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#### Summary

SWAT Archaeology has been commissioned by Mr Tillings to prepare a Heritage desk-based assessment relating to the Application Site of land North of London Road, Sellindge, Kent.

This Desk Based Assessment is intended to explore and disseminate the known and potential heritage resource within the site and the surrounding area, and to assess the likely impacts of the development proposals on this resource. Based on this data the potential for archaeological sites either on or in the near vicinity of the proposed development can be summarized as:

The PDA is situated in Sellindge, which is a village situated along the A20 between Ashford, 7 miles away and Hythe 5 miles away. It is located north of the A20 with Springfield House to the west and the Duke Head to the east. The PDA forms part of the existing disused piggery site which has been already identified as that of a brown field site and was an area of associated pasture. The part of the piggery site including the access road and the existing buildings is subject to a separate planning application (20/1677). Currently the PDA is used as pasture, most recently for sheep.

Assessment of the archaeological findings from the KHER and other resources would suggest that the possibility of archaeological remains is moderate/high for the Roman period, moderate for the Prehistoric and Iron Age period and low for all other periods. The recent large-scale investigations to the south east of the PDA of the village had revealed evidence for these periods of local significance. It appears that the PDA has been in agricultural use from at least the Medieval period onwards if not earlier, latterly forming part of the agricultural estate of Guinea Hall to the south built around 1800. In the middle of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the adjacent western side to the PDA came a piggery with the PDA forming the associated pasture. Consequently, the site has had low historical impact except for a small area located by the piggery with concrete and drainage. This PDA presents an opportunity, combined with area to the south and south east of the Ashford Road to allow for a further large area to be archaeologically investigated. The proposed development for residential units requiring foundations, services and access road is likely to cause a high impact across the PDA on any potential archaeology resource. The need for, scale, scope and nature of any further assessment and/or archaeological works should be agreed through consultation with the statutory authorities, but it is recommended for there to be an evaluation to ascertain the nature of any archaeological deposits.

The proposed development area does not contain any designated or non-designated heritage assets and is not within any conservation area. There are only a limited number of designated heritage assets within the assessment area and, these have been assessed and have no visibility with the proposed development. Therefore, the proposed development will produce no harm on the settings or significance of these assets in accordance with NPPF paragraph 196. The development would change the land west of Guinea Hall from agricultural to residential. Whilst there is an historic connection, between the hall and the PDA given that it forms part of the wider estate, the PDA cannot be appreciated from within Guinea Hall and does not form part of its setting and would result in 'less than substantial' harm.

The enclosed nature of the PDA means there is also no effect on sight lines and views looking towards Sellindge from the Kent Downs AONB. The proposed development size is moderate especially in comparison to much larger modern housing estates to the east and south east and will have little by way of impact to the wider landscape when viewed from a distance with that of the wider residential development forming Sellindge. Consequently the proposed development is considered to have an impact on the low end of 'less than substantial'.

The public benefit that is predicted from the proposed development delivers progress as described in the National Planning Policy Framework. It will provide a key local resource needed as a result of the housebuilding in the area for a doctor's surgery as well as warden assisted living. The scale of the development is sufficient that it will contribute towards housing supply.

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#### **1 INTRODUCTION**

#### 1.1 Planning Background

1.1.1 Swale & Thames Survey Company (SWAT) was commissioned by Mr Tillings (the 'Client'), to carry out a Heritage desk-based assessment relating to a proposed development area of Land to the Rear and East of Springfield House, (The Piggery), Main Road, Sellindge, TN25 6EG centred on National Grid Reference (NGR) TR 09851 38440 (Fig.1).

#### 1.2 Site Description

1.2.1 The PDA is situated in Sellindge, which is a village situated along the A20 between Ashford, 7 miles away and Hythe 5 miles away. It is located north of the A20 with Springfield House to the west and the Duke Head to the east. The PDA forms part of the existing disused piggery site which has been already identified as that of a brown field site and was an area of associated pasture. The part of the piggery site including the access road and the existing buildings is subject to a separate planning application (20/1677). Currently the PDA is used as pasture, most recently for sheep. The PDA is circa 1.5 hectares with the northern, western, north western and southern boundaries mature hedgerows. The western boundary lies along the access road to the piggery. A public footpath runs through the PDA heading northwards from the A20 whereby within the PDA splits into two, one branch continuing north and one heading north west to the north western corner of the PDA. There is more pasture to the east and north of the PDA reducing to circa 63m aOD in the northern part of the PDA (Fig. 1).

#### Geology

1.2.2 The British Geological Society (BGS 1995) shows that the local geology at the Application Site is within an area of changing bedrock geology. The western part appears to be Hythe Formation – Sandstone and Limestone interbedded with the eastern part in a patch of Sandgate Formation Sandstone, Siltstone and Mudstone. The Lower Greensand Group is a geological unit, which forms part of the underlying geological structure of southeast England. South of London in the counties of West Sussex, East Sussex and Kent, which together form the wider Weald, the Lower Greensand can usually be subdivided to formational levels with varying properties into the Atherfield Clay Formation, the Hythe Formation, the Sandgate

Formation, Bargate Formation, and the Folkestone Formation. The Lower Greensand Group was deposited during the Early Cretaceous Period, which lasted for approximately 40 million years from 140 to 100 million years ago. Kentish Ragstone is a hard, grey, sandy limestone that forms an important component of the Hythe Formation and the ragstone bed runs along the line from Hythe to Maidstone to Westerham. Within the area of the Application Site there is superficial deposits of Head- Clay and Silt.

#### Geotechnical Information

1.2.3 There is no known geotechnical information for the PDA.

#### **1.3** The Proposed Development

1.3.1 The proposed development is for 26 residential units as well as flats for warden assisted living and a doctors surgery. The proposed development will include its own access road off the A20 and is separate to that of Phase 1 of the adjacent brownfield Piggery Site to the west (Fig.2).

#### 1.4 Project Constraints

1.4.1 No constraints were associated with this project.

#### 1.5 Scope of the Document

1.5.1 This assessment was requested by the Client in order to determine, as far as is possible from existing information, the nature, extent and significance of the Historic Environment and to assess the potential impact of development on Heritage Assets. The assessment forms part of the initial stages of the investigation and is intended to inform and assist with decisions regarding archaeological mitigation and the heritage resource which may be affected and the potential impact of proposals on that significance.

#### **2 PLANNING BACKGROUND**

#### 2.1 Introduction

- 2.1.1 National legislation and guidance relating to the protection of, and proposed development on or near, important archaeological sites or historical buildings within planning regulations is defined under the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act (1990). In addition, local authorities are responsible for the protection of the historic environment within the planning system.
- 2.1.2 The National Planning Policy Framework was updated in July 2018, revised in February 2019 and July 2021 is the principal document which sets out the Government's planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied. It provides a framework in which Local Planning Authorities can produce their own distinctive Local Plans to reflect the needs of their communities.

#### 2.2 National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)

2.2.1 The Historic Environment, as defined in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF 2021): Annex 2, comprises:

> 'All aspects of the environment resulting from the interaction between people and places through time, including all surviving physical remains of past human activity, whether visible, buried or submerged, and landscaped and planted or managed flora.'

#### 2.2.2 NPPF Annex 2 defines a Heritage Asset as:

'A building monument, site, place, area or landscape identified as having a degree of significance meriting consideration in planning decisions, because of its heritage interest. It includes designated heritage assets and assets identified by the local planning authority (including local listing)'.

2.2.3 NPPF Section 16: Conserving and enhancing the historic environment sets out the principal national guidance on the importance, management and safeguarding of heritage assets within the planning process. The aim of NPPF Section 16 is to ensure that Local Planning Authorities, developers, and owners of heritage assets adopt a consistent approach to their conservation and to reduce complexity in planning policy relating to proposals that affect them.

#### 2.2.4 Paragraph 190 of the NPPF states that:

'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.'
- 2.2.5 Paragraph 194 of the NPPF states that:

'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.'

#### 2.2.6 Paragraph 195 of the NPPF states that:

'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 to the available evidence and any necessary expertise. They should take this assessment into account when considering the impact of a proposal on a heritage asset, to avoid or minimise conflict between the heritage asset's conservation and any aspect of the proposal.'

- 2.2.7 The NPPF, Section 16, therefore provides the guidance to which local authorities need to refer when setting out a strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment in their Local Plans. It is noted within this, that heritage assets should be conserved in a manner appropriate to their significance.
- 2.2.8 The NPPF further provides definitions of terms in the glossary which relate to the historic environment in order to clarify the policy guidance given. For the purposes of this report, the following are important to note:
  - 'Significance (for heritage policy). The value of a heritage asset to this and future generations because of its heritage interest. This interest may be archaeological, architectural, artistic, or historic. Significance derives not only from a heritage asset's physical presence, but also from its setting. For World Heritage Sites, the cultural value described within each site's Statement of Outstanding Universal Value forms part of its significance'.
  - 'Setting of a heritage asset. The surroundings in which a heritage asset is experienced. Its extent is not fixed and may change as the asset and its surroundings evolve. Elements of a setting may make a positive or negative contribution to the significance of an asset, may affect the ability to appreciate that significance or may be neutral'.
- 2.2.9 The NPPF advises local authorities to take into account the following points in paragraph 197 when drawing up strategies for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment;
  - a) the desirability of sustaining and enhancing the significance of heritage assets and preserving 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 in making a positive contribution to local character and distinctiveness'.
- 2.2.10 Paragraphs 199 and 204 consider the impact of a proposed development upon the significance of a heritage asset.

- 2.2.11 Paragraph 199 emphasises that when a new development is proposed, 'great weight should be given to the asset's conservation (and that the more important the asset, the greater this 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'.
- 2.2.12 Paragraph 200 notes that:

'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'.
- 2.2.13 Paragraph 201 states that:

'Where a proposed development will lead to substantial harm (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
- 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.'
- 2.2.14 Conversely, paragraph 202 notes that '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'.

- 2.2.15 The NPPF comments in paragraph 207, proffers that '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 201 or less than substantial harm under paragraph 202, 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'.
- 2.2.16 Paragraph 204 states that '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'.
- 2.2.17 Paragraph 206 encourages Local Planning Authorities to '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'.
- 2.2.18 Any LPA based on paragraph 208, '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'.
- 2.2.19 The NPPF further provides definitions of terms which relate to the historic environment in order to clarify the policy guidance given. For the purposes of this report, the following are important to note:
  - Significance. The value of a heritage asset to this and future generations because of its heritage interest. This interest may be archaeological, architectural, artistic or historic. Significance derives not only from a heritage asset's physical presence, but also from its setting.
  - Setting. The surroundings in which a heritage asset is experienced. Its extent is not fixed and may change as the asset and its surroundings evolve. Elements of a setting may make a positive or negative contribution to the significance of an asset, may affect the ability to appreciate that significance or may be neutral.

- 2.2.20 The NPPF is supported by the Planning Policy Guidance, which includes Conservation Principles, Policy and Guidance (2008) as well as Good Practice Advice in Planning Notes 1 to 3, all issued by Historic England.
- 2.2.21 In addition to the NPPF, statutory protection and guidance documents are also provided to certain classes of designated heritage assets under the following list:
  - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act (1990);
  - Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act (1979);
  - Planning Practice Guidance: Conserving and enhancing the historic environment

Hedgerow Regulations (statutory Instrument No. 1160) 1997

#### 2.3 Planning Practice Guidance: Conserving and enhancing the historic environment

- 2.3.1 Advice on enhancing and conserving the historic environment is also published in the Planning Practice Guidance which expands on how the historic environment should be assessed within the NPPF. This acknowledges that 'where changes are proposed, the National Planning Policy Framework sets out a clear framework for both plan-making and decision-making in respect of applications for planning permission and listed building consent to ensure that heritage assets are conserved, and where appropriate enhanced, in a manner that is consistent with their significance and thereby achieving sustainable development'.
- 2.3.2 Furthermore, it highlights that neglect and decay of heritage assets are best addressed through ensuring that heritage assets remain in active use that is consistent with their conservation. Importantly, the guidance states that 'where the complete or partial loss of a heritage asset is justified (noting that the ability to record evidence of our past should not be a factor in deciding whether such loss should be permitted), the aim then is to: capture and record the evidence of the asset's significance which is to be lost; interpret its contribution to the understanding of our past; and make that publicly available'.
- 2.3.1 Key elements of the guidance relate to assessing harm. An important consideration should be whether the proposed works adversely affect a key element of the heritage asset's special architectural or historic interest. Additionally, it is the degree of harm, rather than the scale of development, that is to be assessed. The level of 'substantial harm' is considered to be a high test that may not arise in many cases. Essentially, whether a proposal causes substantial harm

will be a judgement for the decision maker, having regard to the circumstance of the case and the NPPF. Importantly, harm may arise from works to the asset or from development within its setting.

2.3.2 Setting is defined as the surroundings in which an asset is experienced and may be more extensive than the curtilage. A thorough assessment of the impact of proposals upon setting needs to take into account, and be proportionate to, the significance of the heritage asset and the degree to which proposed changes enhance or detract from that significance and the ability to appreciate it.

#### 2.4 Guidance and Best Practice

Historic England – Conservation Principles, Policies, and Guidance (2008) Guidance and Best Practice

- 2.4.1 Conservation Principles outlines Historic England's approach to the sustainable management of the historic environment. While primarily intended to ensure consistency in Historic England's own advice and guidance through the planning process, the document is recommended to Local Planning Authorities to ensure that all decisions about change affecting the historic environment are informed and sustainable.
- 2.4.2 This document from 2008 remains relevant with that of the current NPPF policy in the emphasis placed upon the importance of understanding significance to properly assess the effects of change to heritage assets. The guidance describes a range of heritage values which enable the significance of assets to be established systematically, with the four main 'heritage values' being: evidential, historic, aesthetic and communal.

#### Historic England Good Advice Notes in Planning (2015)

- 2.4.3 On the 25th March 2015, Historic England withdrew the Planning Policy Statement 5 (PPS5) Practice Guide. This document was replaced with three Good Practice Advice in Planning Notes (GPAs). The GPAs provide supporting guidance relating to good conservation practice covering: The Historic Environment in Local Plans; Managing Significance in Decision-Taking in the Historic Environment; and The Setting of Heritage Assets.
- 2.4.4 In addition to these documents, Historic England has published three core Advice Notes (HEAs) which provide detailed and practical advice on how national policy and guidance is implemented. These documents include: 'HEA1: Understanding Place: Conservation Area Designation, Appraisal and Management'; 'HEA2: Making Changes to Heritage Assets'; and

'HEA3: The Historic Environment and Site Allocations in Local Plans'. More recently, guidance in 'the Significance of Heritage Assets' has also been provided by Historic England.

#### Principles of Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment in the UK

2.4.5 Released in July 2021 and produced jointly by Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, Institute of Historic Building Conservation and the Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment, additional guidance is provided for cultural heritage practitioners. The Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment is concerned with understanding the consequences of change to cultural significance. At a fundamental level, Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment is used to make informed decisions about the sustainable management of cultural heritage assets. The need for a Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment is triggered whenever somebody proposes to do something which could result in change to a cultural heritage asset or assets. It concerns understanding the cultural heritage asset and evaluating the consequences of change.

