

South Stoneham

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| 1.0 PARISH | South Stoneham |
| 2.0 HUNDRED | Mainsbridge |
| 3.0 NGR | 443990 /15420 (parish church) |
| 4.0 GEOLOGY | Valley Gravel; Alluvium in Itchen Valley. Much of the former parish is Bracklesham Beds with pockets of Plateau Gravel. |

5.0 SITE CONTEXT (Map 2)

5.1 The parish is now divided between West End CP, Hedge End CP, Southampton St Nicholas and Eastleigh. The church and manor house site is within the bounds of Southampton but much of the former South Stoneham parish is in Eastleigh District including the tithing of Eastleigh itself. It is therefore very relevant to this survey area.

5.2 South Stoneham House is at *c.* 8m AOD and the Church of St Mary, 100m to the south-east, just a little lower. Both stand above two large ponds that can probably be equated with the two fisheries mentioned in the Domesday survey (paragraph 14.1). These are fed by The Monks Brook (east) and the Itchen Navigation passes just to the south (*c.* 4m AOD). South Stoneham House is now a part of the Southampton University campus which includes an adjoining tower block and accommodation units. To the east and west are C20 housing estates. Areas of woodland are still intact (south-east) and the fisheries, part of the Monks Brook and the banks of the Itchen Navigation provide public open space.

6.0 PLAN TYPE & DESCRIPTION (Maps 3, 4 and 5)

Church and manor house

6.1 South Stoneham House was built 1705, probably on the traditional site of the manor house. The close proximity of the C12 medieval parish church suggests that this was a church and manor house group. The two fish ponds just to the south make South Stoneham one of the few Domesday listings that can be positively associated with a recognisable site. Woodmill, 200m south-west of the church possibly occupies one of the two mill sites that were in neighbouring North Stoneham in the 1080s.

6.2 South Stoneham is suggested as a deserted medieval village site by Beresford and Hurst (1971: 189). It is so often the case that apparently isolated churches are regarded as indicators of desertion but it is a weak argument without supportive evidence, and there is none. In fact, South Stoneham contained a relatively large number of medieval sub-manors / estates (9) and these might be reasonably regarded as representing a dispersed settlement pattern (see paragraph 14.3).

6.3 *Site visit conditions:* hazy sun (14.3.2000)

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7.0 ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL (Map 5)

7.1 *AsAP*

This area takes into account all of the features that can be reasonably identified with the Domesday entry for South Stoneham, including the possible mill site that was not within its bounds at that time. These features are: the manor house site, church, fisheries and mill.

7.2 *AsHAP*

In spite of the extensive C20 building development around South Stoneham House, considerable archaeological potential must remain and an AHAP has been defined that includes the House, its southern grounds, the church, and the churchyard.

NB There would be some merit in examining the archaeological potential of some of the sub-manor centres though some of these have been subsumed by urban sprawl whilst others are represented as farms.

8.0 CHURCH & CHURCHYARD

St Mary

- C12 chancel arch (chalk); chancel; font; piscina in north chancel (reset);
- C13 nave;
- C15 / 16 tower with C19 crazy paving finish;
- 1728 north transept;
- 1854 nave windows; south transept;
- Monuments: tomb of c. 1540 (chancel); wall monument to Edmund Clarke † 1632.

9.0 BUILDINGS (Map 4)

| PRN | Details | Dates | Grade |
|-----------|--|-------------|-------|
| 1659 | Allbrook Farmhouse, Allbrook Hill, Eastleigh | C17 | II |
| 5687 / 8 | Nos 188 & 192 Chestnut Avenue, Eastleigh | C17 & later | II |
| 5689 / 90 | Nos 208 & 210 Chestnut Avenue | C18 | II |
| 5691 | No 227 (The Old Forge), Chestnut Avenue | C17, 19 | II |
| 5692-7 | Nos 234-44 (even), Chestnut Avenue | early C19 | II |
| 5709 | Church of the Resurrection, Romsey Road, Eastleigh | 1868-9 | II |
| 5710 | Eastleigh Railway Station, Southampton Rd | 1840 | II |
| 5715 | Ham Farmhouse, Twyford Road, Boyatt, Eastleigh | C17 & later | II |
| 5773 | Shamblehurst Farmhouse, Shamblehurst La. | C17, 19 | II |
| 5786 | Moorgreen Farmhouse, Burnetts Lane, West End | C16, 18, 19 | II |

