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# ARCHAEOLOGICAL DESK-BASED ASSESSMENT

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| Planned development  | Basemer   |   | on  |  |   |                                   |
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| Area of site   | c. 0.25 ha  |   |   |  |   |                                   |
| NGR  | TQ 2642   |   |   |  |   |                                   |
| Height AOD (min/max)   | c. 120m /   | 400   |   |  |   |                                   |
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# VINE HOUSE, HAMPSTEAD SQUARE, LONDON, NW3 1AB LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN ARCHAEOLOGICAL DESK-BASED ASSESSMENT

#### SUMMARY

In March 2020, Archaeological Solutions Limited carried out an archaeological desk-based assessment at Vine House, No. 6 Hampstead Square, Hampstead, NW3 1AB. The assessment was carried out in support of an application to extend the area of the existing basement.

Based on the known evidence the site has only a limited potential for archaeology pre-dating the early modern period. Documentary sources suggest that the site remained as demesne farmland or heathland until the construction of Vine House in the early 18<sup>th</sup> century. Historic cartographic sources depict the presence of Vine House within the site by 1746 and the property comprises a Grade II listed building located within both the Archaeological Priority Area and Conservation Area.

Vine House is considered to be a designated heritage asset. Its heritage significance derives from the property's architectural value and character associated with its Georgian façade and location along Hampstead Square, as well as to the setting of the wider Archaeological Priority Area and Conservation Area.

Previous ground disturbance within the site pre-dating the early 18<sup>th</sup> century is judged to be minimal and will be limited to agricultural use. However, Vine House has been subject to multiple phases of extension and alteration throughout the early modern and modern periods. Previous ground disturbance associated with outbuildings, particularly within the northern sector of the site, are likely to have truncated and damaged earlier deposits.

It is proposed to extend the area of the existing basement, including remodelling and an extension to the north and west of the existing basement. The construction of the proposed basement extension will cause extensive, albeit localised, disturbance of the underlying stratigraphy within the footprints of the existing Vine House. However, the proposals will not impact the setting of Vine House. Although the basement walls represent a remnant of the early 18<sup>th</sup> century fabric of Vine House, the removal of the north and west walls of the basement may be mitigated by detailed historic building recording prior to their loss.

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 In March 2020, Archaeological Solutions Limited (AS) carried out an archaeological desk-based assessment at Vine House, No. 6 Hampstead Square, Hampstead, NW3 1AB (London Borough of Camden; Figs. 1 & 2;

NGR TQ 26420 86110). The assessment was commissioned by the client Mrs. Julia Gosman and carried out in support of an application to extend the area of the existing basement (Fig. 16).

1.2 The assessment was also undertaken according to a specification prepared by Archaeological Solutions (dated 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020). It followed the procedures outlined in the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists' (CIfA) *Standard and Guidance for Historic Environment Desk-Based Assessments* (CIfA 2017) and those of the Historic England GLAAS *Guidelines for Archaeological Projects in Greater London* (2015).

1.3 The objectives of the assessment were to provide for the identification of areas of archaeological potential within the site, to consider the site within its wider archaeological context and to describe the likely extent, nature, condition, importance and potential state of preservation of the archaeology. The context of future development proposals for the site has been examined and areas of significant previous ground disturbance have been identified.

### Planning policy

1.4 The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF 2019) states that those parts of the historic environment that have significance because of their historic, archaeological, architectural or artistic interest are heritage assets. The NPPF aims to deliver sustainable development by ensuring that policies and decisions that concern the historic environment recognise that heritage assets are a non-renewable resource, take account of the wider social, cultural, economic and environmental benefits of heritage conservation, and recognise that intelligently managed change may sometimes be necessary if heritage assets are to be maintained for the long term. The NPPF requires applications to describe the significance of any heritage asset, including its setting that may be affected in proportion to the asset's importance and the potential impact of the proposal.

1.5 The NPPF aims to conserve England's heritage assets in a manner appropriate to their significance, with substantial harm to designated heritage assets (i.e. listed buildings, scheduled monuments) only permitted in exceptional circumstances when the public benefit of a proposal outweighs the conservation of the asset. The effect of proposals on non-designated heritage assets must be balanced against the scale of loss and significance of the asset, but non-designated heritage assets of demonstrably equivalent significance may be considered subject to the same policies as those that are designated. The NPPF states that opportunities to capture evidence from the historic environment, to record and advance the understanding of heritage assets and to make this publicly available is a requirement of development management. This opportunity should be taken in a manner proportionate to the significance of a heritage asset and to impact of the proposal, particularly where a heritage asset is to be lost.

## 2 DESCRIPTION OF THE SITE

2.1 The site is located within Hampstead, which lies within the London Borough of Camden, towards the northern extent of Greater London and within the former county of Middlesex (Fig. 1). The site lies 400m to the north of Hampstead High Street and 450m to the south of Hampstead Heath, specifically the Vale of Health. The site also lies 50m to the east of the A502 Heath Street, which is aligned northwards from Hampstead High Street and Hampstead Underground Station. It also lies along the northern frontage of Hampstead Square, which runs eastwards from its junction with Heath Street.

2.1 The site lies within the Archaeological Priority Area (APA) of Hampstead, which encompasses the medieval settlement that grew from a small farmstead in the 12<sup>th</sup> century (GLHER DLO35593). The APA is classified as Tier 2 as it comprises an historic settlement. The site also lies within Hampstead Conservation Area (CA), specifically sub area two, which denotes the Christ Church and Well Walk area (London Borough of Camden 2002). The site is occupied by Vine House, No. 6 Hampstead Square and is a Grade II listed building (List Entry No. 1378721). The historic building listing for Vine House, refaced in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and with a late 19<sup>th</sup> century rear extension.

2.2 The site comprises a roughly rectangular plot of land covering an area of 0.25 hectares (Fig. 2). It is bound to the south and east by Hampstead Square, with Holford Road extending to its north-east. To the immediate west of the site are the residential properties of Northcote Mansions and Northcote House, which front Heath Street. To the north of the site is High Close at No. 9 Holford Road.

# 3 METHODOLOGY

Information was sought from a variety of available sources in order to meet the objectives of the assessment.

## 3.1 Archaeological Databases

The standard collation of all known archaeological sites and find spots within the London Borough of Camden comes from the Greater London Historic Environment Record (GLHER; Ref. No. 15477). Significant entries within an approximate 500m radius of the site are listed in Appendix 1 and plotted in Fig. 3. Where relevant, these sites and finds have been discussed in Section 4.2.

# 3.2 Historical and Cartographic Sources

The principal sources for this type of evidence were the Camden Local Studies and Archives Centre (CLS&AC), which is based at Holborn Library, and the London Metropolitan Archives (LMA), which are based in Farringdon. Relevant documents are listed in Appendix 2 and reproduced in Figs. 4 - 14.

# 3.3 Secondary Sources

The principal sources of secondary material were the Camden Local Studies and Archives Centre (CLS&AC), which is based at Holborn Library, and the London Metropolitan Archives (LMA), which are based in Farringdon, as well as AS's own in-house library. Unpublished sources regarding the assessment area, such as previous field evaluation reports, have also been consulted. All sources are listed in the bibliography.

# 3.4 Geological/Geotechnical Information

A description of the superficial and solid geology of the local and surrounding area was compiled in order to assess the likely presence and potential condition of any archaeological remains on the site. This information was drawn from appropriate maps published by the Geological Survey of Great Britain (BGS 2015) and the Soil Survey of England and Wales (SSEW 1983).

# 3.5 Site Inspection

In the course of the desk-based impact assessment, a physical walkover of the site was undertaken on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020. The inspection had the following purposes:

- to examine the areas of archaeological potential identified during the desk-based assessment; in particular, with a view to gauging the likely survival and condition of archaeological remains; and
- to consider the significance of any above ground structures, historic buildings, and historic landscape features, and their potential impact on the proposed development.

# 4 THE EVIDENCE

# 4.1 Topography, Geology and Soils

4.1.1 The topography of the Hampstead area is dominated by the presence of London's 'Northern Heights', which form Hampstead Heath and Parliament Hill (Fig. 1). The site lies 1.2km to the east of Parliament Hill and at least 150m to the south of Hampstead Heath, with the surrounding relief declining downwards from the north and east. The site therefore lies on a slightly sloping relief at 120m, with the site's ground level declining towards its south-eastern corner. Hampstead Heath Ponds, the nearest of which lies 350m to the north-east of the site, are fed by the headwater springs of the River Fleet, which itself rises on Hampstead Heath, but is London's largest subterranean river.

4.1.2 Hampstead lies on a solid geology of Bagshot Formation sand, which was formed during the Palaeogene period and comprises the sand and pebble-capped 'Northern Heights' of London (BGS 2015). In contrast, the drift geology of the area remains undefined, as do the local soil types given the site's location within an urban area (SSEW 1983).

## 4.2 Archaeological and Historical Background

## Prehistoric

4.2.1 The site lies 150m to the south of Hampstead Heath, which forms part of London's 'Northern Heights' and which has been advantageous to early exploitation and settlement throughout prehistory. The Archaeological Priority Area (APA) of Hampstead (GLHER DLO35593), within which the site lies, incorporates Palaeolithic and Mesolithic flint tools found from both *in situ* and as residual finds within Hampstead settlement. They include a Palaeolithic pointed handaxe discovered in 1897 in Holly Bush Vale, which lies 350m to the south-south-west (GLHER MLO17761).

4.2.2 The site also lies 350m to the south-east of a second Archaeological Priority Area (APA), which encompasses the West Heath Mesolithic campsite (GLHER DLO38608). Prehistoric activity in the West Heath area comprises a Mesolithic campsite, which was located on the higher ground of Hampstead Heath and has preserved evidence of settlement and activity. Over a period of 10 years, including excavation by the Hendon and Middlesex Archaeological Society, more than 60,000 worked flints and extensive burnt stone were recovered which are considered to represent an occupation site. The principal site yielded a large assemblage of flint tools and debitage, and possible surface features of Mesolithic date.

4.2.3 Further prehistoric evidence from Hampstead Heath includes prehistoric earthworks on the site of Jack Straw's Castle, which is 400m to the north-north-west of the site (HER MLO17853). Prehistoric pottery and struck flints were found in the Vale of Health on Hampstead Heath in 1940 (GLHER MLO18039), and three possible struck flints were found amongst tree roots on the path above the Vale of Health (GLHER MLO17766). In contrast, the late prehistoric period is poorly attested in the Hampstead area. No Bronze Age or Iron Age findspots recorded in the vicinity of the site, although the Scheduled '*Boudicca's tumulus*', which stands near Parliament Hill and 1.1km to the east-north-east of the site, is possibly a Bronze Age round barrow.

## Romano-British

4.2.4 *Londinium*, situated in the City (the *Walbrook*), was a Roman foundation as a fort and settlement that was unusual in Roman Britain in that it was not associated with a pre-existing settlement. It was, however, designed to function as a central port for trade along and the River Thames and via its estuary to the Channel; and as a hub in the extensive communication system (MoLAS 2000, 124). The Hampstead area lies far to the north-west of the

Roman settlement of *Londinium*, but within the network of Roman roads that radiated from the city. Watling Street (Roman road 1d, Margary 1955), ran from London to St Albans (*Verulamium*) and 2.2km to the south-west of the site, along the course of present-day Shoot Up Hill.

