

Prior to 1990 Archaeological investigations are largely commissioned on a voluntary basis by developers but no formal requirement to excavate or preserve undesignated archaeological remains within the planning system

Only a very small proportion of developments invariably where archaeology was known to be an issue) had provision for any investigation other than unfunded 'watching briefs'

Discovery of Rose Theatre in 1989 on Bankside leads to the formation of the 'Save the Rose Campaign' to prevent the destruction of the Remains. Due to a campaign lead by Sir Laurence Olivier it become a National and International news story.

Developer and government spent an additional £11m on further archaeological research and redesign of the new building to accommodate the remains of the theatre.

November 1990 - Planning Policy Guidance Note 16 Introduced

ROSE ALLEY



National Planning Policy Framework

NPPF

- The National Planning Policy Framework was revised on 20
 July 2021 and sets out the government's planning policies for
 England and how these are expected to be applied
- Chapter16. Conserving and enhancing the historic environment
- Proposals affecting heritage assets
- Para 194. 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

The Role of the Historic Environment Planning Team- Archaeology

The Hep Team have four dedicated archaeological officers who provide internal advice to SCC and who also advise the Districts and Boroughs on the archaeological implications of planning applications. Strategic advice is provided by the Team Manager Tony Howe District responsibilities

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Local Plan Development Management Policies

DM24: Archaeology

Archaeological remains can be either designated or non-designated heritage assets.

- 1. Where development involving ground disturbance is proposed on or near Scheduled Ancient Monuments, County Sites of Archaeological Importance and Areas of High Archaeological Importance (as identified on the Adopted Policies Map) or on any site exceeding 0.4 hectares, an initial assessment of the archaeological value will be required as part of the planning application. Where that initial assessment indicates that archaeological remains are or may be present, an archaeological field evaluation will be required. The evaluation should define:
 - a) The character, importance and condition of any archaeological deposits or structures within the site.
 - b) The likely impact of the proposed development of these features
 - c) The means of mitigating the impact of the proposed development.
- Where important archaeological remains are found to exist, and can justifiably be left in situ, their protection will be required by planning condition or legal agreement.
- 3. Where such remains cannot reasonably be protected in situ, a full archaeological investigation of the site including archaeological recording, formal reporting and publication of the findings, and archiving of the recovered material in a suitable repository, will be required in accordance with a scheme of work to be agreed in writing with the Council prior to the commencement of any works.

In accordance with the NPPF, a balanced judgment will be required having regard to the scale of any harm or loss and the significance of the heritage asset.

The consultation Process

- Two policies that 'trigger' a consultation with HEPT.
- Is the site within or close to an AHAP?CSAI?
- Is the site over0.4Ha in extent?
- Also sometimes consulted on Listed buildings and applications outside of the normal planning system such as utility providers, commons applications and large infrastructure projects
- Sites within or impacting on the setting of a Scheduled Monument are referred directly to Historic England
- Consultations sent by email to a central inbox where they are logged and entered onto a spreadsheet by District with the planning application number.
- The officer then accesses the detailed application information online using the relevant planning portal website.
- We aim to respond to all consultations within 21 working days

Assessment and investigation – a staged process

- The archaeological process can be split into four individual stages:
- Assessment: Looking at the site and surrounding area, to ascertain the potential.
- Evaluation: investigating the site in a small-scale and targeted way, causing as little physical disturbance as possible, to check for the absence, presence, condition, frequency and significance of any remains that might be present.
- Mitigation: excavation and recording of any remains on the site, and the removal/rescue of key material for further investigation prior to the site being developed.
- Post-Excavation: full specialist analyses of the material and artefacts removed, publication and archiving.

Desk Based Archaeological Assessment Archaeological Assessment Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment

Land at Oakland Farm, Green Lane, West Horsley, Surrey NGR: 512270 154083 Prepared for Berkeley Homes (Southern) Ltd

Alfold Garden Centre, Horsham

Historic Environment Record – usually a search area of 1km is appropriate.

Should also include a map regression exercise looking at the historic development of the site are review of aerial photographic evidence, LIDAR data where available, relevant documentary sources as held by the Local

records Office, a site walkover









Standard Archaeological Condition

No development shall take place until the applicant has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and approved by the Planning Authority."

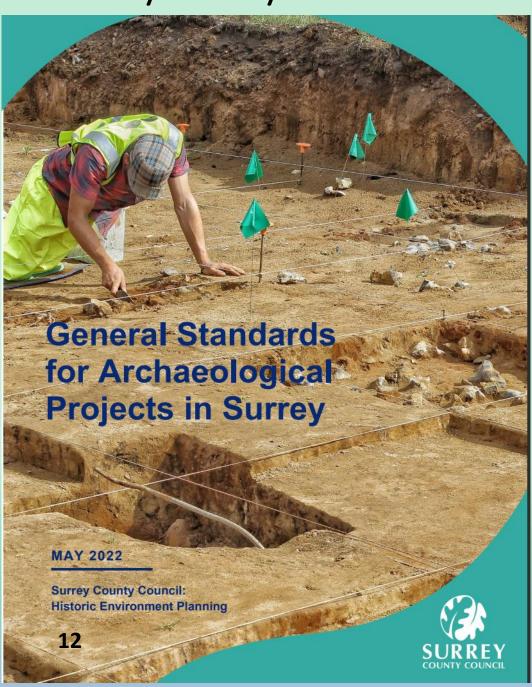
Trial Trench
Evaluation: County
Standard 5% of
site area- can be
4% with prior
Geophysics