#### Hedgerow Regulations (statutory Instrument No. 1160) 1997

- 2.4.6 The regulations apply to most countryside hedgerows. In particular, they affect hedgerows which are 20 meters or more in length, which meet another hedgerow at each end; are on or adjoin land used for: agriculture, forestry, the breeding or keeping of horses, ponies or donkeys, common land, village greens, Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs) or Local Nature Reserves. The act is to protect important countryside hedgerows from removal, either in part of whole. Removal not only includes grubbing out, but anything which could result in the destruction of the hedge. A hedgerow is 'important' if it has existed for 30 years or more and it meets one of the criteria set out in the Regulations, which include:
  - It marks a boundary between parishes existing before 1850;
  - It marks an archaeological feature of a site that is a scheduled monument or noted on the Historic Environment Record;
  - It marks the boundary of a pre-1600 estate or manor or a field system pre-dating the Enclosure Acts.

#### 2.5 Local Policies

2.5.1 Folkestone and Hythe District Council has a Places and Policies Local Plan adopted in 2020 and a Core Strategy adopted in March 2022. The plan has a number of policies relevant to archaeology and also relies upon the national legislation governing heritage assets. It defines heritage assets as Heritage assets can be designated or non-designated. Designated assets have been identified under relevant legislation and include Scheduled Monuments, Listed Buildings, Registered Parks and Gardens and Conservation Areas. Non-designated assets are buildings, monuments, sites, places, areas or landscapes identified as having a degree of significance meriting consideration in planning decisions but which are not formally designated.

#### • POLICY HE1: Heritage Assets

'The Council will grant permission for proposals which promote an appropriate and viable use of heritage assets, consistent with their conservation and their significance, particularly where these bring at risk or under-used heritage assets back into use or improve public accessibility to the asset.'

#### • POLICY HE2: Archaeology

Important archaeological sites, together with their settings, will be protected and, where possible, enhanced. Development which would adversely affect them will not be permitted. Proposals for new development must include an appropriate description of the significance of any heritage assets that may be affected, including the contribution of their setting. The impact of the development proposals on the significance of the heritage assets should be sufficiently assessed using appropriate expertise where necessary. Desk-based assessment, archaeological field evaluation and/or historic building assessment may be required as appropriate to the case. Where the case for development affecting a heritage asset of archaeological interest is accepted, the archaeological remains should be preserved in situ as the preferred approach. Where this is not possible or justified, appropriate provision for preservation by record may be an acceptable alternative. Any archaeological investigation and recording should be undertaken in accordance with a specification and programme of work (including details of a suitable archaeological body to carry out the work) to be submitted to and approved by the Council in advance of development commencing.'

• POLICY HE3: Local List of Heritage Assets

'Proposals for development affecting buildings or sites identified on the local list of heritage assets, or sites that would meet the criteria, will be permitted where the particular significance that accounts for the designation is protected and conserved.'

2.5.2 The adjacent area of the Piggery Phase 1 is allocated under the Local Plan as Policy ND5. The area concerned does not incorporate that of the PDA.

#### Policy ND5

#### General Sellindge Policy

The following sites are allocated for residential development with indicative capacities as follows:

The Piggeries, Main Road Sellindge - 5 dwellings; Land West of Jubilee Cottage, Swan Lane, Sellindge - 15 dwellings; Land at Barrow Hill, Sellindge - 15 dwellings; and Silver Spray, Sellindge - 5 dwellings.

Development proposals will be supported where:

1. The design incorporates adequate landscaping to mitigate impact on the setting of the countryside;

2. Existing trees and hedgerows around the site boundary are retained and enhanced;

3. The proposal complements the surrounding street pattern and urban grain, fronting dwellings onto existing streets and following the existing built edge wherever possible; and

4. The archaeological potential of the land is properly considered and appropriate archaeological mitigation measures are put in place.

#### Site Specific Criteria

The following additional site-specific criteria should also be complied with:

#### The Piggeries, Main Road:

1. The development should avoid direct effects on the nearby ancient woodland; and

2. A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

#### Sellindge Masterplan, 2011

2.5.3 The masterplan set out a vision for the future growth of the village. The PDA resides in the distinct identity character area referred to as Potten Farm. The A20 is obviously described as a major route with Moorstock Lane which is further to the east of the PDA by Guinea Hall as a minor route. Part of the PDA lies within an area termed as visually exposed. Falling within the masterplan development area of 408a, the land is described as having an open character contributing to views from the countryside to and from the edge of the Kent Downs AONB.

Sensitive design would be required to minimize effects on sight lines and views looking towards Sellindge from the Kent Downs AONB. The development area comments that there are no distinguishing landscape characteristics that are unique of locally distinctive. Guinea Hall was mentioned in that the settings needs to be respected and that the existing mature landscaping surrounding the property is likely to screen the impact of any adjacent development. The PDA landscape character appraisal in the masterplan being part of area L6 concludes that the area had moderate-high suitability for development with relatively moderate landscape and visual effects. It is considered to be an 'ordinary landscape' with few detractors and good containment allowing it to accommodate change and described as follows:

This low-lying pasture, around 70m AOD is dissected by a series of ponds surrounded by mature woodland, and has a strong rural character. The topography is generally flat with a low grassy knoll in the north-eastern corner. Containment is good, particularly on the eastern side with mature woodland belts screening the site from Moorstock Lane.

2.5.4 Since the creation of the masterplan, some development has already occurred in the area east of the village between the A20 and the M20. There is also currently a live development application for the central southern area south of the A20 surrounding The Grove.

#### Local Planning Guidance

2.5.5 The Kent Design Guide, 2008. Prepared by the Kent Design Group, it provides the criteria necessary for assessing planning applications. Helps building designers, engineers, planners, and developers achieve high standards of design and construction. It is adopted by the Council as a Supplementary Planning Document.

#### DRMB Methodology

2.5.6 A full assessment of the effects of the Proposed Development has been made in accordance with the DMRB guidelines, Volume II, Section 3, Part 2, LA106 issued by the Highways Agency (2020). Each heritage asset will receive a significance value based on their importance, which is then evaluated as a function of the magnitude of impact on the heritage resource by the proposed development. See appendix 10.4. for the relevant values. A matrix of the two values determines an assessment of the significance of effect.

#### **3** AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

#### 3.1 Introduction

- 3.1.1 This Desk-Based Assessment was commissioned by Mr Tillings to support a planning application. This assessment has been prepared in accordance with guidelines set out by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (see below) and in the National Planning Policy Framework and the Good Practice Advice notes 1, 2 and 3, which now supersede the PPS 5 Practice Guide, which has been withdrawn by the Government.
- 3.1.2 This Desk-Based Assessment therefore forms the initial stage of the historic environment investigation and is intended to inform and assist in decisions regarding the historic environment along with mitigations for the proposed development and associated planning applications.

#### **3.2** Desk-Based Assessment – Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (2017)

3.2.1 This desktop study has been produced in line with archaeological standards, as defined by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (2014, revised 2017). A desktop, or desk-based assessment, is defined as being:

'Desk-based assessment will determine, as far as is reasonably possible from existing records, the nature, extent and significance of the historic environment within a specified area. Deskbased assessment will be undertaken using appropriate methods and practices which satisfy the stated aims of the project, and which comply with the Code of conduct and other relevant regulations of ClfA. In a development context desk-based assessment will establish the impact of the proposed development on the significance of the historic environment (or will identify the need for further evaluation to do so) and will enable reasoned proposals and decisions to be made whether to mitigate, offset or accept without further intervention that impact.'

(2017:4)

- 3.2.2 The purpose of the desk-based assessment is, therefore, an assessment that provides a contextual archaeological record, in order to provide:
  - an assessment of the potential for heritage assets to survive within the area of study

- an assessment of the significance of the known or predicted heritage assets considering, in England, their archaeological, historic, architectural and artistic interests
- strategies for further evaluation whether or not intrusive, where the nature, extent or significance of the resource is not sufficiently well defined
- an assessment of the impact of proposed development or other land use changes on the significance of the heritage assets and their settings
- strategies to conserve the significance of heritage assets, and their settings
- design strategies to ensure new development makes a positive contribution to the character and local distinctiveness of the historic environment and local place-shaping
- proposals for further archaeological investigation within a programme of research, whether undertaken in response to a threat or not.

CIFA (2017:4)

#### **4 METHODOLOGY**

#### 4.1 Sources

4.1.1 A number of publicly accessible sources were consulted prior to the preparation of this document.

#### Archaeological databases

- 4.1.2 Although it is recognised that national databases are an appropriate resource for this particular type of assessment, the local Historic Environmental Record held at Kent County Council (KHER) contains sufficient data to provide an accurate insight into catalogued sites and finds within both the proposed development area and the surrounding landscape.
- 4.1.3 The National Heritage List for England (NHLE), which is the only official and up to date database of all nationally designated heritage assets is the preferred archive for a comprehensive HER search.

#### Cartographic and Pictorial Documents

4.1.4 A full map regression exercise has been incorporated within this assessment. Research was carried out using resources offered by the Kent County Council, the internet, Ordnance Survey, Environment Agency and the Kent Archaeological Society. A full listing of bibliographic and cartographic documents used in this study is provided in Appendix 11.3.

#### Aerial photographs

4.1.5 The study of the collection of aerial photographs held by Google Earth was undertaken (Plates 1-5).

#### Secondary and Statutory Resources

4.1.6 Secondary and statutory sources, such as regional and periodic archaeological studies, archaeological reports associated with development control, landscape studies, dissertations and research frameworks are considered appropriate to this type of study and have been included within this assessment.

#### Walkover Survey

- 4.1.7 The purpose of the walkover survey was to;
  - Identifying any historic landscape features not shown on maps.

- Conduct a rapid survey for archaeological features.
- Make a note of any surface scatters of archaeological material.
- Identify constraints or areas of disturbance that may affect archaeological investigation.
- 4.1.8 The results of the walkover survey are detailed in Section 6 of this document

#### **5 ARCHAOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL RESOURCE**

#### 5.1 Introduction

- 5.1.1 At the time of the Domesday Book in 1086 AD, Sellindge or 'Sedlinges' as it is recorded as having 8 villagers and 25 smallholders and considered a reasonable size. The name means hall dwellers. There was enough land for 7 ploughlands, which included 3 Lord's plough team and 4 men's plough teams. Resources included 36 acres of meadow, woodland for 6 swine, one mill and two churches. The tenant in Chief was Hugh de Montfort and held the land directly from the Crown. The Lord was Hervey who was also the Lord in nearby Otterpool.
- 5.1.2 Three streams feed the village; the 'Old Stour' that begins at Postling, is joined at Stowting and Bradborne and then flows on to Ashford. A tributary of the East Stour River runs through the village.
- 5.1.3 The settlement had Sellindge Lees in the centre of the parish, which was essentially a common with houses around and Somerfield being the seat of the manor. The church situated ¼ from the common upon a knoll of a hill. Near a stream. Beyond was a hamlet referred to as Stonehill. Hodiford and Harrindge were other manors in the area. The Grade I parish church, dedicated to St Mary the Virgin dates to the 12th century and was given by Hubert de Burgh. It consists of two aisles and two chancels with a pointed turret at the western end. Four bells were recorded in 1552 and were later recast into a ring of five in 1723. In 1630, Walter Mantell of Horton Priory built a gallery and in 1909, Mears and Stainbank cast a treble bell. Two churches were recorded in the Domesday survey and it is thought that the current church may stand on the site of an earlier Saxon church and that part of the south wall may date to this period.
- 5.1.4 To the north east of the PDA residing in the adjacent parish of Monks Horton are the remains of Horton Priory are situated between Southenay Lane and Moorstock Lane. Moorstock Lane being one of the routes out of the village to the priory. The priory was a cell of Cluniac monks subordinated to the priory of Lewes and founded in 1142 and existed until the dissolution in 1536 when it was dissolved and granted to Richard Tate of Stockbury in 1537 for a fee. The priory had 12 monks in 1262, 11 in 1275-76 and thirteen in 1279. Now a Grade I building, it is a private home.
- 5.1.5 In the Medieval period, linear settlement as a collection of hamlets along a key route between Hythe, Ashford and on to London. Consequently, the settlement became a coaching stopping point. The route through the village was slightly different to that of the present day with the

road entering the village from Bradbourne Lees via Stone Hill. By 1762 the road was turnpiked being one part of the Faversham, Ashford, Hythe and Canterbury Trust and altered and broadly reflects the current route of the A20. Since the main route out of Canterbury at the time being Stone Street was not turnpiked and considered not to be in good condition as a result being rough and dangerous, travellers were advised to travel the route to Hythe via Ashford instead. Further alterations were undertaken to the route in 1824-27 where land near Sellindge Church was purchased.

- 5.1.6 Due to its inland position on the Romney Marsh, the village became a distribution point for smuggled goods, stored at The Whitehall and had connections with the 'Aldington Gang', thought to be the last major gang that existed in Kent. They were founded around 1817 and known as 'the blues', possibly because of the clothing they wore or the colour of the signalling flares they used, but were captured in 1827 and sentenced to transportation.
- 5.1.7 Guinea hall was originally called Acorn Hall and is estimated to have been constructed around 1800. A newspaper article from 1815 refers to Acorn Hall and the estate being sold at Auction. By 1840, the estate is to be let with the description of 2 sitting rooms, 6 bedchambers, water closet, butler's pantry, dairy, kitchen and washhouse, coach house, stable, walled garden, and lawns. The article mentions 'Also that a few acres of meadowland if desired and to apply to Mr Edward Hammon, Sellindge'. At the time of the tithes, the PDA forms part of this estate, which remains the case to this day.
- 5.1.8 A 1864 newspaper article referring to the marriage of Frederick Dawson Esq M.R.C.S.E of Islington to Fanny, youngest daughter of M.J Bolden of Guinea Hall, Sellindge being the earliest reference to a change of name.
- 5.1.9 A 1877 newspaper article refers to the sale of the house, referred to a Acorn Hall and grounds by auction by W&B Hobbs. Associated with the sale was pasture and arable land with an estate of 15 acres. There was a paved yard at the rear with detached stabling, as well as farm buildings of a double bayed barn, cow house, stores, wood houses, wagon lodge, piggery, and fowl house.
- 5.1.10 back to a family home. By the late 19<sup>th</sup> century, it appears that Bedo Hobbs, the auctioneers lived at Guinea Hall according to an article of his death in 1904. Other newspaper articles appear to show that Guinea Hall was the main office for the W&B Hobbs auctioneers. In the late 19<sup>th</sup> century new rooms were added to the front along with an entrance hall in the Georgian Style. At some time during the 20<sup>th</sup> century, elaborate bays were added on the

eastern side and the segmental porch replaced with a triangular broken pediment. In addition, shutters were also added in the 20<sup>th</sup> century. During the 20<sup>th</sup> century, it was also in use as offices before reverting back to a family home. Other

5.1.11 The London to Dover railway was built in the 1840s and although a station was planned for Sellindge, the local tradesmen objected, and one was built at Westenhanger instead. On 1st June 1938 a Belgian plane crashed into the roof of a house and then at the Methodist church when trying to land in bad weather. One hundred women were saying grace at an anniversary tea in the local chapel when they heard the plane crash. It cartwheeled across the road, struck the chapel, and landed right side up. The pilot and his radio operator were unhurt and stayed to take tea with the ladies. The railway passes to the south of the A20 and is also the route of the Chanel Tunnel Rail Link (CTRL). By the 1990s, the section of the M20 from junction 11 to junction 13 for Folkestone passing Sellindge was constructed and passes close to the northern side of the railway line. The M20 crossed the A20 by bridge at the eastern end of the village. During the second half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the centre of Sellindge extended eastwards with a new large housing estate on the northern side of the A20, with a further larger housing estate added on the southern side of the A20, also at the eastern end of the village in recent years.