4.2.5 The site therefore occupied a peripheral location in *Londinium*'s hinterland during the Romano-British period, with only questionable, antiquarian evidence for a secondary Roman road leading across Hampstead Heath and towards St Albans (*Verulamium*). Roman occupation evidence is very limited, and restricted to findspots such as two blue glass beads found in the Hampstead area (GLHER MLO17786). A Roman flanged rim was found to the south-west at Frognal (GLHER MLO18044), and an evaluation at Mount Vernon Hospital to the north revealed two Roman sherds (GLHER MLO66259). In 1774 a large urn, pitcher, burnt bones, four vessels and two lamps were all found along Well Walk, which lies 220m to the south-east (GLHER MLO17798, and in association with coins of Marcus Aurelius (161 - 180AD) and Victorinus (268 - 270AD) (GLHER MLO18045).

#### Anglo-Saxon

4.2.6 During the early 5<sup>th</sup> century AD, the withdrawal of Roman authority in Britain and the dominance of the Anglo-Saxons in the south and east of England led to significant changes in settlement patterns. London did not reemerge as an important town until the 7<sup>th</sup> century AD, but the focus of settlement initially shifted outside of the walled town to the Strand/Covent Garden area. Settlements that thrived throughout the Iron Age and Roman periods did not necessarily continue into the Anglo-Saxon period, and similarly settlement in the Hampstead area is judged to have emerged in the Saxon period.

4.2.7 Place-name evidence suggests that Hampstead or '*Hamstede*' derives from the Anglo Saxon for 'homestead' or the 'manor house' (Mills 2003) and originally comprised open heathland along the southern margins of Hampstead Heath. The earliest reference to Hampstead can be found in a record of King Offa (AD 755 – 94) who founded a monastery in St Albans and granted lands in a large area called '*Henamstede*' (Cleaver 1981). Hampstead is also mentioned in a charter of King Edgar in AD 974, whilst a charter of AD 986 by King Ethelred confirmed an earlier grant of the manor of Hampstead to the monastery of Westminster (GLHER MLO17901; Weinreb *et al.* 2008).

#### Medieval

4.2.8 At Domesday, Hampstead was assessed as five hides held by Westminster Abbey and had a small population of only one villager, five smallholders and a single slave (Williams & Martin 1992). The medieval village was focussed to the south of the site, along the present-day Hampstead High Street, with the vicinity of the site remaining as demesne farmland and heathland. St John's Church at Hampstead has medieval origins and Hampstead's probable manor site lay to the south-west at Frognal.

Further northwards, Hampstead Heath remained heavily wooded, with charcoal burning documented from at least the 10<sup>th</sup> century onwards (Baker, Bolton & Croot 1989). The heath is regarded as an ancient area, which was referred to as 'the great ditch' and enclosed in 1227 (GLHER MLO103790).

4.2.9 The Hampstead area surrounding the site has yielded only a moderate quantity of medieval findspots, which attest only small-scale occupation. The evaluation at Mount Vernon Hospital to the north revealed pottery within a date range of 1080 - 1500 (GLHER MLO66260), whilst a medieval patterned floor was discovered in the 17<sup>th</sup> century house at No. 10 The Grove (GLHER MLO16936). Two 13<sup>th</sup> century papal bulls of Pope Innocent IV are recorded to the south (GLHERs MLO26639 & MLO17806), whilst a medieval costrel was found to the south-west on Holly Hill (GLHER MLO17824).

4.2.10 Hampstead grew in importance in the mid 14<sup>th</sup> century, particularly following the arrival of Westminster Abbey's monks, who sought to escape the Black Death, from 1349 onwards. In the late medieval period, Hampstead was seen as a place to escape natural calamities such as the plague and flooding affecting London (Baker, Bolton & Croot 1989). By the 15<sup>th</sup> century, many of the customary tenements along Hampstead High Street had been taken by London merchants and gentry attracted by Hampstead's location and proximity to both the heath and its naturally occurring springs, leading to subsequent expansion of the town in the post-medieval period.

#### Post-medieval

4.2.11 London expanded vastly in the 16<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> centuries mainly due to the centralisation of the nation's political and economic life; by 1750 it was the largest city in Western Europe (Weinreb & Hibbert 1983). The expansion of London from the later 16<sup>th</sup> century undoubtedly affected the regional agricultural economy and the prosperity of local settlements (Schofield 2000). Even by the 17<sup>th</sup> century, Hampstead still mainly consisted of several cottages at Frognal beside the manor farm, with further structures located along the course of the High Street. The popularity of a health spa at Hampstead Wells, which attracted visitors and permanent residents anxious for their health (Platt, Lemos & O'Gorman 2014), further increased its importance from the late 17<sup>th</sup> century onwards.

4.2.12 The area surrounding the site contains a vast number of post-medieval findspots, which attests to the development of Hampstead as a high-status suburb of London. Archaeological investigations at Mount Vernon to the north revealed post-medieval features, including a cess pit containing pottery sherds from 1480 – 1600 (GLHER MLO68005), as well as an associated, insubstantial timber structure, ditch, pit, a robbed out wall and vaulted brick drain (GLHERs MLO68006, MLO66261 – 4), and a building was identified that later became the poorhouse and dated from 1533 (GLHER MLO71894). An evaluation at No. 46 Hampstead High Street revealed significant 17<sup>th</sup> century features (GLHER MLO59926), as did evaluations undertaken on New End Street and Well Wal to the south-east (GLHERs MLO65884 – 5 & MLO99511).

4.2.13 Unsurprisingly, the vicinity of the site incorporates a huge number of post-medieval listed buildings, many of which contribute to the surrounding Archaeological Priority Area (APA) of Hampstead. Grade I listed buildings comprise Fenton House, which was built *c*.1693, and Burgh House dating from *c*.1703 – 04 (GLHERs MLO79909 & MLO80116). Grade II\* listed structures include No. 1 Elm Row, four properties along Church Row, No. 13A Heath Street, Cannon Hall, Cannon Lodge and Heath House on North End, the majority of which date to the very late 17<sup>th</sup> or early 18<sup>th</sup> centuries (Appendix 1). Grade II listed buildings are most numerous and include Vine House within the site, which is an early 18<sup>th</sup> century detached house refaced late 19<sup>th</sup> century (GLHER MLO79982).

#### Early modern

4.2.14 During the early modern period, the thinly-scattered larger houses within their own gardens, which had hitherto characterised Hampstead, began to be crowded with dwellings for the poor (Cherry & Pevsner 2002). Public amenity buildings such as the New End Workhouse, which was brought and opened in 1801, and St John's Churchyard North Extension were also established (GLHERs MLO107079 & MLO103817), but Hampstead retained almost all of its pre-Victorian street pattern (Cherry & Pevsner 2002). The Hampstead area may also be characterised by its quantity of public squares, the majority of which have 19<sup>th</sup> century origins but were designated under the London Squares Preservation Act of 1931 (Appendix 1). Hampstead Square Gardens to the south of the site is a small triangular site within which a private garden has been created (GLHER MLO104626).

4.2.15 Notable early modern listed buildings in the vicinity of the site comprise the Grade I listed Romneys House, which was built in 1797 (GLHER MLO81238), and the Grade II\* listed Nos. 40 and 46 Well Walk (GLHERs MLO81338 & MLO81339). The Roman Catholic Church of St Mary in Holly Place is also Grade II\* listed (GLHER MLO81275). Grade II listed No. 4 Hampstead Square, which stands to the south of the site, is a semi-detached house, formerly two cottages, dated to the late 18<sup>th</sup> century (GLHER MLO79981), whilst Grade II listed Lawn House on Hampstead Square is a detached house built *c*. 1800 (GLHER MLO79984). The Grade II listed Christ Church, which stands only 20m to the south-east, was constructed in 1850 -52 by Samuel Dawkes (GLHER MLO79985).

4.2.16 The development of Hampstead accelerated in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and is dominated by further listed dwellings, including the Grade II listed No. 1 Cannon Place, which is a detached studio house constructed in 1879 (GLHER MLO80648). It is also attested by amenity buildings such as New End Hospital, Mount Vernon medical college, Tudor House at The Grove, the latter of which was a convalescent home for Anglo-Jewish patients that opened in 1898 (GLHERs MLO50967, MLO11911 & MLO107394). To the immediate south-east of the site also lies two Grade II listed lamp posts on Hampstead Square, which date to the 19<sup>th</sup> century, with 20<sup>th</sup> century reproduction Windsor lanterns (GLHER MLO79986).

### Modern

4.2.17 The Hampstead area has retained its suburban, high-status character throughout the modern period and was excluded from the urban sprawl that dominated the post-World War II era in much of London. Within the vicinity of the site, the 20<sup>th</sup> century is represented by two Grade II listed war memorials, which are located on Hampstead Square and along North End Way (GLHERs MLO108756 & MLO107148). The Grade II listed Society of Friends Meeting House at No. 120 Heath Street, which was constructed in 1907 by Frederick Rowntree, also stands only 40m to the south-west of the site (GLHER MLO81009). The modern period also includes the early 20<sup>th</sup> century private garden of Burgh House Garden, which now houses Hampstead Museum (GLHER MLO104321).

#### The site

4.2.18 As noted previously, the site lies within the Archaeological Priority Area (APA) of Hampstead, which covers the medieval settlement that grew from a small farmstead in the 12<sup>th</sup> century (GLHER DLO35593). The APA is classified as Tier 2 as it comprises an historic settlement. The site also lies within Hampstead Conservation Area (CA), specifically sub area two, which denotes the Christ Church and Well Walk area (London Borough of Camden 2002). The Conservation Area statement (*ibid.*) refers to Hampstead Square 'with a prominent brick wall to Northcote House and Vine House on the north side, overhung by trees and shrubs, with a noteworthy entrance in the garden wall'. It also refers to the site as 'No.6, on the north side, is a detached early 18th century house, with red brick dressings', whilst 'Hampstead Square Gardens is designated as Private Open Space' (*ibid.*).

4.2.19 Vine House is a Grade II listed building (List Entry No. 1378721; GLHER DLO15876). The historic building listing for Vine House (Appendix 4) describes the property as an early 18<sup>th</sup> century detached house, refaced in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and with a late 19<sup>th</sup> century rear extension. It is built from yellow stock brick with red brick dressings, and a slated hipped roof. Vine House comprises three storeys and is double fronted with five windows and a central wooden door (R. C. H. M. E. 1925). The historic building listing also records that the interior of Vine House was not inspected at the time of its listing in 1950, but was noted to have been altered.

4.2.20 The architectural significance of Vine House has also been discussed in a heritage statement undertaken by Archangel Heritage (Wright 2020). The statement is consistent with the historic building listing, but also records that Vine House has been '*repeatedly altered since at least the late Georgian period, with work to the roof being carried out as late as the mid 20<sup>th</sup> century*'. It also confirms that to the rear of the property there is a single-story painted brick-built building currently in use as a garage, and which originated as a mid 19<sup>th</sup> century wash house and outhouse to service the main house. A small, flat-roofed extension with timber casement windows was added as a garage in 1928 and is currently used for parking and storage (Wright 2020). 4.2.21 The development and history of both the site and Vine House is also well-documented by the aforementioned heritage statement (Wright 2020). It confirms that no archaeological finds or features, other than the Grade II listed Vine House, are recorded within the boundaries of the site. Until the early post-medieval period, the site lay on the southern margins of Hampstead Heath and within demesne farmland or heathland. By the 17<sup>th</sup> century, the northern extent of Hampstead extended to the High Street's junction with Heath Street, while in 1725 a 60-year retrospection of the Hampstead Square area described it as a *'high hill and a sandpit so that there could not be any way through '* (Baker, Bolton & Croot 1989).

