH ENTRANCE TO GRANVILLE SQUARE (NORTHWEST CORNER)	II	
DLO21444	LB	BOLLARD AT SOUTH ENTRANCE (SOUTHWEST CORNER)	II	
DLO21450	LB	RICEYMAN STEPS	II	
DLO21466	LB		II	
DLO21470	LB	NUMBERS 1 TO 12, 12A TO 12C (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21472	LB	NUMBERS 40 TO 47 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21480	LB	THREE CROWNS PUBLIC HOUSE	II	

GLHER ref.	Record Type	Name	MonType	DateRange
DLO21508	LB	LONDON CITY COUNCIL FIRE BRIGADE STATION	II	
DLO21537	LB	NUMBERS 43 TO 46 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21541	LB		II	
DLO21606	LB	ROSEBERY AVENUE BRIDGE VIADUCT (THAT PART IN ISLINGTON)	II	
DLO21607	LB	NUMBERS 26 TO 39 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21608	LB	NUMBERS 44 TO 47 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21609	LB	NUMBERS 38 TO 39 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21612	LB	NUMBERS 21 AND 23 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO21640	LB	FINSBURY HEALTH CENTRE	I	
DLO21667	LB	CHARLES ROWAN HOUSE AND ATTACHED IRON RAILINGS	II	
DLO21703	LB	QUALITY CHOP HOUSE	II	
DLO21709	LB	NUMBERS 34-38, 38A AND 38B, 39-41 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	II	
DLO32915	HPG	CORAM'S FIELDS, with BRUNSWICK SQUARE and MECKLENBURGH	II	
DLO35087	LB	Eastman Dental Hospital (Former Eastman Dental Clinic)	II	
DLO35354	LSQ	Wilmington Square		
ELO11719	EVP	Warner Street (Nos 24-28), Camden, EC1: Desk Based Assessment		
ELO12228	BL	Warner Street (Nos 24-28), Camden: Archaeological Evaluation		
ELO12455	BL	Warner Street (Nos 24-28), Camden: Borehole Survey		
ELO2415	EVT	1 BENWELL ROAD, HOLLOWAY		
ELO3505	EVT	252B GRAYS INN RD		
ELO3512	EVT	252B GRAYS INN RD		
ELO4061	EVT	Mount Pleasant [Mount Pleasant Post Office], London WC1: Archaeological Evaluation		
ELO5211	Oth	CLERKENWELL		
ELO5683	EVT	GOUGH ST		
ELO5906	EVP	26-30 CUBITT STREET, WC1		
ELO6573	EVS	King's Cross Road (78) and Great Percy Street (4) [Clerkenwell Magistrates Court], Islington, WC1		

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ELO7845	EVP	Mount Pleasant [Mount Pleasant Post Office], London WC1: An Archaeological Assessment		
ELO9747	BL	Rosebery Avenue, Warner Street, Topham Street, Bakers Road and Coldbath Square, Watching Brief		
MLO101403	PK	Yardly Street/Tysoe Street, [Wilmington Square] {19th century public square}	SQUARE	1820 AD to 2050 AD
MLO102679	LB	Gray's Inn Road, [Eastman Dental Hospital], WC1X 8LD, {Early 20th Century Dental Clinic}	METAL FRAMED BUILDING, DENTAL HOSPITAL, DENTAL SCHOOL?	1928 AD to 2050 AD
MLO103799	PK	Mecklenburgh Square, [Mecklenburgh Square Garden], Camden, WC1, {19th Century Garden}	GARDEN, GATE, RAILINGS	1809 AD to 2050 AD
MLO103811	PK	Gray's Inn Road/Wren Street, [St Andrew's Gardens], Camden, WC1, {19th Century Gardens}	GARDEN, PATH, RAILINGS, DRINKING FOUNTAIN, LODGE	1801 AD to 2050 AD
MLO1443	MON	KINGS CROSS RD	TILE KILN	1540 AD to 1900 AD
MLO16262	MON	KINGS CROSS RD	KILL SITE, KILL SITE	500000 BC to 10001 BC
MLO1666	FS	FLEET RIVER	FINDSPOT	1485 AD to 1600 AD
MLO17696	FS	GRAYS INN RD	FINDSPOT	10000 BC to 4001 BC
MLO17697	FS	GRAYS INN RD	FINDSPOT	4000 BC to 2201 BC
MLO17777	FS	GOUGH ST	FINDSPOT	43 AD to 409 AD
MLO1822	FS	CLERKENWELL	FINDSPOT, FINDSPOT	500000 BC to 10001 BC
MLO18792	MON	ST JOHNS ST	CONDUIT	1066 AD to 1539 AD
MLO18881	MON	MERLIN ST	BATHS	1540 AD to 1900 AD
MLO21121	MON	GRAYS INN RD	CEMETERY	1540 AD to 1900 AD



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MLO21121	MON	GRAYS INN RD	CEMETERY	1540 AD to 1900 AD
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MLO22996	MON	VINEYARD MEWS	VINEYARD	1066 AD to 1539 AD
MLO23431	FS	GRAYS INN RD	FINDSPOT, FINDSPOT	500000 BC to 10001 BC
MLO24967	MON	FARRINGDON RD	ROAD	1066 AD to 1539 AD
MLO25709	MON	FARRINGDON RD	PRISON, HOUSE OF CORRECTION	1540 AD to 1900 AD
MLO25710	MON	MOUNT PLEASANT	HOUSE	1066 AD to 1539 AD
MLO25711	MON	COLDBATH SQ	WELL, BATH HOUSE	1540 AD to 1900 AD
MLO25719	MON	EXMOUTH MARKETPLAYGROUND	CEMETERY	1540 AD to 1900 AD
MLO25720	MON	22-24 EXMOUTH MARKET	CHAPEL	1540 AD to 1900 AD
MLO359	FS	CLERKENWELL	FINDSPOT	410 AD to 1065 AD
MLO394	MON	KINGS CROSS RD	SPA, WELL, STREAM	1540 AD to 1900 AD
MLO45801	MON	ST JOHNS ST	WATER PIPE	1066 AD to 1539 AD
MLO46117	FS	Grays Inn Road, Holborn, Camden {Palaeolithic Tools}	FINDSPOT	500000 BC to 10001 BC
MLO60004	MON	252B GRAYS INN RD	INHUMATIO N, CEMETERY	1540 AD to 1900 AD
MLO60005	MON	252B GRAYS INN RD	BURIAL VAULT	1540 AD to 1900 AD
MLO61482	FS	49 DOUGHTY ST	FINDSPOT	1066 AD to 1539 AD
MLO62885	NA	TOPHAM ST	NEGATIVE EVIDENCE	
MLO64261	MON	FARRINGDON RD (MOUNT PLEASANT POST-OFFICE )	FLOOD DEPOSIT	
MLO64263	MON	FARRINGDON RD (MOUNT PLEASANT POST-OFFICE )	DUMP	1540 AD to 1900 AD

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MLO64265	MON	FARRINGDON RD (MOUNT PLEASANT POST-OFFICE )	BUILDING, HOUSE OF CORRECTION , PRISON	1540 AD to 1900 AD
MLO64267	MON	FARRINGDON RD (MOUNT PLEASANT POST-OFFICE )	WALL, HOUSE OF CORRECTION , PRISON	1540 AD to 1900 AD
MLO71745	FS	FARRINGDON RD	FINDSPOT	43 AD to 409 AD
MLO71746	FS	FARRINGDON RD	FINDSPOT	43 AD to 409 AD
MLO75736	MON	21 Bowling Green Lane	SURFACE, SURFACE	1540 AD to 1900 AD
MLO79721	LB	FIELD LANE FOUNDATION CENTRE	CHAPEL, COMMUNITY CENTRE, BAPTIST CHAPEL	1861 AD
MLO79891	LB	49 Gough Street	SHOP, SHOP, TERRACED HOUSE	1800 AD to 1832 AD
MLO80052	LB	65 Gray's Inn Road	TERRACED HOUSE, SHOP	1771 AD to 1811 AD
MLO80053	LB	NUMBERS 75 TO 81 AND 81A AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, SHOP, TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS	1771 AD to 1966 AD
MLO80054	LB	NUMBER 121 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	SHOP, HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS	1800 AD to 1832 AD
MLO80056	LB	NUMBER 139 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS, TERRACED HOUSE	1811 AD to 1820 AD
MLO80057	LB	NUMBERS 141-151 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	RAILINGS, TERRACED HOUSE	1811 AD to 1820 AD

