

Fig 21 Location of underground railway at Mount Pleasant

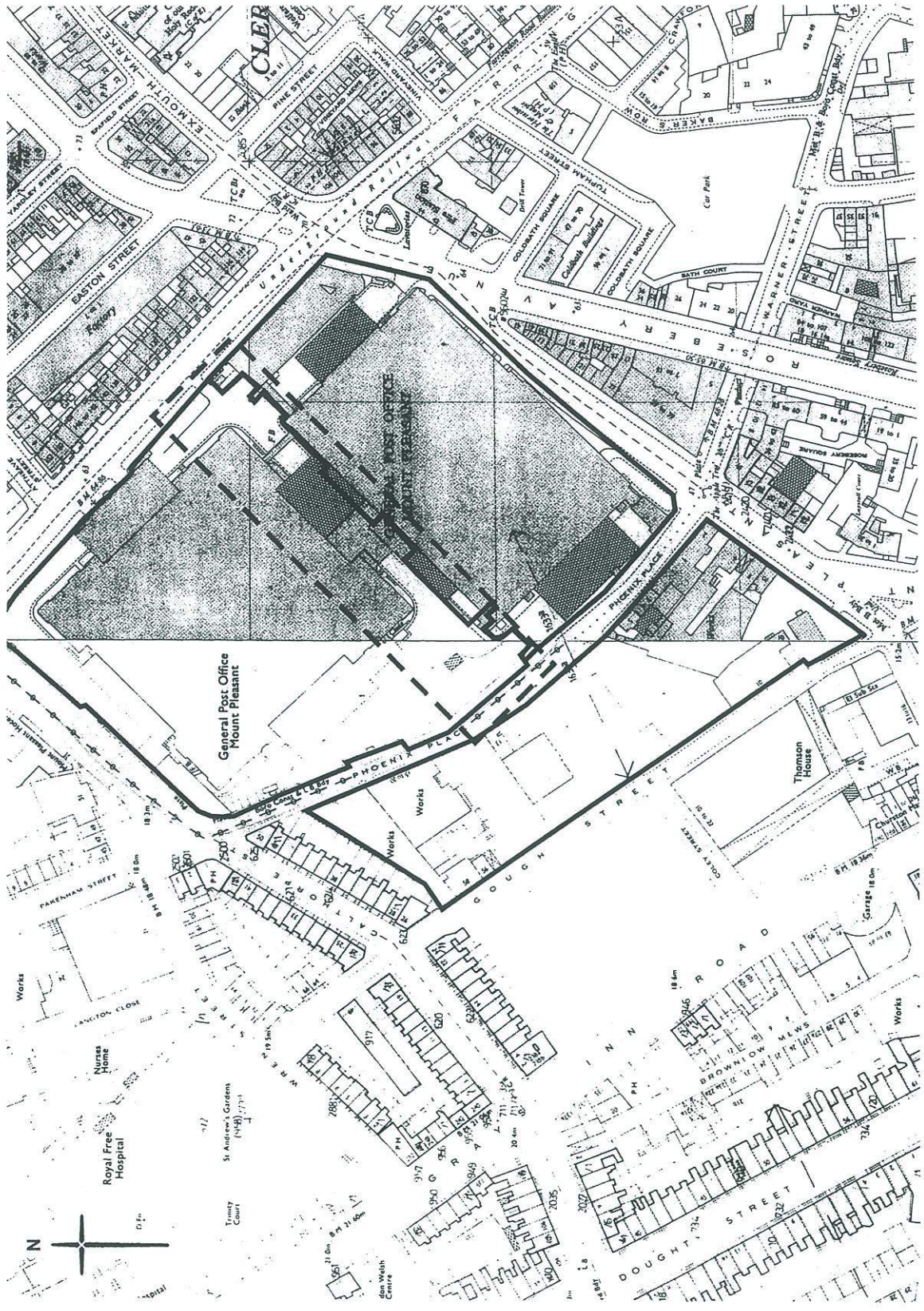


Fig 22 Ordnance Survey map, 1962



Fig 23 Greater London Sites and Monument Record entries within a 500m radius of the site

Table 1 Greater London Sites and Monuments Record entries within a 500m radius of the site