4.2.22 The origins of the expansion of the Hampstead area to the east of Heath Street, and thus the area surrounding the site, owe much to the foundation of the Wells charity in 1668 and subsequent commercial exploitation of the mineral waters (*ibid.*). The historic building listing for Vine House suggests only an early 18<sup>th</sup> century construction for the building, and although both the architect and original owner of the property remains unknown, it is likely Vine House was commissioned by a wealthy merchant or gentleman as a rural retreat. Local history sources suggest that Vine House was constructed '*probably before 1709*' (Wade 2000), but is unsubstantiated by any documentary evidence. Furthermore, no pre-20<sup>th</sup> century documents concerning the site or Vine House could be found in either the Camden Local Studies and Archives Centre (CLS&AC) or and the London Metropolitan Archives (LMA).

4.2.23 Historic cartographic sources (Section 4.3) depict the presence of Vine House within the site by 1746 (Fig. 4), which is consistent with the early 18<sup>th</sup> century date for the property. Hampstead is noted for having retained '*nearly all of its pre-Victorian street pattern*', including the '*dignified early 18<sup>th</sup> century group developed at Hampstead Square*' (Cherry & Pevsner 2002). The Buildings of England series also describes Vine House as '*a fine three-storey house with doorway on carved brackets*' (*ibid.*). In contrast, the Newton Cuttings Book (CLS&AC Ref. H942.14), which dates to 1893, includes a retrospection to 'Hampstead 50 years ago' suggesting that around 1843 '*there used to be a very old couple of the name of Jones, who kept cows in a yard adjoining Vine House*'.

4.2.24 The Grade II listed Christ Church, which is only 20m to the south-east of the site, was constructed in 1850 – 52, despite strong opposition by Sir Thomas Maryon Wilson, 8<sup>th</sup> baronet and Lord of the Manor of Hampstead (Cox 1997). It was developed on part of the New End Workhouse garden purchased from the Board of Guardians, as it was '*the only available piece of freehold in Hampstead that could be acquired without the permission of the Lord of the Manor*' (*ibid.*), but the site itself is judged to have been separate from the demesne by the mid 19<sup>th</sup> century. The 1841 and 1851 census data reveal that Vine House was occupied by a W. Pownall and Richard Beachcroft respectively (NA Ref. HO 107/1492/30). However, the Victoria County History also maintains that Vine House was tenemented in the later 19<sup>th</sup> century (NA Ref. HO 107/1492), as a result of social decline and housing demand (Baker, Bolton & Croot 1989).

4.2.25 By the 1870s, Vine House was occupied by Christopher Newman Hall (1816 - 1902), who was a noted liberal Congregationalist, temperance reformer, composer and author, and one of the most active and vocal British supporters of American Civil War. His widow remained at Vine House until 1919, although the blue plaque commemorating Newman Hall stands at No. 8 Hampstead Square, which was one of the homes for the aged, given in his memory by his widow. A watercolour by local artist Patrick Lewis Forbes (1860 - 1939) dating to 1904 (Plate 1) is inscribed as '*The Home of Newman Hall*'. The painting clearly depicts the southern frontage of Vine House much as now, with the site's southern boundary formed by the extant brick wall along Hampstead Square.

4.2.26 Pictorial evidence for the site also includes a 1910 photograph of Hampstead Square (Plate 2; CLS&AC Ref. 546), which revels that much of the frontage of Vine House was covered with ivy. In 1910 – 14, the Valuation Office Survey (NA Ref. IR 121/5/7) reveals that the main building of Vine House had been supplemented by a *'wash-house'* and *'garage'* to its rear. Similarly, an undated drawing of Vine House by Sydney Arrobus (1901 – 1990) depicts the site and its property at some point during the 20<sup>th</sup> century and clearly shows a small greenhouse in the site's south-eastern corner (Plate 3; CLS&AC Ref. 039068).

4.2.27 Documentary evidence also attests to the partial development of the site during the mid 20<sup>th</sup> century, but it remained the dwelling of Vine House throughout albeit occupied by a number of short-lived owners. A notice of redrainage dating from 1919 (CLS&AC Ref. Drainage Plans, Hampstead Square) reveals that the owner was then Rev. R. J. Thompson, but by 1928 plans for sanitary work in connection with the garage label the owner as Mr. Holmes (*ibid.*). Alterations of Vine House for M. Otley Esg. dated 1931 also depict the plans for the garden room to the immediate north-east of the house. House Ref. Shortly after, plans for Vine dated 1937 (LMA GLC/AR/BR/17/069602) reveal that a single storey bow window was added on its western elevation. The final documented alteration to Vine House comprises extensive works to the roof, which were undertaken by the owner Mr George William Augustine Burnside in 1952 (Hampstead and Highgate Express 11<sup>th</sup> January 1952).

# 4.3 Cartographic Evidence

#### John Rocque's map of London, 1746

4.3.1 The earliest cartographic source to depict Hampstead comprises John Rocque's map of London, which dates to 1746 (Fig. 4). At the beginning of the early modern period, Hampstead comprised a sizable settlement located distant from London and dominated by Hampstead Heath to its north. In 1746, the site lay towards the northern extent of Hampstead, which was centred on its historic core of the High Street. The site clearly lay to the east of Heath Street and to the immediate north of what is now Hampstead

Square, but in 1746 appeared to comprise part of the aforementioned garden of New End Workhouse. The site was clearly occupied by Vine House by 1746, which is consistent with its early 18<sup>th</sup> century date, located within the its centre, with the remainder of the site comprising its associated garden.

#### John Ellis's plan of the manor of Hampstead, 1762

4.3.2 John Ellis's plan of the manor of Hampstead dates to 1762 (Fig. 5). The site still clearly lay to the east of Heath Street and to the immediate northwest of '*The Square*', which was occupied by trees and remained part of the garden of New End Workhouse. Vine House is prominent with the remainder of the site comprising its associated garden (#189). The associated manor of Hampstead apportionment, which also dates to 1762 (Appendix 3) reveals that the property consisted of '*a messuage and outhouse, stable, necessary and garden*' owned by Mrs. Mary Morgan, but in the occupation of Mr. John Reynolds. The outhouse and stable presumably comprises the structure in the north-eastern corner of the site, whilst the '*necessary*' stood in the site's north-western corner.

#### Ordnance Survey surveyor's drawings, 1807

4.3.3 The Ordnance Survey surveyor's drawings dates to 1807 (Fig. 6), and reveals no further information about the site.

### J. & W. Newton's parish of Hampstead map, 1814

4.3.4 J. & W. Newton's parish of Hampstead map, which dates to 1814 (Fig. 7), is also consistent with the previous early modern cartographic sources.

#### Parish of Hampstead tithe map, 1839

4.3.5 The parish of Hampstead tithe map, which dates to 1839 (Fig. 8), was predominantly concerned with the rural and agricultural section of the parish and thus did not depict the town in any significant detail. As a result, the site is depicted only as within the boundaries of what is now Hampstead Square, and Holford Road to the east.

#### Plan of the parish of St John, 1847

4.3.6 The plan of the parish of St John dates to 1847 (Fig. 9). Vine House occupied much the same footprint as now within the centre of the site. A brick wall is clearly depicted along the all four boundaries of the site, with the exception of its northern corner, whilst established trees also stood along the site's eastern boundary fronting Holford Road.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> edition Ordnance Survey map, 1866

4.3.7 The 1<sup>st</sup> edition Ordnance Survey map dates to 1866 (Fig. 10), and depicts the site in significant detail, particularly in comparison to previous

cartographic evidence. A brick wall is clearly depicted along the all four boundaries of the site, and established trees also stood along most of the site's boundaries. To the rear of Vine House in 1866 were outhouses, with an L-shaped block adjoining a glass house on the house's eastern elevation. As previously, an outhouse remained in the north-eastern corner of the site. To the east and west of the house, the gardens were laid out with paths and lawns much as now. The main access to the property was from Holford Road, although pedestrian access was apparent along Hampstead Square.

#### Charles Booth's poverty map of London, 1889

4.3.8 Charles Booth's poverty map of London dates to 1889 (Fig. 11). The 1889 map is notable in that it reveals that Vine House was labelled as a *'wealthy'* dwelling occupied by members of the *'upper-middle and upper classes'*.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> edition Ordnance Survey map, 1894

4.3.9 The 2<sup>nd</sup> edition Ordnance Survey map dates to 1894 (Fig. 12) records little change.

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> edition Ordnance Survey map, 1914

4.3.10 The 3<sup>rd</sup> edition Ordnance Survey map, which dates to 1914 (Fig. 13), is also consistent with previous century cartographic sources.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> edition Ordnance Survey map, 1935

4.3.11 The final historic cartographic source to depict the site comprises the 4<sup>th</sup> edition Ordnance Survey map, which dates to 1935 (Fig. 14). Vine House occupies much the same footprint as now within the centre of the site. To the rear of Vine House remained the same outhouse, but it had been altered to no longer adjoin the glass house on Vine House's eastern elevation. The original glass house had also been altered and extended to the east, as confirmed by the documentary evidence. The former outhouse in the north-eastern corner of the site, which was first depicted in 1762, was no longer extant in 1935.

## 4.4 Constraints

**Listed Buildings** – Vine House, which stands within the site and at No. 6 Hampstead Square, is a Grade II listed building (List Entry No. 1378721; GLHER DLO15876).

**Registered Park and Gardens** – The site does not lie within a registered park and garden, and none are recorded in the vicinity of the site.

**Area of Archaeological Importance** – The site lies within the Archaeological Priority Area (APA) of Hampstead, which covers the medieval settlement that grew from a small farmstead in the 12<sup>th</sup> century (GLHER DLO35593).

**Scheduled Ancient Monuments** – The site is not within a designated Scheduled Ancient Monument (SAM), and none are recorded in the vicinity of the site.

**Conservation Areas** – The site lies within Hampstead Conservation Area (CA), specifically sub area two, which denotes the Christ Church and Well Walk area (London Borough of Camden 2002).

## 5 SITE VISIT

5.1 The site visit was undertaken on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020. The site lies along the northern frontage of Hampstead Square (DP 1), which runs eastwards from its junction with Heath Street. It also lies at the corner of Hampstead Square and Holford Road, with the latter forming its eastern boundary (DP 2). The site comprises a roughly rectangular plot of land bound on all sides by historic brick walls, most evidently those along the course of Hampstead Square and Holford Road (DPs 3 - 5).

