# ST PANCRAS GARDENS Camley Street NW1 OPS

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# WRITTEN SCHEME OF INVESTIGATION FOR AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL WATCHING BRIEF

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# 1 Introduction

# 1.1 Project background

- 1.1.1 This Written Scheme of Investigation (or WSI) for an archaeological watching brief on the site of St Pancras Gardens, Camley Street NW1 OPS has been commissioned from MOLA by Camden Council.
- 1.1.2 The site comprises St Pancras Church and burial ground and is bounded by Camley Street on the northeast and Pancras Road to the south (see Fig 1). The centre of the site lies at National Grid reference 529698 183464.
- 1.1.3 The proposal includes the partial removal of the front concrete boundary wall to St Pancras Gardens and construction of a two-pass ramp to provide disabled access into St Pancras Gardens off Camley Street. The development received planning permission on 24/05/2019 included Condition No 9. The condition requires

No demolition or development shall take place until a written scheme of investigation (WSI) has been submitted to and approved by the local planning authority in writing. For land that is included within the WSI, no demolition or development shall take place other than in accordance with the agreed WSI, which shall include the statement of significance and research objectives, and

A. The programme and methodology of site investigation and recording and

the nomination of a competent person(s) or organisation to undertake the agreed works;

B. The programme for post-investigation assessment and subsequent analysis, publication & dissemination and deposition of resulting material. this part of the condition shall not be discharged until these elements have been fulfilled in accordance with the programme set out in the WSI.

Reason: To safeguard the archaeological interest on this site. Approval of the WSI before works begin on site provides clarity on what investigations are required, and their timing in relation to the development programme in accordance with the requirements of policies D1 and D2 of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.

- 1.1.4 Details of the consented development are available at https://www.camden.gov.uk/
- 1.1.5 The works requiring a watching brief are on the excavations for the two-pass ramp (see Fig 2). The appointed contractor is Idverde and the site works are likely to commence November 2020.
- 1.1.6 The potential archaeological interest on site is for the human remains associated with St Pancras Church dating from the medieval and post medieval period.
- 1.1.7 An archaeological watching brief as defined by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists is a formal programme of observation and investigation conducted during any operation carried out for non-archaeological reasons (see below Section 2.1)
- 1.1.8 The results of the watching brief will be set out in a report to be issued within six weeks of completing the fieldwork. The site archive will be deposited within 12 months of issuing the report.

- 1.1.9 If significant archaeology is encountered during the watching brief a programme of post-excavation assessment and subsequent analysis, publication and dissemination will be agreed with Historic England.
- 1.1.10 This document sets out the methodologies (including Health & Safety) which will be followed during the watching brief and reporting stages. These will follow the Standards and Code of Practice laid down by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIFA 2014), London region archaeological guidance from Historic England (GLAAS 2015), and Historic England Centre for Archaeology Guidelines where appropriate.
- 1.1.11 Other relevant documents include:
  - St Pancras burial ground: excavations for St Pancras International, London terminus of High Speed 1, 2002-3, 2011 Phillip A Emery, Kevin Wooldridge. This provided information on the archaeological background.
  - St Pancras Gardens archaeological report, MOLA 2018. This
    presented the results on archaeological watching brief.

# 1.2 Planning and legislative framework

### National Planning Policy Framework

1.2.1 The Government issued the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) in March 2012 (DCLG 2012) and supporting Planning Practice Guidance in 2014 (DCLG 2014). The 2012 NPPF was revised and a new NPPF published in July 2018, with minor revisions in February 2019 (MHCLG 2019).

### Conserving and enhancing the historic environment

1.2.2 The NPPF section concerning "Conserving and enhancing the historic environment" (section 12 of the NPPF 2012) has been replaced by NPPF 2018 Section 16 (unchanged in February 2019), reproduced in full below:

**Para 184.** Heritage assets range from sites and buildings of local historic value to those of the highest significance, such as World Heritage Sites which are internationally recognised to be of Outstanding Universal Value. These assets are an irreplaceable resource, and should be conserved in a manner appropriate to their significance, so that they can be enjoyed for their contribution to the quality of life of existing and future generations.

**Para 185.** Plans should set out a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment, including heritage assets most at risk through neglect, decay or other threats. This strategy should take into account:

- a) the desirability of sustaining and enhancing the significance of heritage assets, and putting them to viable uses consistent with their conservation:
- b) the wider social, cultural, economic and environmental benefits that conservation of the historic environment can bring;
- c) the desirability of new development making a positive contribution to local character and distinctiveness; and
- d) opportunities to draw on the contribution made by the historic environment to the character of a place.