GLHER ref.	Record Type	Name	MonType	DateRange
MLO80071	LB	NUMBERS 11-26 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS, BYRON COURT (NUMBER 26)	HOUSE, LAMP BRACKET, RAILINGS, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACE	1810 AD to 1960 AD
MLO80075	LB	NUMBERS 1-8 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	RAILINGS, TERRACE, TERRACED HOUSE	1800 AD to 1832 AD
MLO80079	LB	NUMBER 165 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS, TERRACED HOUSE	1811 AD to 1999 AD
MLO80080	LB	NUMBER 240 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	SHOP, TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS	1821 AD to 1999 AD
MLO80081	LB	242 Gray's Inn Road	TERRACED HOUSE, SHOP	1800 AD to 1832 AD
MLO80082	LB	248 Gray's Inn Road	SHOP, TERRACE, TERRACED HOUSE	1800 AD to 1832 AD
MLO80083	LB	CALTHORPE ARMS PUBLIC HOUSE	PUBLIC HOUSE	1800 AD to 1832 AD
MLO80102	LB	APPLE TREE PUBLIC HOUSE	PUBLIC HOUSE, PUBLIC HOUSE	1833 AD to 1999 AD
MLO80103	LB	NUMBERS 47-57 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACE, RAILINGS, SHOP, SHOP, HOUSE	1700 AD to 1999 AD
MLO80144	LB	ST ANDREWS GARDENS ENTRANCE GATES, SECTION OF SOUTH SIDE RAILINGS AND MONUMENTS	CEMETERY, GATE, GATE PIER, TOMB, TOMB	1700 AD to 1905 AD
MLO80147	LB	CATTLE TROUGH IN FRONT OF NUMBER 195 (NUMBER 195 NOT INCLUDED)	CATTLE TROUGH	1885 AD

GLHER ref.	Record Type	Name	MonType	DateRange
MLO80191	LB	PAKENHAM ARMS PUBLIC HOUSE	PUBLIC HOUSE	1867 AD to 1899 AD
MLO80192	LB	NUMBER 2 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS	1800 AD to 1832 AD
MLO80193	LB	NUMBER 3 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS	1800 AD to 1832 AD
MLO80370	LB	NUMBERS 1-21 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	HOUSE, RAILINGS, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACE	1821 AD to 1826 AD
MLO80371	LB	378 Gray's Inn Road	TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACE, RAILINGS, HOUSE	1820 AD to 1826 AD
MLO80372	LB	NUMBERS 23-43 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACE, HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS	1842 AD to 1849 AD
MLO80373	LB	NUMBER 26 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	HOUSE, HOUSE, RAILINGS	1823 AD to 1899 AD
MLO80374	LB	NUMBERS 28-48 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS	1843 AD to 1849 AD
MLO80375	LB	49 Calthorpe Street	TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACE	1840 AD to 1850 AD
MLO80376	LB	50 Calthorpe Street	SHOP	1842 AD to 1848 AD
MLO80475	LB	NUMBERS 3 TO 7 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACE, TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS	1792 AD to 1800 AD
MLO80476	LB	NUMBERS 8, 9 AND 10 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS TO NUMBERS 9 AND 10	TERRACE, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACE, RAILINGS	1792 AD to 1800 AD

GLHER ref.	Record Type	Name	MonType	DateRange
MLO80541	LB	NUMBERS 11 AND 13 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS	1835 AD to 1839 AD
MLO80542	LB	NUMBERS 15, 17 AND 19 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS, TERRACE	1835 AD to 1839 AD
MLO80568	LB	NUMBERS 105 TO 110 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACE, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACE	1792 AD to 1999 AD
MLO80569	LB	BOLLARD AT JUNCTION WITH DOUGHTY STREET	BOLLARD	1800 AD to 1899 AD
MLO80603	LB	NUMBERS 1-19 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	HOUSE, RAILINGS, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACE, HOUSE	1772 AD to 1832 AD
MLO80792	LB	NUMBERS 64 AND 66 AND ATACHED RAILINGS	SEMI DETACHED HOUSE, RAILINGS	1840 AD to 1850 AD
MLO80892	LB	NUMBERS 29-38 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACE, RAILINGS	1794 AD to 1810 AD
MLO80893	LB	NUMBERS 39-47 AND 49-62 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, HOUSE, TERRACE, TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS	1772 AD to 1820 AD
MLO80894	LB	CHARLES DICKENS HOUSE AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	MUSEUM, RAILINGS, TERRACED HOUSE	1807 AD to 1809 AD
MLO80965	LB	TWO BOLLARDS WITH SPUR STONES FLANKING ENTRANCE TO BROWNLOW MEWS	BOLLARD	1800 AD to 1899 AD

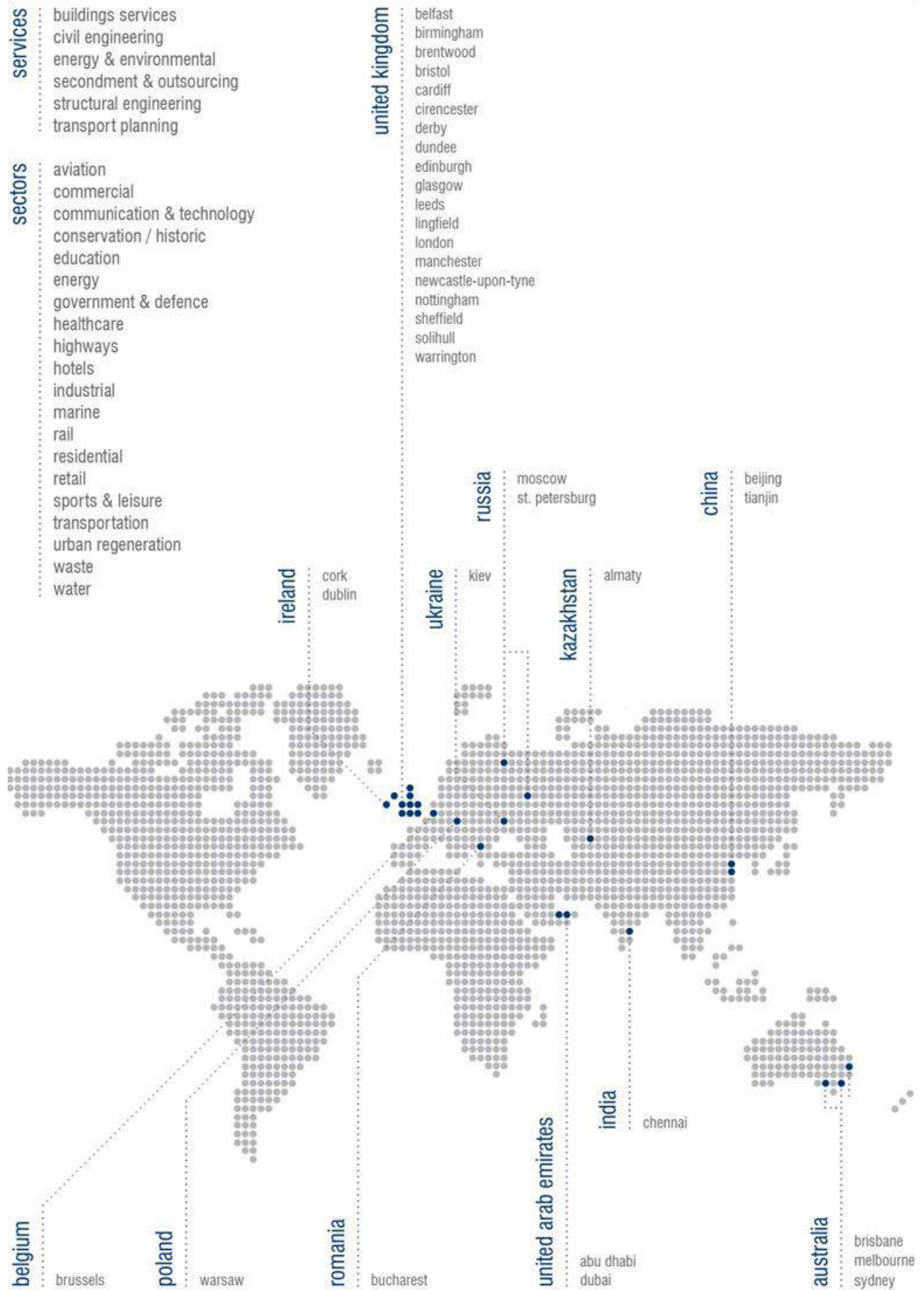
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MLO81278	LB	ROSEBERY AVENUE VIADUCT, THAT PART IN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN	ROAD VIADUCT, DATE STONE	1890 AD
MLO81378	LB	NUMBERS 2-9 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS, TERRACE	1824 AD to 1830 AD
MLO81379	LB	NUMBERS 11-20 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACE, TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS	1840 AD to 1850 AD
MLO81419	LB	NUMBERS 45-63 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS, HOUSE, TERRACE	1800 AD to 1866 AD
MLO86010	LB	56 Exmouth Market	TERRACE, SHOP, SHOP, TERRACED HOUSE	1800 AD to 1999 AD
MLO86020	LB		STEPS, TERRACE, RAILINGS, TERRACED HOUSE, APARTMENT	1828 AD to 1985 AD
MLO86021	LB	BOLLARD AT SOUTH ENTRANCE (SOUTHEAST CORNER)	BOLLARD	1841 AD to 1843 AD
MLO86167	LB	NUMBERS 62 AND 64 AND RAILINGS ATTACHED TO NUMBER 64	RAILINGS, TERRACE, TERRACED HOUSE	1800 AD to 1866 AD
MLO86186	LB	NUMBERS 41 AND 42 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	STEPS, RAILINGS, TERRACE, TERRACED HOUSE	1800 AD to 1832 AD
MLO86189	LB	NUMBERS 24 TO 29 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	STEPS, RAILINGS, VILLA	1832 AD
MLO86290	LB	NUMBERS 5 TO 24 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	STEPS, RAILINGS, VILLA	1832 AD
MLO86291	LB	NUMBERS 40-43 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	RAILINGS, VILLA	1832 AD