5.2 The site is dominated by the presence of Vine House, which is a Grade II listed, three-storey brick-built dwelling (DP 6). Further pedestrian access into the site and to the front door of Vine House is apparent along Hampstead Square (DP 7). The main facade of Vine House is its imposing southern frontage, which looks to the south and over Hampstead Square (DPs 8 & 9). In contrast, the eastern elevation of Vine House is dominated by its double bow front and evidence of the former glass house extension (DP 10). Its western elevation includes a larger, but single bow front and evidence of bricked-up windows on the first and second floors (DP 11). The grounds associated with Vine House extend to its west and east and are predominantly laid to grass with established trees (DP 12).

5.3 The existing basement within Vine House (Fig. 15) lies beneath the original early 18<sup>th</sup> century phase of the building, specifically the hall and dining room, and is thus considered to be an original feature. Access to the basement is to the north from a ground floor hallway (Wright 2020). It is divided into three adjoining areas by brick partitions. The largest area lies beneath the existing dining room and comprises painted plaster walls and a

plasterboard ceiling. To its east, two smaller areas are divided by brick plinths, and include two brick corbels support an overhead bridging beam.

## 6 DISCUSSION

## 6.1 The Impact of the Proposed Development

6.1.1 The archaeological desk-based assessment was carried out in support of an application to extend the area of the existing basement (Fig. 16). As noted previously, the existing basement within Vine House (Fig. 15) lies beneath the original early 18<sup>th</sup> century phase of the building, specifically the hall and dining room. The proposed development will comprise an extension of the existing basement, including remodelling consisting of the removal of the brick plinths and stub walls. The western area of the existing basement will be extended to the north and west, to provide a laundry and playroom. A door will also be added in its north-east corner to access a newly constructed WC.

6.1.2 The proposed development will therefore have a significant impact on any underlying archaeological remains, if present. The construction of the proposed basement extension will cause extensive, albeit localised, disturbance of the underlying stratigraphy within the footprints of the existing Vine House. Whilst the proposed remodelling will have a moderate impact on the architectural integrity of Vine House, both documentary and cartographic sources have revealed that the property has been subject to multiple phases of building work throughout the early modern and modern periods.

6.1.3 As noted previously, Vine House is a Grade II listed building located within both the Archaeological Priority Area (APA) and Conservation Area (CA). The property, along with the outbuildings to the rear that are within its curtilage and pre-date 1948, is therefore considered to be a designated heritage asset. However, the heritage significance of Vine House derives from its architectural value and character associated with its Georgian façade and location along Hampstead Square, as well as to the setting of the wider Archaeological Priority Area (APA) and Conservation Area (CA). Furthermore, the proposed basement extension will not have an impact on the setting of Vine House. Although the basement walls represent a remnant of the early 18<sup>th</sup> century fabric of Vine House, the removal of the north and west walls of the basement may be mitigated by detailed historic building recording prior to their loss.

# 6.2 **Previous Ground Disturbance**

6.2.1 Previous ground disturbance will be wholly associated with the construction and development of Vine House and its associated outbuildings. Documentary sources suggest that the site remained as undeveloped demesne farmland or heathland until the construction of Vine House in the early 18<sup>th</sup> century, and *'probably before 1709'* (Wade 2000). Historic cartographic sources depict the presence of Vine House within the site by

1746 (Fig. 4). Previous ground disturbance pre-dating the early 18<sup>th</sup> century is therefore judged to be minimal and will be limited to agricultural use.

6.2.2 Historic cartographic sources have also shown that Vine House has been subject to multiple phases of extension and alteration throughout the early modern and modern periods. Previous phases of the development have predominantly concerned the outbuildings and rear extensions to Vine House, including a former outbuilding known to have stood in the north-eastern corner of the site from at least 1762, but demolished at some point between 1914 and 1935.

## 6.3 Archaeological Potential

6.3.1 Based on the known archaeology the potential of the site may be judged as follows:

**Prehistoric – low.** Limited prehistoric remains are recorded in the vicinity of the site, with the focus of Mesolithic activity focussed upon the West Heath campsite 350m to the south-east. The late prehistoric period is also poorly attested in the Hampstead area.

**Romano-British – low.** Roman evidence is sparse and restricted to findspots of beads, pottery sherds and coins found in the vicinity of the site.

**Anglo-Saxon – low.** No Saxon archaeological remains have been recorded in the vicinity of the site, although place-name and documentary evidence both attest to a Saxon origin for Hampstead.

**Medieval – low.** The site lay to the north of Hampstead's medieval village, within demesne farmland and heathland and with only limited medieval remains recorded in the vicinity.

**Post-medieval – low.** Although a large number of post-medieval remains are recorded in the vicinity, documentary sources suggest that the site remained as undeveloped demesne farmland or heathland until the construction of Vine House in the early 18<sup>th</sup> century.

# 7 CONCLUSION

7.1 Based on the known evidence the site has only a limited potential for archaeology pre-dating the early modern period. Documentary sources suggest that the site remained as demesne farmland or heathland until the construction of Vine House in the early 18<sup>th</sup> century. Historic cartographic sources depict the presence of Vine House within the site by 1746 and the property comprises a Grade II listed building located within both the Archaeological Priority Area and Conservation Area.

7.2 Vine House is considered to be a designated heritage asset. Its heritage significance derives from the property's architectural value and

character associated with its Georgian façade and location along Hampstead Square, as well as to the setting of the wider Archaeological Priority Area and Conservation Area.

7.3 Previous ground disturbance within the site pre-dating the early 18<sup>th</sup> century is judged to be minimal and will be limited to agricultural use. However, Vine House has been subject to multiple phases of extension and alteration throughout the early modern and modern periods. Previous ground disturbance associated with outbuildings, particularly within the northern sector of the site, are likely to have truncated and damaged earlier deposits.

7.4 It is proposed to extend the area of the existing basement, including remodelling and an extension to the north and west of the existing basement. The construction of the proposed basement extension will cause extensive, albeit localised, disturbance of the underlying stratigraphy within the footprints of the existing Vine House. However, the proposals will not impact the setting of Vine House. Although the basement walls represent a remnant of the early 18<sup>th</sup> century fabric of Vine House, the removal of the north and west walls of the basement may be mitigated by detailed historic building recording prior to their loss.

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## APPENDIX 1 HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT RECORD (GLHER) DATA

The following sites are those that lie within a 500m radius of the site. The table has been compiled from data held by the Greater London Historic Environment Record (GLHER).

| GLHER         | NGR TQ      | Description   |  |  |
|---------------|-------------|---|--|--|
| Prehistoric   |             |   |  |  |
| MLO17853      | 2620 8640   | Jack Straw's Castle on Hampstead Heath had earlier, prehistoric earthworks on the site  |  |  |
| MLO17761      | 2630 8570   | A Palaeolithic pointed handaxe was discovered in 1897 in Holly Bush Vale  |  |  |
| MLO18039      | 2650 8630   | Potsherds and flints found in the Vale of Health on<br>Hampstead Heath in 1940. They were three to four<br>hundred yards south of Spaniards Road, between Jack<br>Straw's Castle and the former Vale of Health Hotel  |  |  |
| MLO17766      | 2650 8630   | Three possibly struck flints found amongst tree roots on<br>the path above the Vale of Health on Hampstead Heath  |  |  |
| Romano-Britis | h           |   |  |  |
| MLO18044      | 2618 8592   | Roman flanged rim in yellow-white fabric. found in 1964 in the grounds of the medical research lab at Frognal   |  |  |
| MLO17786      | 2630 8570   | Two blue glass beads dated to the Roman period and found at Hampstead   |  |  |
| MLO66259      | 2622 8592   | Evaluation at Mount Vernon revealed two Roman pot<br>sherds in the fills of post-medieval features, one undated,<br>the other dated to AD 300   |  |  |
| MLO17797      | 2650 8630   | Coin of Victorinus (AD 268-70) found in 1978 at the Vale of Health on Hampstead Heath   |  |  |
| MLO17798      | 2675 8610   | Large urn with a stone on top containing an urn and<br>pitcher with burnt bones, four vessels and two lamps, all<br>found in 1774 on Well Walk  |  |  |
| MLO18045      | 2675 8610   | Coins of Marcus Aurelius (161-180AD) and Victorinus (268-270AD) found around 1882 near Well Walk  |  |  |
| Anglo-Saxon   | •           |   |  |  |
| MLO17901      | 2635 8578   | The village of Hampstead is mentioned in a 968AD charter, then in a later 986AD charter. It didn't get separate parish status until after the Reformation, although it is mentioned in Domesday. The original village lay on the south side of the hill, near its manor house |  |  |
| Medieval      |             |   |  |  |
| MLO16936      | 2630 8590   | Medieval patterned floor in the 17 <sup>th</sup> century house at No. 10 The Grove  |  |  |
| MLO26639      | 2630 8570   | 13 <sup>th</sup> century papal bull of Pope Innocent IV found during<br>the digging of foundatations of the Home for Sailors'<br>Orphans in Church Row during 1869  |  |  |
| MLO103790     | 26496 86595 | Hampstead Heath is an ancient area, which was referred<br>to as 'the great ditch' and enclosed in 1227. The area was<br>made a public open land in 1871   |  |  |
| MLO17824      | 2632 8585   | Medieval costrel found in 1876 on Holly Hill  |  |  |
| MLO66260      | 2622 8592   | Evaluation at Mount Vernon revealed pottery within a date range of 1080-1500 recovered from colluvial deposits and a buried soil containing 19th century brick fragments. A small amount of pot dated from 1150-1500  |  |  |