**Para 186.** When considering the designation of conservation areas, local planning authorities should ensure that an area justifies such status because of its special architectural or historic interest, and that the

concept of conservation is not devalued through the designation of areas that lack special interest.

**Para 187.** Local planning authorities should maintain or have access to a historic environment record. This should contain up-to-date evidence about the historic environment in their area and be used to:

- a) assess the significance of heritage assets and the contribution they make to their environment; and
- b) predict the likelihood that currently unidentified heritage assets, particularly sites of historic and archaeological interest, will be discovered in the future.

**Para 188.** Local planning authorities should make information about the historic environment, gathered as part of policy-making or development management, publicly accessible.

#### Proposals affecting heritage assets

Para 189. In determining applications, local planning authorities should require an applicant to describe the significance of any heritage assets affected, including any contribution made by their setting. The level of detail should be proportionate to the assets' importance and no more than is sufficient to understand the potential impact of the proposal on their significance. As a minimum the relevant historic environment record should have been consulted and the heritage assets assessed using appropriate expertise where necessary. Where a site on which development is proposed includes, or has the potential to include, heritage assets with archaeological interest, local planning authorities should require developers to submit an appropriate desk-based assessment and, where necessary, a field evaluation.

**Para 190.** Local planning authorities should identify and assess the particular significance of any heritage asset that may be affected by a proposal (including by development affecting the setting of a heritage asset) taking account of the available evidence and any necessary expertise. They should take this into account when considering the impact of a proposal on a heritage asset, to avoid or minimise any conflict between the heritage asset's conservation and any aspect of the proposal.

**Para 191.** Where there is evidence of deliberate neglect of, or damage to, a heritage asset, the deteriorated state of the heritage asset should not be taken into account in any decision.

**Para 192.** In determining applications, local planning authorities should take account of:

- a) the desirability of sustaining and enhancing the significance of heritage assets and putting them to viable uses consistent with their conservation:
- b) the positive contribution that conservation of heritage assets can make to sustainable communities including their economic vitality; and
- c) the desirability of new development making a positive contribution to local character and distinctiveness.

#### Considering potential impacts

**Para 193.** When considering the impact of a proposed development on the significance of a designated heritage asset, great weight should be given to the asset's conservation (and the more important the asset, the greater the weight should be). This is irrespective of whether any potential harm amounts to substantial harm, total loss or less than substantial harm to its significance.

**Para 194.** Any harm to, or loss of, the significance of a designated heritage asset (from its alteration or destruction, or from development within its setting), should require clear and convincing justification. Substantial harm to or loss of:

- a) grade II listed buildings, or grade II registered parks or gardens, should be exceptional;
- b) assets of the highest significance, notably scheduled monuments, protected wreck sites, registered battlefields, grade I and II\* listed buildings, grade I and II\* registered parks and gardens, and World Heritage Sites, should be wholly exceptional.

**Para 195.** Where a proposed development will lead to substantial harm to (or total loss of significance of) a designated heritage asset, local planning authorities should refuse consent, unless it can be demonstrated that the substantial harm or total loss is necessary to achieve substantial public benefits that outweigh that harm or loss, or all of the following apply:

- a) the nature of the heritage asset prevents all reasonable uses of the site; and
- b) no viable use of the heritage asset itself can be found in the medium term through appropriate marketing that will enable its conservation; and
- c) conservation by grant-funding or some form of not for profit, charitable or public ownership is demonstrably not possible; and
- d) the harm or loss is outweighed by the benefit of bringing the site back into use.

**Para 196.** Where a development proposal will lead to less than substantial harm to the significance of a designated heritage asset, this harm should be weighed against the public benefits of the proposal including, where appropriate, securing its optimum viable use.

**Para 197.** The effect of an application on the significance of a non-designated heritage asset should be taken into account in determining the application. In weighing applications that directly or indirectly affect non-designated heritage assets, a balanced judgement will be required having regard to the scale of any harm or loss and the significance of the heritage asset.

**Para 198.** Local planning authorities should not permit the loss of the whole or part of a heritage asset without taking all reasonable steps to ensure the new development will proceed after the loss has occurred.

**Para 199.** Local planning authorities should require developers to record and advance understanding of the significance of any heritage assets to be lost (wholly or in part) in a manner proportionate to their importance and the impact, and to make this evidence (and any archive generated) publicly accessible. However, the ability to record evidence of our past should not be a factor in deciding whether such loss should be permitted.

