

Boarhunt

- 1.0 PARISH** Boarhunt (Map 1)
2.0 HUNDRED Portsdown
3.0 NGR 460280 108220
4.0 GEOLOGY London Clay above chalk natural; Bagshot Sands to the south

5.0 SITE CONTEXT (Map 2)

5.1 Boarhunt (Manor Farm) The Church of St Nicholas and the Manor Farm that comprise Boarhunt are on the lower northern slope of Portsdown at 25m – 35m AOD. The Boarhunt Road passes south to north through the settlement. Boarhunt Mill (now known as Flower Mill) is on the Wallington River, a little less than 1km due north.

5.2 North Boarhunt, as the name suggests, is at the north end of the parish of Boarhunt. Today, it is the largest of the Boarhunt settlements, and it is set out along Trampers Lane, a northern spur of the B2177. At the south end of North Boarhunt the height AOD is in the region 25-30m. The lower ground is on the east side because here there is the valley of a stream that follows the line of Trampers Lane. At the north end of the settlement the stream gently veers away from the line of Trampers Lane and the buildings of North Boarhunt are closer to 40m AOD in this area.

6.0 PLAN TYPE & DESCRIPTION (Maps 3, 4 / 1, 4 / 2, 4 / 3 and 5 / 1, 5 / 2, 5 / 3)

6.1 Church & manor house (Manor Farm)

The Manor Farm / St Nicholas church grouping conforms to the largest of three Boarhunt entries in the Domesday Book (paragraph 14.1 [21, 1]). According to Domesday, there was a church and in accord with this, St Nicholas has pre-Conquest features. The mill on the river Wallington known as Flower Mill (formerly Boarhunt Mill) is likely to be on or close to the site of one of the two mills listed in Domesday. Two salt houses are mentioned too, and this suggests that Boarhunt's holdings included land on the coast, probably in the shallows of Portsmouth Harbour, just 3.5km to the south. The present Manor Farm house, once the manor house (VCH 3: 114) is C17 but there are tentative signs that it stands on an earlier site. Not least of these indicative features is what appears to be a manorial fishpond just c. 300m to the north-west.

6.1.2 The archaeological potential of this church and manor house group has been strengthened by finds from St Nicholas' churchyard (paragraph 10.0, Nos 31,34 & 35).

In addition, C11 pottery finds from the graveyard extension immediately to the west of the church.

6.2 Common edge (North Boarhunt)

6.2.1 Much of North Boarhunt is of post-medieval origin. The 1870 OS County Map shows

it as a typical common edge settlement with dwellings on the west side of Trampers Lane with allotments on the eastern margin. This arrangement can be detected today although the allotments have gone into decline and in some places C20 houses can be found in their stead. Archaeologically, the most important aspect of North Boarhunt is that it demonstrates the tell-tale features of having been a post-medieval squatter community. Trampers Lane is almost certainly a statement about the people who lived there and the layout of the road has something to say too. From its junction with the B 2177 northwards for *c.* 200m the lane is 'S'-shaped suggesting that it conforms to a former field system associated with Wine Cross Farm, but from Yewtree Cottage onwards, the Trampers Lane straightens, eventually into a formal line. There can be little doubt that the northern stretch of the lane has been surveyed-in, demonstrating the same characteristics as the post-medieval field boundaries and property plots to the west.

6.2.2 Two other features should be noted. A glance at the 1870 OS map reveals gravel pits on the west side of Trampers Lane; clearly this community had an industrial purpose. Second, the same source demonstrates that most of the properties had their own wells which, combined with the allotments on the east side of the Lane, are indicative of a reasonable degree of household independence. Modern properties may have little archaeological potential but their names are indicative of the working community: Heath Lodge, Tanglewood, Hawthorn Cottage, Mayfield, Meadow View, Orchard Bungalows, Springfield, and Pound Farm.

6.2.3 The medieval and earlier archaeology of North Boarhunt (if it exists) is more likely to be found at the junction of Trampers Lane with the B2177 Roman Road. This is an area of adjoining streams. On the south side of the road junction, Crooks Gate (OS 10,560, 1870) suggests a traditional access point to the Forest of Bere.

6.3 *Site visit conditions:* drizzle (20.3.2002)

7.0 ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL (Map 5 / 1, 5 / 2, 5 / 3)

7.1 *AsAP*

7.1.1 North Boarhunt. Wine Cross Farm and its immediate environs are close to the Roman road, the curvilinear section of Trampers Lane and the meeting point of a number of streams. Together these constitute a possible ancient settlement area.

7.2 *AsHAP*

7.2.1 Manor Farm and its farmyard curtilage. The C17 or earlier site of the manor house and the close proximity of a probable medieval fishpond suggest that this is an AHAP.