|                       |             | was also found in rural landscape features/colluvium on  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|
|                       |             | the sloping hillside during the subsequent excavation of   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | the site   |  |  |  |  |
| MLO17806              | 2640 8570   | Lead bulla from a document of Pope Innocent IV found in  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | 1859 on the corner of Perrins Lane   |  |  |  |  |
| MLO17834              | 2805 8389   | Tottenham Court Road has medieval origins  |  |  |  |  |
| Post-medieval & later |             |  |  |  |  |  |
| MLO25936              | 2646 8575   | 18th century walls recorded during work on the Flask   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | public house   |  |  |  |  |
| MLO59926              | 2640 8575   | An evaluation and standing structure recording at No. 46   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | Hampstead High Street revealed partitions, blocked   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | windows, doors and staircase details within the 17 <sup>th</sup> - 18 <sup>th</sup>  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | century standing building. A range of post-medieval  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | features associated with the house, including drains and   |  |  |  |  |
|                       | 0040.0575   | a cess pit were revealed in excavations in the rear garden   |  |  |  |  |
| MLO59928              | 2640 8575   | An evaluation and standing structure recording at No. 46   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | Hampstead High Street revealed partitions, blocked windows, doors and staircase details within the 17 <sup>th</sup> - 18 <sup>th</sup> |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | century standing building. A range of post-medieval  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | features associated with the house, including drains and   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | a cess pit were revealed in excavations in the rear garden   |  |  |  |  |
| MLO5920               | 2640 8575   | An evaluation and standing structure recording at No. 46   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | Hampstead High Street revealed partitions, blocked   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | windows, doors and staircase details within the 17th - 18th  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | century standing building. A range of post-medieval  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | features associated with the house, including drains and   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | a cess pit were revealed in excavations in the rear garden   |  |  |  |  |
| MLO107462             | 26009 86003 | Branch Hill Woodland and Allotments were originally part   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | of Hampstead Heath, from which it was cut off when   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | Branch Hill House was built in its own grounds in the  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | 1860s. Branch Hill Allotments are now on part of its   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | former garden. The sloping site also has areas of woodland, open grass and wooded grounds of private                                   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | houses. One area is particularly known for its bluebells.  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | Housing development in the woodland includes Oak Hill  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | Park built with landscaped grounds and below Branch Hill   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | House is a low-rise tiered housing scheme built  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | unobtrusively in the midst of the woods  |  |  |  |  |
| MLO103817             | 26248 85695 | St John's Churchyard North Extension on Church Row   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | was consecrated as an additional burial ground during  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | 1812 as additional burial space was required   |  |  |  |  |
| MLO80825              | 26454 85760 | Grade II listed Flask public house was rebuilt in 1874 by  |  |  |  |  |
|                       | 00570 05050 | Cumming and Nixon  |  |  |  |  |
| MLO102508             | 26573 85879 | The Green on Flask Walk is a public square designated  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | under the London Squares Preservation Act of 1931.   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | Square bounded on all sides by the roadway of Flask Walk   |  |  |  |  |
| MLO57615              | 2617 8601   | Two-storey conservatory attached to Frognal Rise   |  |  |  |  |
| MLO80774              | 26178 86032 | Grade II listed Frognal Rise is an early 19 <sup>th</sup> century  |  |  |  |  |
|                       | 20110 00002 | detached villa with a wing added 1884 by Marshall N.   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | Inman  |  |  |  |  |
| MLO107455             | 26273 86015 | Fenton House Garden is a late 17 <sup>th</sup> century private   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | garden associated with the merchant's house, which was   |  |  |  |  |
|                       |             | left to the National Trust in 1952 by owner Lady Binning.  |  |  |  |  |
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|           |             | A description of the garden in 1756 records that it had<br>fruit trees and a kitchen garden. The layout today is not<br>dissimilar to that of the 1860s with a lawn to the south<br>with central gravel path leading to what was then the<br>main entrance of the house. North of the house were<br>terrace gardens with perimeter walks comprising a flower<br>garden and walled kitchen garden                           |
|-----------|-------------|--|
| MLO79909  | 26273 86015 | Grade II listed Fenton House Garden is a late 17 <sup>th</sup> century merchant's house, which was left to the National Trust in 1952 by owner Lady Binning  |
| MLO104626 | 2648 8611   | Hampstead Square Gardens is a small triangular site within which a private garden has been created   |
| MLO50967  | 2641 8596   | New End Hospital in Heath Street has the earliest<br>example in London of a circular ward plan within a<br>hospital  |
| MLO102509 | 26353 85945 | The Strip on Heath Street is a public square designated<br>under the London Squares Preservation Act of 1931.<br>Grass open space bounded on all sides by the roadway<br>of Heath Street   |
| MLO102510 | 2661 8563   | Greenhill on the High Street is a public square designated<br>under the London Squares Preservation Act of 1931.<br>Shrubbery bounded on all sides by the roadway of<br>Hampstead High Street  |
| MLO102511 | 26275 85924 | Holly Bush Hill is a public square designated under the<br>London Squares Preservation Act of 1931. Grass plot<br>and shrubbery bounded by the roadway of Windmill Hill<br>and Frognal Rise  |
| MLO11911  | 2623 8592   | Mount Vernon medical college   |
| MLO66261  | 2622 8592   | Evaluation at Mount Vernon revealed a vaulted brick drain of probable 17th century-18th century date   |
| MLO66262  | 2622 8592   | Evaluation at Mount Vernon revealed a robbed out wall of probable 17th century or 18th century date  |
| MLO66263  | 2622 8592   | Evaluation at Mount Vernon revealed a large pit contained pottery up to 1700 in date   |
| MLO66264  | 2622 8592   | Evaluation at Mount Vernon revealed a possible ditch contained pottery up to 1800 in date  |
| MLO68005  | 2622 8592   | Excavation at Mount Vernon revealed a cess pit containing pot sherds from 1480 to 1600   |
| MLO68006  | 2622 8592   | Excavation at Mount Vernon revealed an insubstantial<br>timber structure was associated with a cess pit that<br>contained pottery ranging in date from 1485-1600. This<br>was later replaced by a brick building including a semi<br>basement where the original floor surface contained pot<br>from 1550-1600. This was superseded by rebuilding in<br>the 17th century and robbing from the late 18th century<br>onwards |
| MLO71894  | 2620 8590   | Building at Mount Vernon, which it has been suggested<br>later became the poorhouse was built in 1533. The<br>history of the house is vague. The documentary<br>evidence of the Parish Guardian records indicates that<br>the poorhouse was in use at the date of the Rocque<br>survey of 1746 and the location of this building is unclear  |
| MLO80107  | 26267 85878 | Grade II listed Mount Vernon House is a detached house built c. 1725 by W Knight with early 19th century and later   |

|           |             | alterations   |
|-----------|-------------|---|
| MLO99179  | 26454 85909 | During a watching brief at New Court at No. 32 Flask<br>Walk it was clear that the ground here had been<br>truncated during the 19th century. However, a brick built<br>arched drain of 19th century date related to previous<br>early 19th century buildings was recorded  |
| MLO65884  | 2643 8595   | Evaluation undertaken on New End Street recorded<br>dumped deposits found across the site ranging in date<br>from the 17th century-19th century   |
| MLO65885  | 2643 8595   | Evaluation undertaken on New End Street recorded a red brick structure, possibly an outhouse  |
| MLO107079 | 2645 8596   | The New End workhouse was brought and opened in<br>1801, inmates from Frongal were transported to the new<br>workhouse. In 1848, Hampstead became an Independent<br>Poor Law Parish. A new board of governors rebuilt the<br>workhouse which could accommodate 80 individuals. In<br>1869, Kendal's Hall was extended westwards and an<br>Infirmary block was built. The Hospital was closed in<br>1986 and has been refurbished into private residential<br>houses |
| MLO107394 | 26210 86223 | Tudor House at The Grove was a convalescent home for<br>Anglo-Jewish patients that was used as an auxiliary<br>hospital during World War I. The Clara Baroness de<br>Hirsch Convalescent Home was officially opened in<br>December 1898   |
| MLO79982  | 26411 86109 | Grade II listed Vine House is an early 18 <sup>th</sup> century detached house refaced late 19th century  |
| MLO99511  | 26803 86115 | A shallow linear post medieval gulley that extended on an<br>approximate north-east to south-west alignment was<br>recorded during an evaluation at Well Walk. This was<br>sealed by a layer of post medieval ground raising<br>deposits  |
| MLO103780 | 26792 86015 | Gainsborough Gardens was an area of swampy ground<br>was donated to the 'poor of Hampstead' in 1698. Houses<br>and the Campden Charity were established during the<br>1880s and the garden was laid out as a private garden in<br>the late 19 <sup>th</sup> century   |
| MLO80116  | 26606 85947 | Grade I listed Burgh House is a detached house built c.<br>1703-4 for Henry and Hannah Sewell, enlarged to rear c.<br>1720 for Dr William Gibbons and with single storey music<br>room to side 1925 for Captain Constantine Benson  |
| MLO79909  | 26284 86013 | Grade I listed Fenton House is a detached house built c.<br>1693 (scratched on chimney-stack) re-modelled, mostly<br>internally, early 19th century probably by P Fenton, a<br>Riga merchant who bought the house in 1793 and after<br>whom it is named   |
| MLO81238  | 26306 85916 | Grade I listed Romneys House is an end of terrace house<br>built in 1797 by the artist George Romney as his<br>studio (plaque); enlarged 1807 at east end for use as<br>Assembly Rooms  |
| MLO79760  | 26391 86056 | Grade II <sup>*</sup> listed No. 1 Elm Row is a terraced house built c. 1720  |
| MLO79685  | 26312 85658 | Grade II* listed No. 5 Church Row is a terraced house built c. 1728   |

| MLO80590  | 26362 85635 | Grade II* listed No. 13A Heath Street is part of a row of                            |
|-----------|-------------|--|
|           | 00004 00450 | six terraced houses probably built by 1720   |
| MLO80333  | 26601 86159 | Grade II* listed Cannon Hall is a detached mansion                                   |
|           |             | dating to the early 18 <sup>th</sup> century with later alterations and              |
|           | 26589 86139 | additions  |
| MLO80649  | 20009 00109 | Grade II* listed Cannon Lodge is a mid 18 <sup>th</sup> century detached house       |
| MLO80237  | 26625 86197 | Grade II* listed Chestnut Lodge and Squires Mount                                    |
| WIL000237 | 20023 00197 | comprise a terrace of formerly four houses, now two                                  |
|           |             | residences, and built c. 1714  |
| MLO80746  | 26407 85961 | Grade II* listed circular ward and attached ablution water-                          |
|           | 20107 00001 | tank tower at former New End Hospital date to 1884                                   |
| MLO81147  | 26324 85932 | Grade II* listed Cloth Hall is a detached house, with the                            |
|           | 2002100002  | centre block dated c. 1694, built as two houses and                                  |
|           |             | refaced later 19 <sup>th</sup> century in Neo-Georgian style                         |
| MLO79761  | 26395 86023 | Grade II* listed Elm Lodge and attached garden wall is a                             |
|           |             | detached house built c. 1732   |
| MLO80034  | 26129 85905 | Grade II* listed Frognal Grove including former                                      |
|           |             | stable range comprises a large house built c. 1745                                   |
| MLO80833  | 26583 85858 | Grade II* listed Gardnor House is a detached house built                             |
|           |             | c. 1736  |
| MLO80135  | 26284 86484 | Grade II* listed Heath House on North End was is a                                   |
|           |             | substantial detached house dating to the early 18th                                  |
|           |             | century and has an early 19th century extension to the                               |
|           |             | right. From 1790 it was the home of Samuel Hoare,                                    |
|           |             | Quaker banker and philanthropist   |
| MLO80588  | 26317 85624 | Grade II* listed No. 22 Church Row is a terraced house                               |
|           |             | built c. 1720, refaced in the late 19th century in the                               |
|           |             | Georgian style   |
| MLO80589  | 26324 85626 | Grade II* listed No. 23 Church Row is a terraced house                               |
|           |             | built c. 1720, refaced in the late 19 <sup>th</sup> century in the                   |
|           |             | Georgian style   |
| MLO81338  | 26724 86031 | Grade II* listed No. 40 Well Walk is a terraced house                                |
|           |             | constructed in the early 19 <sup>th</sup> century with late 19 <sup>th</sup> century |
|           | 00704 00044 | projecting porch   |
| MLO81339  | 26734 86044 | Grade II* listed No. 46 Well Walk is an end of terrace                               |
|           |             | house constructed in the early 19 <sup>th</sup> century with late 19 <sup>th</sup>   |
| MLO79689  | 26290 85653 | century alterations<br>Grade II* listed No. 9 Church Row is a terraced house         |
| WILO79009 | 20290 00000 | probably built c. 1728   |
| MLO81275  | 26256 85791 | Grade II* listed Roman Catholic Church of St Mary in                                 |
| WIL001275 | 20230 03791 | Holly Place is a church being the centre-piece of an                                 |
|           |             | informal terrace formed by Nos. 1-4 Holly Place (qv) and                             |
|           |             | Nos 5-8 Holly Place. It was constructed c. 1816 for the                              |
|           |             | Abbe Morel and refronted c. 1830   |
| MLO79981  | 26404 86070 | Grade II listed No. 4 Hampstead Square is a semi-                                    |
|           | 2010100010  | detached house, formerly two cottages, dated to the late                             |
|           |             | 18 <sup>th</sup> century   |
| MLO79983  | 26409 86092 | Grade II listed Nos. 7, 8, 8A & 9 Hampstead Square are a                             |
|           |             | terrace of four houses, formerly two houses, dated to c.                             |
|           |             | 1730   |
| MLO79985  | 26420 86078 | Grade II listed Christ Church on Hampstead Square was                                |
|           |             | constructed in 1850 - 52 by Samuel Dawkes  |
| MLO79984  | 26452 86039 | Grade II listed Lawn House on Hampstead Square is a                                  |