**Para 200.** Local planning authorities should look for opportunities for new development within Conservation Areas and World Heritage Sites, and within the setting of heritage assets, to enhance or better reveal their significance. Proposals that preserve those elements of the setting that make a positive contribution to the asset (or which better reveal its significance) should be treated favourably.

**Para 201.** Not all elements of a Conservation Area or World Heritage Site will necessarily contribute to its significance. Loss of a building (or other element) which makes a positive contribution to the significance of the Conservation Area or World Heritage Site should be treated either as substantial harm under paragraph 195 or less than substantial harm under paragraph 196, as appropriate, taking into account the relative significance

of the element affected and its contribution to the significance of the Conservation Area or World Heritage Site as a whole.

**Para 202.** Local planning authorities should assess whether the benefits of a proposal for enabling development, which would otherwise conflict with planning policies but which would secure the future conservation of a heritage asset, outweigh the disbenefits of departing from those policies.

# Archaeology and Planning in the borough

### Policy D2 Heritage

The Council will preserve and, where appropriate, enhance Camden's rich and diverse heritage assets and their settings, including conservation areas, listed buildings, archaeological remains, scheduled ancient monuments and historic parks and gardens and locally listed heritage assets.

#### Designated heritage assets

Designed heritage assets include conservation areas and listed buildings. The Council will not permit the loss of or substantial harm to a designated heritage asset, including conservation areas and Listed Buildings, unless it can be demonstrated that the substantial harm or loss is necessary to achieve substantial public benefits that outweigh that harm or loss, or all of the following apply:

- a. the nature of the heritage asset prevents all reasonable uses of the site;
- b. no viable use of the heritage asset itself can be found in the medium term through appropriate marketing that will enable its conservation;
- c. conservation by grant-funding or some form of charitable or public ownership is demonstrably not possible; and
- d. the harm or loss is outweighed by the benefit of bringing the site back into use.

The Council will not permit development that results in harm that is less than substantial to the significance of a designated heritage asset unless the public benefits of the proposal convincingly outweigh that harm.

#### Conservation areas

Conservation areas are designated heritage assets and this section should be read in conjunction with the section above headed 'designated heritage assets'. In order to maintain the character of Camden's conservation areas, the Council will take account of conservation area statements, appraisals and management strategies when assessing applications within conservation areas.

#### The Council will:

- e. require that development within conservation areas preserves or, where possible, enhances the character or appearance of the area;
- f. resist the total or substantial demolition of an unlisted building that makes a positive contribution to the character or appearance of a conservation area;
- g. resist development outside of a conservation area that causes harm to the character or appearance of that conservation area; and
- h. preserve trees and garden spaces which contribute to the character and appearance of a conservation area or which provide a setting for Camden's architectural heritage.

### Listed Buildings

Listed buildings are designated heritage assets and this section should be read in conjunction with the section above headed 'designated heritage assets'. To preserve or enhance the borough's listed buildings, the Council will'

i. resist the total or substantial demolition of a listed building;

j. resist proposals for a change of use or alterations and extensions to a listed building where this would cause harm to the special architectural and historic interest of the building; and

k. resist development that would cause harm to significance of a listed building through an effect on its setting.

#### <u>Archaeology</u>

The Council will protect remains of archaeological importance by ensuring acceptable measures are taken proportionate to the significance of the heritage asset to preserve them and their setting, including physical preservation, where appropriate.

#### Other heritage assets and non-designated heritage assets

The Council will seek to protect other heritage assets including non-designated heritage assets (including those on and off the local list), Registered Parks and Gardens and London Squares. The effect of a proposal on the significance of a non-designated heritage asset will be weighed against the public benefits of the proposal, balancing the scale of any harm or loss and the significance of the heritage asset.

# 1.3 Archaeological background

- 1.3.1 A detailed description of the archaeological potential of the site can be found in 'St Pancras burial ground: excavations for St Pancras International, the London terminus of High Speed 1, 2002-3', (Emery & Wooldridge 2011) which reports on archaeological excavations part of St Pancras burial ground where a sample of 715 burials were excavated and underwent full osteological analysis, revealing a heterogeneous population buried during a time of rapid urbanisation and industrialisation. Preservation of human bone, wooden coffins and their metal fittings was exceptional, with inscribed coffin plates linking many burials with biographical detail. Identified individuals include refugees from the French Revolution, most notably three aristocrats and two prelates.
- 1.3.2 The southern part of the historic boundary wall of the burial ground in the area of investigation no longer survives above ground level, although it's buried remains may still exist below ground level.
- 1.3.3 The underlying geology in the area of the site is London Clay.