Fig 23 ref no.s	SMR	Type	Period
1	08040403	Water Tank	Medieval
1	080451	Pleasure Gardens	Post –Medieval
2	080349	Finds	Palaeolithic
2	08040402	Water Tank	Medieval
2	08040401	Conduit	Medieval
3	083585	Robber Trench	Post-Medieval
3	083586	Dump (Deposit)	Post-Medieval
3	083587	Foundations	Post-Medieval
3	083588	Cess Pit	Post-Medieval
4	08040507	Well	Medieval
5	08040602	Water Tank	Medieval
6	21274908	Conduit	Medieval
7	080353	Spearhead	Bronze Age
7	082352	Cremation Vessel	Roman
7	082346	Water Pipe	Post –Medieval
8	080511	Tile Kiln	Post –Medieval
9	212749	Waterworks	Post –Medieval
10	08040601	Water Tank	Medieval
10	08040508	Conduit House	Medieval
10	08040509	Water Pipe	Medieval
11	21274903	Revetment	Post-Medieval
12	081632	Fort	Post –Medieval
13	21274902001	Room	Post-Medieval
14	21274901	Conduit House	Post-Medieval
15	080508	Spa	Medieval
16	080510	Well	Post –Medieval
17	080351	Kill Site	Palaeolithic
18	08040603	Water Tank	Medieval
19	08040604	Water Tank	Medieval
20	080480	Spa	Post –Medieval
21	081633	Civil War Defences	Post –Medieval
22	082259	Burial Ground	Post-Medieval
23	201958	Burial Ground	Post –Medieval
24	082628	Inhumation	Post-Medieval
24	082628	Inhumation	Post-Medieval
24	08262801	Burial Vault	Post-Medieval
25	083223	Dump (Deposit)	Post-Medieval
25	083224	Foundations	Post-Medieval
25	083225	Wall	Post-Medieval
26	082249	House Of Correction	Post-Medieval
27	082250	House	Medieval
28	082085	Road	Medieval
29	08040510	Water Pipe	Medieval

30	084034	Burial Ground	Hu
31	080414	Skinner's Well	Medieval
32	080501	Vineyard	Medieval
33	081711	Flint Artefact	Palaeolithic
33	08171101	Flake	Palaeolithic
33	081712	Axe	Mesolithic
33	081713	Axe	Neolithic
34	081773	Coin	Roman
35	082251	Well	Post-Medieval
36	080443	Bead	Saxon
36	080352	Axe	Palaeolithic
37	082261	Burial Ground	Post-Medieval
38	08043702	Wall	Medieval
39	21279401	Cell	Post-Medieval
40	080472	Bridewell	Post –Medieval
41	08040511	Ditch	Medieval
41	082248	Bridewell	Post-Medieval
42	082146	Water Pipe	Medieval
43	084201	Coin	Roman
43	084202	Coin	Roman
43	080553	Buckle	Medieval
44	080413	Well	Medieval
45	080489	Well	Medieval
46	080495	Lead Workings	Post –Medieval
46	080496	Building(Unclassified)	Post –Medieval
46	08049601	Garderobe	Post-Medieval
47	08043719	Building Range	Medieval
47	08043721	Building Range	Medieval
47	080457	Terraced House	Post –Medieval
47	080456	House	Post –Medieval
47	08045601	Pavement	Post-Medieval
48	08043714	Dormitory	Medieval
49	08043708	Latrine	Medieval
49	08043708001	Undercroft	Medieval
50	080468	Reused Timber	Medieval
51	08043718	Kitchen	Medieval
52	080465	Masonry	Medieval
53	08043722002	School	Medieval
53	08043722003	Barn	Medieval
53	08043722005	Offices	Medieval
53	08043722006	Building(Unclassified)	Medieval
53	08043722004	Stables	Medieval
53	08043722007	Slaughterhouse	Medieval
55	08043723	Bedding Trench	Medieval
55	08043724	Refuse Pit	Medieval
53	08043711	Cloister	Medieval
53	08043722	Courtyard	Medieval
53	08043722001	Guest House	Medieval

54	08043705	Church	Medieval
55	08043725	Pavement	Medieval
55	083665	Potsherd	Iron Age
56	080466	Wall	Medieval
57	08043707001	Room	Medieval
58	082761	Building Material(Unclassified)	Medieval
59	080369	Potsherd	Roman
60	080410	Well	Saxon
61	080464	House	Medieval
62	08043710	House	Medieval
62	08043709	Hall	Medieval
63	080458	Weir	Medieval
64	080463	Doorway	Medieval
65	08043716001	Tenement	Medieval
65	08043716002	Cess Pit	Medieval
65	08043716	Tenement	Medieval
65	080491	Kiln	Medieval
65	080492	Hearth	Post –Medieval
65	080358	Ditch	Iron Age
66	083291	Pit	Medieval
66	083292	Pit	Post-Medieval
67	08043707	Gatehouse	Medieval
68	08043702001	Retaining Wall	Medieval
69	212561	Well	Medieval
70	080493	Dump(Deposit)	Post –Medieval
71	081781	Cremation Jar	Roman
71	084203	Coin	Roman
72	080473	Brewery	Post –Medieval
73	082919	Garden Remains	Post-Medieval
74	08040514	Water Pipe	Medieval
74	08040520	Water Pipe	Medieval
74	08040513	Water Pipe	Medieval
75	081765	Road	Roman
76	08043601	Wall	Medieval
77	080434	Implement	Medieval
78	080460	Tenement	Medieval
78	080476	Bowling Green	Medieval
79	082860	Wall Foundations	Medieval
79	082861	Well	Post-Medieval
80	080452	Sundial	Medieval
81	08043702002	Gate	Medieval
81	08043720	Refectory	Medieval
81	08043712	Chapter House	Medieval
81	08043701	House	Medieval
81	08043704	Refectory	Medieval
81	08043713	Building Range	Medieval

3.4 Gazetteer of adjacent or relevant archaeological sites

The list below represents a gazetteer of archaeological excavations and observations in the vicinity of the site, and should be read in conjunction with Fig 24.