|               |                 | detached house built c. 1800 with late 18 <sup>th</sup> century alteration   |  |  |  |  |
|---------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| MLO79979      | 26420 86064     | Grade II listed No. 1 Hampstead Square and railings comprise a semi-detached house built c. 1720, refaced in the late 19 <sup>th</sup> century by the building firm CB King Ltd                                      |  |  |  |  |
| MLO79980      | 26418 86074     | Grade II listed No. 2 Hampstead Square and railings comprise a semi-detached house built c. 1720, refaced in the late 19 <sup>th</sup> century   |  |  |  |  |
| MLO79986      | 26425 86073     | Grade II listed two lamp posts on Hampstead Square and dated to the 19th century, with 20 <sup>th</sup> century reproduction Windsor lanterns  |  |  |  |  |
| MLO80648      | 26485 86150     | Grade II listed No. 1 Cannon Place is a detached studio<br>house constructed in 1879 by Batterbury & Huxley for the<br>artist Walter Stacey  |  |  |  |  |
| Modern        |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| MLO107148     | 26275 86449     | Grade II listed Hampstead War Memorial on North End<br>Way was designed by Sir Reginald Blomfield and<br>dedicated in 1922   |  |  |  |  |
| MLO108756     | 2646 8609       | Grade II listed Christ Church War Memorial on<br>Hampstead Square is a World War I memorial  |  |  |  |  |
| MLO104321     | 2661 8593       | Burgh House Garden is an early 20th century private<br>garden associated with Burgh House, which is a<br>detached Queen Anne house built in 1703-4, now a<br>meeting place and venue, and houses Hampstead<br>Museum |  |  |  |  |
| MLO81009      | 26396 86084     | Grade II listed Society of Friends Meeting House at No.<br>120 Heath Street was constructed in 1907 by Frederick<br>Rowntree   |  |  |  |  |
| Undated remai | Undated remains |  |  |  |  |  |
| MLO59925      | 2635 8561       | An evaluation at No. 27 Church Row revealed an undated steep-sided cut feature and surviving archaeological deposits were sealed by modern made-ground   |  |  |  |  |

# APPENDIX 2 CARTOGRAPHIC SOURCES

| Date | Description   | Fig. No. | Scale      | Location |
|------|---|----------|------------|----------|
| 1746 | John Rocque's map of London   | 4        | -          | CLS&AC   |
| 1762 | John Ellis's plan of the manor of<br>Hampstead                        | 5        | -          | CLS&AC   |
| 1807 | Ordnance Survey No. 152; surveyor's drawings                          | 6        | 2":1 mile  | LMA      |
| 1814 | J. & W. Newton's parish of Hampstead map                              | 7        | -          | CLS&AC   |
| 1839 | Parish of Hampstead tithe map   | 8        | -          | CLS&AC   |
| 1847 | Plan of the parish of St John   | 9        | -          | CLS&AC   |
| 1866 | Middlesex sheet II.89; 1 <sup>st</sup> edition Ordnance<br>Survey map | 10       | 60":1 mile | CLS&AC   |
| 1889 | Charles Booth's poverty map of London                                 | 11       | 1:2,500    | LMA      |
| 1894 | Middlesex sheet II.89; 2 <sup>nd</sup> edition<br>Ordnance Survey map | 12       | 60":1 mile | CLS&AC   |
| 1914 | Middlesex sheet II.89; 3 <sup>rd</sup> edition<br>Ordnance Survey map | 13       | 60":1 mile | CLS&AC   |
| 1935 | Middlesex sheet II.89; 4 <sup>th</sup> edition Ordnance<br>Survey map | 14       | 60":1 mile | CLS&AC   |

## APPENDIX 3 MANOR OF HAMPSTEAD APPORTIONMENT, 1762

| #   | Land Owner       | Occupier          | Plot Name  | Land Use | Area (a.r.p.) | Rent<br>(£.s.d.)+ |
|-----|------------------|-------------------|--|----------|---------------|-------------------|
| 189 | Mrs. Mary Morgan | Mr. John Reynolds | A messuage and<br>outhouse, stable,<br>necessary and<br>garden | -        | -             | -                 |

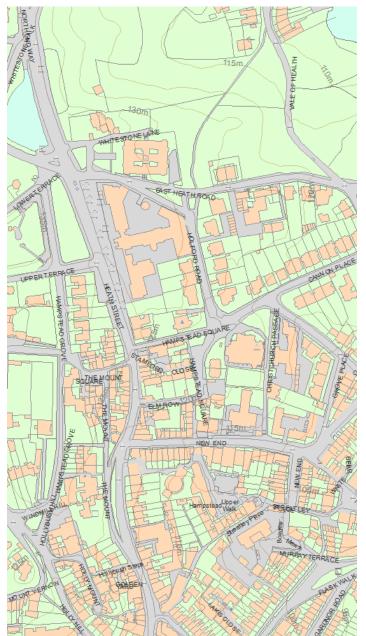
#### APPENDIX 4 HISTORIC BUILDING LISTING

#### **VINE HOUSE**

#### Overview

Heritage Category: Listed Building Grade: II List Entry Number: 1378721 Date first listed: 11-Aug-1950 Statutory Address: VINE HOUSE, 6, HAMPSTEAD SQUARE

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#### Location

Statutory Address: VINE HOUSE, 6, HAMPSTEAD SQUARE County: Greater London Authority District: Camden (London Borough) National Grid Reference: TQ 26415 86114

#### Details

CAMDEN TQ2686SW HAMPSTEAD SQUARE 798-1/16/774 (North side) 11/08/50 No.6 Vine House GV II

Detached house. Early C18, refaced late C19; late C19 rear extension. Yellow stock brick with red brick dressings. Slated hipped roof with modillion eaves cornice to front elevation. 3 storeys. Double fronted with 5 windows. Central wooden door case with hood on enriched console brackets; panelled door with overlight having intersecting tracery. Ground and 1st floor sashes segmental-arched with flush moulded frames. Similar square-headed sashes to 2nd floor. Plain brick band at 1st floor level. Left hand return with early C18 brown brick wall having narrow blind window and floor bands. Right hand return has late C19 full height 3-light bowed bay with cast-iron balcony at 1st floor. INTERIOR: not inspected but noted to have been altered. (RCHME: London, Vol. II, West London: London: -1925: 41).

Listing NGR: TQ2641286110

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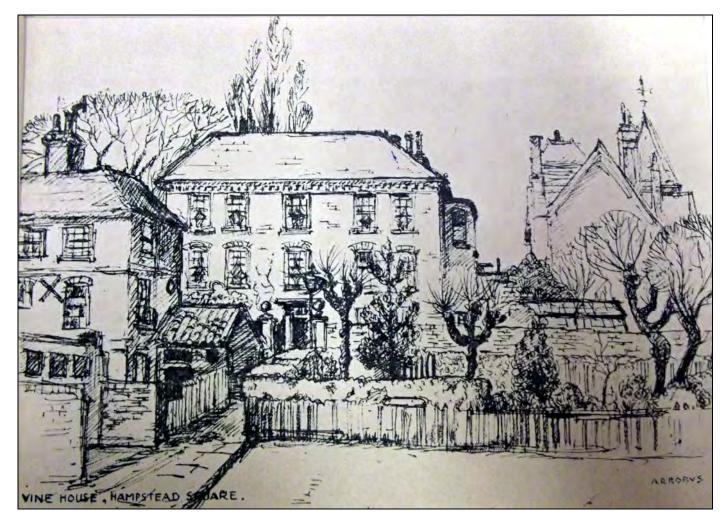
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Plate 1: P.L. Forbes painting of Vine House, 1904



Plate 2: Photograph of Hampstead Square, 1910



**Plate 3:** Sydney Arrobus drawing of Vine House, 20<sup>th</sup> Century

## PHOTOGRAPHIC INDEX



Southern boundary of the site comprising an historic brick wall located along Hampstead Square, with Vine House beyond, view north-east



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Southern boundary of the site comprising an historic brick wall located along Hampstead Square, with the garden of Vine House beyond, view north



Eastern boundary of the site comprising an historic brick wall located along Holford Road, with Vine House beyond, view west



Eastern boundary of the site comprising an historic brick wall located along Holford Road, with Vine House beyond, view north-west



Southern boundary of the site comprising an historic brick wall located along Hampstead Square, with the garden of Vine House beyond, view north



Main and southern facade of Vine House, which is a Grade II listed, three-storey brick-built dwelling, view north



Main and southern facade of Vine House, which looks to the south and over Hampstead Square, view north-east



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Main and southern facade of Vine House, which looks to the south and over Hampstead Square, view north



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Western elevation of Vine House includes a larger, but single bow front and evidence of bricked-up windows on the first and second floors, view east



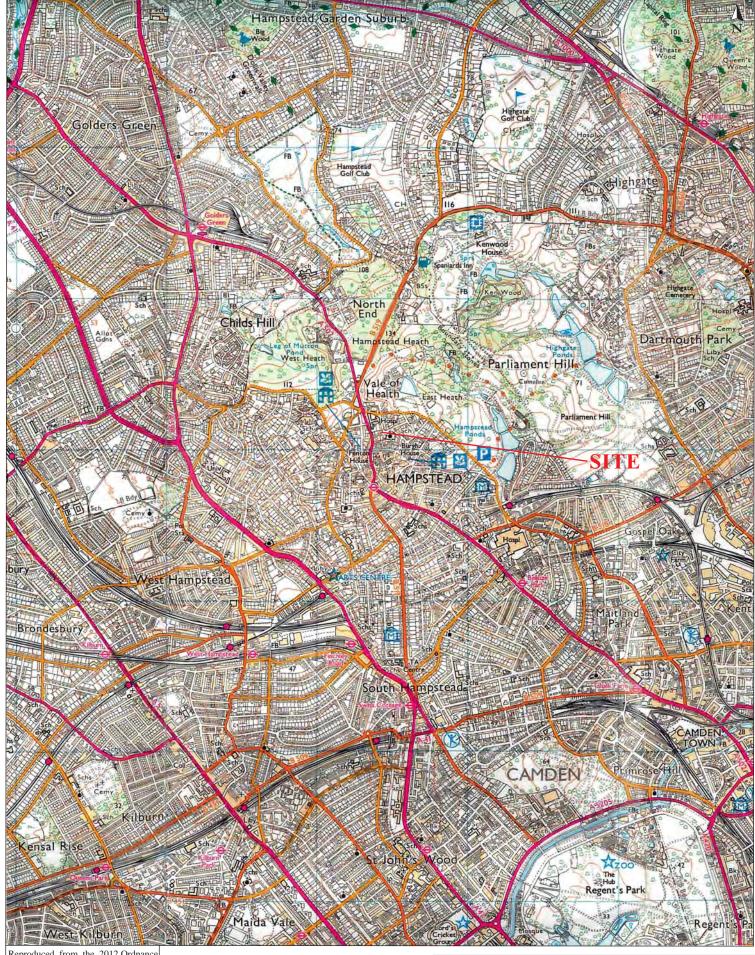
Main and southern facade of Vine House, which looks to the south and over Hampstead Square, view north-west