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| 5787 | Moorgreen Farmhouse: granary south-east of | C19? | II |
| 5789 | Church of St James, Church Hill, West End | 1890 | II |
| 5790 / 1 | Nos 1 & 2 (the Farmhouse), Gaters Hill, Mainsbridge Road, West End | C16 & later | II |
| 5792 | Barnsland Cottages, Swaythling Road, West End | mid-C19 | II |
| 876 | No 21 Swaythling Road, West End | C18 / 19 | II |
| 8563 | South Stoneham House | 1708, c. 1900 | II* |
| 599 | St Mary's Church, South Stoneham | C12, 13 | I |
| 8562 | St Mary's Church: churchyard boundary wall | 1708 | II |
| 14565 | Sluice bridge to fish pond, Woodmill Lane | early C18 | II |
| 14566 | Fish house west of salmon pool, Woodmill Lane | C18, 19 | II |

10.0 SMR DATA SW 443500 /15000, NE 444600 /18000 (Map 4)

SU 41 NW No.

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|-------|-----|---------------|--|
| house | 18 | 443900 /15220 | Post-Medieval. Water mill known as Woodmill. On site of mill burned down in 1820. Mill has been demolished. |
| | 36 | 443970 /15400 | Medieval. Parish church (see Paragraph 8.0). |
| | 45 | 443670 /15080 | Medieval. Boundary stone The Haven Stone, Hilton) described in bounds dated 1488. Original position of stone is uncertain. |
| | 62 | 443900 /15300 | Medieval. South Stoneham is considered as a possible DMS, probably because it is listed as such by Beresford & Hurst (1971: 188). This is known to be a speculative and unreliable source; <i>qv</i> North Stoneham (IH/2000). |
| | 69 | 444000 /18000 | Medieval. Eastleigh: Domesday reference. |
| | 71 | 443850 /15400 | Post-Medieval. South Stoneham House. |
| | 72A | 443900 /15400 | Edwardian. Alterations to South Stoneham House. |
| | 72B | 443900 /15400 | Post-Medieval / Modern. Stoneham House . Park landscaped by Capability Brown in 1819. Formal gardens removed. |
| | 72C | 443900 /15400 | Post-Medieval. South Stoneham House. Formal gardens and landscaped park. |
| | 91 | 443950 /15260 | Medieval fishery. Salmon pool at Woodmill might be one of two fisheries mentioned in Domesday (paragraph 14.1). |

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| 92A | 443900 115700 | Prehistoric. Flint tool recovered during an archaeological evaluation. |
| 92B | 443900 115700 | Prehistoric. Flint debitage associated with 92A. |
| 92C | 443900 115700 | Prehistoric pottery associated with 92A. |
| 92D | 443900 115700 | Prehistoric pit associated with 92A. |
| 93A | 443900 115700 | Iron Age pit found during an archaeological evaluation. |
| 93B | 443900 115700 | Iron Age post-hole associated with 93A. |
| 93C | 443900 115700 | Iron Age pottery associated with 93A. |
| 94A | 443900 115700 | Roman ditch found during an archaeological evaluation. Perhaps associated with a road. |
| 94B | 443900 115700 | Roman quarry, perhaps associated with 94A. |
| 94C | 443900 115700 | Roman pottery associated with 94A. |
| 94D | 443900 115700 | Roman. Tile find. Associated with 94A. |
| 95A | 443900 115700 | Saxon. Building overlying conjectural Roman Road. |
| 95B | 443900 115700 | Saxon. Pits containing artefacts and animal bones associated with 95A. |
| 95C | 443900 115700 | Saxon. Faunal remains associated with 95B. |
| 96A | 443900 115700 | Medieval. Enclosures defined by ditches. |
| 96B | 443900 115700 | Medieval. Pits associated with 96A. |
| 96C | 443900 115700 | Medieval. Pottery associated with 96A. |
| 97 | 443900 115700 | Pleistocene. Ancient water course. |

10.1 Hampshire Romano-British Settlements survey

| <i>Hants No.</i> | <i>NGR</i> | <i>Parish</i> | <i>NAR / NMR Nos</i> |
|------------------------------|------------|---------------|----------------------|
| None included in the survey. | | | |