  Past investigation
- 1.3.4 In 2018 MOLA monitored three trial pits in St Pancras Gardens. A general truncation horizon between 0.9m bgl and 1.3m bgl was observed in Trial Pits 1 and 2, with localised truncation from drainage features extending to c 2m bgl in the latter. There was no evidence for in situ post-medieval burials. Two redeposited disarticulated human bone fragments were found within dumped material in Trial Pit 2 and may have been of post-medieval date. One small fragment of stone moulding noted in Trial Pit 3 (and reburied within the backfill) may have come from a burial monument although this is

by no means certain.

## 1.4 MOLA team and other responsibilities

In the document below the following terms should be understood:

- 1.4.1 MOLA (Museum of London Archaeology) is a company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales with company registration number 07751831 and charity registration number 1143574. Registered office: Mortimer Wheeler House, 46 Eagle Wharf Road, London N1 7ED.
- 1.4.2 *Project Manager* MOLA office based manager who is the client's principal point of contact and who has overall responsibility for the project budget and delivery.
- 1.4.3 Site Supervisor MOLA site based manager who is responsible for the direction of the field team. Site supervisors on larger sites will tend to be Project Officers in grade, whilst on other sites they will be Senior Archaeologists. On some sites there may be both a Project Officer and/or one or more Senior Archaeologists.
- 1.4.4 *Archaeologists* MOLA excavation staff responsible on site for archaeological excavation.
- 1.4.5 Field Services Operations Manager MOLA office based manager responsible for allocation of staff and supply of equipment and resources.
- 1.4.6 Health and Safety Compliance Manager The MOLA manager with sole responsibility for site inspections, reporting and issuing of recommendations for the Site Supervisor and Project Manager to implement. Reports directly to MOLA CEO
- 1.4.7 *Principal Contractor* appointed directly by the Client with overall responsibility for site H&S under CDM regulations.
- 1.4.8 Attendance Contractor the contractor responsible for providing such attendances to MOLA as are deemed necessary to carry out their archaeological work (see section 4.2). These might for instance include but not be restricted to shoring, lighting, facilities, fencing, additional labour, spoil removal, etc The Attendance Contractor may be the same as the Principal Contractor, or it may be subcontracted to the Principal Contractor or it may sub-contracted to MOLA.
- 1.4.9 Sub-contractor where this term is used in this document it refers to any contractor employed directly by MOLA during the course of its work on the site.

# 2 Objectives of the watching brief

### 2.1 General considerations

- 2.1.1 The purpose of an archaeological watching brief as defined by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIFA, 2014) as '...a formal programme of observation and investigation conducted during any operation carried out for non-archaeological reasons....where there is the possibility that archaeological deposits may be disturbed or destroyed.'
- 2.1.2 A watching brief is not intended to reduce the requirement for excavation or preservation of known or inferred deposits, and it is intended to guide, not replace, any requirement for contingent excavation or preservation of possible deposits.
- 2.1.3 The Standard also notes that a watching brief may be the appropriate archaeological response outside the planning process (eg ecclesiastical development, coastal erosion, agriculture, forestry, and countryside management, works by public utilities and statutory undertakers).

# 2.2 Site specific objectives

- 2.2.1 The archaeological brief is essentially limited to establishing where, if at all, archaeological deposits survive (presence/absence), recording where necessary, and to ensuring that the proposed groundworks do not involve the destruction of any archaeological deposits of national significance.
- 2.2.2 The watching brief will involve a MOLA Site Supervisor in attendance on the Principal Contractor's (or any other contractor employed by them or the client) activities and able to make such records as may be possible without interrupting the progress of the contractors' activities.. This may typically include taking photographs, making quick sketches or written records, retrieval of finds and taking levels on observations. The primary purpose of watching briefs will normally be the identification of the limits of features size, depth, alignment.
- 2.2.3 The limited nature of the proposed works and the watching brief upon them makes it unreasonable to establish many specific archaeological research objectives. Nevertheless a few research questions can be outlined:
  - What is the nature and level of natural topography?
  - What are the earliest deposits identified?
  - Are articulated remains present? If so, what level?
  - What are the latest deposits identified?
  - · What is the extent of modern disturbance?