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MLO86293	LB	NUMBERS 13 TO 19, 19A, 20 TO 20B, 21 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE, STEPS, RAILINGS	1819 AD to 1831 AD
MLO86294	LB	RAILINGS ROUND CENTRAL GARDEN	RAILINGS	1819 AD to 1841 AD
MLO86380	LB	NUMBERS 44 TO 58 (EVEN) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	STEPS, RAILINGS, ROW HOUSE, ROW	1810 AD to 1850 AD
MLO86442	LB	NUMBER 25 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS AND NUMBERS 1 TO 4 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	VILLA, RAILINGS, VILLA, VILLA, STEPS	1832 AD to 1999 AD
MLO86453	LB	40 Rosebery Avenue	TERRACED HOUSE	1820 AD to 1830 AD
MLO86454	LB	K2 TELEPHONE KIOSK TO NORTH WEST AT JUNCTION WITH MOUNT PLEASANT	TELEPHONE BOX	1907 AD to 1947 AD
MLO86495	LB	CHURCH OF OUR MOST HOLY REDEEMER, CLERGY HOUSE, CAMPANILE AND PARISH HALL	VILLAGE HALL, LADY CHAPEL, CHAPEL, RAILINGS, BELL TOWER, CLERGY HOUSE, CHURCH, CHURCH	1887 AD to 1921 AD
MLO86513	LB	NUMBERS 10 TO 16, 18 TO 20 (EVEN) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	STEPS, RAILINGS, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE	1819 AD to 1936 AD
MLO86523	LB	NUMBERS 25 TO 37 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE, STEPS, RAILINGS	1829 AD to 1831 AD

GLHER ref.	Record Type	Name	MonType	DateRange
MLO86524	LB	NUMBER 24-33 (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	APARTMENT, TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS, TERRACE, STEPS	1841 AD to 1985 AD
MLO86529	LB	BOLLARD AT NORTH ENTRANCE TO GRANVILLE SQUARE (NORTHEAST CORNER)	BOLLARD	1841 AD to 1843 AD
MLO86530	LB	BOLLARD AT NORTH ENTRANCE TO GRANVILLE SQUARE (NORTHWEST CORNER)	BOLLARD	1841 AD to 1843 AD
MLO86531	LB	BOLLARD AT SOUTH ENTRANCE (SOUTHWEST CORNER)	BOLLARD	1841 AD to 1843 AD
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MLO86557	LB	NUMBERS 1 TO 12, 12A TO 12C (CONSECUTIVE) AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	RAILINGS, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE, TERRACED HOUSE, STEPS	1819 AD to 1999 AD
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MLO86595	LB	LONDON CITY COUNCIL FIRE BRIGADE STATION	FIRE STATION	1911 AD to 1913 AD
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## **PHOENIX PLACE, LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON (NGR: TQ 3100 8220): GEOARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELDWORK REPORT**

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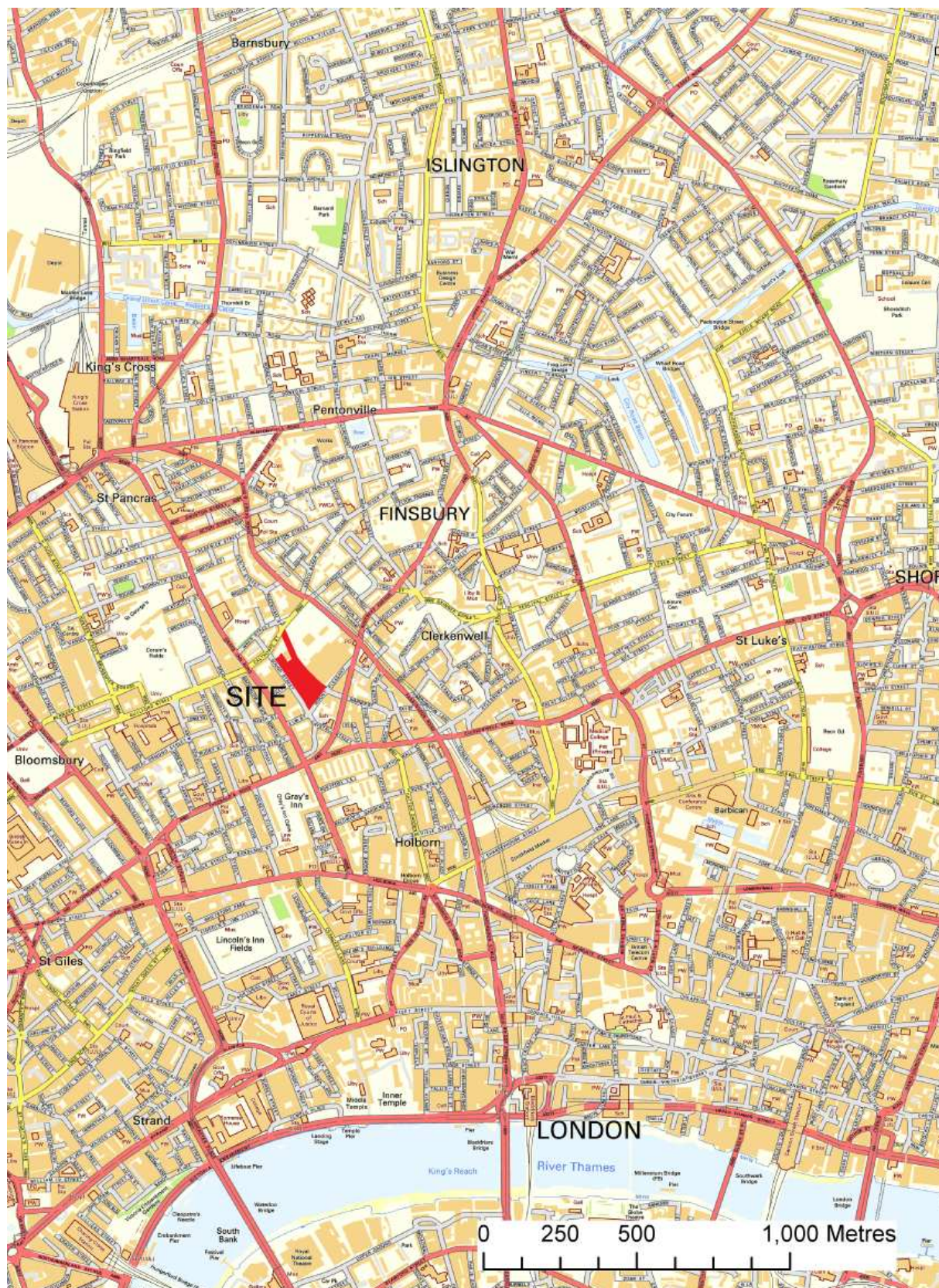
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### **INTRODUCTION**