10.2 Scheduled Ancient Monuments (SAMs)

| <i>SAM No.</i> | <i>NGR</i> | <i>Site</i> |
|----------------|---------------|---|
| 561 | 447400 113800 | Hickley Wood hillfort |
| 12148 | 447510 114820 | Bowl barrow 200m west of Moorgreen House. |

11.0 ADDITIONAL SITES / FEATURES (Map 4)

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| 1 | 444040 115420 | Hollow-way that runs alongside the east boundary of the churchyard. This was a section of an access road from what is now Wessex Lane to the fishponds at south of the church. |
| 2 | 444190 115450 | Bank and ditch boundary. |

12.0 CARTOGRAPHIC SOURCES

- Tithe Map 21M65/F7/217/2 (* / 1845)
- GSGB 315 Southampton
- OS 1: 2500 SW 443500 115000, NE 444600 118000
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14.0 PRIMARY HISTORIC SOURCES

14.1 Domesday Book

3, 16 (The Bishop of Winchester for the supplies of the monks of Winchester) (South) Stoneham. It is for the clothing of the monks. Before 1066 it answered for 5 hides; now for 3 hides. Land for 9 ploughs. In lordship 1 plough; 11 villagers and 9 smallholders with 8 ploughs. 1 slave; meadow, 23 acres; 2 fisheries at 39 pence; woodland at 20 pigs. Value before 1066 £7; later £4; now £8.

Richere the Clerk holds this manor's church with 2 other churches near Southampton which belong to this mother church. 1 hide of land is attached there and all the tithes of this village and also of the King's land. Value of what he holds from the Bishop 20s; what he holds from the King 20s.

The following can be identified as being in the same parish.

49, 1 William Alis holds *Allington*. Godman held it from King Edward. Then and now it answered for 3 hides. Land for 5 ploughs. In lordship 1 plough; 11 villagers and 6 smallholders with 7 ploughs. A church; 10 slaves; 2 mills at 20s; meadow, 67 acres; 30d for grazing; woodland at 20 pigs. Value before 1066 £15; later £7; now £6 10s.

56, 2 Henry (the Treasurer) also holds *Eastleigh*. Godwin held it from King Edward; he could go whither he would. Then it answered for 2 hides; now for 1. Land for 2 ploughs. In lordship 1; 4 villagers and 7 smallholders with 3 ploughs. 2 slave; meadow, 12 acres; woodland at 5 pigs. Value before 1066, later and now 40s.

Boyatt was in Otterbourne but parts of this became included in Eastleigh (Boyatt Wood).

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58, 1 Herbrand (of Pont Audemer) holds *Boyatt* from the King. Godric held it from King Edward. Then it answered for 2 hides; now for ½ hide. Land for 2 ploughs. In lordship 1 plough. 2 slaves. 2 mills at 16s; meadow, 45 acres; woodland at 1 pig. Value before 1066 £4; later and now 40s.

14.2 Subsidy Rolls

1334

Manors and / or tithings in the following order.

| | |
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| Boyatt (Otterbourne) | £0.12.3 |
| Eastleigh | £1.17.10 |
| Barton (Peverel) | £1.2.0 |
| Townhill | £2.19.8 |
| Allington | £3.5.3 |
| South Stoneham | £7.14.4 |

1524 South Stoneham was not listed but manors and / or tithings within the parish were included as follows:

Allington

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| <i>1st survey:</i> | £1.10.10 | (16 taxpayers) |
| <i>2nd survey:</i> | £1.10.2 | (taxpayers; not given) |

Barton Peverel

| | | |
|--------------------|--------|----------------|
| <i>1st survey:</i> | £1.4.8 | (9 taxpayers) |
| <i>2nd survey:</i> | £2.7.2 | (32 taxpayers) |

Boyatt

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| (Otterbourne) <i>1st survey:</i> | £0.16.8 | (7 taxpayers) |
| <i>2nd survey:</i> | £1.00.8 | (12 taxpayers) |

Eastleigh

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|--------------------|---|---------------|
| <i>1st survey:</i> | £0.9.8 | (5 taxpayers) |
| <i>2nd survey:</i> | Not listed; included with Boyatt (5+7=12) | |