# 3 Watching brief methodology

## 3.1 Archaeological considerations

- 3.1.1 A watching brief will cause minimal disruption to site works and will take place within agreed constraints. Watching briefs are not recommended in circumstances where important or complex archaeological remains are liable to be discovered, resulting in a risk of conflict between the need to record archaeological finds and the need to allow building works to proceed.
- 3.1.2 Initial breaking out by the Principal Contractor will be monitored by MOLA staff.
- 3.1.3 A MOLA Site Supervisor will monitor the work and record any archaeological remains revealed in the appropriate manner (plans, sections, field notes and/or pro-forma 'context sheets'). Any necessary photographic records will be made using digital or conventional media as deemed appropriate. All recording will be carried out in accordance with national standards (CIFA 2014).
- 3.1.4 Subject to 2.2 and 3.1.1 above, where archaeological deposits survive in any area of the proposed groundworks, the contractors will allow the MOLA archaeologist(s) reasonable time and access to record deposits as required.
- 3.1.5 In areas of archaeological interest the excavation and removal of deposits by the Contractor will, as far as possible and subject to 2.2 above, proceed according to the reasonable advice and guidance given by the attending archaeologist.
- 3.1.6 Subject to 2.2 above some areas might need to be re-scheduled in order to provide a safe environment for archaeological recording.
- 3.1.7 Provision will be made, at the earliest stage of development programming, for specified blocks of time to be made available for unrestricted archaeological access to areas of groundworks to carry out the watching brief.
- 3.1.8 Any finds of human remains will be left *in situ*, covered and protected. If removal is essential it can only take place under appropriate Faculty jurisdiction, Ministry of Justice (Coroner's Division) licence, environmental health regulations, coroner's permission, and if appropriate, in compliance with the Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) Act 1981 or other local Act. Prior written notice will also be given to the local planning authority. It will be necessary to ensure that adequate security is provided.
- 3.1.9 Because MOLA is providing a monitoring service to an on-going construction programme, the timing of which can vary considerably, it remains the client's responsibility to ensure that their Principal Contractor informs MOLA no later than one week in advance of the start of any proposed groundworks where a watching brief is required.

# 3.2 Recording systems

- 3.2.1 A unique-number site code (SPG18) has been agreed with the Museum of London Archaeological Archive (LAA).
- 3.2.2 The recording systems adopted during the investigations will be fully compatible with those most widely used elsewhere in London, and those required by the Archive Receiving Body, the Museum of London.

## 3.3 Treatment of finds and samples

- 3.3.1 Where necessary, a strategy for sampling archaeological and environmental deposits and structures (which can include soils, timbers, animal bone and human burials) will be developed in consultation between MOLA, the client and the local Planning Authority. Subsequent on-site work and analysis of the processed samples and remains will be undertaken by MOLA specialists.
- 3.3.2 All retained finds and samples will be exposed, lifted, cleaned, conserved, marked, bagged and boxed in a proper manner and to standards agreed in advance with the Museum of London.
- 3.3.3 All finds of gold and silver, or other objects definable as 'treasure', will be removed to a safe place and reported to the local Coroner according to the procedures of the Treasure Act 1996 and the Treasure (Designation) Order 2002. Where removal cannot be effected on the same working day as the discovery suitable security measures will be taken to protect the finds from theft.
- 3.3.4 Advice will be sought from the LPA Archaeological Advisor and the Historic England Regional Archaeological Science Advisor throughout the project, as appropriate.

# 3.4 Ownership of finds

- 3.4.1 Whereas ownership of any finds on the site lies with the landowner, it is necessary that the landowner gives the necessary approvals, licences and permissions to donate the finds to the Museum of London, to enable that body to carry out its obligations to curate the finds, in perpetuity, as part of the archaeological Archive from this site.
- 3.4.2 These approvals, licences and permissions shall be *either* confirmed in the Agreement and Contract regulating the archaeological works *and/or* confirmed by the completion of the relevant Deed of Transfer form (draft appended).
- 3.4.3 The client (or their agent) will make arrangements for the signing of the Deed of Transfer Form by the client or, if the landowner is different to the client, by the landowner.
- 3.4.4 Notwithstanding the above, subsequent arrangements may be made if required between the landowner and/or the client and the Museum for the conservation, display, provision of access to or loan of selected finds in or near their original location.

# 3.5 Reports and archives

- 3.5.1 Following the completion of field work, MOLA will produce a watching brief report this will be made available to the client and the Local Planning Authority within six weeks. If significant archaeology is encountered an initial post-excavation assessment of the site records and finds will lead to a *Post-excavation assessment report*.
- 3.5.2 In addition to this technical report, which MOLA is obliged to prepare, an additional interim report giving an overall view of the project and its results in non-technical language may be prepared and issued to the client and other relevant parties on or before completion of the post-excavation assessment.