This report summarises the findings arising out of the geoarchaeological fieldwork and deposit modelling undertaken by Quaternary Scientific (University of Reading) in connection with the proposed development of Land at Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington (National Grid Reference: *centred on* TQ 3100 8200; Figure 1). Quaternary Scientific were commissioned by AOC Archaeology to undertake the geoarchaeological investigations. The site lies on a former terrace of the Thames occupied by the Hackney Gravel, and is located approximately one kilometre north of the modern waterfront (Figure 1). The site is mapped by the British Geological Society as lying at a point where the River Fleet cuts down through the Hackney Gravel to expose the London Clay bedrock (1:50,000 Sheet 286 North London 2006). Berry (1979) notes that an enclosed hollow underlies part of the Fleet Valley (identified as a circular feature on the BGS mapping) in the area of Calthorpe Street, and underlying the northern part of the site. This feature was considered to represent a possible scour feature related to the older Hackney Gravel (Gibbard, 1985). The superficial geology at the site is thus fairly complex, with Hackney Gravel recorded to the North of the site, London Clay through the centre, and Alluvium associated with the River Fleet towards the south. The River Fleet, now largely subterranean, rises several kilometres to the north at Hampstead Heath and Highgate.

The aim of the geoarchaeological investigations at the site was to (1) clarify the nature of the sub-surface stratigraphy, in particular the presence and thickness of Alluvium across the site, and (2) to evaluate the potential of the sedimentary sequences for reconstructing the environmental history of the site and its environs. In order to achieve this aim, seven geoarchaeological boreholes were put down in two transects aligned broadly NW-SE and SW-NE (Figure 2).



**Figure 1: Location of Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington. Contains Ordnance Survey data © Crown copyright and database right [2012]**

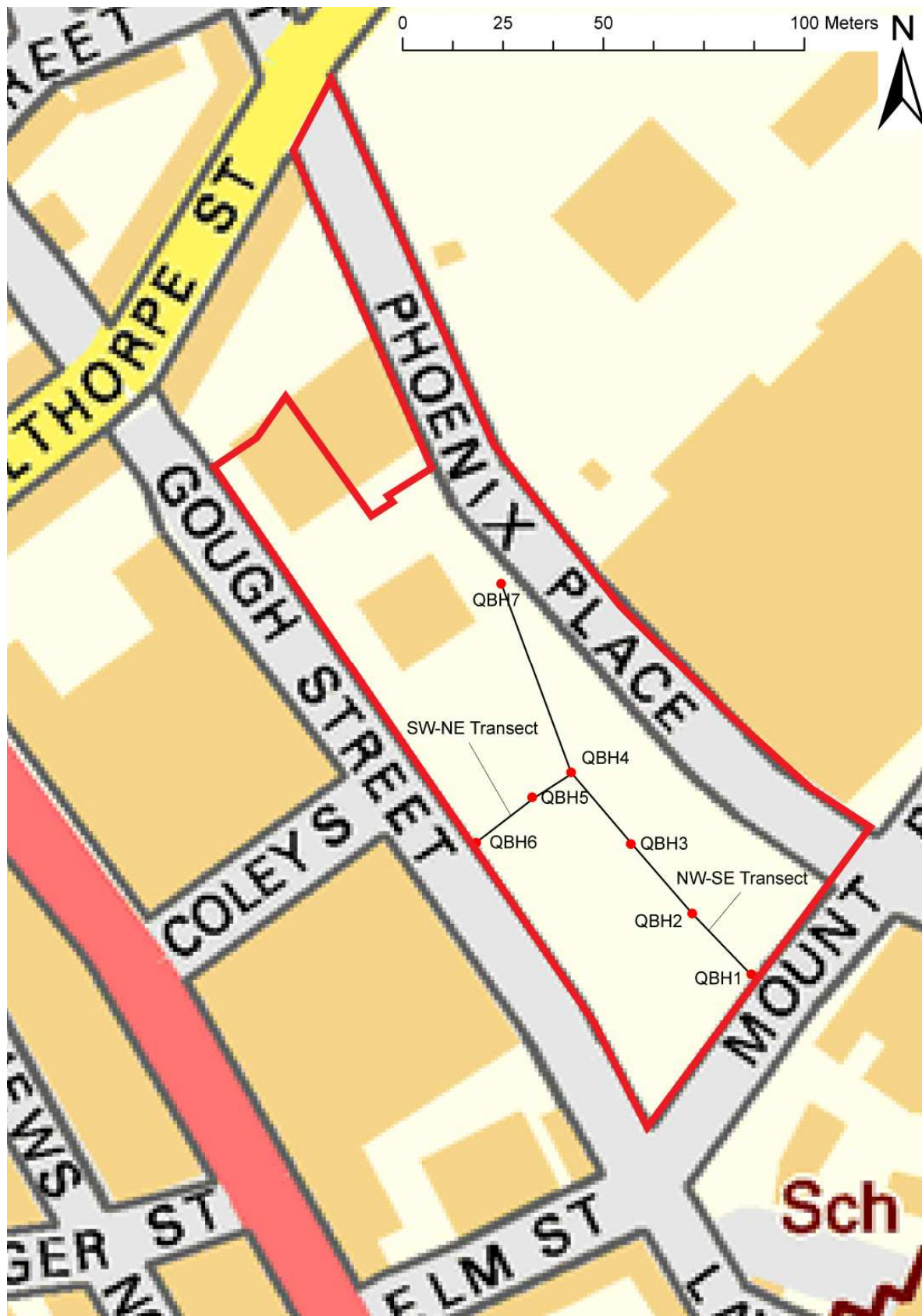


Figure 2: Detailed site map incorporating the location of the ge archaeological boreholes at Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington. Site outline shown in red. Contains Ordnance Survey data © Crown copyright and database right [2012]

## METHODS

### *Field investigations*

Seven geoarchaeological boreholes (boreholes <QBH1> to <QBH7>) were put down at the site in February 2014 (Figure 2). Borehole core samples were recovered using an Eijkelkamp window sampler and gouge set using an Atlas Copco TT 2-stroke percussion engine. This coring technique is a suitable method for the recovery of continuous, undisturbed core samples and provides sub-samples suitable for not only sedimentary and microfossil assessment and analysis, but also macrofossil analysis. The recovered core samples were wrapped in clear plastic to prevent moisture loss, labelled with the depth (metres from ground surface) and orientation (top and base) and returned to Quaternary Scientific for storage in a purpose built facility at 2°C. This temperature prevents fungal growth on the core surface, which may lead to anomalous radiocarbon dates, and moisture loss. The spatial attributes of each borehole were recorded using a Leica GS09 Differential GPS (Table 1 and Figure 2).