Eastern elevation of Vine House dominated by its double bow front and evidence of the former glass house extension, view west



Grounds associated with Vine House extend to its west and east and are predominantly laid to grass with established trees, view west



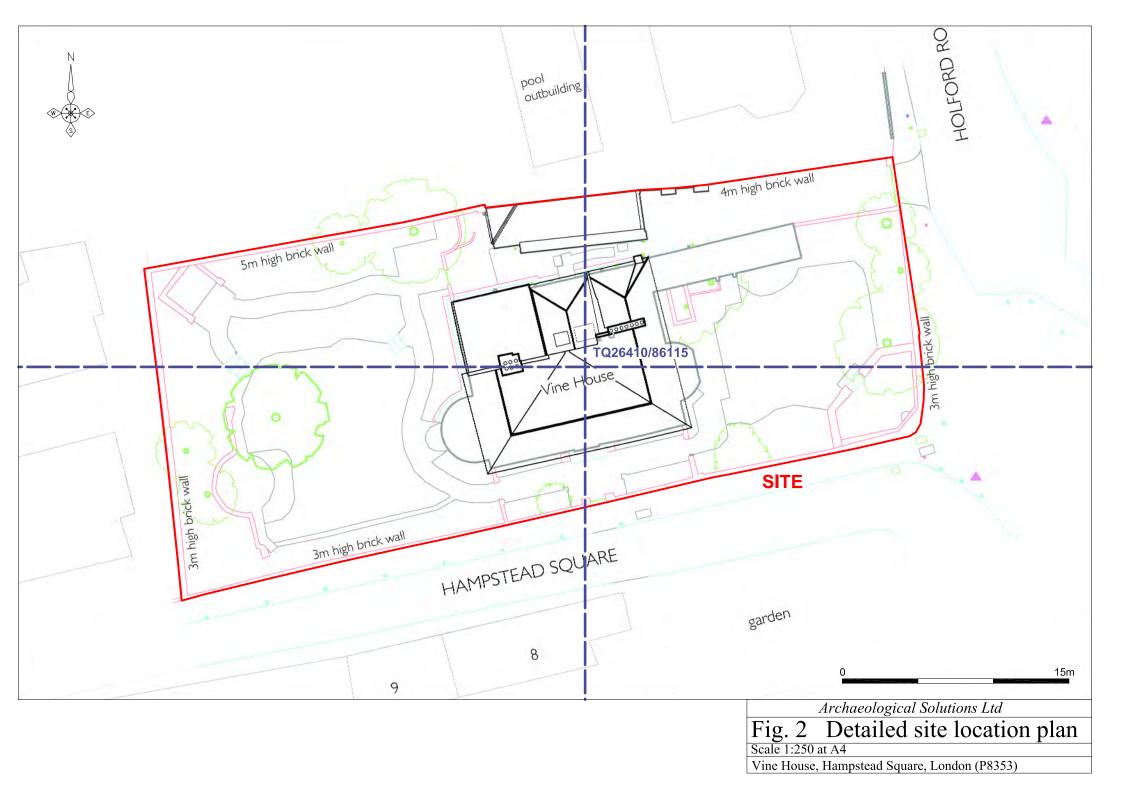
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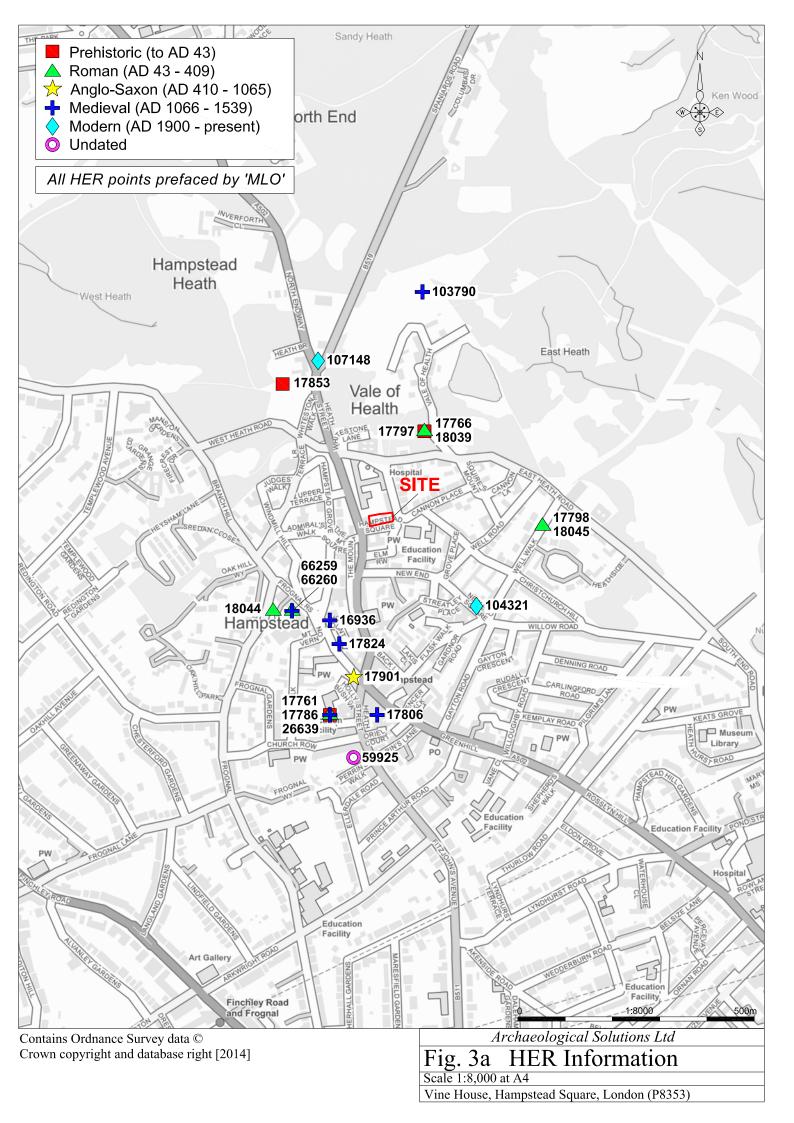
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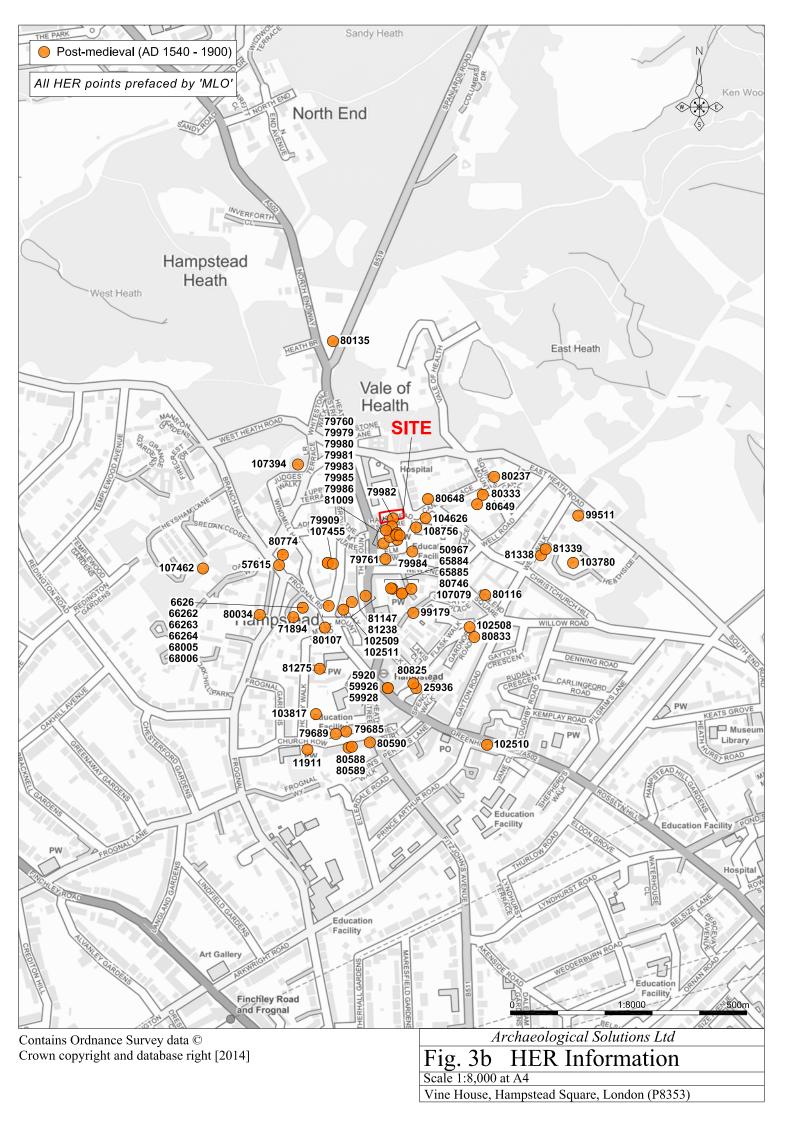
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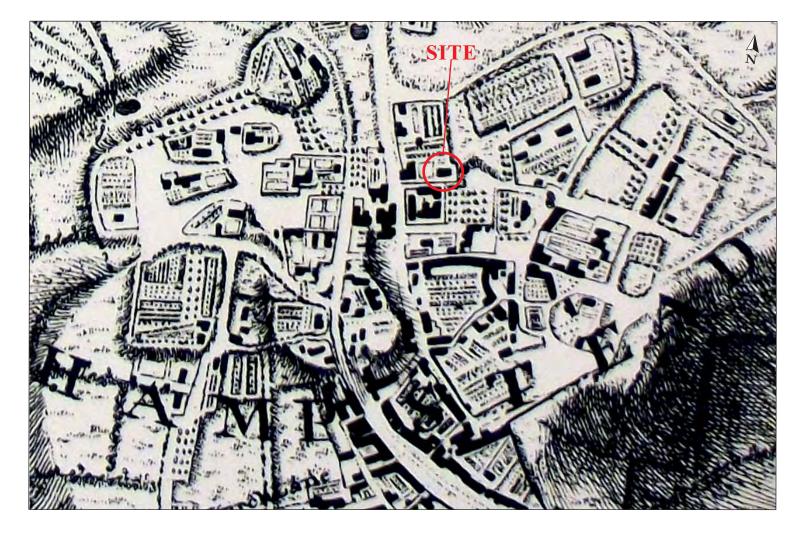
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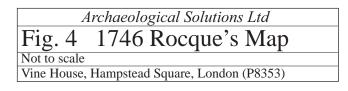
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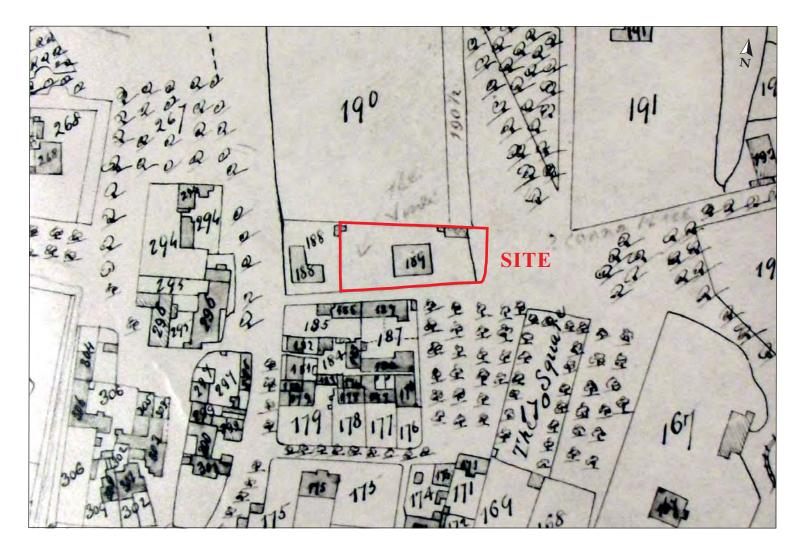