Townhill

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|--------------------|--------|----------------|
| <i>1st survey:</i> | £2.2.8 | (14 taxpayers) |
| <i>2nd survey:</i> | £3.4.0 | (15 taxpayers) |

14.3 Manorial Documents

The following manors have been recorded, their probable manor house sites in brackets: South Stoneham (South Stoneham House); Mainsbridge *alias* Townhill (The Grange); Mainsbridge *alias* Swaythling (Sheppard's Farm); Pollack; Bitterne; Allington (Allington Manor Farm); Barton Peverel; Eastleigh; Portswood; Shamblehurst (Shamblehurst Farm). At Swaythling and Pollack, manorial rights could not be found in the title deeds by the late C19 (VCH 3: 484).

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14.4 Hearth Tax 1665

Manors and / or tithings in the following order.

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| Bitterne | 39 hearths chargeable (11 houses) 5 hearths not chargeable (4 houses) | Total: 15 houses. |
| Pollack | 22 hearths chargeable (3 houses) 8 hearths not chargeable (6 houses) | Total: 30 houses. |
| Boyatt (Otterbourne) | 33 hearths chargeable (14 houses) 4 hearths not chargeable (4 houses) | Total: 18 houses. |
| Barton Peverel | 9 hearths chargeable (4 houses) 1 hearth not chargeable (1 house) | Total: 5 houses. |
| Eastleigh | 9 hearths chargeable (2 houses) | Total: 2 houses. |
| Shamblehurst | 38 hearths chargeable (18 houses) 26 hearths not chargeable (26 houses) | Total: 44 |
| houses. | | |
| Allington | 60 hearths chargeable (20 houses) 17 hearths not chargeable (16 houses) | Total: 36 |
| houses. | | |

15.0 PLACE NAME

932 (C13 / C14) (*æt stanham* (North); 1086 *Stoneham* (North). Both North and South Stoneham have the same origin. They were distinguished in medieval times as *Abbot's* and *Bishop's Stoneham*, being held by Hyde Abbey and the see of Winchester respectively. Place-name is OE *stanham* 'stone estate'. Coates suggests that the origin is derived from buildings or the character of the land (Coates R, 1989: 157). However, it is also possible (and more probable) that the two estates were once a single unit and that the place-name is derived from a Roman road that ran from *Clausentum* (Bitterne), north to Winchester. A Roman road crossed into the parish at Chandlers Ford in North Stoneham (IH 3 / 2000).

16.0 PHOTOGRAPHS

None taken.

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17.0 OTHER PROJECT ELEMENTS

17.1 Pre-Conquest Charters

- AD 990 x 992. King Æthelred to the church of St Peter and All Saints, South Stoneham, Hants.; grant of land at Hinton Ampner, Hampshire. *Latin with English bounds* (284 / **942**).
- AD 990 x 992. King Æthelred to ?; grant of land at Weston in *South* Stoneham, Hampshire. *Latin with English bounds* (284 / **944**).

NB Various commentators have disagreed as to whether this charter refers to North or to South Stoneham. The lack of clarity could be explained by an ancient boundary change noted by the author of VCH whereby in the extent of North Stoneham, as granted to Hyde Abbey in 941, there was a ‘mill place at Northe Mannysbrygge’. This would have to put the mill on the North Stoneham side, probably the site of one of the two mills mentioned in Domesday as being in North Stoneham (VCH 3: 479; see also Paragraph 14.1 below). At the time of the VCH survey there were no suitable mill sites in North Stoneham (VCH 3: 479) and it seems that those of 1086 had been transferred to South Stoneham at some time (*e.g.* West End Mill). This would make the charter bounds of North and South Stoneham irrelevant to the late C19 parish boundaries and therefore render it difficult to interpret the charter.

- AD 1045. King Edward to the Old Minster, Winchester; grant of land at *South* Stoneham, Hampshire. *Latin with English bounds* (301-2 / **1012**).

NB The same comments apply as to **944** above.