**Table 1: Borehole attributes at Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington**

<b>Borehole</b>	<b>Easting</b>	<b>Northing</b>	<b>Elevation (m OD)</b>
QBH1	531030.01	182191.41	12.89
QBH2	531015.29	182206.51	12.08
QBH3	530999.95	182223.82	12.10
QBH4	530985.11	182241.67	14.82
QBH5	530975.39	182235.49	14.86
QBH6	530961.50	182224.16	14.76
QBH7	530967.68	182288.85	15.87

### *Lithostratigraphic descriptions*

Where cores were retained, the lithostratigraphy of boreholes <QBH1> to <QBH7> was described in the laboratory using standard procedures for recording unconsolidated sediment and organic sediments, noting the physical properties (colour), composition (gravel, sand, clay, silt and organic matter) and inclusions (e.g. artefacts) (Tröels-Smith, 1955). The procedure involved: (1) cleaning the samples with a spatula or scalpel blade and distilled water to remove surface contaminants; (2) recording the physical properties, most notably colour using a Munsell Soil Colour Chart; (3) recording the composition; gravel (Grana glareosa; Gg), fine sand (Grana arenosa; Ga), silt (Argilla granosa; Ag) and clay (Argilla steatoides); (4) recording the degree of peat humification and (5) recording the unit boundaries e.g. sharp or diffuse. The results are displayed in Figures 3 and 4 and in Tables 2 to 8.

## **RESULTS AND INTERPRETATION OF THE LITHOSTRATIGRAPHIC DESCRIPTIONS**

The results of the geoarchaeological investigations (Tables 2 to 8) have permitted a programme of two-dimensional deposit modelling of the surface elevation and thickness of each major stratigraphic unit (Figures 3 and 4). The basal unit at the site is the London Clay bedrock. The surface of this unit is uneven, lying at its highest in the north and west of the site, at a truncated minimum height of 10.37m OD in borehole <QBH7> (Figure 3) and 9.24m OD in <QBH5>. The London Clay was not reached further west in borehole <QBH6> due to the presence of a concrete slab that prevented drilling below 12.36m OD. Towards the south and east of the site the London Clay surface was recorded at 6.92m OD in borehole <QBH4>.

Towards the south and east of the site the London Clay is a horizon of sand and gravel (Figures 3 and 4), referred to by Gibbard (1985) as the Fleet Valley Gravel, which can be correlated with the Shepperton Gravel. These sediments were deposited during the Late Devensian, in a channel tributary to the Thames (Gibbard, 1985). The Gravel surface is recorded in boreholes <QBH4> (7.26m OD) and <QBH2> (6.47m OD), demonstrating a surface that falls southwards along the course of the Fleet, as might be expected. It was not possible to confirm the surface of the Gravel in borehole <QBH1> due to the nature of the Made Ground here, where coarse rubble meant that the borehole was prone to collapse. The area of this borehole was however excavated to the maximum depth of the machine arm of a JCB, which confirmed the presence of Made Ground to a depth of 8.39m OD.

The Gravel is overlain in boreholes <QBH2>, <QBH3> and <QBH4> by a horizon of Alluvium, which is generally composed of sandy silt or silty, sandy clay with frequent horizontal bedding and in places detrital organic material. This unit is generally between 1.0 and 2.0m thick, the surface lying at between ca. 8.5 and 9.0m OD (Figure 3). The Alluvium is predominantly coarse grained, and most likely represents in-channel (fluvial) deposition during the Holocene. In borehole <QBH5> this unit is recorded directly overlying the London Clay between 10.73 and 9.24m OD.

The Alluvium is overlain across the site by a considerable thickness of Made Ground. In the lower, southern part of the site (in the area of boreholes <QBH1> to <QBH3>) the Made Ground is between 3.5 and 4.5m thick, whilst in the area of boreholes <QBH4> to <QBH7> it is generally between 6.0 and 7.0m thick, except in the area of borehole <QBH5> where a thickness of 4.0m was recorded. The modern surface of the site reflects the natural topography and the variable extent of ground raising, which has formed a series of terraces



increasing in height northwards. In the area of <QBH7> the modern surface lies at ca. 15.9m OD, whilst in the area of boreholes <QBH4> to <QBH6> it is recorded at ca. 14.8m OD. In the lower, southern part of the site it is recorded at between ca. 12.1 and 12.9m OD.

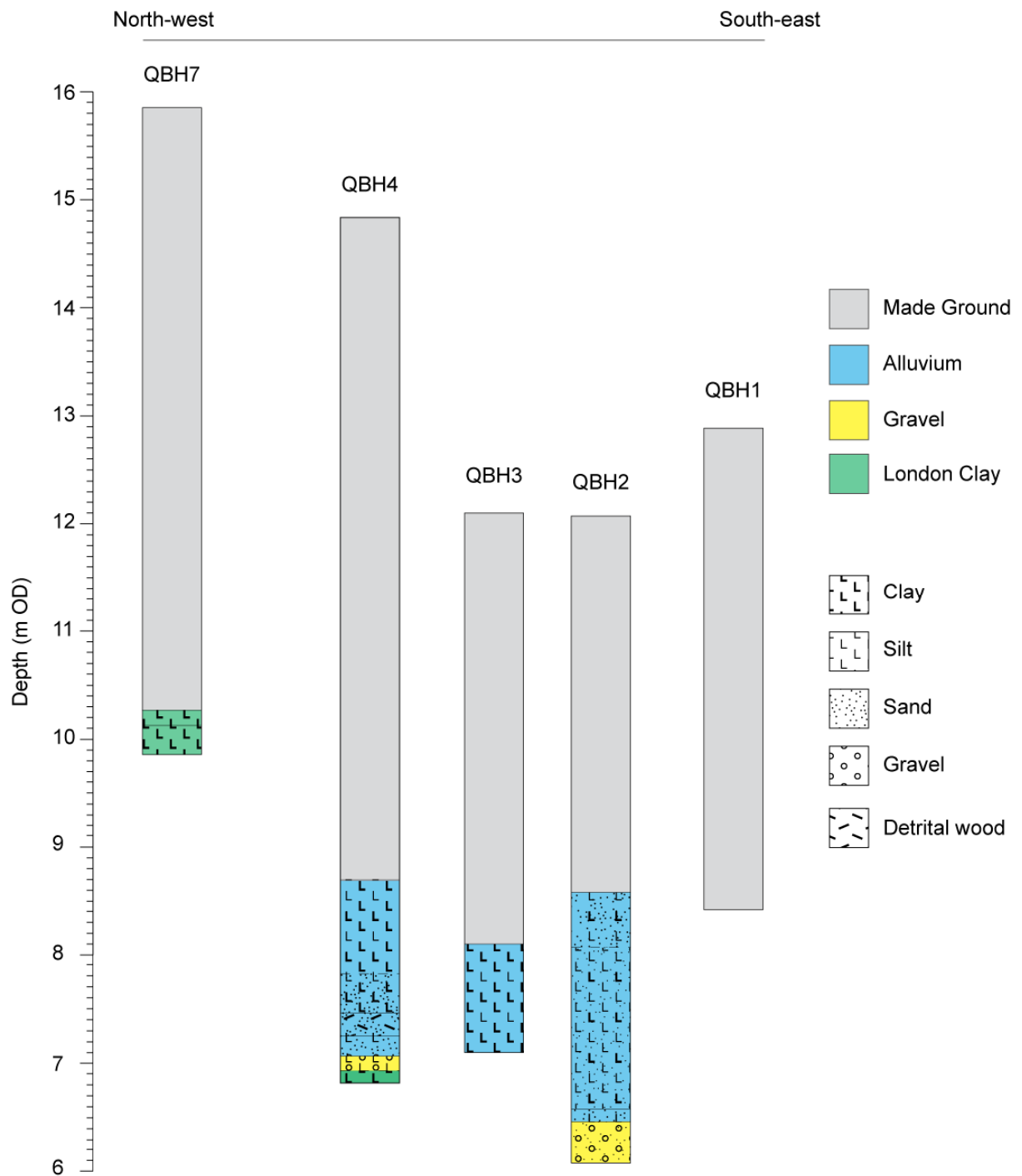


Figure 3: North-west to South-east transect of boreholes across Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington.