7.2.2 The churchyard of St Nicholas and the cemetery to the east have produced Roman and C11 finds indicating that this is C11 or earlier settlement area (paragraph 6.2.1).

8.0 CHURCH & CHURCHYARD

St Nicholas

- An aisle-less nave and chancel structure of flint and rubble;
- The nave is rendered on the exterior but the flint construction of the chancel is visible;
- Small church of pre-Conquest date but probably mid-C11;
- Plain chancel arch is Saxon;
- String course still visible across the base of the east and south of chancel gable;
- The angles have Binstead stone dressing;
- West end of nave shows signs of former cross wall;
- North side of the chancel has the only original window;
- C13 most of remaining windows (lancets); the east window is also of this date;
- C14 recessed arches either side of pre-Conquest chancel arch;
- One coupled C16 window;
- Original north and south chancel doors have been blocked and entrance is achieved via the west door;
- C19 open bell turret presumably a result of the general restoration of 1853;
- Monument to Henslow family dated 1577;
- A hollow, ancient yew tree stands *c.* 5m east of the chancel.

9.0 BUILDINGS (Map 4 / 1, 4 / 2, 4 / 3)

PRN	Details	Dates	Grade
13259	Hipley Farm: stable at	late C18	II
13260	Hipley Farm: granary at	early C19	II
13261	Hipley Farm: tithe barn at	early C18	II
939	Church of St Nicholas	C13, 14, 16, 1853	I
10650	Bere Farmhouse	C17, 18, 20	II
10651	Manor Farmhouse	C17, 18, 19, 20	II
825	Manor Farmhouse: granary 20m south-west of	early C19	II
1607	Manor Farmhouse: barn 20m west of	C18	II
1949	Manor Farmhouse: barn 35m west of	C18	II
95	Boarhunt Mill & Mill House	early C19	II
10652	Fort Nelson	1860s	I
10653	The Nelson Monument	1807	II*

10.0 SMR DATA (Map 4 / 1, 4 / 2, 4 / 3)

SU60NW	No.		
	29	460340 I08280	Medieval. Pre-Conquest parish church of St Nicholas (see paragraph 8.0).
	31	460350 I08280	Roman. Coin of Trajan find spot in graveyard of St Nicholas church.
	34	460300 I08290	Medieval. Saxon pottery finds from St Nicholas churchyard. Some examples in Portsmouth City Museum.
	35	460300 I08300	Medieval. 11 th -century pottery found during extension of St Nicholas churchyard in 1970. Portsmouth City Museum.
	98	460300 I08300	Medieval. Domesday Book reference to Boarhunt.
**m	109	460420 I08500	Undated but probably medieval. Fishpond adjacent to Manor Farm.
SU51SE	42	459300 I10560	Roman road 12. Section of the Bitterne to Chichester road, course visible on AP ref: run35w138.
*SU61SW	46	460300 I10700	Medieval hamlet of North Boarhunt, first documented AD 1161. NB A risky assumption. This reference is more likely to apply to Boarhunt in its wider estate context rather than to a component of it.

10.1 Hampshire Romano-British Settlements survey

<i>Hants No.</i>	<i>NGR</i>	<i>Parish</i>	<i>NAR / NMR Nos</i>
None known, but the proximity to the course of a Roman road suggests potential.			

10.2 Scheduled Ancient Monuments (SAMs)

<i>SAM No.</i>	<i>NGR</i>	<i>Site</i>
329	460700 I07200	Fort Nelson
462	461000 I07200	Nelson's Monument

11.0 ADDITIONAL SITES / FEATURES (Map 4 / 1, 4 / 2, 4 / 3)

11.1 Boarhunt Manor Farm

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| 1 | 460370 I08520 (approx.) | Tentative signs of earthworks possibly related to a field system. |
| 2 | 460430 I08500 (approx.) | Earthworks, possibly related to a field system. |
| 3 | 460360 I08290 | Curvilinear northern edge of churchyard that drops sharply to the north (approximately 3m). The area below is now occupied by a car park but VCH (3: 144) describes this as the site of a chalk pit. If so, then it is probable that archaeological evidence has been lost in this area. |
| 4 | 460300 I08255
460340 I08250 | Location of shallow terracing probably related to a former orchard on this site. |
| 5 | 460100 I08270 | Point on a track-way that conforms to a terrace edge, probably part of a field system. |

11.2 North Boarhunt

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| 1 | 460350 I10800 | <p>The house known as <i>Woodrow</i> is at right angles to Trampers Lane, indicating an earlier date than other dwellings in this area.</p> <p>The exterior walls are rendered making it impossible to detect the nature of the build. Possibly contemporary with early post-medieval settlement along this common edge.</p> |
| 2 | 460265 I10320 | Wine Cross Farm. Proximity to the B 2177 Roman Road and multiple stream beds might indicate an ancient settlement site. |