17.2 Other parish settlements include:

| <i>Name</i> | <i>MSP No.</i> | <i>NGR / map ref.</i> | <i>First recorded</i> |
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17.3 Enclosures

Parliamentary:

| <i>NEP No.</i> | <i>Act</i> | <i>Order</i> | <i>Award</i> | <i>Details</i> |
|----------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| 14133 | 1812 | | 1814 | Bitterne Common, Weston Common and Weston Marsh. |
| 14134 | 1813 | | 1815 | Manor of Townhill or Shamblehurst: Gravel Pit Hill, Hatchbottom, West End Green, Giles Hill, Shales Flat, Beacon Hill, Goathouse Bottom, Down Hill, Taylors Gully, Wildern Common, Hedge End, Old Toll Gate, Woodhouse Lane, Botley Grange, Peak Corner, Berry Wood Corner, Keepers Paddock, Moor Green, Bubb Lane, Appleford Heath, Boarley Green, Long Common, Pudbrook. |

Formal Agreements:

| <i>NEP No.</i> | <i>Agreement</i> | <i>Award</i> | <i>Details</i> |
|----------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|
| | None known. | | |

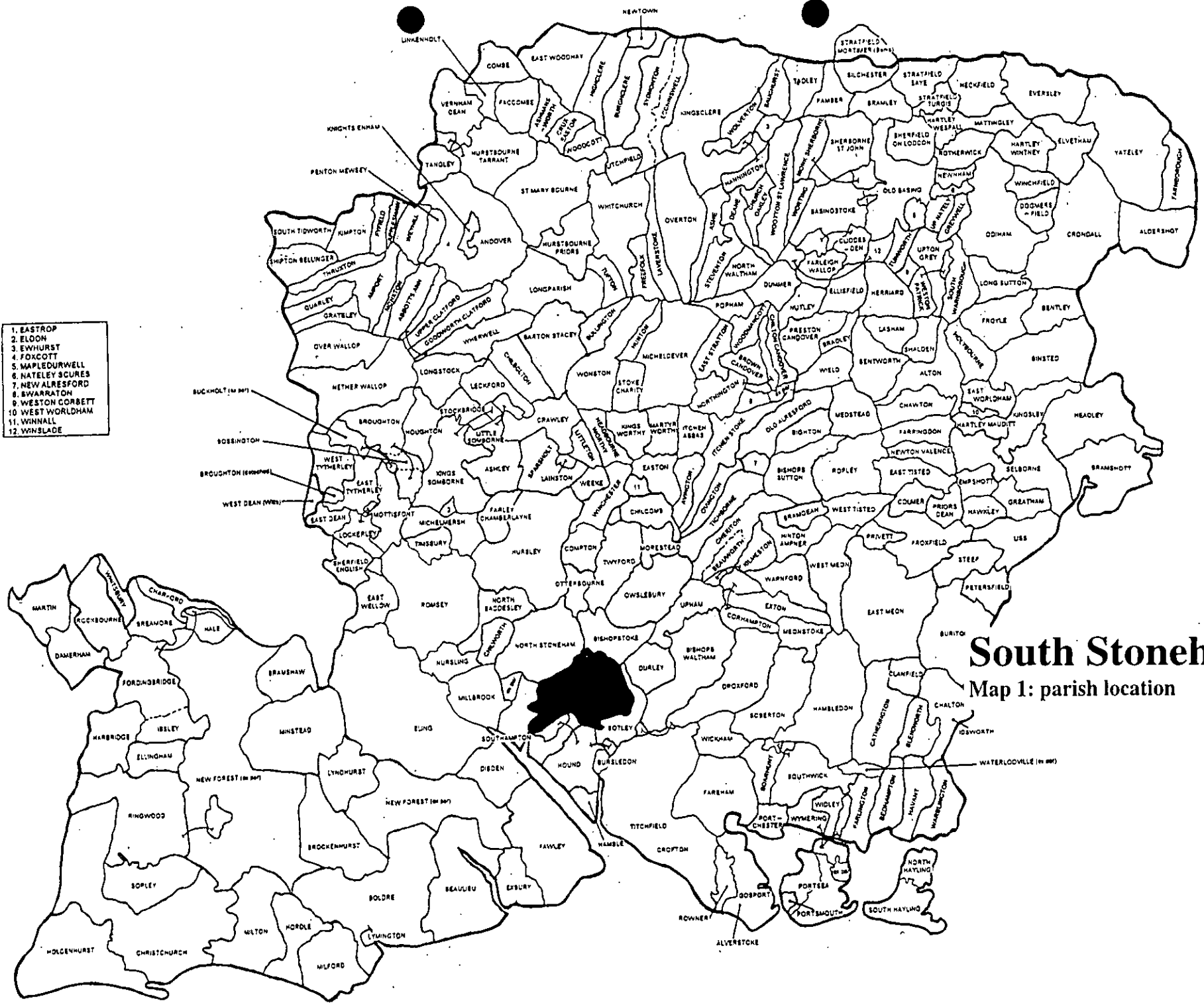
17.4 Commons & Greens (residual)