- **Site 1**

WRS97

Main Entrance, London Electricity Board Substation, Warner Street, EC1

NGR 531210 182150

The site is located at the north edge of the River Fleet which here flows west-east. Sandy deposits associated with the foreshore of the Fleet and dated to the mid 17th century were overlaid by a peaty deposit, indicating still water. The latter, dated to the end of the 17th century, contained many copper pins. It was overlaid by a very thick dumped deposit, which was probably connected with the canalisation of this stretch of the river, known to have been carried out in the 1st half of the 18th century.

- **Site 2**

GRI93

Gray's Inn Rd 252b, WC1

NGR 531210 182370

The site lies within the detached burial ground of St Andrew's Holborn (1754-1853). All burials in the upper portion of the site had been exhumed, probably between 1871 and 1896, but the deeper burials were still in situ. A late 18th-early 19th century brick-built burial vault was discovered; its contents were intact. A number of gravestones were recorded

- **Site 3**

MPO92

Mount Pleasant, Mount Pleasant Post Office, WC1

NGR 531010 182370

The earliest sequence formed natural London Clay deposition. Over the eastern side of the site, the whole area was heavily truncated to London Clay by the later GPO buildings. However, further west the area sloped down westwards into the valley area. This originally formed part of the River Fleet valley system.

At some point after the river silts were deposited, areas along the eastern bank may have been subject to random and systematic dumping. The earliest dumps consist of mixed grey silts and mixed cultural fragments such as pottery, shell, animal bone and red ceramic building material and possible industrial waste. Later large areas of the river valley observed across the site were backfilled and levelled over by large dumps of mixed silts, fragments of tile, mortar and other building

materials. These dumps filled this part of the river valley to a depth of approximately 3.5 to 4m, the top of which was recorded at 14.20m OD.

Cut into the river dumps along the southern side of Area A (close to Phoenix Place) was observed a number of external load bearing walls and internal soft red brick walls and foundations, laid within a large east–west aligned trench. This construction probably formed part of a large east–west aligned subwalls and foundations for a corridor wing within the Middlesex House of Correction.

- **Site 4**

BGL97

21 Bowling Green Lane, EC1

NGR 531300 182200

Eight geotechnical trial pits were recorded in the basement of a standing building; pits cut into the natural sands were revealed. None contained any dating evidence. A further watching brief in Nov 1997 during ground reduction at the rear of the building showed a sequence of late 17th-century dumps. This accords with both cartographic and documentary evidence. Nothing to indicate the presence of the precinct wall of the medieval St. Mary's nunnery, Clerkenwell, was observed.

Agricultural or horticultural soil, dated to the medieval period, was located above the natural gravels; this may have been within the grounds of St Mary Clerkenwell, nunnery. Besides 17th-century dumps, an external surface of 18th century or early 19th century date and 19th-century made-ground were recorded.

- **Site 5**

HBH01

3-7 Herbal Hill, EC1

NGR 531300 182120

The edge of a probable former channel of the River Fleet was located in the north of the site and which cartographic evidence suggests ran northwest–southeast across the site until the late 18th century. No channel was identified in the south, suggesting that it ran quite acutely northwest–southeast across the site. Deep deposits of made-ground overlay the channel silt in the north and the natural clay in the south of the site; they are dated to 17th–18th century and probably related to the initial development and construction on the site, evidenced by substantial deposits of construction debris, truncated by 19th-century basements.

- **Site 6**

FGN97

62-66 Farringdon Road, EC1

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Natural sand was overlaid by late medieval or early post-medieval sand and gravel deposits that may either represent hillwash along the River Fleet valley, or make-up layers associated with terracing. Above lay a possible horticultural soil overlaid by domestic refuse dumps of 17th century date. These were sealed by a substantial demolition sequence, dated to 18th or 19th century, which may have been imported to level the site prior to construction. A poorly constructed wall, probably 19th century in date, followed it and was cut by a late 19th-century cellar.

- **Site 7**

ROS88

Rosebery Avenue/Topham Street, EC1

NGR 531200 182300

No further information available.

- **Site 8**

BKI99

London Electricity Board Shaft, Back Hill, EC1

NGR 531250 182140

Landfill dumps, dated to the 17th-18th century, were observed.

- **Site 9**

NTB77

Northampton Buildings, Skinner Street, Corporation Row, Rosoman Street, EC1

NGR 531400 182400

Excavation in 1977 revealed no archaeological deposits surviving beneath the 19th-century basements.

- **Site 10**

GS196

252a-252b Gray's Inn Road, WC1

NGR 530762 182372

No further information available.

- **Site 11**

BWD04

Benwell Road, Holloway,

NGR 531200 182580

No further information available.

- **Site 12**

FDR05

Mount Pleasant Mail Centre, Farringdon Road, London EC1

NGR 531015 182375

The recent watching brief carried out on the Mount Pleasant site is described in Section 3.5 below.