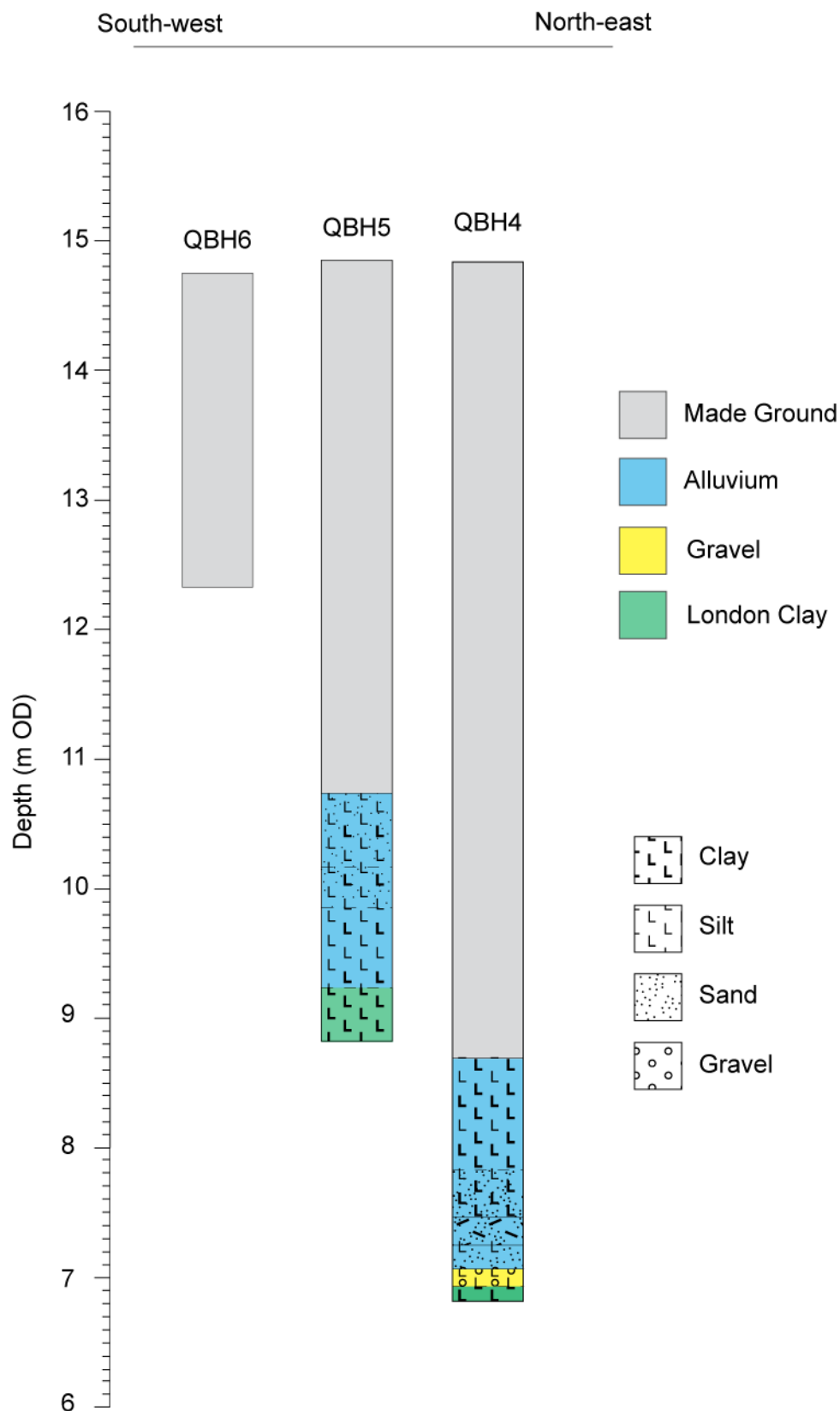


Figure 4: South-west to North-east transect of boreholes across Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington.

**Table 2: Lithostratigraphic description of borehole <QBH1>, Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington**

Depth (m OD)	Depth (m bgs)	Composition
12.89 to 9.89	0.00 to 3.00	Made Ground of rubble, glass, metal and industrial waste. Diffuse contact in to:
9.89 to 8.39	3.00 to 4.50	Made Ground of rubble, glass, metal, industrial waste and redeposited Alluvium.

**Table 3: Lithostratigraphic description of borehole <QBH2>, Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington**

Depth (m OD)	Depth (m bgs)	Composition
12.08 to 8.78	0.00 to 3.30	Made Ground of rubble, glass, metal and industrial waste.
8.78 to 8.58	3.30 to 3.50	Made Ground/redeposited Alluvium.
8.58 to 8.08	3.50 to 4.00	Ga2 As1 Ag1; dark grey clayey silty sand with some horizontal bedding.
8.08 to 6.60	4.00 to 5.48	Ag2 As1 Ga1 Gg+; greenish grey sandy clayey silt with occasional gravel (flint) clasts. Sharp contact in to:
6.60 to 6.47	5.48 to 5.61	Ga3 Ag1; very dark grey silty sand. Sharp contact in to:
6.47 to 6.08	5.61 to 6.00	Gg3 Ga1 Ag+; dark grey sandy gravel with a trace of silt. Flint clasts up to 60mm in diameter.

**Table 4: Lithostratigraphic description of borehole <QBH3>, Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington**

Depth (m OD)	Depth (m bgs)	Composition
12.10 to 8.10	4.00 to 4.00	Made Ground.
8.10 to 7.10	4.21 to 5.00	10YR 5/1; As3 Ag1 Ga+; firm grey silty clay with a trace of sand. Some ?horizontal bedding of sandier material. Orange mottling.

**Table 5: Lithostratigraphic description of borehole <QBH4>, Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington**

Depth (m OD)	Depth (m bgs)	Composition
14.82 to 8.69	0.00 to 6.13	Made Ground. Sharp contact in to:
8.69 to 7.82	6.13 to 7.00	As3 Ag1 Gg+; bluey grey silty clay with occasional gravel clasts. Black mottling.
7.82 to 7.47	7.00 to 7.35	10YR 4/1; As2 Ag1 Ga1 Gg+ Dh+; dark grey silty sandy clay with traces of detrital herbaceous material and occasional gravel clasts. Sharp contact in to:
7.47 to 7.26	7.35 to 7.56	10YR 4/1; Ga2 Ag1 DI1 As+; dark grey silty sand with frequent detrital wood and a trace of clay. Some horizontal bedding. Sharp contact in to:
7.26 to 7.08	7.56 to 7.74	10YR 4/1; Gg2 Ga1 Ag1; dark grey sandy silty gravel. Flint clasts up to 60mm in diameter. Sharp contact in to:
7.08 to 6.92	7.74 to 7.90	10YR 4/1 Gg2 Ag2 Ga+; dark grey silt and gravel

		with a trace of sand. Flint clasts up to 50mm in diameter. Diffuse contact in to:
6.92 to 6.82	7.90 to 8.00	10YR 4/1; As4 Ag+ Ga+; firm dark grey clay with traces of silt and sand.

**Table 6: Lithostratigraphic description of borehole <QBH5>, Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington**

Depth (m OD)	Depth (m bgs)	Composition
14.86 to 10.73	0.00 to 4.13	Made Ground. Sharp contact in to:
10.73 to 10.17	4.13 to 4.69	10YR 3/1; Ag2 As1 Ga1 Gg+; very dark grey sandy clayey silt with occasional small (<10mm diameter) gravel clasts. Diffuse contact in to:
10.17 to 9.86	4.69 to 5.00	10YR 4/4; Ag2 As1 Ga1 Gg+; dark yellowish brown sandy clayey silt with occasional small (<10mm diameter) gravel clasts.
9.86 to 9.24	5.00 to 5.62	10YR 4/1; As3 Ag1 Ga+ Gg+; firm dark grey silty clay with a trace of sand and occasional small (<10mm diameter) gravel clasts. Diffuse contact in to:
9.24 to 8.86	5.62 to 6.00	10YR 4/1; As4 Ag+; very firm brown clay with a trace of silt. Some iron staining and ?ferrous nodules.