None known and a zero return was made to the Inclosure and Tithe Commissioners in 1873.

18.0 ILLUSTRATIONS

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- 2 Map 2: Settlement location at 1: 25000
- 3 Map 3: c. 1845 Tithe Map transcription at 1: 2500 reduced to 71%
- 4 Map 4: Development & archaeological features at 1: 2500 reduced to 71%
- 5 Map 5: Areas of archaeological potential at 1: 2500 reduced to 71%.

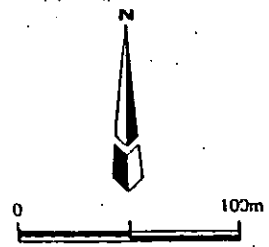
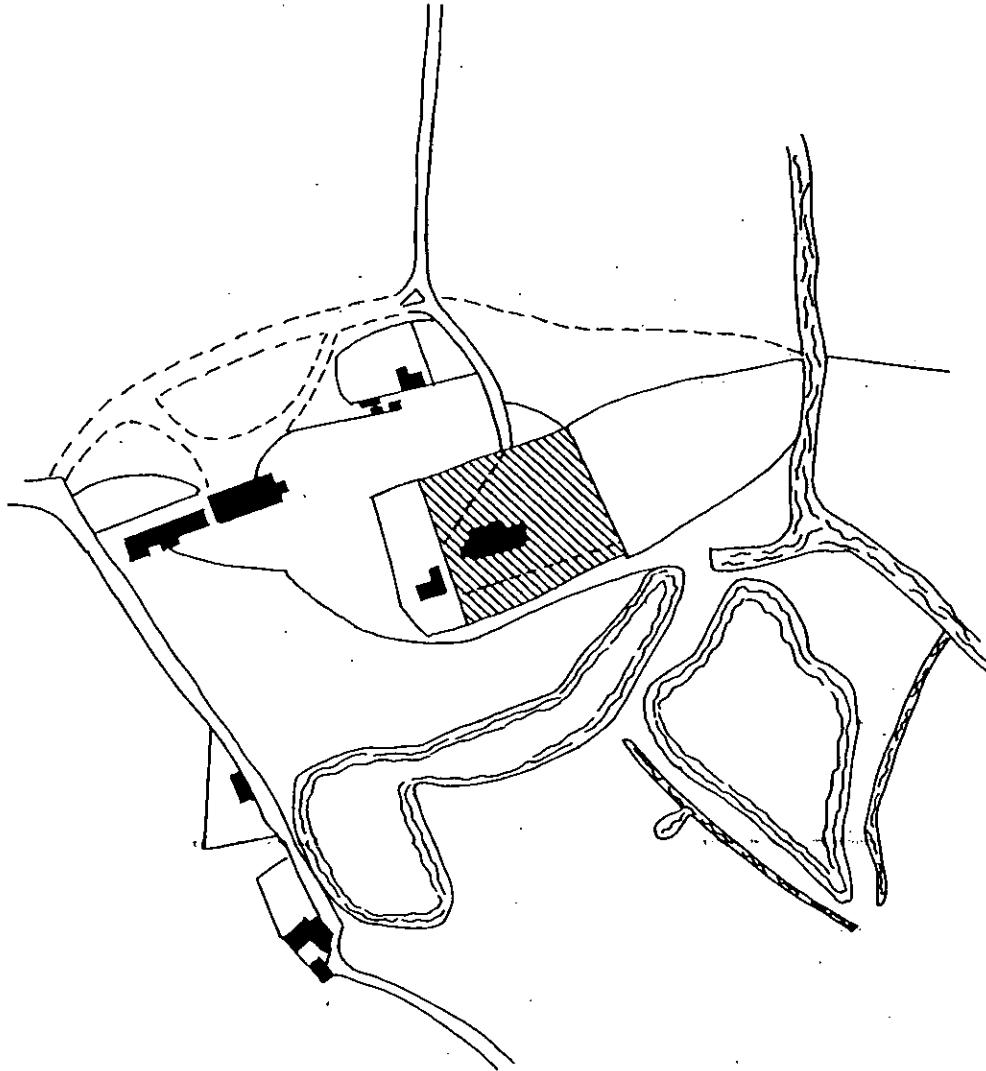
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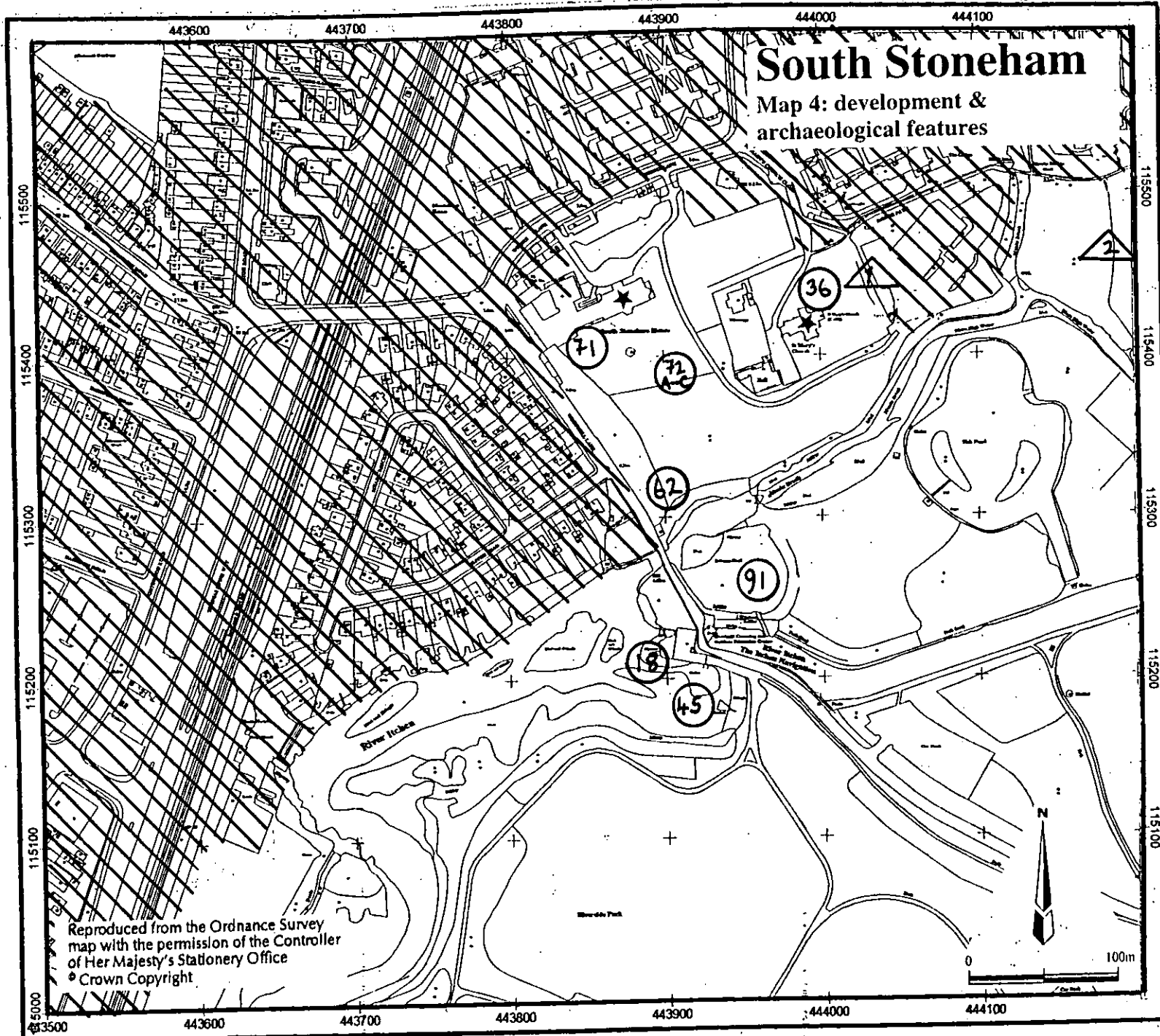