- 3.5.3 In all cases a short summary of the results of the watching brief will be submitted to the Greater London HER and NAR (using the appropriate OASIS archaeological report form) and for publication in an appropriate academic journal.
- 3.5.4 Details of the project will be submitted to the online database maintained by the Online Access to the Index of Archaeological Investigations (OASIS)

  Project
- 3.5.5 GIS data will also be made available to the GLHER.
- 3.5.6 Where potential for further archaeological work is identified and detailed proposals for this set out in the *Post-excavation assessment* further analysis and research may also be required, leading ultimately to publication in either a dedicated site-based monograph report (produced by MOLA), or in one of the relevant national or period-based archaeological journals or regional journal within five years (or as near as possible subject to availability of space in appropriate journal) of the completion of fieldwork on site.
- 3.5.7 Finds and records will be curated by the Museum of London and be available for public consultation in a site archive compatible with other archaeological archives in the Museum of London and adhering to standards set out in the following:
  - Archaeological Archive Forum, Archaeological Archives: a guide to best practice in creation, compilation transfer and curation (2011)
  - Museum of London, General Standards for the preparation of archaeological archives deposited with the Museum of London, (2009).
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  - United Kingdom Institute for Conservation Guidelines for the preparation of excavation archives for long term storage (1990)
- 3.5.8 Copyright of the written archive will be vested in the Museum.
- 3.5.9 Pursuant to these agreements the archive will be presented to the archive officer or relevant curator of the Museum within 12 months of the completion of fieldwork (unless alternative arrangements have been agreed in writing with the local planning authority).

# 4 Programme, staffing and attendances

# 4.1 Timetable and staffing

4.1.1 The timing and overall duration of the archaeological watching brief on the groundworks will be determined by the contractor's programme and the nature and extent of any surviving remains. It is envisaged that a Senior Archaeologist will monitor the groundworks. Other archaeological specialists may be called in if necessary.

#### 4.2 Covid 19 statement

4.2.1 The works will comply with current government and industry standard relating to Covid 19 and MOLA will provide GLAAS with copies of the intended work's SOP, RAMS and other relevant documentation to demonstrate full compliance with current government guidance relating to Covid 19 at the time of the fieldwork. Details for effective remote monitoring by GLAAS will also be agreed with GLAAS before the commencement of any fieldwork.

### 4.3 Attendances

- 4.3.1 For watching briefs, the attendances required by MOLA tends to be minimal as archaeologists are in fact attending the on-site works. However, some provision for welfare and working conditions will need to be anticipated. Some or all of the following attendances may be required and supplied by the client.
- 4.3.2 Safety guard-rails and suitable access points into the site and areas of excavation, away from any site traffic and machinery.
- 4.3.3 Ladders into all areas of excavation when the excavated depth requires such access.
- 4.3.4 If ground-water is encountered in the trenches, adequate pumps will be required to remove it in order to complete the excavations.
- 4.3.5 If necessary, tungsten halogen lamps (500W minimum) with 110-volt transformer, adequate cabling, and power supply.
- 4.3.6 A suitable security system to operate overnight, weekends and holidays.
- 4.3.7 Labourers to assist in the removal of spoil from deeper areas of excavation.

# 5 Funding

5.1.1 The developer has already agreed to fund the appropriate archaeological watching brief coverage have been agreed in a separate document.