**Table 7: Lithostratigraphic description of borehole <QBH6>, Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington**

Depth (m OD)	Depth (m bgs)	Composition
14.76 to 12.36	0.00 to 2.40	Made Ground
12.36	2.40	Obstruction (?concrete slab)

**Table 8: Lithostratigraphic description of borehole <QBH7>, Phoenix Place, London Borough of Islington**

Depth (m OD)	Depth (m bgs)	Composition
15.87 to 10.37	0.00 to 5.50	Made Ground of brick rubble.
10.37 to 10.27	5.50 to 5.60	Made Ground of brick rubble and redeposited Alluvium/London Clay. Sharp contact in to:
10.27 to 10.12	5.60 to 5.75	As4 Ag+ Gg+; brownish grey firm clay with a trace of silt and rare gravel (flint) clasts. Sharp contact in to:
10.12 to 9.87	5.75 to 6.00	As4 Ag+ Ga+; brownish grey very firm clay with a trace of silt and sand.

## DISCUSSION, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The aim of the geoarchaeological investigations at the Phoenix Place site was to (1) clarify the nature of the sub-surface stratigraphy, in particular the presence and thickness of Alluvium across the site, and (2) to evaluate the potential of the sedimentary sequences for reconstructing the environmental history of the site and its environs. In order to achieve this aim, seven geoarchaeological boreholes were put down at the site and a programme of two-dimensional deposit modelling of the surface elevation and thickness of the major stratigraphic units was carried out.

The results of a previous geotechnical investigation at the site (conducted in 1976 and available as BGS borehole records) conforms to the new geoarchaeological investigations.

The results of the geoarchaeological investigations largely confirm the sedimentary sequence indicated by the BGS geological mapping of this part of the valley of the Fleet, and conform with previous geotechnical investigations at the site (see <http://mapapps.bgs.ac.uk/geologyofbritain/home.html>). The borehole records indicate that a horizon of sand and gravel (equivalent to the Shepperton Gravel and deposited during the Late Devensian) is present in the southern and eastern parts of the site, falling southwards from 7.26m OD in borehole <QBH4> to 6.47m OD in <QBH2>. The Gravel is overlain by between 1.0 and 2.0m of generally sandy and silty Holocene Alluvium, in places containing detrital organic material and present between ca. 7.0 and 9.0m OD in the southern part of the site. In the area of borehole <QBH7>, Made Ground lies directly on top of the London Clay bedrock at 10.27m OD. This borehole lies in the area of the London Clay outcrop that separates the Alluvium of the River Fleet and the Hackney Gravel, which lies to the north of the site and occupies a former (Wolstonian) terrace of the Thames.

No in-situ organic horizons are recorded within the Alluvium at the Phoenix Place site. The Alluvium is predominantly coarse grained, and most likely represents in-channel (fluvial) deposition. The palaeoenvironmental potential of these sequences is therefore considered limited, and no further assessment is recommended on these sequences.

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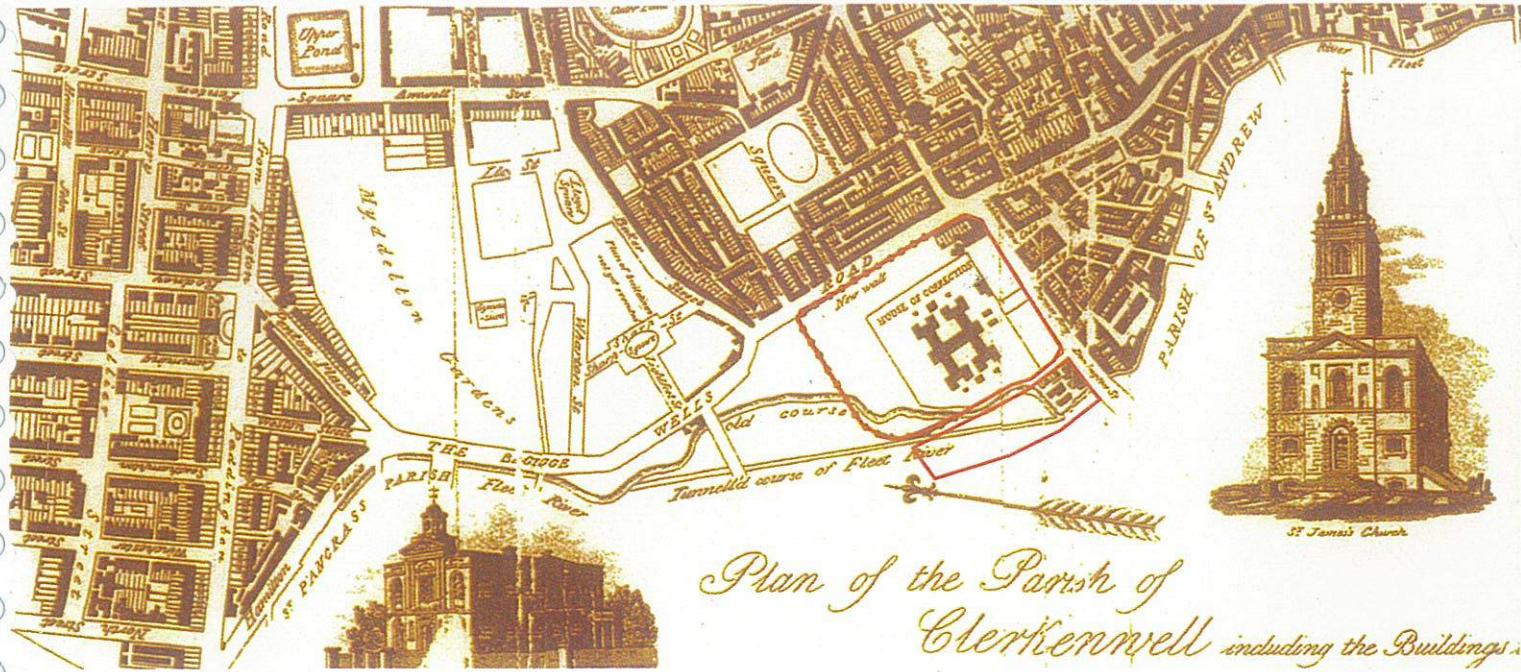
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## SUMMARY (NON-TECHNICAL)

This report presents the results of desk-based assessment work carried out by the Museum of London Archaeology Service on the site of Mount Pleasant Mail Centre, Farringdon Road, London EC1. The report was commissioned by RMJM on behalf of Royal Mail Group plc.

This *Archaeological impact assessment* has shown that there is a low potential for Prehistoric, Roman and Saxon remains, a moderate potential for palaeoenvironmental and medieval remains and a high potential for post-medieval remains across the site.

Previous activity will have removed a significant amount of archaeological deposits but is unlikely to have removed all the post-medieval cut features, foundations and dump deposits.

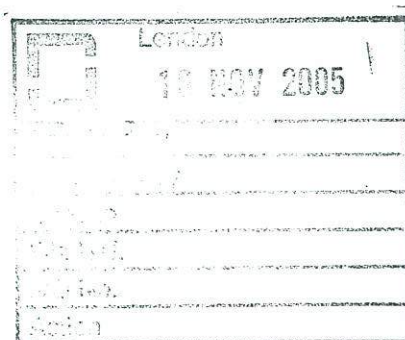
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The recent watching brief of the trial pits has shown that archaeological deposits survive on the site and it is recommended that further archaeological field evaluation is necessary within the footprint of any proposed buildings. Field evaluation will provide further information on the nature and levels of deposits beneath the basement slab. This will enable an appropriate mitigation strategy to be recommended by the local planning authority.