#### 5.2 Kent County Council Historic Environment Record (KHER)

5.2.1 A search of the KCC HER was carried out on the 12th of August 2022, centred on the proposed site with a search radius of 1km. The search provided a moderate number of records, just under 70, with just over half being listed buildings or farmsteads and just over half also dominated by the Post Medieval period. There was little by way of below ground archaeology in the database. A gazetteer of the KHER is included in Table 2 of Appendix 11.4 with KHER map data shown on Figures 8-10. There were no Conservation Areas, Registered Parks and Gardens or NMP cropmarks within the search area. Time scales for archaeological periods represented in the report are listed in Table 1.

	Palaeolithic	<i>c</i> . 500,000 BC – <i>c</i> .10,000 BC		
oric	Mesolithic	<i>c</i> .10,000 BC – <i>c</i> . 4,300 BC		
Prehistoric	Neolithic	<i>c</i> . 4.300 BC – <i>c</i> . 2,300 BC		
Prel	Bronze Age	<i>c</i> . 2,300 BC – <i>c</i> . 600 BC		
	Iron Age	<i>c</i> . 600 BC – <i>c</i> . AD 43		
Roma	ano-British	<i>c</i> . AD 43 – <i>c</i> . AD 410		
Anglo	o-Saxon	AD 410 – AD 1066		
Medi	eval	AD 1066 – AD 1485		
Post-	medieval	AD 1485 – AD 1900		
Mode	ern	AD 1901 – present day		
Table	Table 1: Classification of Archaeological periods			

#### Protected Military Remains

5.2.2 A second world war Spitfire crash site (TR 13 NW 181) circa 405m to the south east of the Application Site has been designated as Protected Military Remains (PMR) site under the Protection of Military Remains Act 1986 where the wreckage of all military aircraft (UK or other nations) that crashed in the United Kingdom, in United Kingdom territorial waters or in United Kingdom controlled waters are automatically protected irrespective of whether there was loss of life or whether the wrecking occurred during peacetime or in a combat. Given the distance of the crash site from the Application Site, no impact to these sites are expected. A second crash site (TR 03 NE 238) occurred circa 85m to the south west in 1938 of a Belgian mail/cargo airplane hit a building but this is not designated a PMR site.

#### 5.3 Previous Archaeological Works

5.3.1 There have been only a small number of intrusive events in the area as seen in Figure 17 and table 2. A program of works were associated with the building of the Channel Tunnel Rail Link (EKE14724) and circa 945m west, south west of the PDA close to Sellindge Sewage works field walking found Bronze Age/Iron Age pottery (TR 03 NE 217). Buildings works at the private residence of Horton Priory (EKE5349) found evidence of an Iron Age settlement (TR 13 NW 65) and service trenches during a watching brief (EKE8849) identified mortared rubble possibly the remains of a wall associated with the priory. In recent years, a program of a housebuilding of a large area to the south east of the PDA between the A20 and the motorway has uncovered below ground archaeology. Only the initial investigations from 2013 are included in the event HER. The more recent strip, map and sample results have yet to make their way into the HER databases. This area is discussed in greater detail below.

#### Land at Ashford Road, Sellindge (EKE14587; EKE1458)

- 5.3.2 A desk-based assessment, followed by a radiometer survey resulted in an evaluation in 2013. This then led to a strip, map, and sample (SMS) of the area of approximately 0.60 hectare. The area of the gradiometer survey was much larger than that the evaluation and SMS of some 10.5 hectares, reaching as far west as the eastern side of Grove House south of the A20. This area was referred to as Field A being the closest to the PDA. And the results interpreted possible archaeology in the form of one linear and also an amorphous shape of ferrous spread due to possible human activity of unknown date. Other field demonstrated possible anomalies and archaeological interest of possible pits and ferrous spread which ran parallel with field boundaries.
- 5.3.3 The evaluation consisted of six trenches targeted over the geophysical anomalies and a 7<sup>th</sup> trench over stone rubble. Three trenches contained archaeological interest comprising of intercutting Medieval ditches perpendicular to each other with artefacts in the ditch containing pottery, roof tile, animal bones and iron objects interpreted as domestic refuse. The cobble surface was exposed and there was a further undated drainage ditch, along with an undated burnt pit.
- 5.3.4 In 2015, a further 15 evaluation trenches were opened with six containing archaeology Large Romano-British ditches were recorded across the site on a north east to south west alignment, with re-cuts suggesting continual use over some time. There was also two pits identified.
- 5.3.5 A Phase 1 SMS occurred in 2015 targeting features found during the evaluation of that area.
   A single pit containing an inverted bucket urn was found and dated to the middle Bronze Age.
   The remaining features of ditches were dated to the Romano-British period suggesting rectangular agricultural plots. In addition, an 19<sup>th</sup> century field boundary ditch ran through the site.
- 5.3.6 Phase 2 in 2018 was 37 evaluation trenches and identified Late Iron Age/Early Romano British activity of boundary ditches and shallow pits. Medieval and Post Medieval field boundaries and drainage ditches were also seen. The site also contained residual Mesolithic and Neolithic flints.
- 5.3.7 A further SMS occurred in 2018 in the Phase 2 evaluation area. This identified predominately Medieval and Post Medieval activity in the form of multiple ditches of an established field boundary system around Somerfield Court and Somerfield Court Barn as well as linear feature

interpreted as drainage ditches. Ditches and post holes from the Bronze Age period were found along with residual flint across the site. and well as Iron Age pottery from secondary fills in linears. Mid/Late Iron Age pottery was recorded in pits, but the low density considered outside of any settlement area. A Romano-British pit was recorded in the north western corner and residual; pottery recorded across the site from this period suggesting this area lay beyond and settlement area found in the earlier excavation east of this site.

#### 5.4 Historical Map Progression

#### Symonson Map, 1596

5.4.1 This map shows the settlement s of 'Sellyndae'. There is the main water course heading towards Ashford with branches from the area of Horton Priory. Referred here was Horton Monachorum (meaning of the monks). Nearby depicted are the deer park estates of Ostenhanger (Westenhanger) to the south east and Scotts Hall to the west. The topographical features are not distinctly accurate to place the PDA (Fig.3).

#### Andrews, Dury and Herbert map, 1769

5.4.2 Andrews, Dury and Herbert published their atlas some thirty years before the Ordnance Survey, immediately becoming the best large-scale maps of the county. This map depicts greater detail showing the location of the PDA on the northern side of the main road through Sellindge. The road here is prior to the building of the turnpike and shows it main road via Stone Hill. The water course from near Horton Priory on a south western trajectory heads towards the East Stour with Little Hodiford Mill on its length and may be one referred to the Domesday Book. The higher ground to the north east of the PDA is wooded. The buildings to the north as likely representative of the hamlet of Moorstock. The village common is to the south east around 'Sellinge Lees' and the house of 'Sommerfield'. Aside the main road east of the PDA is a house but it is this does not represent Guinea Hall as this building is depicted on the road side and is the area of the current Dukes Heads public house. It is known that this was a public house by at least 1778 being a coaching inn lining the road to London (Fig.4).

#### Ordnance Surveyors Drawing, 1797

5.4.3 This map shows far greater detail and land-use. The PDA can be seen as part of a couple of larger fields. One on the road side an one to the north. The brown colour representing tilled land with the green of pasture tending to be on the higher ground. To the east it now appears to show Guinea Hall has been built and in between is another structure immediately east

(depicted black) on the roadside being that of the inn. The main settlement area is around the Lees to the south east and also to the west by the parish church (Fig.5)

#### Sellindge Tithe Map, 1840

5.4.4 The tithe map (Fig.6) shows the PDA across to areas. It is part of field depicted 116 adjacent to the roadside and is owned and occupied by Edward Hammon being part of the Acorn Hall estate (now Guinea Hall). He also owns and lives in the nearby estate to the south of The Grove. This tallies with the newspaper article from 1840 where Edward Hammon is advertising the property of Acorn Hall to let. Field 116 is called Potten Field as is pasture. The northern part of the PDA is part of field 283 which is called Great Stocks and is arable. To the east are plots 397, a small pasture field under different ownership and 113 known as the Grand Meadow, part of the Acorn Hall estate and is meadowland. and 113. To the west are plots 374 and 373 being Gillmead's Meadow and Gillmead's Field respectively owned and occupied by Ann Fuller. Ann lives at Morestock.

#### Historic OS Map 1871

5.4.5 This map shows no change at the PDA being part of two separate fields. The eastern boundary appears to be trees. At the south eastern corner is the start of a footpath across the PDA which then splits into two. One continuing northwards meeting up with a path that heads from the church in a north easterly direction towards Moorstock. The other heading north west towards the north western corner of the PDA and joins up with the Moorstock footpath and is close to a number of other paths in the area of Hodiford Corn Mill. On the southern side of the main road to the south west are now new buildings of cottages and a post office (Fig.7).

#### Historic OS Map, 1898

5.4.6 There no change to the PDA. At the western end of the southern field of which the PDA is part is now sub divided with a building in the location of what is currently known as Springfield house. On the southern side of the main road, there are now more residential houses, along with a Methodist Chapel (Fig.8).

#### Historic OS Map, 1907

5.4.7 There is little change at the PDA. Adjacent to the PDA boundary towards the north west is a small collection of outbuildings (Fig.9).

#### Historic OS Map, 1933

5.4.8 There is little change at the PDA (Fig.10).

Historic OS Map 1939

5.4.9 There is little change at the PDA (Fig.11)

#### Historic OS Map, 1971

5.4.10 There have been some changes. To the wester of the south western part of the PDA are now a number of farm buildings and map informs us this is a piggery. The area of the PDA is associated with the piggery as pasture which has been subdivided into smaller paddock areas. The mapping only shows a single footpath through the PDA heading northwards. Adjacent to Springfield house in the west there are more residential properties on the northern side of the road(Fig.12).

Historical OS Map 1989 & 2003

5.4.11 There is little change (Fig.13 & 14).

#### 5.5 Historical and Aerial Photographs

#### 1940s

5.5.1 This shows the PDA as still part of two fields which hedgerow boundaries. Springfield is adjacent in the south western corner, (Plate 1).

1960's

5.5.2 The PDA is pasture and the internal field division has been removed. There is one adjacent outbuilding towards the south western part of the PDA (Plate 2).

1990

5.5.3 The adjacent piggery outbuildings are in place with a concrete access road and a concrete hard standing area in the area western boundary turn. Within this are appears to been a long narrow building. A small patch of the northern part of this concrete hardstanding area falls within the PDA. The PDA boundaries on the eastern, northern and north western side are hedgerows (Plate 3).

#### 2003 onwards

5.5.4 By 2003 the piggery appears to no longer be in use with overgrown vegetation. The PDA remains as what appears to be pasture with the occasional bush/tree. The boundary hedgerows maturing and the adjacent piggery buildings becoming more dilapidated. Disturbance seen in the more recent aerial photographs along northern boundary appears to be from tree cutting. (Plate 4-6).

LIDAR

5.5.5 The 1m Digital Terrain LIDAR mapping is seen in Figure 19. The LIDAR also shows the area of disturbance on the northern boundary. The previous paddock boundary subdivisions can be made out as well as the historical field boundary line of when the PDA was part of two fields.

#### **6 WALKOVER SURVEY**

#### 6.1 Text

- 6.1.1 The walkover survey is not intended as a detailed survey but the rapid identification of archaeological features and any evidence for buried archaeology in the form of surface scatters of lithic or pottery artefacts as well as assessing heritage assets and setting. The walkover survey was undertaken on the 15th August 2022. No artefacts or archaeological features were identified in the walkover (Plates 7-15).
- 6.1.2 The Site is currently a field used as pasture for sheep. The main access is via a gate in the adjacent part of the piggery (phase 1) with a concrete road towards the area of the piggery buildings. The area of the PDA is pasture of short grass. There is a small area of concrete hardstanding that falls within the PDA associated with the area of the piggery buildings. The eastern boundary is a mature hedge with a wooden gated access to the adjacent field to the east which lies to the rear of the Dukes Head and lies between the PDA and Guinea Hall further to the east. There is no intervisibility from the PDA with Guinea Hall or the Dukes Head due to the strong boundary vegetation. The northern, eastern and southern boundaries are dense hedgerow, which is places has grown and expanded into the field particularly on the western and eastern side. There are suggestions of underground services that cross the field from the field immediately east heading towards the adjacent piggery buildings due to the dip in the ground and the straight line. There are also suggestions of services and manholes in the area of the PDA in the hardstanding close to the piggery buildings. The field ultimately gradually slopes downwards from south to north but within it is undulating with a with a slight rise in the southern part of the field along the line of what was the old field boundary that previously dissected the PDA into two.

#### **7 ASSESSMENT OF HERITAGE ASSETS**

#### 7.1 Introduction

- 7.1.1 Step 1 of the methodology recommended by the Historic England guidance The Setting of Heritage Assets is 'to identify which designated heritage assets might be affected by a proposed development and their significance. Development proposals may adversely impact heritage assets where they remove a feature which contributes to the significance of a designated heritage asset or where they interfere with an element of a heritage asset's setting which contributes to its significance, such as interrupting a key relationship or a designed view'.
- 7.1.2 Table 2 shows a number of designated heritage assets that fall within the assessment area. No designated heritage assets are located within the PDA. Specific attention is given to those in the vicinity of the PDA being the Grade II listed Guinea Hall circa 170m to the east, south east of the PDA. To the east south east is the farmstead of Elm Tree Farm with the Grade II listed farmhouse and nearby 16th century Grade II listed barn both circa 385m east away from the PDA. To the north is the Grade II Moorstock House, circa 480m to the north. The Grade I parish church is circa 405m west of the PDA. The nearest Scheduled Monument is that of Horton Priory on the outer reaches of the assessment area to the north, north east. Given its importance this designated asset will be assessed. Given the distance from the PDA, the lack of intervisibility primarily due to the urbanisation of the area, the other designated heritage assets will not be considered further as they will not be impacted by the proposed development.
- 7.1.3 However, the setting of heritage assets is not limited by distance. Therefore, a review of designated assets further away within the Application Site assessment area and also outside of the assessment area has been undertaken. The assessment confirmed that there are no other heritage assets that need to be considered and will form the focus of this assessment.