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Map 1: parish location

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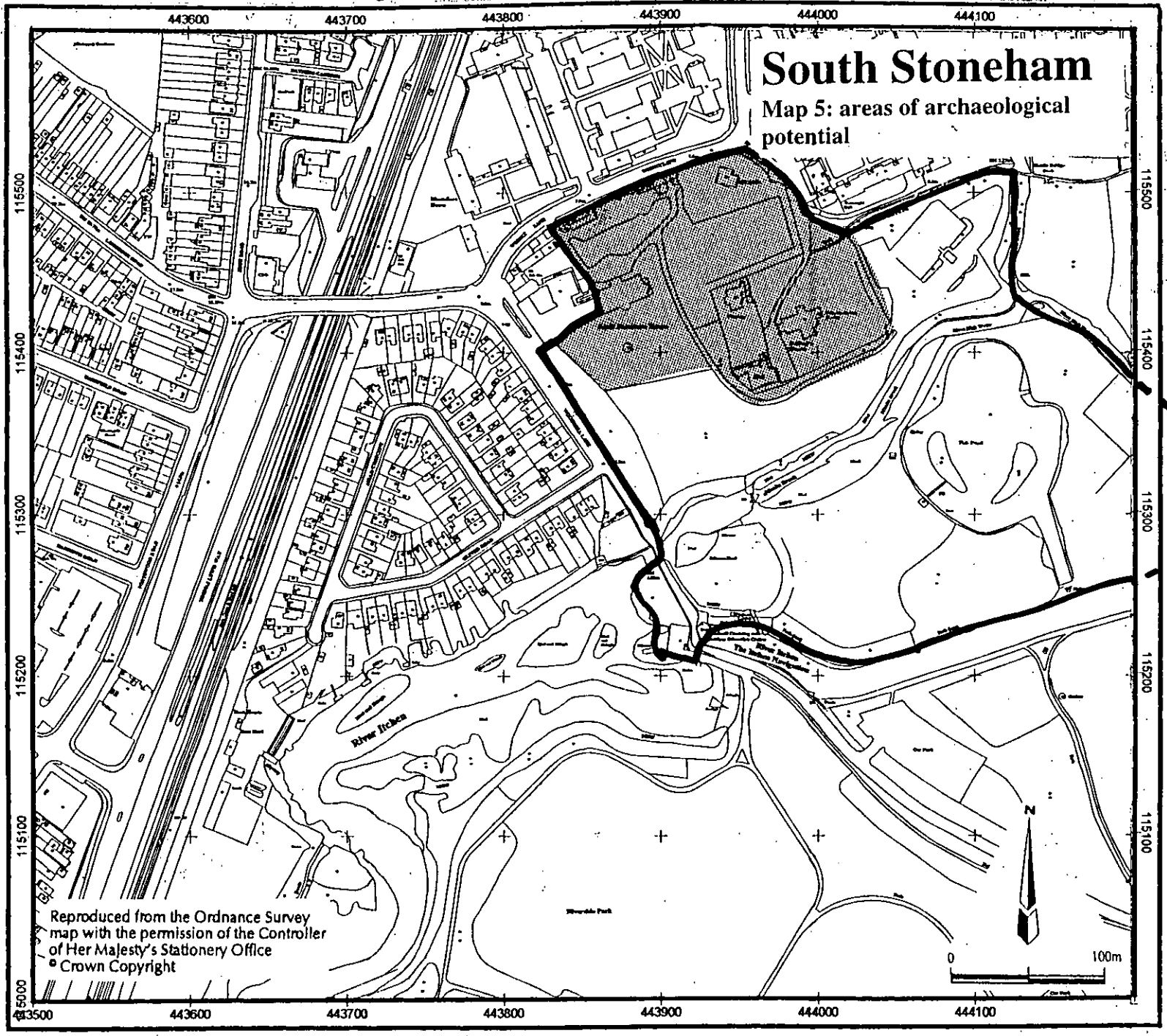
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Map of c.1845





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Map 5: areas of archaeological potential



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