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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Site location

The Mount Pleasant Mail Centre site lies on the western side of Farringdon Road and is bounded on the west by Gough Street, on the south by Mount Pleasant and to the north by Calthorpe Street (see Fig 1). The Ordnance Survey National Grid reference is NGR 531015 182375. Within this report the property is known as 'the site'.

## 1.2 Site status

The site is being considered for redevelopment. At the time of preparing the report no detailed redevelopment proposals have been formulated.

## 1.3 Origin and scope of the report

This report has been commissioned from the Museum of London Archaeology Service (MoLAS) by RMJM. It has been requested in advance of possible redevelopment of the site (see sections 1.6 and 5) and may be required in relation to the planning process in order that the local authority can formulate appropriate responses in the light of any identified archaeological resource.

The desk-based assessment (*Archaeological impact assessment*) has been carried out in accordance with model brief published by the Greater London Archaeology Advisory Service, and in accordance with the standards specified by the Institute of Field Archaeologists (IFA 2001).

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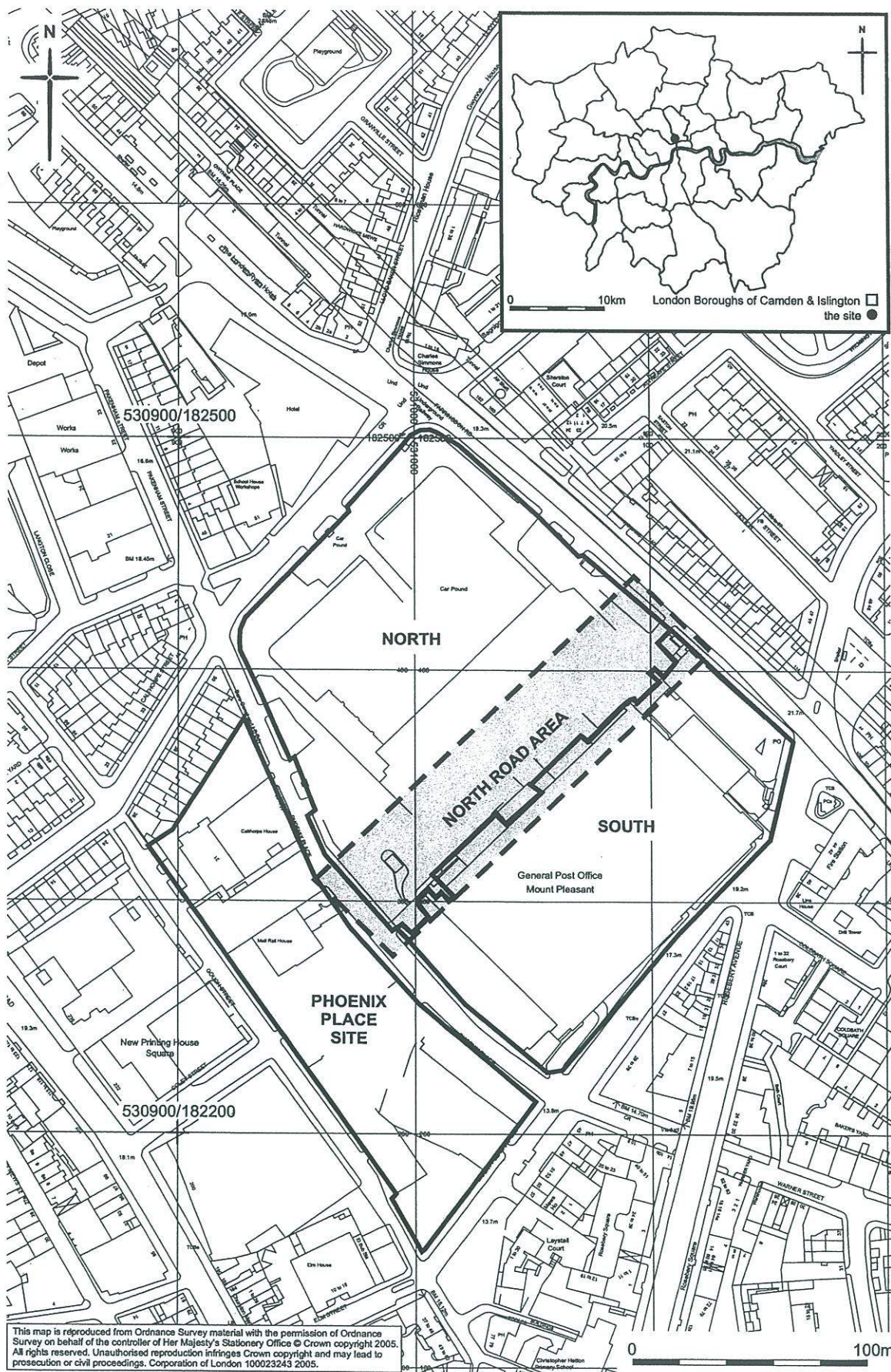


Fig 1 Site location



## 1.4 Aims and objectives

A desk-based assessment (*Archaeological assessment*) as defined by the Institute of Field Archaeologists (IFA 2001) will

determine, as far as is reasonably possible from existing records, the nature of the archaeological resource within a specified area. It will be undertaken using appropriate methods and practices which satisfy the stated aims of the project, and which comply with the Code of Conduct, Code of Approved Practice for the Regulation of Contractual Arrangements in Field Archaeology, and other relevant by-laws of the Institute of Field Archaeologists.

A desk-based assessment represents

a programme of assessment of the known or potential archaeological resource within a specified area or site on land, inter-tidal zone or underwater. It consists of a collation of existing written, graphic, photographic and electronic information in order to identify the likely character, extent, quality and worth of the known or potential archaeological resource in a local, regional, national or international context as appropriate.

The purpose of desk-based assessment is

To gain information about the known or potential archaeological resource within a given area or site (including its presence or absence, character and extent, date, integrity, state of preservation and relative quality of the potential archaeological resource) in order to make an assessment of its merit in context, leading to one or more of the following:

- the formulation of a strategy to ensure the recording, preservation or management of the resource
- the formulation of a strategy for further investigation, whether or not intrusive, where the character and value of the resource is not sufficiently defined to permit a mitigation strategy or other response to be devised
- the formulation of a proposal for further archaeological investigation within a programme of research

The submission of a desk-based assessment to accompany a planning application also conforms to the intent of paragraph 7 (under 'The role of public authorities and planners') of the *Code of good practice* established by the Cultural Heritage Committee of the Council of Europe (CHCE 2000), which states that 'before taking decisions affecting the archaeological heritage, planners should obtain adequate information and advice, applying non-destructive methods of investigation wherever possible'; and also with the intent of paragraph 1 (under 'The role of architects and developers') which states that 'the purpose [of assessment] will be not only to establish if it is necessary to dig but also to build a picture of [the site's] morphology and its potential.'

## 1.5 Methodology

The assessment has been carried out in accordance with guidance from various bodies including the London Borough of Camden and London Borough of Islington, the Greater London Archaeology Advisory Service, the Institute of Field Archaeologists and the Association of Local Government Archaeological Officers. In summary, the work has involved

- identifying the client's objectives
- identifying the sources available for consultation (standard published works and cartographic sources, and archive resources viz the Greater London Sites and Monuments Record, British Library, British Postal Museum and Archive, local authority/GLAAS, MoLAS archive)
- assembling, consulting and examining these sources
- consulting specialists within MoLAS as appropriate

The degree to which archaeological deposits actually survive on the site will depend on previous land use, so an assessment is made of the destructive effect of the previous and present activity and/or buildings, from the study of available plan information, ground investigation reports, or similar.

In order that the appropriate archaeological response(s) can be identified, consideration is given to the need for further assessment and/or field evaluation work to identify and locate surviving deposits on the site.

### **1.6 Proposed development summary**

The proposed redevelopment comprises the demolition of the present buildings and the construction of a new Mail Centre is likely to be constructed on the North Mount Pleasant site. The Phoenix Row site is likely to be developed with residential units. The North Road area is likely to be maintained as existing. For further details see section 5.