#### 7.2 Guinea Hall

#### Architectural and Historical Interest

7.2.1 Guinea Hall is thought to have been built around 1800 based on the listed building description. It is certainly showing on the 1797 Ordnance Surveyor Drawing of 1797. This drawing also shows an outbuilding alongside to the north east of the house. The tithes inform us that by the 1840s the house was being let. During the second half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, it appears that it became the home and offices of local auctioneers, and this may be the reason

for the change of name around this time from Acorn Hall to Guinea Hall. Map regression also informs us that the building has been altered through its life with the addition of new room, frontage, and porch sometime towards the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century given the difference in footprint seen on the 1877 historical OS map and the later 1898 historical OS map. During the 20<sup>th</sup> century it is believed that additional bays were added on the eastern elevation. Close to the main house to the north west was an extensive yard, containing a significant number of outbuildings on three sides to the yard. The buildings in this area were later reduced as outbuildings were demolished through the 20<sup>th</sup> century effectively leaving a single range. The PDA of arable/pasture land with the creation of a now disused piggery in the middle of the 20<sup>th</sup> century formed part of the estate. Previous planning applications for Guinea Hall inform that in the second part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the building was in use as offices and that it was converted back to residential use at the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

7.2.2 The house is rendered, painted light grey, two storeys with a slate roof. The extended frontage is of Georgian Style with large windows and a triangular pediment porch with columns either side. An earlier planning application stated that there was a segmented pediment in the 1920s. suggestion the current one is a replacement. The rear of the house is plainer in style. The surviving architecture and aesthetics, are its primary significance. As a Grade II building it is considered to have medium significance under the DMRB guidelines.

Setting

- 7.2.3 The principal frontage of the house faces south and is currently approached from the A20 via a modern iron gate and pillars in the south western corner and a curved drive to the house. The roadside boundary is a waist height brick wall topped by hedging. The enclosed nature of the boundary means that the house cannot be viewed from the road. Historically the gateway to the house was centrally placed along the southern boundary and approach the house via a straight drive. The entrance approach changes sometime between the 1940s and the 1960s. Historical mapping shows that the area in front of the house was trees and lawn. The eastern/north eastern side appears to have been a formal garden with the inclusion of a swimming pool and by the 1970s had been replaced entirely by large outbuildings and greenhouses, since demolished and the pool area covered by a brick building.
- 7.2.4 The rear of the house appearing to be kitchen gardens, which expanded during the 20<sup>th</sup> century with the boundary to this area moving successively northwards. The wider area around remaining farmland except for during the 20<sup>th</sup> century when increased ribbon development occurred in the village along the A20 and also along Moorstock Lane to the

north when a new housing plot was created just south of Moorstock House and to the north east of the PDA. It is not until the 1990s, is there increasing housing in the village away from the line of the A20 with new estates on the eastern side of the village and more recently just to the south east of Moorstock Lane to the southern side of the A20, there are modern houses. Between the PDA and Guinea Hall there is pasture and there is strong vegetation boundaries around Guinea Hall and also the PDA which prevents any intervisibility between the PDA and Guinea Hall. In addition, within the ground of Guinea Hall to the west of the main house, there is also another house, being that of Guinea Hall Cottage. Given the buildings to the rear and west of Guinea Hall and between the PDA, along with the numerous vegetation boundary lines, there is very no intervisibility with the PDA and no key views from the house. Consequently, Guinea Hall is not experienced or appreciated from within the PDA and therefore the PDA does not make any meaningful contribution towards its significance other than forming part of the wider estate.

### 7.3 Elm Tree Farmhouse and Barn

#### Architectural and Historical Interest

7.3.1 The farmhouse is considered to have a late 18<sup>th</sup> century or early 19<sup>th</sup> façade to an earlier building and the barn is considered to be 16<sup>th</sup> century and it is this barn that appear to show on the 1797 Ordnance Surveyors Drawing and not a separate house at that time. The barn is timber framed, part red brick and weather boarded of 4 bays and typical of many farm buildings of the time. The farmhouse has been pebble dashed with hanging tiles on the upper half. It is their historical and aesthetic interest are a farmstead that is their primary significance. As a Grade II buildings, they are considered to have medium significance under the DMRB guidelines.

#### Setting

7.3.2 The farmstead including the farmhouse and nearby barn is set isolated away from Moorstock Lane and the A20, accessed along a track from the A20. The farm is surrounded by farmland. However, since the 1990s, north of the farmhouse and barn, the area of farm buildings have been expanded significantly by large modern farm buildings. Whilst there is still a buffer of farmland land around the farmstead, new housing estates have been built on the eastern side of the farmstead and reaches just one field away and also on the southern side of the A20. There is no intervisibility from the PDA due to the landscape boundaries of Guinea Hall and given the absence of any functional relationship with the PDA, this heritage assets will not be impacted by the development and will not be considered further.

#### 7.4 Moorstock House

#### Architectural and Historical Interest

7.4.1 Moorstock House is a Grade II listed building located, north, north east of the PDA. Originally a 2-storey brick farmhouse circa late 17<sup>th</sup> century, it is now a residential house with 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century additions. However, the house is not shown on the 1797 Ordnance Surveyors Drawing. It retains a number of architectural features externally and internally that forms its historical and aesthetic interest, which forms its primary significance.

#### Setting

7.4.2 Moorstock House is set back from Moorstock Lane and in the 19<sup>th</sup> century had farm outbuildings on its northern side. By the 1930, there were houses alongside Moorstock Road on the southern side of the house, although it still retained garden buffer around the house. Given the houses between the PDA and Moorstock House, there is no intervisibility. As a Grade II building, it is considered to have medium significance under the DMRB guidelines. Given that there is no intervisibility from the PDA due to the landscape boundaries and given the absence of any functional relationship with the PDA, this heritage asset will not be impacted by the development and will not be considered further.

## 7.5 Monks Horton Priory

7.5.1 Monks Horton Priory is a scheduled monument and has some above and below ground remains. Originally founded in the 12th century it now a private house and estate. It has important historical interest as well as buildings of high architectural quality as an early priory and forms its primary significance. In addition, the grounds have associated earthworks as well as having archaeological and environmental evidence relating to the priory. There does not appear to be any relationship with that of the PDA and the historical priory estate. As a Scheduled Monument with Grade 1 buildings, the site is considered to have high significance under the DMRB guidelines.

### Setting

7.5.2 Whilst situated on a low spur, the land rises slightly towards the south east preventing any view towards the PDA. Given the topography and distance from the PDA means that there is no intervisibility. The PDA does not form part of the estate of Horton Priory or contributes to its setting. Therefore due to the landscape boundaries, distance and given the absence of any functional relationship with the PDA, this heritage asset will not be impacted by the proposed development and will not be considered further.

# 7.6 Church of St Mary

7.6.1 The parish church is grade I listed. It is believed to have late 1th century origins, although an earlier Anglo-Saxon church could be beneath. Additions to the building was added in the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> century, and along with many other parish churches in Victorian times, underwent a restoration. It is the church's historical and aesthetic interest are a farmstead that its primary significance. As a Grade 1 building, the site is considered to have high significance under the DMRB guidelines.

### Setting

7.6.2 The church, is located to the south west of the PDA. Around the church is a cluster of residential housing. The area of the PDA does not form part of the original settlement area and setting of the church. There is no intervisibility between the PDA and the church and given the absence of any key historic functional relationship, this heritage asset will not be impacted by the proposed development and will not be considered further.

# 7.7 Summary of Archaeological Potential

7.7.1 This section pulls together by period the historical documentation, mapping, aerial imagery and KHER data, and the known historic landscape to provide an overview by period

### Palaeolithic

7.7.2 The Palaeolithic period represents the earliest phases of human activity in the British Isles, up to the end of the last Ice Age. The KHER has no records for this period within the assessment area even following the recent large area excavation south of the Ashford Road in the area south east of the PDA and also along the Channel Tunnel Rail Link. The likelihood of finding Palaeolithic remains is considered **Iow.** 

### Mesolithic

7.7.3 The Mesolithic period reflects a society of hunter-gatherers active after the last Ice Age. There are no KHER records for this period. Possible Mesolithic residual flints were found during the Phase 2 excavations south of the Ashford Road. However, the potential for this period is considered to be **low**.

### Neolithic

7.7.4 The Neolithic period was the beginning of a sedentary lifestyle based on agriculture and animal husbandry. The pace of woodland clearance began to increase to create agricultural

land. There are two KHER record being that of an Neolithic arrowhead (TR 03 NE 222) found during fieldwalking for the route of the CTRL at Harringe Court circa 615m south, south west of the PDA. Late Neolithic and possibly Bronze Age flint scatters and lithic implements were found during fieldwalking for the CTRL in 1994 in the area of Sellindge Sewage Works (TR 03 NE 218) circa 970m west, south west of the PDA. The archaeological potential from this period is considered **low/moderate**.

#### Bronze Age

7.7.5 The Bronze Age was a period of large migrations from the continent and more complex social developments on a domestic, industrial, and ceremonial level. The KHER has one record for this period being that of the CTRL near Sellindge Sewage Works where pottery was discovered as part of the fieldwalking (TR 03 NE 217). Evidence of Bronze Age activity was also found during the recent excavations south of the Ashford Road where an inverted bucket urn was discovered in a pit and also ditches and post holes. In the wider area to the south, east at Barrowhill, there is a Bronze Age burial mound (TR 13 NW 9) and nearby ring ditch (TR 13 NW 190) with a cluster near Barrowhill, which is located towards the higher ground in the area. This does suggest there is general occupational activity in the area although it is to be noted that the PDA itself is on the lower lying ground possibly prone to flooding and therefore less likely to lend itself to settlement. Therefore, the archaeological potential from this period is considered **moderate**.

### Iron Age

7.7.6 The Iron Age is, by definition a period of established rural farming communities with extensive field systems and large 'urban' centres (the Iron Age 'Tribal capital' or civitas of the Cantiaci). The KHER has 6 records for this period. Four records are Portable Antiquities Scheme (PAS) finds whereby the exact location is not disclosed but provided to a general grid square. These included three Iron Age gold coins (MKE67791;69390;69407) and reported earlier also by metal detection another gold coin (TR 13 NW 34) at the site of the recent south of Ashford Road excavations. On the outer reaches of the assessment area to the west was a further PAS find of an Iron Age copper alloy coin. Just outside of the assessment area, to the north east at Horton Priory, an evaluation revealed a late Iron Age settlement with no suggestions this continued into the Romano-British period following the invasion (TR 13 NW 65). CTRL fieldwalking at Harringe Court circa 745m to the south west of the PDA also found Iron Age Romano-British pottery (TR 03 NE 223). In addition, Iron Age activity was found during the recent excavations south of the Ashford Road to the south east of the PDA. Iron Age pottery

came from secondary fills in linears as well as Mid/Late Iron Age pottery recorded in pits. The interpretation was that this excavation area was considered outside of any possible settlement area. The potential for finding remains that date to this period within the confines of the Application Site is considered **moderate**.

### Romano-British

7.7.7 The Romano-British period is the term given to the Romanised culture of Britain under the rule of the Roman Empire, following the Claudian invasion in AD 43, Britain then formed part of the Roman Empire for nearly 400 years. The KHER has two records for this period. Many Iron Age sites see occupation continuing into the Roman period and it is also suggestive that this is the case in the Sellindge area. At Harringe Court, Romano-British pottery was found during fieldwalking (TR 03 NE 223) and there is a PAS find of a copper alloy knife (MKE108415). The recent excavations south of the A20 found a number of Romano-British ditches and possible agricultural plots. The Roman Road of Stone Street is some 2.7km to the east from Canterbury down to Lympne and also another Roman road from south for Ashford through Aldington towards Lympne some 3km south of the PDA. A Roman villa was discovered at Otterpool a few years ago suggesting that this area was in active use in the Roman period and that it is likely that the PDA formed part of the wider agricultural area in this period and possible evidence of field systems may be found. The potential for finding remains that date to this period within the confines of the Application Site is considered moderate/high.

### Anglo-Saxon

7.7.8 There is little by way of evidence for the Anglo-Saxon period with just two KHER records for the assessment area. The parish church to the west of the PDA has late 11<sup>th</sup> century origins and is Grade I listed circa 405m to the west with the PDA away from the core settlement area. The other two records are for PAS finds of a copper alloy stirrup (MKE67822) and copper alloy weight (MKE67915). Therefore, the potential for finding remains that date to this period within the confines of the Application Site is considered **low**.

### Medieval

7.7.9 Into the Medieval period, there are ten KHER records. Horton Priory and landscape is a schedule listed building (TR 13 NW 127; TR 13 NW 166; TR 13 NW 166) to the north east of the PDA on a spur of slightly higher ground. It is likely that Moorstock Lane was created in this period to provide access to the priory from the village. In addition, there are other Medieval remains in the area where 390m to the east of the PDA at Elm Tree Farm is a Grade II 16<sup>th</sup> century barn (TR 13 NW 98). Lees Cottage, further to the east is also considered to be early

16<sup>th</sup> century (TR 13 NW 125) and grade II listed. More Medieval Grade II properties are located in the core of the village by the church to the north west and west being the Old Mill House (TR 03 NE 80) and Belle Vue (TR 03 NE 76), a much altered 15<sup>th</sup> century house and another 15<sup>th</sup> century building of Stone Cottage and Old Forge Cottage (TR 03 NE 77). A PAS find of a silver mount has been found (MKE108468) where the exact location is not disclosed. The excavations to the south of the Ashford Road in 2013 have found field boundaries and drainage ditches (TR 13 NW 198). The Post Medieval historical mapping suggest that the area of the Application Site was agricultural in that period and highly likely to be the same in the Medieval period. Therefore, the archaeological potential is considered to be **low** although the possibility of field boundaries from this period cannot be discounted.

### Post Medieval

7.7.10 There are 38 KHER records for this period. 22 of these relate to farmsteads records reflecting the agricultural nature of the area. The railway came through south of Sellindge in 1844 (TQ 84 SW 1). It appears that the PDA formed part of the farming land of the estate of Guinea Hall, a Grade II listed house to the south of the PDA built around 1800. Possible prior to this the land may have been part of nearby Potten Farm (MKE88395) just on the opposite side of the road to the PDA based on the field name from the time of the tithes. Guinea Hall also had a yard with outbuildings and was effectively a small farm (MKE88400). Originally the PDA comprised of parts of two separate fields in both pasture and arable use. The PDA lay outside of the formal garden area of the house. The wider area around being farmed with the village formed of small hamlets as a dispersed ribbon settlement adjacent to the coaching road. The archaeological potential for finds from this period within the area of the Application Site is considered **low** although it is likely that a field boundary will be identified within the PDA as per the historical mapping.