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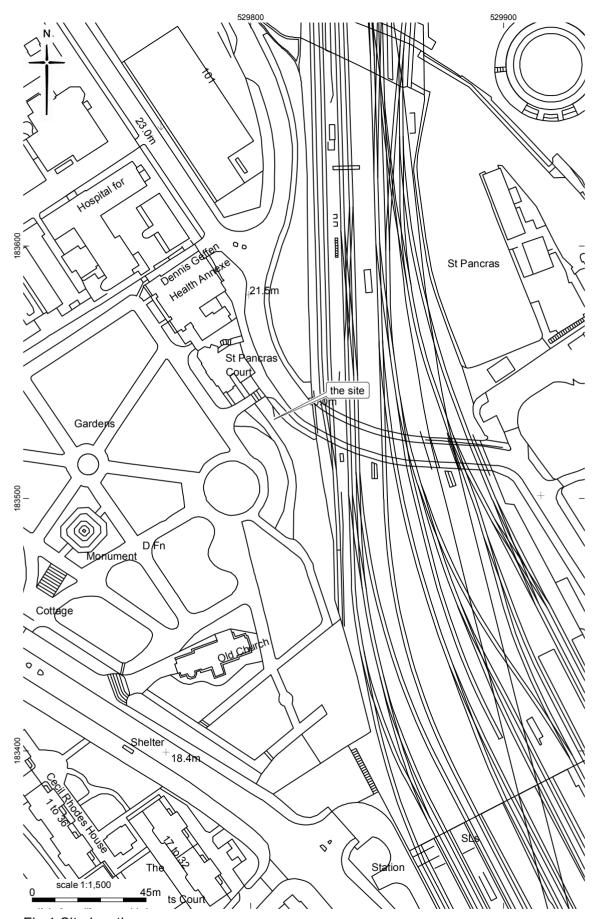
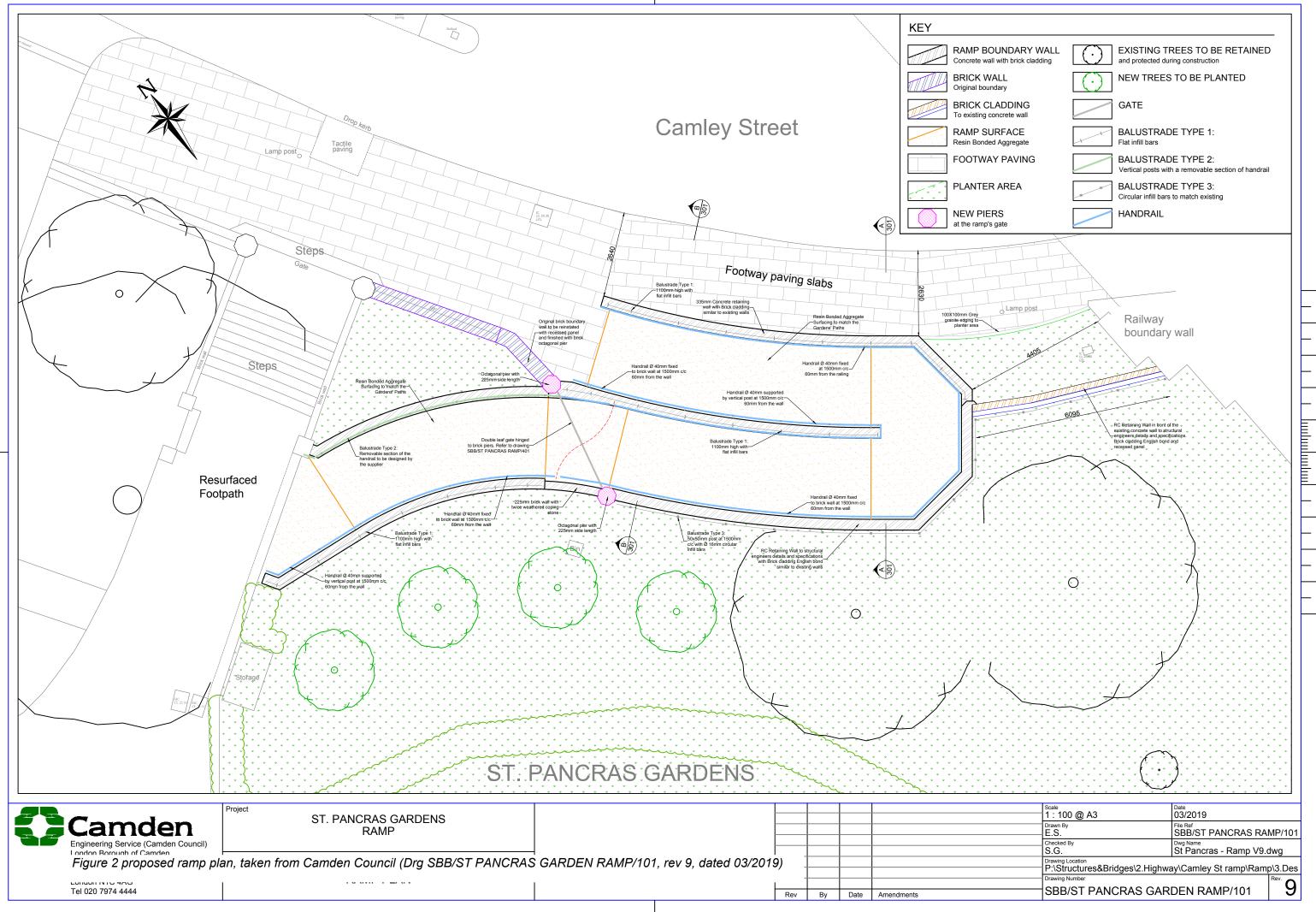