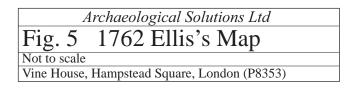




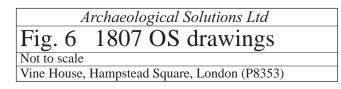


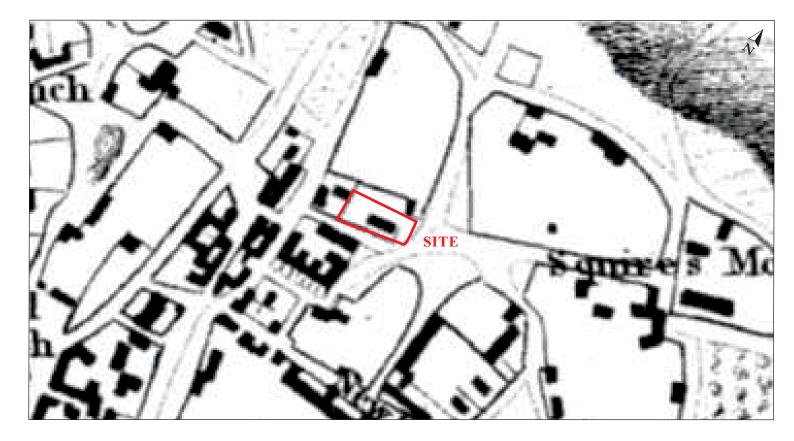


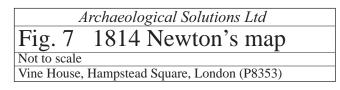








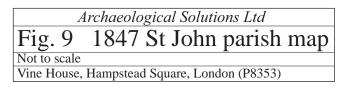


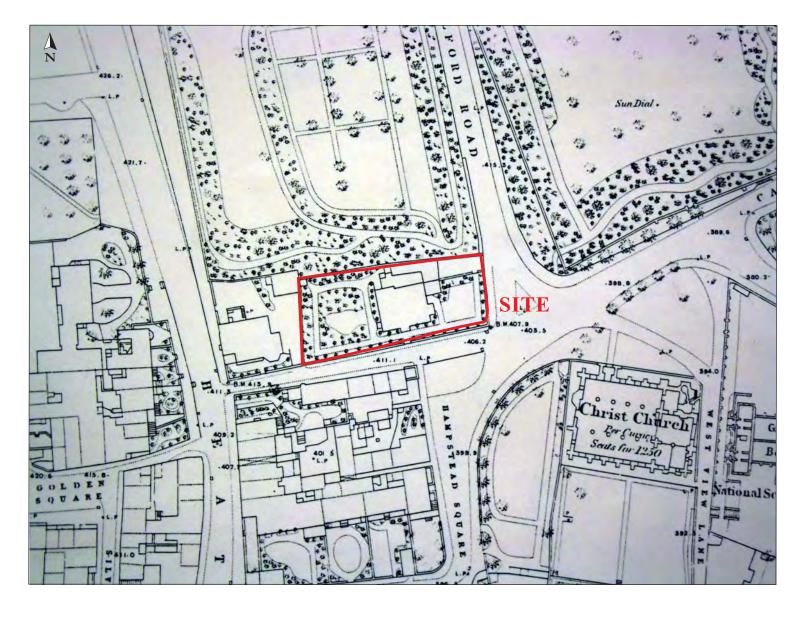




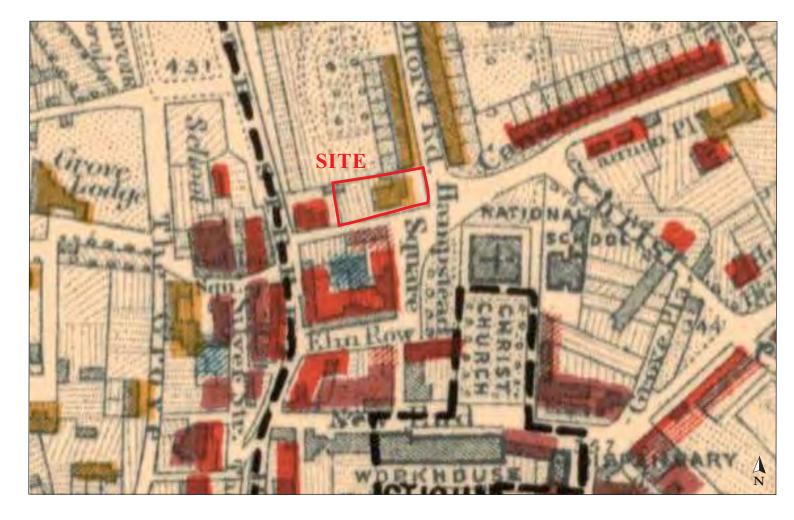
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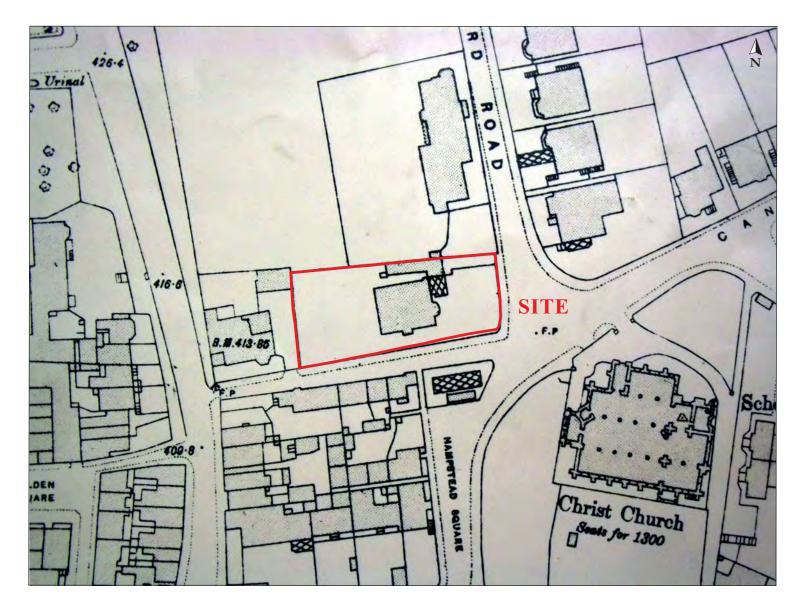


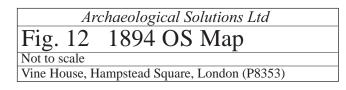


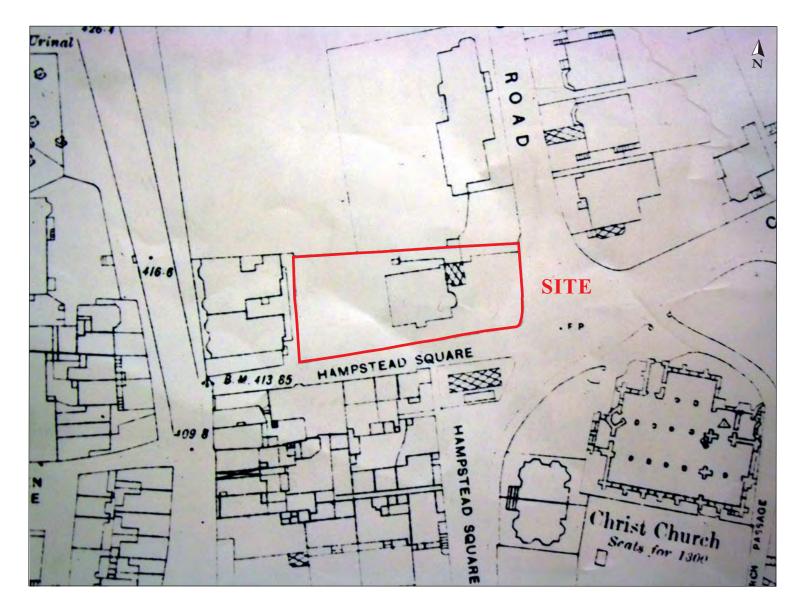


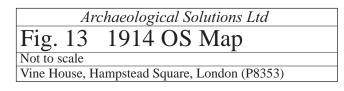


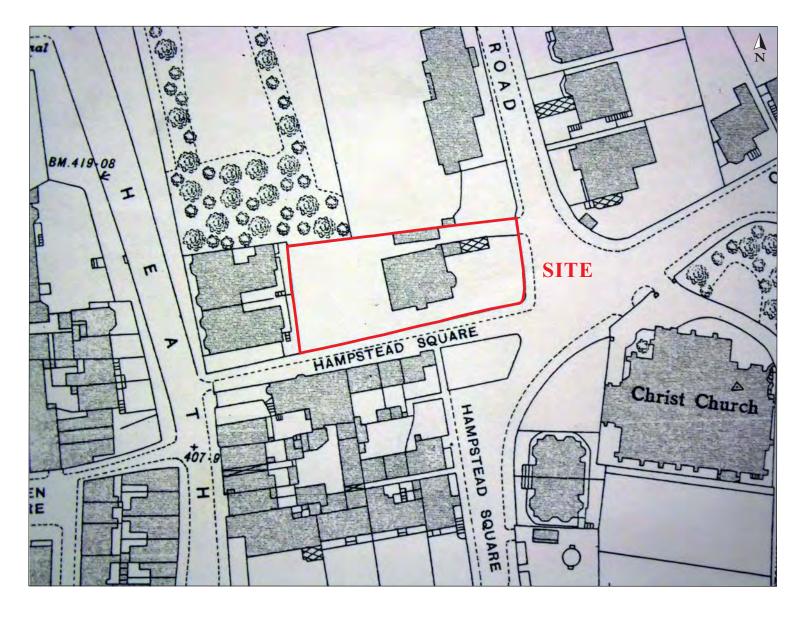












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