### Modern

7.7.11 HER records for this period total 5 and consist of 2 crash sites (TR 13 NW 181; TR 03 NE 238), a World War 2 railway siding (TR 13 NW 203), an informal modern garden at The Pear Tree House (TR 03 NE 215) to the north west and confirmation of Sellindge as a Category A Nodel Point (TR 13 NW 142). The PDA has remained as pasture during this period when it was associated with an adjacent piggery built in the 1960s/1970s. The archaeological potential for finds from this period within the area of the Application Site is considered **low**.

#### Undated

7.7.12 Geophysical survey near Harringe Court identified undated linears (TR 03 NE 226), as did the geophysical survey undertaken in 2013 south of the PDA in the area south of the A20.

**Overview and Significance** 

- 7.7.13 This desk-based assessment of the archaeological potential has considered the potential of the PDA, but this can only be tested by fieldwork.
- 7.7.14 The desk-based assessment has considered the archaeological potential of the Application Site. Archaeological investigations in the vicinity, map research, the historical environment record results and recent archaeological investigations have shown that the Application Site may contain archaeological sites, and these can be summarised as:
  - Prehistoric: moderate
  - Iron Age: moderate
  - Roman: moderate/high
  - Anglo-Saxon: low
  - Medieval: low
  - Post-Medieval: low
  - Modern: low

### **8 IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

#### 8.1 Introduction

- 8.1.1 Cartographic Regression, Topographical Analysis, and Historic Research have provided evidence for the historic use of the site. By collating this information, we have assessed the impact on previous archaeological remains through the following method of categorisation:
  - **Total Impact** Where the area has undergone a destructive process to a depth that would in all probability have destroyed any archaeological remains e.g., construction, mining, quarrying, archaeological evaluations etc.
  - High Impact Where the ground level has been reduced to below natural geographical levels that would leave archaeological remains partly in situ either in plan or section e.g., the construction of roads, railways, buildings, strip foundations etc.
  - Medium Impact Where there has been low level or random disturbance of the ground that would result in the survival of archaeological remains in areas undisturbed e.g., the installation of services, pad-stone or piled foundations, temporary structures etc.
  - Low Impact Where the ground has been penetrated to a very low level e.g., farming, landscaping, slab foundation etc.
- 8.1.2 Cartographic regression, topographic analysis and historical research indicate that the majority of the Application Site has remained in agricultural use until the present day on the hinterlands of the settlement area of Sellindge. Only a small part of the PDA appears to have been disturbed caused by the adjacent modern piggery and associated drains as well as other possible service pipes across the PDA as seen during the walkover. Consequently, the overall historical impact for the PDA on the archaeological resource is considered to be low. This PDA presents an opportunity, combined with area to the south and south east of the Ashford Road to allow for a further large area to be archaeologically investigated.

#### **Proposed Impact**

8.1.3 The proposed development for residential units requiring foundations, services and access road is likely to cause a high impact across the PDA on any potential archaeology resource.

### Assessment of Physical Impact on Setting

8.1.4 There are no built heritage assets located within the PDA. Of the designated heritage assets assessed, there is no intervisibility between the PDA, Moorstock House, Horton Priory, Church

of St Mary and Elm Tree Farm. Of those designated assets their primary significance is that of their aesthetic and historical qualities and the proposed development is considered to have no harm to these designated heritage assets.

- 8.1.5 The development would change the land west of Guinea Hall from agricultural to residential. Whilst there is an historic connection, between the hall and the PDA given that it forms part of the wider estate, the PDA cannot be appreciated from within Guinea Hall and does not form part of its setting and would result in 'less than substantial' harm.
- 8.1.6 The enclosed nature of the PDA means there is also no effect on sight lines and views looking towards Sellindge from the Kent Downs AONB. The proposed development size is moderate especially in comparison to much larger modern housing estates to the east and south east and will have little by way of impact to the wider landscape when viewed from a distance with that of the wider residential development forming Sellindge. Consequently the proposed development is considered to have an impact on the low end of 'less than substantial'.
- 8.1.7 The public benefit that is predicted from the proposed development delivers progress as described in the National Planning Policy Framework. It will provide a key local resource needed as a result of the housebuilding in the area for a doctor's surgery as well as warden assisted living. The scale of the development is sufficient that it will contribute towards housing supply.

### **9 ARCHAEOLOGICAL MITIGATION**

#### 9.1 Introduction

- 9.1.1 The purpose of this archaeological desk-based assessment was to provide an assessment of the contextual archaeological record in order to determine the potential survival of archaeological deposits that may be impacted upon during any proposed construction works.
- 9.1.2 There are no known archaeological assets within the Application Site. A review has suggested that the area of the Application Site lies outside of the core settlement areas in what was most likely woodland and then agricultural hinterlands, later as part of the farming lands associated with the estate of Guinea Hall. The moderate/high potential for the Roman period is considered based on the Roman features found in recent excavations to the south east particularly relating to field boundaries. The same site has also produced archaeology relating to the Bronze and Iron Age period. The lack of significant below ground archaeology within the assessment area is most likely due to lack of historical opportunity and the recent large area excavations shows that there is the potential for archaeology of local significance. Agricultural features may survive in the form of field boundaries as seen on the LIDAR but there is the possibility of field boundaries from earlier periods, especially since geophysical survey south of the PDA on the southern side of the Ashford Road suggests possible linear features and it is likely the area including the PDA and beyond was also divided up for agricultural purposes
- 9.1.3 The need for, scale, scope and nature of any further assessment and/or archaeological works should be agreed through consultation with the statutory authorities, but it is recommended for there to be an evaluation.

### **10 OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

### 10.1 Archive

10.1.1Subject to any contractual requirements on confidentiality, two copies of this desk-based assessment will be submitted to the LPA and Kent County Council (Heritage) within 6 months of completion.

#### 10.2 Reliability/Limitations of Sources

10.2.1The sources that were used in this assessment were, in general, of high quality. The majority of the information provided herewith has been gained from either published texts or archaeological 'grey' literature held at Kent County Council, and therefore considered as being reliable.

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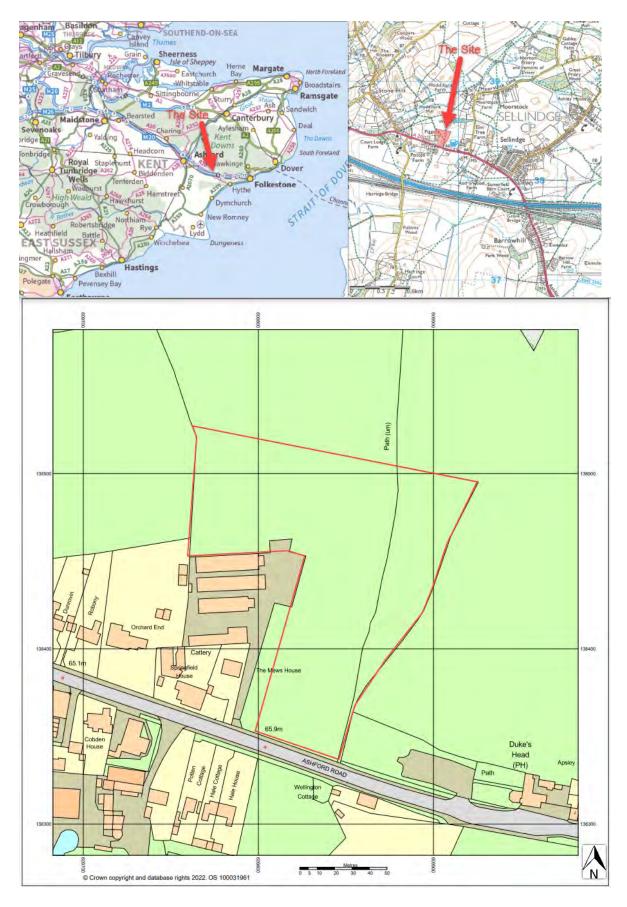
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# 11.3 Appendix 11.3 – Maps and Plans



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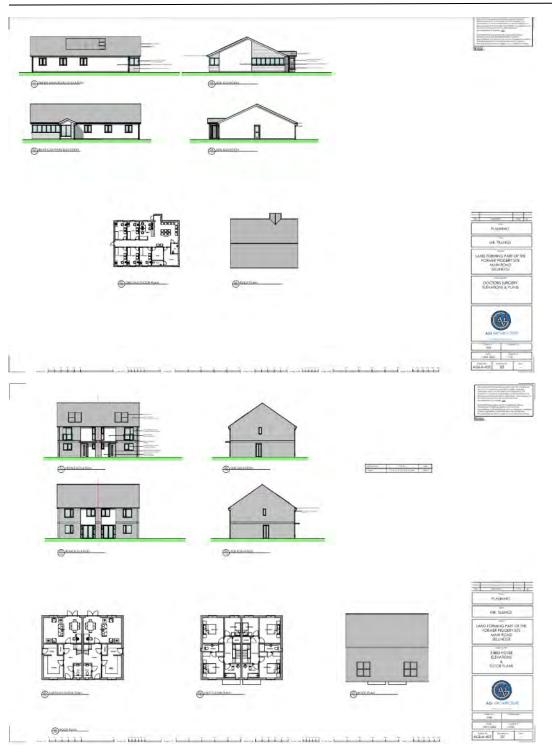


Figure 2: Proposed Development Plans and elevations

Land to the Rear and East of Springfield House, (The Piggery), Main Road, Sellindge, TN25 6EG Heritage Desk-Based Assessment

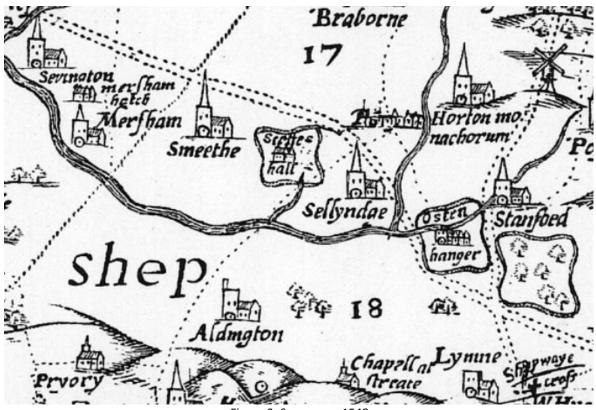


Figure 3: Symonson, 1548



Figure 4: Andrew, Dury and Herbert Map from 1769

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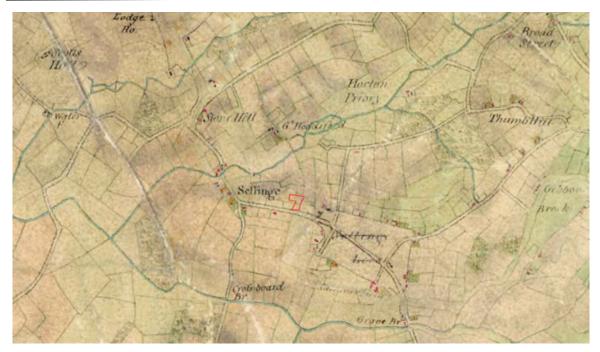


Figure 5:Ordnance Surveyors Drawing 1797

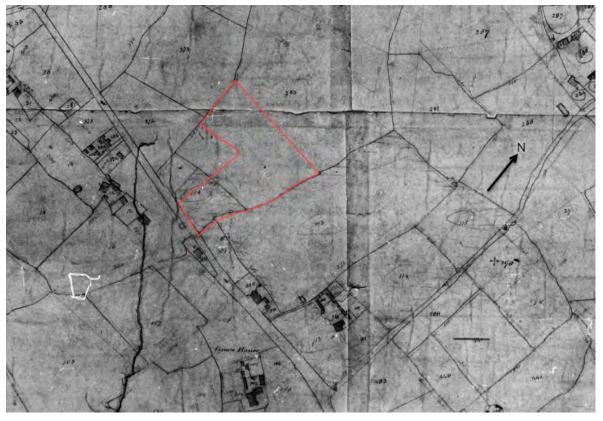


Figure 6: Sellindge Tithe Map, 1840



Figure 7: Historic OS Map 1871, scale 1:2,500

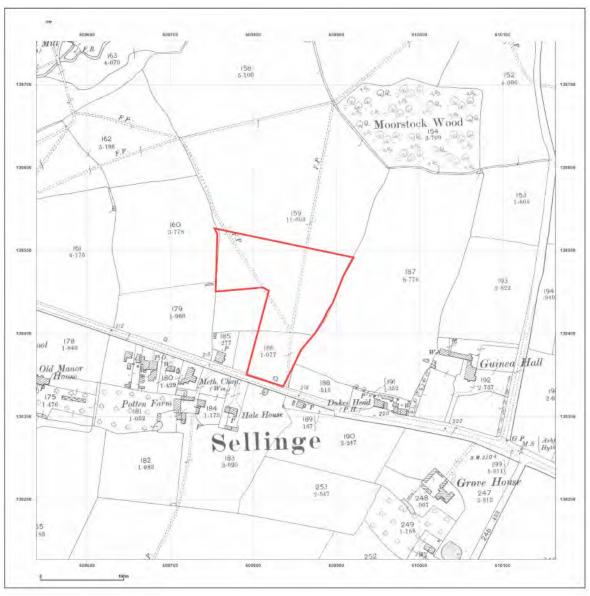


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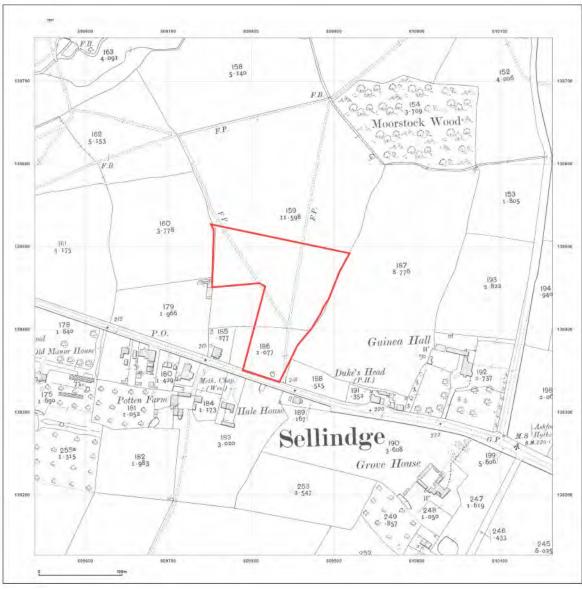