- Programme of work is agreed and set out in a Written Scheme of Investigation submitted to the LPA
- Geophysical survey usually detailed magnetometry survey- not suitable for all sites
- Trial trenches usually 30m x 1.8m in plan and excavated down to the natural geology or first archaeological horizon.
- Evaluations monitored by the archaeological Officer with site visit

Surrey County Standards Document



Sets out the standards and requirements for archaeological contractors working within Surrey

Contactors are also expected to abide by the relevant standards and Guidance published by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists.

https://www.archaeologists.net/codes/cifa

Mitigation Works

In the event that significant archaeological remains are revealed then it is necessary to mitigate the threat posed by the development Preservation in situ.- Preferred mitigation for Nationally Significant Archaeology Preservation by record- by detailed

excavation by record- by detailed excavation/Strip Map and Record

Programme of archaeological monitoring (watching brief) usually only appropriate for dispersed or disturbed remains of local significance or very small sites with limited impact (extensions etc)

Preservation in situ

When?

- Remains of national importance
- Financial considerations

How?

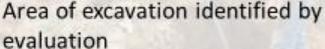
- Sensitive foundation design rafts, piling if impact less than 2% of total site
- Flexibility within development
- · Areas of open space, etc

Medieval charnel house The priory of St Mary Spital, Spitalfields



Excavation and recording of archaeological remains that will be destroyed by development.





Excavation destroys the archaeological resource

Creates a site archive of drawn, written, photographic and artefactual records







Table 1: Table of minimum sampling strategy for evaluations, excavations and watching briefs

Percentage Feature sampling	Evaluations	Mitigation (Excavations and Watching Briefs)
Intrusive features (pits/postholes)	50%	50% total number fully excavated remaining 50% sampled. Large amorphous features e.g. quarries and hollows not less than 20% sampled by area.
Linear feature exposed area + all terminals and intersections	25%	15 – 25%
Structural Features (Beamslots/ring ditches) - actual surviving structural elements (walls, collapse/debris fields) just require exposure, cleaning & preservation for excavation in more appropriate circumstances.	50% - actual surviving structural elements (walls, collapse/debris fields) just require exposure, cleaning & preservation for excavation in more appropriate circumstances.	75 - 100% - actual surviving structural elements (walls, collapse/debris fields) may vary on case by case basis.
Domestic/Industrial working features (e.g. hearths, ovens) – unless large and structural, in which case see above.	50 - 100%	100%. Such features are to be sampled for archaeomagnetic dating as standard if appropriate (this applies to any in situ burnt features unless agreed otherwise following on site discussion).

Additional excavation, up to complete removal, may be required of any feature should the excavated samples fail to provide the necessary information to enable their purpose or date to be ascertained.



Programme of Archaeological Monitoring

For sites where development impact is small (extensions, etc) or archaeology has been previously disturbed

Often developers preferred option as no requirement to carry out the archaeology in advance of construction.

However, high degree of risk as archaeology still requires professional excavation and recording if encountered which can lead to severe delays to programme

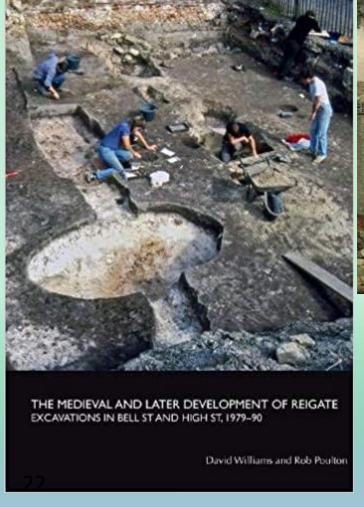
Post Excavation

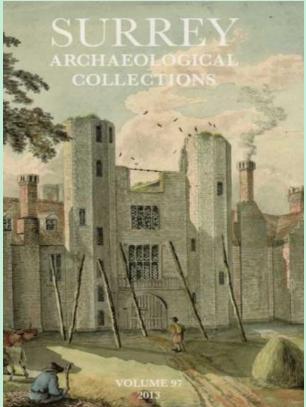
The material remains from the fieldwork are subject to a preliminary assessment as part of a staged post excavation process that aims to direct resources at the most significant elements of the fieldwork.

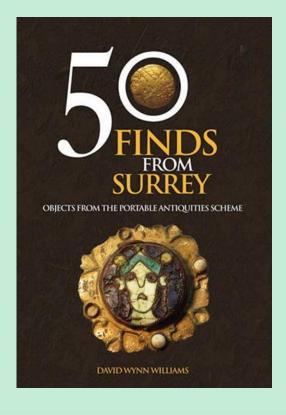
The results of this initial assessment are then drawn together in a post excavation assessment and updated project design that provides an initial review of the evidence and makes recommendations for the level of specialist analysis that bis appropriate and sets out the resources that are required to complete this element of the project.

This document also identifies the appropriate venue for the final publication – County Journal, Specialist Journals, stand-a-lone Monograph Publication for larger sites or online publication (increasingly favoured by Historic England)

Publication of Results







A record of all Fieldwork events carried out in the calendar year is published in the appropriate volume of the Surrey Archaeological Collections, even if the results were negative

Archive deposition

All archaeological projects that include the recovery or generation of data and/or archaeological materials (finds) should result in a stable, ordered, and accessible archive. It is important that the archive is created and compiled to acceptable standards, and that they are stored to recognised standards for long-term preservation, remaining accessible for future research or consultation.

The archaeological archive comprises all parts of the archaeological record, including the finds samples, and digital records as well as the written, drawn and photographic documentation. The archive from an archaeological project is the key to understanding any published interpretations of the results.