Fig 1 Site location



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# 7 Appendix: Draft Transfer of finds ownership form

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THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE MUSEUM OF LONDON

**DEED OF TRANSFER** 

of Finds excavated at []

Site Code []

#### **BETWEEN: -**

[] a company registered in England under Reg. No [] whose registered office is situate at [] ("the Site Owner");

#### AND

THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE MUSEUM OF LONDON an exempt charity established under the Museum of London Acts 1965-1986, whose principal place of business is located at 150 London Wall, London EC2Y 5HN, ("the Museum") which expression shall include any Governors appointed from time to time acting in accordance with the powers vested in them under the Museum of London Acts 1965-1986.

#### **WHEREAS**

- **A.** The Site Owner is the owner of a property at [] known by its site code [] whereupon an archaeological intervention has been carried out ("Excavation").
- **B.** The Site Owner is the owner of any items of archaeological interest found during the Excavation.
- C. The Site Owner wishes to transfer to the Museum title to the items referred to in Recital B.
- **D.** The Museum has agreed to provide facilities for the accommodation and, at its discretion, the display of the items referred to in Recital B on condition that the same are assembled as an archive in accordance with the provisions of this Deed.

#### NOW IT IS HEREBY AGREED as follows: -

#### 1. PREPARATION AND DELIVERY OF THE ARCHIVE

- 1.1 The Site Owner will procure the preparation of the items of archaeological interest found during the Excavation in accordance with the requirements of the Museum's *General Standards for the Preparation of Archaeological Archives deposited with the Museum of London*, a copy of which is available to the Site Owner for inspection, and generally in accordance with best archaeological practice. The Site Owner will also procure to be prepared a full inventory of the items so prepared ("the Finds Inventory") and a list of the boxes and other containers in which those items will be transported to the Museum ("the Final Transfer Summary"). The items of archaeological interest listed in the Finds Inventory are hereinafter referred to as "the Finds".
- 1.2 The Site Owner will arrange for delivery of the Finds, Finds Inventory and the Final Transfer Summary to the Museum without cost to the Museum, after consultation with the Museum as to the method and time of delivery.
- 1.3 Title to and risk in the Finds will pass to the Museum on delivery of the Finds to the Museum in accordance with clause 1.2.

### 2. WARRANTIES

- 2.1 The Site Owner warrants to the Museum that:
  - 2.1.1 [to the best of its knowledge and belief delete as appropriate] at the date of this Deed ownership of the Finds is vested exclusively in the Site Owner;
  - 2.1.2 [to the best of its knowledge and belief delete as appropriate] at the date of this Deed the Finds are free of all charges, encumbrances and third party rights and no right has been granted in respect of them which would affect the transfer of title

- to the Finds by the Site Owner to the Museum or otherwise give rise to any conflict with the provisions of this Deed;
- 2.1.3 [to the best of its knowledge and belief **delete as appropriate**] at the date of this Deed the Site Owner has the unfettered right to transfer ownership and possession of the Finds to the Museum:
- 2.1.4 the Site Owner will at its own cost take all steps which are or may be necessary at any time to cure any defects in the title to the Finds; and
- 2.1.5 the Site Owner warrants that it or its contractors have complied with all of the requirements of the Treasure Act 1996 and any statutory modification or reenactment of that Act, and all other legislative requirements relating to the Excavation.
- 2.2 The Site Owner will indemnify the Museum against any and all claims, demands, proceedings, costs, expenses, loss or damage, of whatever nature which may be made or brought against or incurred by the Museum arising out of or in connection with any breach of the warranties given respectively by the Site Owner in clause 2.1.

### 3. INTERPRETATION; GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

3.1 This Deed will be governed by and construed in accordance with the Laws of England and Wales regardless of the place of execution or performance. The English Courts will have exclusive jurisdiction to deal with any dispute or other difference arising out of or in connection with this Deed, unless the Museum chooses to invoke, or voluntarily submits to, the jurisdiction of some other tribunal.

above

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By means of these signatures:

Director

Director

Director/Secretary

The COMMON SEAL of THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE MUSEUM OF LONDON was hereunto affixed in the presence of:

Chairman

Secretary

IN WITNESS of which the parties hereto have executed this document as a Deed on the date first written

# 8 Health and Safety Risk Assessment and Method Statement (RAMS)

A Health & Safety Risk Assessment and Method Statement has been prepared by MOLA to accompany this wsi but will be printed out and submitted separately as appropriate.