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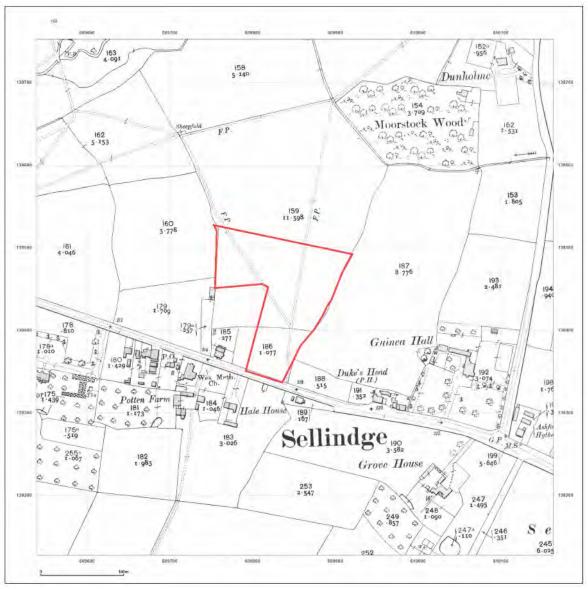


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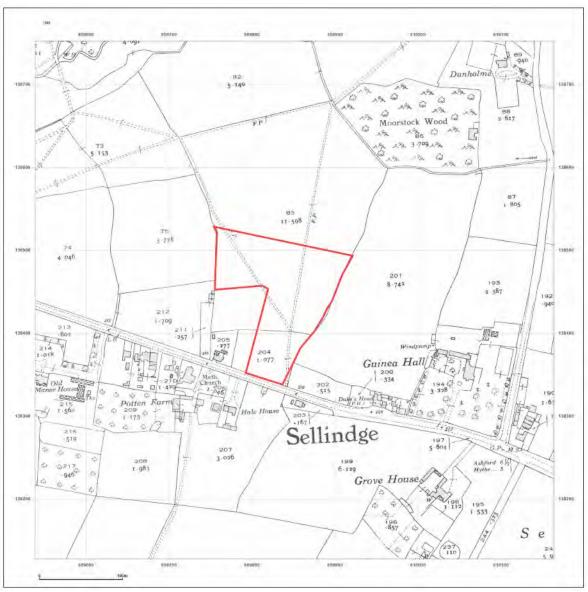


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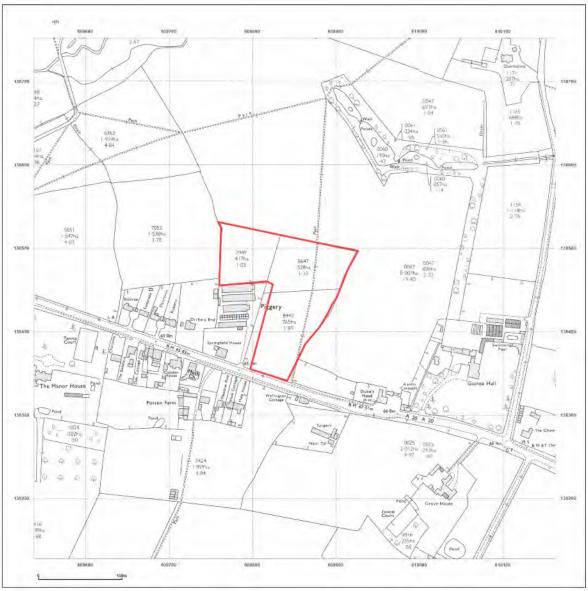


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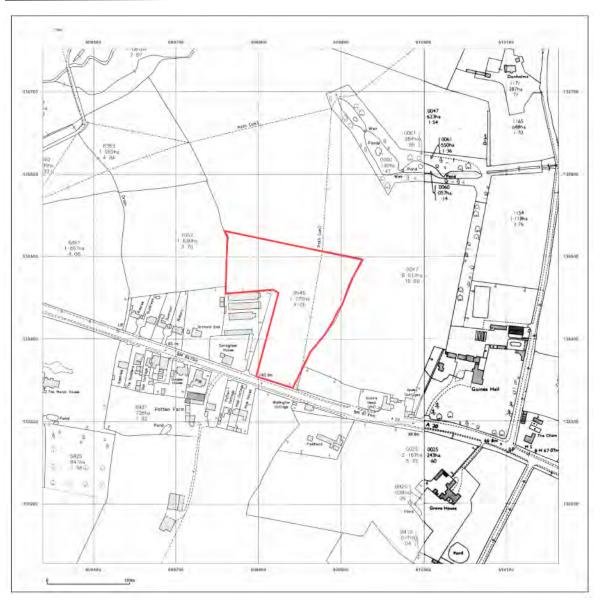


Figure 13: Historical OS Map 1989, scale 1:2,500



Figure 14: Historical OS Map 2003

# 11.4 Appendix 11.4 – KCC HER Data. All distances are approximate and taken from the Application Site boundary

KHER Ref	Туре	Period	Distance	Description
TR 03 NE 247	Building	Post Medieval to Modern	c. 90m SW	Methodist Chapel, Ashford Road, Sellindge. Built 1883 and still in use.
TR 13 NW 34	Findspot	Iron Age	c. 660m SE	Iron Age coin. Discovered near Sellinge by metal detection in 1991.
TR 13 NW 106	Listed	Post Medieval	c. 385m E	Elm Tree Farm House. Grade II (1054020). Farmhouse. Late C18 or early C19
	Building			facade to earlier building
TR 13 NW 108	Listed	Post Medieval	c. 870m ESE	Little Rhodes. Grade II (1054031). House. Late C18. Painted brick.
	Building			
TR 03 NE 83	Listed	Medieval to Modern	c. 405m W	Church Of St Mary. Grade I (1054042). Parish church. Late C11, C12 and C13,
	Building			restored mid-to-late C19.
TR 03 NE 78	Listed	Post Medieval	c. 670m	Ashdown Cottages. Grade II (1061062). House, formerly house row, now
	Building		WNW	house. C17, with C19 alterations. Timber framed.
TR 03 NE 80	Listed	Medieval to Modern	c. 815m	Old Mill House Grade II (1061063). House. Late C18 or early C19. Red brick,
	Building		NW	with plain tile roof. 2 storeys and attic.
TR 03 NE 81	Listed	Post Medieval	c. 950m	Stone Hill Farm House. Grade II (1061064). Farmhouse. C17, with early-to-mid
	Building		NW	C19 façade.
TR 03 NE 82	Listed	Post Medieval	c. 505m	Glebe Farm House. Grade II (1061065). Farmhouse, now house. Mid C17.
	Building		WNW	Timber framed.
TR 03 NE 76	Listed	Medieval to Modern	c. 890m	Belle Vue. Grade II (1061098). House, now house row. C15 or early C16 with
	Building		WNW	mid C18 facade, early C19 rear addition and C20 alterations.
TR 13 NW 98	Listed	Medieval to Post	c. 390m E	Barn About 5 Metres North Of Elm Tree Farm House. Grade II (1061099). Barn.
	Building	Medieval		Mid-to-late C16. Timber-framed, weatherboarded, on stone plinth. Part of
				right side faced with red brick in English bond. Plain tile roof.
TR 13 NW 97	Listed	Post Medieval to Modern	c. 480m	Moorstock House. Grade II (1061100). Farmhouse, now house. Late C17. Red
	Building		NNE	and grey brick in Flemish bond. Plain tile roof.
TR 13 NW 110	Listed	Post Medieval to Modern	c. 780m SE	Somerfield Court. Grade II (1068786). House. Late C17 by Thomas Gomeldon,
	Building			with early C19 and late C20 alterations.
TR 13 NW 120	Listed	Post Medieval to Modern	c. 715m SE	Barn Complex About 66 Metres West Of Somerfield Court. Grade II (1344201).
	Building			Barn complex. Circa 1834, with later alterations. Small blocks of coursed stone
				with brick dressings. Red brick in header bond to courtyard side of outer
				buildings. Plain tile roofs.

TR 13 NW 117	Listed	Post Medieval	c. 170m ESE	Guinea Hall. Grade II (1344202). House. Late C18 or early C19. Rendered, with
	Building			slate roof. 2 storeys. Rendered plat band. Painted moulded and modillioned
				eaves cornice under plain parapet. Rendered quoins.
TR 13 NW 114	Listed	Post Medieval	c. 915m ESE	Rhodes House. Grade II (1344203). Farmhouse, now house. Late C18 or early
	Building			C19. Painted brick.
TR 03 NE 77	Listed	Medieval to Modern	c. 830m	Stone Hill Cottage And Old Forge Cottage. Grade II (1344222). House, now
	Building		NW	house row. C15 or early C16 with alterations of 1657. Restored 1980s.
TR 13 NW 125	Listed	Medieval to Post	c. 575m E	Lees Cottages. Grade II (1367112). House, now house row. Early C16 or earlier,
	Building	Medieval		with later C16 or early C17 alterations.
TR 13 NW 142	Monument	Modern	c. 745m ESE	2nd World War Category A Nodal Point
MKE67791	Findspot	Late Iron Age to Roman	c. 710m SE	PAS find. Iron Age gold coin
MKE67822	Findspot	Early Medieval or Anglo- Saxon to Medieval	c. 785m SE	PAS find. Early Medieval copper alloy stirrup.
MKE67915	Findspot	Early Medieval or Anglo- Saxon	c. 565m SSE	PAS find. Early Medieval copper alloy weight.
MKE67991	Findspot	Roman to Early Medieval or Anglo-Saxon	c. 940m SSE	PAS find. Roman copper alloy bead.
MKE69390	Findspot	Iron Age	c. 660m SE	PAS find. Iron Age gold coin.
MKE69407	Findspot	Iron Age	c. 710m SE	PAS find. Iron Age gold coin.
MKE69420	Findspot	Iron Age	c. 900m WSW	PAS find, Iron Age copper alloy coin
TR 13 NW 168	Building	Post Medieval to Modern	c. 270m ESE	Milestone.
TR 03 NE 217	Findspot	Bronze Age	c. 675m SW	Early Bronze Age/Iron Age pottery, east of Sellindge Sewage Works. Found as part of fieldwalking for the route of the Channel Tunnel Rail Link in 1994.
TR 03 NE 218	Findspot	Late Neolithic to Late Bronze Age	c. 970m WSW	Neolithic/Bronze Age flints scatters and lithic implements, Sellindge Sewage Works as part of the feildwalking for the CTRL in 1994.
TR 03 NE 222	Findspot	Early Neolithic	c. 615m SSW	Neolithic arrowhead, Harringe Court. In 1995 some supplementary field walking was carried out by Wessex Archaeology along the route of the Channel Tunnel Rail Link. A fragment of a leaf-shaped arrowhead probably of Ealry Neolithic date was found. It was found amongst a diffused scatter of flint.
TR 03 NE 223	Findspot	Middle Iron Age to Roman	c. 745m SW	Iron Age/Roman pottery, Harringe Court. Iron Age/Roman pottery, Harringe Court, found in 1995 during field walking.

TR 03 NE 226	Monument	Unknown	c. 690m	Linear geophysical anomaly, Harringe Court. A linear anomaly detected on a
			SSW	geophysical survey.
MKE87488	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 990m	Grove Farm Loose courtyard plan farmstead with buildings on two sides of the
			NW	yard. Farmhouse detached in central position. Altered-significant loss of
				original form (more than 50%).
MKE87533	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 680m	Outfarm adjacent to Hodiford Wood. An outfarm with a loose courtyard plan
			NNE	with a building to one side of the yard. Farmstead completely demolished.
MKE88392	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 545m W	Glebe Farm (Tanyard Farm). A loose courtyard plan farmstead with buildings to
				four sides of the yard. Altered - partial loss of original form (less than 50%).:
				Farmstead completely demolished.
MKE88393	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 460m	Stocklands Farm. A loose courtyard plan farmstead with buildings to two sides
			WNW	of the yard.
MKE88394	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 510m W	Court Lodge. A loose courtyard plan farmstead with buildings to three sides of
				the yard. Altered - partial loss of original form (less than 50%).
MKE88395	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 120m SW	Potten Farm. A loose courtyard plan farmstead with buildings to four sides of
				the yard. Altered - partial loss of original form (less than 50%).
MKE88396	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 625m	Stonehill Farm. A loose courtyard plan farmstead with buildings to two sides of
			WNW	the yard.Altered - partial loss of original form (less than 50%).
MKE88397	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 465m	Little Hodiford. A regular courtyard farmstead with buildings to three sides of
			NNW	the yard incorporating a L-plan element. Altered - significant loss of original
				form (more than 50%). Notes: House - lost.
MKE88398	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 415m NE	Farmstead in Moorstock. A loose courtyard plan farmstead with buildings to
				two sides of the yard. No apparent alteration.
MKE88399	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 430m	Yards north west of Moorstock. An outfarm with a dispersed multiyard plan.
			NNE	Altered - significant loss of original form (more than 50%). Notes: Two
				detached yards possibly associated with Moorstock to SE, but possibly linked
				to Moorstock House to E.
MKE88400	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 140m ESE	Guinea Hall. A loose courtyard plan farmstead with buildings to two sides of
				the yard. No apparent alteration.
MKE88401	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 385m E	Elm Tree Farm (Elmtree Farm). A regular courtyard farmstead with buildings to
				three sides of the yard incorporating a L-plan element. No apparent alteration.
MKE88402	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 215m SE	Grove House. A loose courtyard plan farmstead with buildings to three sides of
				the yard. Altered - partial loss of original form (less than 50%).

MKE88403	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 300m SSE	Farmstead south of Grove House. A loose courtyard plan farmstead with
				buildings to two sides of the yard. Altered - partial loss of original form (less
				than 50%).
MKE88404	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 455m SSE	Farmstead south east of Grove House. A dispersed plan farmstead. Altered -
				partial loss of original form (less than 50%).
MKE88409	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 885m SE	Sheepfold north west of Barrowhill. An outfarm with a loose courtyard plan
				with a building to one side of the yard. Farmstead completely demolished.
MKE88410	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 725m SE	Somerfield Court. A regular multiyard farmstead. No apparent alteration.
MKE88411	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 920m ESE	Rhodes Farm. A loose courtyard plan farmstead with buildings to three sides
				of the yard. Altered - significant loss of original form (more than 50%).
MKE88413	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 920m E	Farmstead north east of Little Rhodes. A loose courtyard plan farmstead with
				buildings to one side of the yard. Only the farmhouse remains.
MKE88719	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 740m W	Outfarm west of Glebe Farm. Field barn with no associated yard. Farmstead
				completely demolished.
MKE88720	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 470m	Outfarm north north east of Stocklands Farm. A field barn with no associated
			WNW	yard. Farmstead completely demolished.
MKE89069	Farmstead	Post Medieval	c. 45m W	Outfarm north north east of Potten Farm. A field barn with no associated
				yard.Farmstead completely demolished.
TR 13 NW 181	Crash Site	Modern	c. 405m SSE	Crash site of Supermarine Spitfire I. Crashed and burned 12th August 1940 at
				Sellinge. Pilot baled out. Aircraft written off.
TR 03 NE 238	Crash Site	Modern	c. 85m SW	Crash site of a Fokker F.VIIb/3m. A Fokker F.VIIb/3m, OO-AIL of Sabena,
				crashed on 1st June 1938. It was attempting to land at Lympne during a
				thunderstorm. It hit the roof of the building now known as Purrs Mews and
				came to rest in the grounds of the Methodist Church on the south side of the
				road. There is Pathe news footage of the wreckage.
TR 13 NW 198	Monument	Medieval	c. 580m SE	Medieval Ditches, Undated Ditch and Undated Cobbled surface, Sellindge.
				Trial trenching by Wessex Archaeology on behalf of CgMs Consulting ahead of
				a proposed residential development revealed 2 perpendicular, intercutting
			740	medieval ditches, a further, undated ditch; and an undated cobbled surface.
MKE108415	Findspot	Roman to Early Medieval	c. 710m W	Pas Find. Roman Copper Alloy Knife.
		or Anglo-Saxon		
MKE108468	Findspot	Medieval	c. 580m	PAS find. Medieval Silver Mount. A Medieval small silver bar mount with
			WSW	terminal and central lobes c. 1270-1400 AD.

TR 13 NW 203	Monument	Modern	c. 995m SE	Former sidings for a Second World War railway gun. During the Second World War a railway gun operated between Folkestone and Ashford. The rails were lifted many years ago but the area remains open except for a small brick building.
TR 03 NE 255	Monument	Post Medieval	c. 760m WNW	Stone Hill Mill (Sellinge). Stone Hill Mill (Smock Mill) was constructed after1819 and demolished c.1898.
TR 03 NE 255	Monument	Post Medieval	c. 760m WNW	Stone Hill Mill (Sellinge). Stone Hill Mill (Smock Mill) was constructed after1819 and demolished c.1898.
TR 03 NE 1	Building	Post Medieval	c. 290m W	Site of former National school, Harrindge Lane, Sellindge. The building as the National School is shown on the Ordnance Survey map 1862-1875, then as School on the 1897-1923 maps. Demolished post 1960.
TQ 84 SW 1	Monument	Post Medieval	c. 500m S	London And Dover Railway, completed by 1844.
TR 13 NW 166	Monument	Medieval	c. 880m NE	Horton Priory, Scheduled Monument (1018878). The below ground remains of Horton Priory and associated buildings. A number of features are excluded from the scheduling; these are the private house known as Horton Priory, all associated outbuildings, barns, modern garden structures and features, the modern surfaces of the carpark to the north of the house, all hardstanding, tracks, paths and paving, and all modern fences and gates; the ground beneath all these features is, however, included.Horton Priory survives well, despite some subsequent disturbance, retaining standing buildings of high architectural quality and impressive associated earthworks. The monument will also contain important archaeological and environmental evidence relating to the original use of the monastery.
TR 03 NE 215	Landscape	Modern	c. 600m NW	The Pear Tree House. A post 1960s informal garden, of specialist interest and limited importance. A garden surveyed by the Kent Gardens Trust, no further information.
TR 13 NW 165	Landscape	Medieval to Modern	c. 800m NE	Horton Priory. The priory was founded in 1144 by Robert de Vere, although there are no records of the gardens until they were re-developed in 1911. The grazing and pasture land surrounding the house covering 6 hectares (14 acres) now includes gardens and an extensive perimeter ha-ha.

Event ID	DATE	Туре		Description
EKE10672	1994	DBA	Non-Intrusive	Desk-based assessment of the impact of the CTRL
EKE10741	2010	DBA	Non-Intrusive	Historic environment analyses of 29 sites of CCTV
				upgrade works along the M20
EKE21296	1998	Evaluation	Intrusive	Harringe Lane
EKE10794	1991	<b>Building Survey</b>	Non-Intrusive	Talbot House
EKE11015	2000	<b>Building Survey</b>	Non-intrusive	Talbot House
EKE11531	1994	Fieldwalking	Non-Intrusive	CTRL
EKE11801	2001	Dendrochronology	Intrusive	Talbot House
EKE12247	1995	Geophysical	Non Intrusive	Harringe Court
		Survey		
EKE5349	1998	Evaluation	Intrusive	Horton Priory
EKE5352	1997	<b>Building Survey</b>	Non-Intrusive	Horton Priory
EKE5413	1999	Watching Brief	Intrusive	Horton Priory
EKE10767	1999	Geotechnical	Intrusive	CTRL
		Survey		
EKE14583	2013	DBA	Non-Intrusive	Land at Ashford Road, Sellindge.
EKE14724	1999	Geotechnical	Intrusive	Alluvial Corridor of the CTRL
		Survey		
EKE8849	2001	Watching Brief	Intrusive	Horton Priory
EKE14585	2013	Magnetometry	Non-Intrusive	Land at Ashford Road, Sellindge
		Survey		
EKE14587	2013	Trial Trenching	Intrusive	Land at Ashford Road, Sellindge

Table 2: Gazetteer of HER Records

Land to the Rear and East of Springfield House, (The Piggery), Main Road, Sellindge, TN25 6EG Heritage Impact Assessment

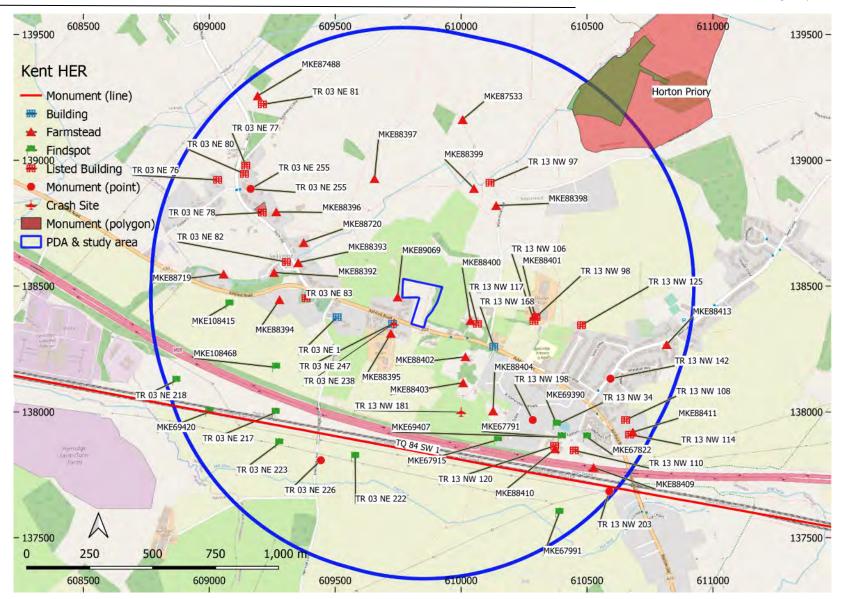


Figure 15: KHER – All

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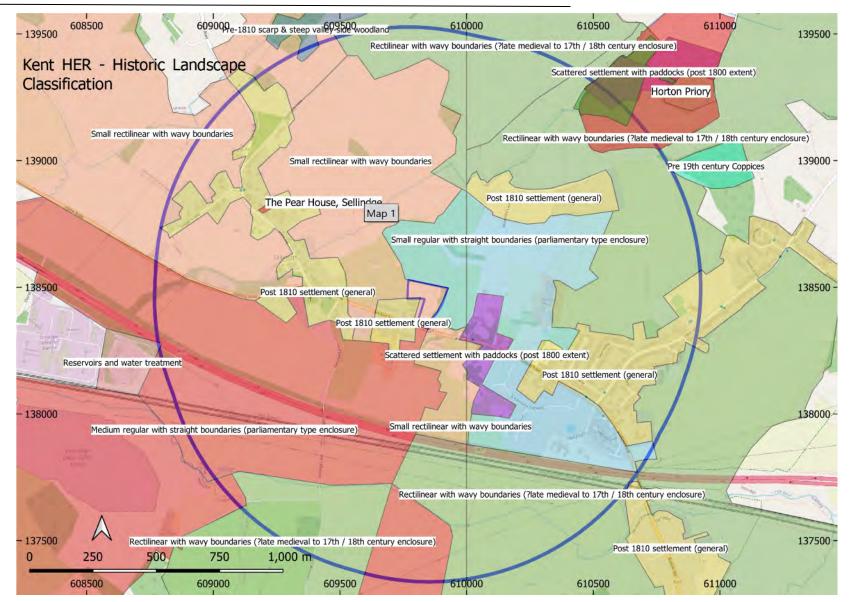


Figure 16: KHER - Historic Landscape Classification

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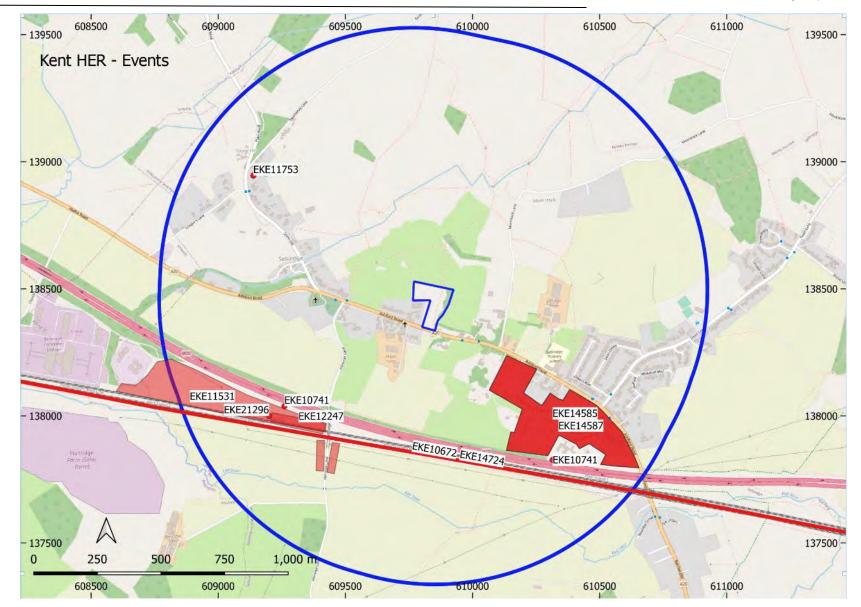


Figure 17: KHER – Events

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Figure 18: Scheduled Monument and Designated Historic Park and Gardens.

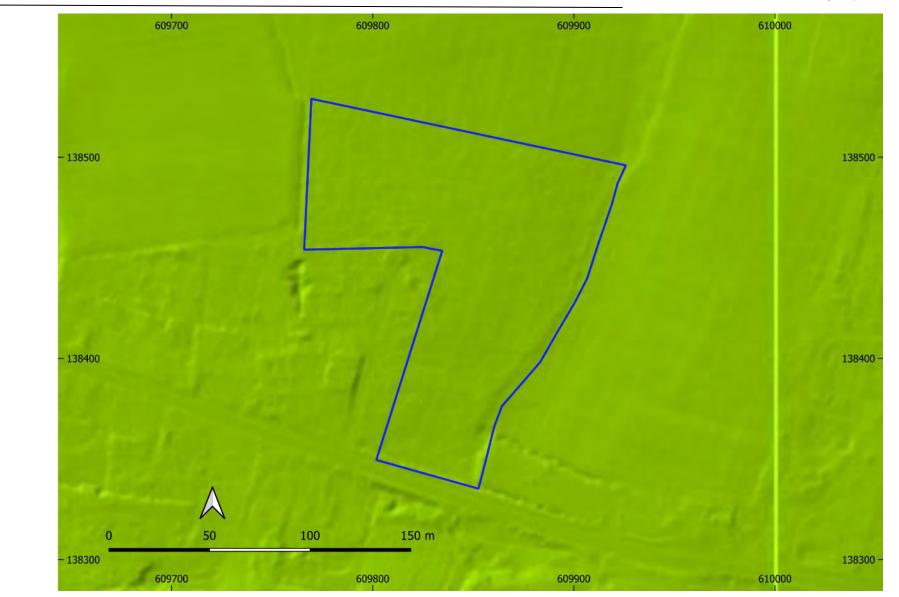


Figure 19: LIDAR 1m DTM (Environment Agency)



# 11.5 Appendix 11.5 Aerial Imagery and site photographs

Plate 1: Aerial Photograph, 1940's (Google Earth)



Plate 2: Aerial Photograph, 1960's (Google Earth)



Plate 3: Aerial Photograph, 1990's (Google Earth)



Plate 4: Aerial Photograph, 2003 (Google Earth)



Plate 5: Aerial Photograph, 2007 (Google Earth)



Plate 6: Aerial Photograph, 2021 (Google Earth)



Plate 7: External view of the site at along Moorstock Lane (facing SSW)



Plate 8: External view of the eastern boundary of the PDA along Moorstock Laney (facing NNE)



Plate 9: View across the PDA from the north eastern corner (facing SW)



Plate 10: View across the PDA from the southern boundary (facing NNE)



Plate 11: View across the southern boundary of the PDA (facing W)



Plate 12: Internal view towards the north western corner (facing NW)



Plate 13: View across the PDA towards the south eastern corner (facing SE)



Plate 14: View at the junction of Moorstock Lane with the A20 (facing SE).

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Plate 15: Area of hardstanding falling within the PDA



Plate 16: Plate Locations

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## 11.6 Statutory List Description

#### 11.6.1 .Guinea Hall

Heritage Environment Record Number: TR 13 NW 117 List Entry Number: 1344202 National Grid Reference: TR 10065 38350 Type of Record: Grade II Date of Listing: 29<sup>th</sup> December 1966 Period: Post Medieval

Summary: House. Late C18 or early C19. Rendered, with slate roof. 2 storeys. Rendered plat band. Painted moulded and modillioned eaves cornice under plain parapet. Rendered quoins. Facade breaks back slightly, to left of centre. Hipped roof. 2 rear stacks. Regular four-window front of recessed 24-pane sashes in moulded architraves, with keystones and blind boxes; one within recess, one to left and two to right. Similar ground-floor windows with shouldered architraves, and one to each floor of left gable end. Panelled double doors in recessed bay, with semi-circular fanlight with radiating glazing bars. Shallow porch formed by elongated panelled pilasters with fluted tops, and broken-based triangular pediment. Rear wing to left: recessed from left gable end. Painted brick. 2 storeys, with plain parapet. Irregular fenestration of 3 recessed 12-pane sashes with splayed painted brick voussoirs, and tall round-headed Gothic staircase window. Recessed panelled door under staircase window with moulded architrave and rectangular fenlight. Lower addition with 3 windows to gable end of wing. Interior not inspected.



Figure 20: Location of Guinea Hall

### 11.6.2 Elm Tree farm House

Heritage Environment Record Number: TR 13 NW 106 List Entry Number: 1054020 National Grid Reference: TR 10289 38361 Type of Record: Grade II Date of Listing: 15<sup>th</sup> May 1986 Period: Post Medieval

Summary: Farmhouse. Late C18 or early C19 facade to earlier building. Ground floor pebble-dashed, first floor tile-hung. Plain tile roof. 2 storeys on pebble- dashed plinth. Hipped roof. Broad projecting pebbledashed stack with brick flue to left gable end and projecting red and grey brick stack on stone plinth to right gable. Regular 3-window front of two 16-pane and one 12-pane sashes. Central recessed panelled door with rectangular fanlight. Pebbledashed rear lean-to. Interior not inspected.



Figure 21: Elm Tree Farmhouse

# 11.6.3 Barn about 5 metres north of Elm Tree Farmhouse

Heritage Environment Record Number: TR 13 NW 98 List Entry Number: 1061099 National Grid Reference: TR 10297 38377 Type of Record: Grade II Date of Listing: 15th May 1986 Period: Medieval to Post Medieval

Summary: Barn. Mid-to-late C16. Timber-framed, weatherboarded, on stone plinth. Part of right side faced with red brick in English bond. Plain tile roof. Full- height double doors to second timber-framed bay from right, with single door beside. Later lean-to to left side of front elevation. Interior: only rapidly inspected. 4 timber-framed bays. Rear aisle. Jowled posts. Arch- braces. Curved passing shores to rear aisle. Clasped purlin roof with broad curved



windbraces. Studding to walls, with tension-braces above mid- rail and to rear wall of aisle, arch-braces below.

Figure 22: Location of the Barn about 5 metres north of Elm Tree Farmhouse

#### 11.6.4 Moorstock House

Heritage Environment Record Number: TR 13 NW 97 List Entry Number: 1061100 National Grid Reference: TR 10115 38911 Type of Record: Grade II Date of Listing: 15th May 1986 Period: Post Medieval

Summary: Farmhouse, now house. Late C17. Red and grey brick in Flemish bond. Plain tile roof. Lobby entry plan. 2 storeys on galleted stone plinth. Hipped roof. Central multiple brick ridge stack. Regular 3-window front of two 3-light and central 2-light casements. Groundfloor windows with segmental heads. Central half-glazed door. C19 and C20 additions to rear and to right, red brick on ground floor, tile-hung above. Interior: only partly inspected. Bead-moulded joists to right-hand ground-floor room. Cambered fireplace bressumer. C17 moulded rectangular wooden architrave to left ground-floor room

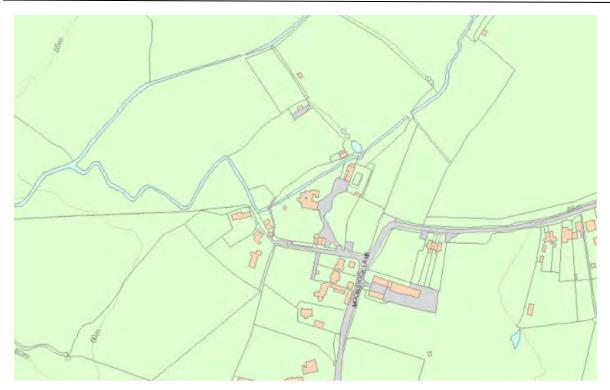


Figure 23: Location of Moorstock House

11.6.5 Monks Horton Priory

Heritage Environment Record Number: TR 13 NW 127 National Grid Reference: TR 10626 39304 Type of Record: Grade I (Scheduled) Date of Listing: 29th December 1966 Period: Medieval

Summary: Fragment of Cluniac priory, now house. Foundation confirmed by Papal Bull 1144. Church ruins late C12 (c.1175?). West range earlier C12, re- modelled in C14. C16 addition. Restoration and additions 1912-14 by G. Hornblower. Ragstone with ashlar dressings. C16 addition with flint ground-floor and close-studded first floor to north. Plain tile roof. Lower sections of south part of west doorway and portal porch of church. West end of south aisle. West range of cloisters adjoining south-west corner of aisle, width of range projecting west of church. C16 single- bay addition in re-entrant angle between west range and former portal porch. Early C20 additions to east. West elevation of west range: 2 storeys and attic. No plinth. Chamfered stone string-course passing over buttresses below first floor windows. Nicked and chamfered string- course interrupted by buttresses half way up first floor. 5 pilaster buttresses with possibly renewed or extended heads shouldered at top. Further, broader, buttress to junction of west range and C16 addition, and C20 buttress towards south end. South gable end rebuilt 1912-14 with stone-coped gable and finial. C16 north addition gabled at right- angles to west range, with much lower eaves to north. Slightly projecting corbelled brick stack with stone dressings to first floor of gable end of C16 section. Rear stack towards north end of west range. Stone ridge stack to right of centre with octagonal flues; at least partly early C20. Various stone stacks to early C20 additions. 2 gabled C20 dormers. Irregular fenestration of 7 stone first-floor windows, alternating with buttresses; lower lights of truncated 4-light C15 mullioned and transomed window, with

cinquefoil-headed lights to gable end of C16 addition; one 2-light mullioned window with rounded hollow-chamfered lights and squared hoodmould to north end room of west range; five cusped 4-light mullioned and transomed windows with squared heads and hoodmoulds, four C14, and one to south of ridge stack C20, replacing blocked roundheaded opening. Early C20 ground-floor windows in a similar style. Narrow blocked roundheaded opening, possibly for garderobe or external staircase, towards base of first floor, breaking lower string-course, and with blocked medieval opening, possibly a doorway, on ground floor below (visible from inside). Blocked ground- floor doorway, now window, immediately north of ridge stack. North Elevation: C16 section: jettied, with 3-light leaded casement to first floor. Formerly without door, now with early C20 four-centred arched stone doorway with squared hoodmould and boarded door. West end of Church: south side of triple-shafted west doorway with foliated capitals and moulded abaci. Base of arch with doubly zig-zagged inner orders and palmettes in semicircles to outer order. Bases of shafts to south side of west window above. Canted wall with blank torus-moulded arch leading to outer shaft of south side of portal porch with scrolled foliated capital and moulded abacus. Abacus continued as string, linking with abaci of inner doorway. Above outer shaft, springing of outer archway of west window. Substantial remains of south-west corner of nave, with angle shaft towards portal and blank arcading to west face. West end of aisle, level with inner west doorway of nave, visible from within C16 addition. Interior: West end of church: moulded blank arcading to west face and south return face of nave, and to west face of south aisle. Foliated capitals to shafts. Linked moulded abaci. Angle shaft to southwest corner of nave. 2 remaining upper tiers of arcading less ornate. Tall round-headed west window to south aisle. North face of west range has chamfered plinth lower than that of nave. Round-headed ground-floor door of 2 orders set towards west side, with (restored?) outer frieze of lozenges. Attached shaft to each side with bell base and broad leaves to capitals. Interior of church: spiral stone staircase within south- west end of nave, entered from south aisle. Small scalloped capital (shaft head?) with nicked string running from base, to fragment of wall between nave and south aisle. Interior of west range: roundheaded ground-floor doorway at north end of east wal1 with 2 shallow orders and outer cable moulding, springing from chamfered imposts (restored). Plain- chamfered stone door head (possibly C14) to south wall of same north end room. First-floor room above has 2 blocked doorways to north wall, one pointed-arched and moulded, both probably associated with C16 addition, and low pointed-arched hollow-chamfered doorway with broach stops, to west well (also visible externally). Next room to south on first floor has blocked hollow-chamfered pointed-arched stone doorway to north and to south; stone seats to 2 west windows; C15 shafted stone fireplace to east wall with moulded segmental arch, squared head with panelled and quatrefoiled spandrels, brattished cornice, stone curb and tapering stone flue; moulded stud walls to north and south and moulded wooden cornice and beams. Moulded joists to ground-floor north room. Blocked east window to each of these 2 rooms on first floor. Roof of plain crown- posts with sous-laces and ashlarpieces. C20 ground-floor fireplace beneath medieval one, incorporating re-used C17 term and overmantel panel. Moulded axial beam and joists and C20 plaster frieze to same room. South end room on ground floor panelled 1912-14 with C17 panelling from demolished house in vicinity. C20 stone doorways in a medieval style. Founded as cell of Priory of St. Pancras, Lewes, Sussex and dedicated to St. John the Evangelist. Dissolved 1536. (Charles Baily, Monks Horton Priory, Archaeologia Cantiana Vol. X, 1876. J. Newman, B.O.E. Series, North East and East Kent, 1983).



Figure 24: Location of Monks Horton Priory

11.6.6 Church of St Mary, Sellindge

Heritage Environment Record Number: TR 03 NE 83 National Grid Reference: TR 09384 38452 Type of Record: Grade I Date of Listing: 29th December 1966 Period: Early Medieval or Anglo-Saxon to Post Medieval

Summary: Parish church. Late C11, C12 and C13, restored mid-to-late C19. Ragstone, with plain tile roofs. West tower, nave, chancel, continuous north chapel and north aisle, north porch, north vestry to tower. West tower: late C11 or C12. No plinth. Large diagonal south-west buttress. No stages. Pyramidal spire with weathervane. One round-headed louvred belfry light to each of west and north faces, and 2 smaller to east. South belfry window with segmental head. Narrower round-headed light below north belfry light and small lancet to south. 2-light west window with trefoil-headed lights and squared hoodmould. Low west doorway with Segmental head of small even voussoirs springing from chamfered imposts. Nave: probably C11. No plinth. 2 south buttresses. South-east corner with un-dressed quoins. 2 sets of late C18 or early C19 paired rendered red brick lancets to south. Chancel: late C11 or C12 altered in C13. No plinth. Traces of herringbone stonework towards west end of south wall. Scroll-moulded string to east end of south wall, returning to east, and along north wall. 2-light C15 cinque- foiled and traceried south-west window with hoodmould. 2-light south-east window in a similar style. Paired lancets to east. Low C19 priest's doorway to south, with porch. Rainwater head dated 1876. North Chapel: later C13. Battered plinth. Gabled. Pointed-arched east window of 3 stepped cinquefoil- headed lights. 2 north windows; one of 2 conjoined trefoil-headed lights, and one C15, similar to south-west chancel window. North aisle: C13. No plinth. Late C18 or early C19 paired rendered lancets. North porch: gabled. No windows. Pointed-arched hollowchamfered outer doorway and similar, restored, inner doorway. Bears scratched date 1610. External walls of whole church incorporate a number of consecration crosses, some probably

re-set. Interior: structure: nave arcade, removed in mid C19 and replaced by bressumer supported on moulded octagonal post. Stump of plain-chamfered stone arch and high chamfered impost; remain at east end; probably C13, raised in C15. Pointed, lightly-chamfered C13 chancel arch springing from chamfered late C11 or C12 imposts. Plain-chamfered arch between north aisle and chapel, abutting stump of nave arcade and possibly altered in C15. Pointed, plain-chamfered C13 arch between chancel and chapel, rising from ground without imposts. Pointed, unchamfered tower arch with late C11 or C12 nicked and chamfered imposts. Blocked splayed round-headed north window towards base of tower. Blocked roundheaded south doorway. 4-centred arched rood-loft doorway to west end of chapel, and similar doorway higher up in east wall of aisle. Roof: crown- post roof to nave; central moulded octagonal crown-post on cambered moulded tie-beam with braced pendant posts, sous-laces, ashlar-pieces to south and formerly to north, moulded cornice to south. East and west crownposts removed. Common rafter roof to north aisle, with collars, sous-laces; ashlar-pieces and moulded cornice to north, and formerly to south. Similar, but later, roof to north chapel. Moulded octagonal medieval crown-post to chancel, on moulded tie-beam; rest restored in C19. Fixtures and fittings: trefoil-headed stoup with broach stops and ring-moulded front to bowl, to east end of south wall of chancel. Consecration crosses, some probably C19. Stained glass: fragments of medieval glass to tracery of south-west window of chancel. East window of north chapel, Transfiguration, by Gibbs, to memory of George Paine, d. 1858, and Mary, d. 1863. Monuments: tomb recess to north wall of-north aisle with chamfered segmental head. Monument to Ralph Heyman, d. 1601, and wife Anne, under moulded 4-centred arch with hoodmould between chancel and north chapel; alabaster chest on stone plinth with chamfered black marble lid, each face with raised rectangular panel flanked by plain pilasters with heraldic shields. Alabaster figure of man kneeling at foot of chest, (formerly upon chest). Heraldic shields on opposed walls of recess, above tomb chest, that to east with inscription surviving below; apparently to Peter Heyman and Elizabeth Till, parents of Ralph, and to William Norton and Elizabeth Wingfield, parents of Anne. Monument on north wall of north chapel to Thomas Godfrey, d. 1664; alabaster, with oval inscription panel set on raised rectangular ground with shields and cherubs, flanked by Corinthian columns. Moulded consoled plinth with swagged base panel, moulded cornice, and double open-topped segmental pediment with achievements (J. Newman, B.O.E. series, West Kent and the Weald, 1980. The Rev. P. Jaquet (ed) Sellindge and Its Parish Church, 1976).



Figure 25: Location of St Marys Church

# **11.7 DMRB Assessment Methodology**

### 11.7.1 Criteria for level of significance

Level of Significance	Criteria					
Very high	World Heritage Sites. Assets of acknowledged international importance.					
High	<ul> <li>Scheduled Monuments and undesignated assets of Schedulable quality and importance.</li> <li>Grade I and II* Listed buildings (Scotland category A).</li> <li>Other Listed buildings that can be shown to have exceptional qualities in their fabric or associations not adequately reflected in their Listing grade.</li> <li>Conservation Areas containing very important buildings.</li> <li>Undesignated structures of clear national importance.</li> <li>Designated or undesignated assets that contribute to regional research objectives</li> <li>Grade II (Scotland category B) Listed buildings.</li> <li>Historic (unlisted) buildings that can be shown to have exceptional qualities in their fabric or historical association.</li> <li>Conservation Areas containing important buildings that contribute significantly to their historic character.</li> </ul>					
Medium						
Low	Designated and undesignated assets of local importance including those compromised by poor preservation and/or poor survival of contextual associations. Assets of limited value, but with potential to contribute to local research objectives.					
Negligible	Assets with very little or no surviving archaeological interest. Buildings of no architectural or historical note and buildings of an intrusive character. Landscapes with little or no significant historical interest.					

# 11.7.2 Criteria for assessing magnitude of Impact

Magnitude of Impact					
Major	Change to key historic building elements, such that the asset is totally altered Comprehensive change to the setting.				
Moderate	Change to many key historic building elements, such as the asset is significantly modified. Changes to setting of an historic building, such that it is significantly modified.				
Minor	Changes to key historic building elements, such that the asset is slightly different. Changes to setting of an historic building, such that it is noticeably changed.				
Negligible	Slight changes to historic building elements or setting that hardly affect it.				
No Change	No change to fabric or setting.				

# 11.7.3 Significance of Effect Matrix

		Magnitude of Impact					
		No Change	Negligible	Minor	Moderate	Major	
Heritage Value	Negligible	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral / Slight	Neutral / Slight	Slight	
	Low	Neutral	Neutral / slight	Neutral / Slight	Slight	Slight / moderate	
	Medium	Neutral	Neutral / Slight	Slight	Moderate	Moderate / large	
	High	Neutral	Slight	Moderate / slight	Moderate / large	Large / very large	
	Very High	Neutral	Slight	Moderate / large	Large or very Large	Very large	