12.0 CARTOGRAPHIC SOURCES

- Tithe Map 21M65/7/25/2 (1840 / 1851)
- GSGB 316 Fareham
- OS 1: 2500 Boarhunt church and manor: SW 460000 I08150, NE 460680 I08600
North Boarhunt: SW 460000 I10250, NE 460600 I11100
- OS 1: 25000 Explorer 119: Meon Valley, Portsmouth, Gosport & Fareham
- OS 1: 10,560 Boarhunt church & manor: 460500 I08499 (1870)
North Boarhunt: 460500 I10499 (1870)

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14.0 PRIMARY HISTORIC SOURCES

14.1 Domesday Book

3, 23 In *Boarhunt* the monks of the Bishop of Winchester have ½ hide from the Bishopric. It is for the supplies of the monks. It answers for ½ hide. Nothing there but 1 villager. Value 6s 6d.

21, 1 Earl Roger holds *Boarhunt* from the King. 3 freemen held it from King Edward in freehold. Then it answered for 11½ hides; now for 4 hides and 1½ virgates. Land for 10 ploughs. In lordship 2 ploughs; 10 villagers and 6 smallholders with 3 ploughs. 6 slaves; a church; a mill at 42d and another for the hall; 2 salt-houses at 22s 4d.

A man-at-arms holds 1 hide of this manor. He has 1 plough. Value 10s. Value of the whole manor before 1066 £11; later £11; now £14; however it pays £17 of revenue.

Odo of Winchester claims ½ hide of this manor because, he states, it does not belong there.

23, 33 1 hide in *Boarhunt* Tesselin holds from him (Earl Roger). Leofsi and Merwen held it from King Edward in freehold as 2 manors. Then and now it paid tax for 1 hide. Land for 1 plough. It is in lordship; 2 villagers and 2 smallholders with ½ plough. A mill at 5s; meadow ½ acre. Value 20s.

NB Tesselin (23, 33) is probably the man-at-arms mentioned in 21, 1.

14.2 Subsidy Rolls

1334

Boarhunt Herbelyn	£1.9.2
West Boarhunt	£2.14.11
East Boarhunt	£1.10.10

1524

Boarhunt Herbelyn

1st survey: £ No figures given (6 taxpayers)*2nd survey:* £0.5.10 (6 taxpayers)

West Boarhunt

1st Survey: £2.14.2 (22 taxpayers)*2nd survey:* £2.18.2 (20 taxpayers)

East Boarhunt

1st survey: £0.18.8 (12 taxpayers)*2nd survey:* £0.19.4 (13 taxpayers)**14.3 Manors**

West Boarhunt, Boarhunt, Boarhunt Herbelyn, East Boarhunt, Hipley

NB Hipley is now in the parish of Denmead.

14.4 Hearth Tax 1665

Boarhunt Herbelyn No return given.

West Boarhunt: 65 hearths chargeable (22 houses)
6 hearths not chargeable (6 houses). Total: 28 houses.

East Boarhunt: 23 hearths chargeable (9 houses)
0 hearths not chargeable (0 houses). Total: 9 houses.

15.0 PLACE NAME

1086 *Bor(e)hunte*; 1170, 1184 *Burhunt(e)*. OE *burfunta* 'spring of (or at) the fortification or town'. The spring is that at *Ofwell Farm*, whose name also contains a reference to it. *Funta* is taken to testify to signs of Roman activity (see Havant). The modern pronunciation is shown by forms like *Burrant(e)* to date from at least the C16 (Coates, 1989: 36).

16.0 PHOTOGRAPHS

None taken.

17.0 OTHER PROJECT ELEMENTS**17.1 Pre-Conquest Charters**

None listed by Sawyer, 1968.

17.2 Other parish settlements include:

<i>Name</i>	<i>MSP No.</i>	<i>NGR / map ref.</i>	<i>First recorded</i>
Bere Farm & Hale	0302	459690 109470	1269
*Boarhunt (North)	0307	460300 110900	1161
Carhams Farm	0304	460790 109490	1327
Shoothill Lodge	0308	461780 111150	1380

*There is no evidence for a medieval origin for North Boarhunt.

17.3 Enclosures*Parliamentary:*

<i>NEP No.</i>	<i>Act</i>	<i>Order</i>	<i>Award</i>	<i>Details</i>
14014	50 Geo. III cap. ccxviii, 1810		1814	Forest of Bere where Boarhunt had rights. 8,000 acres actual (Act).

Formal Agreements:

<i>NEP No.</i>	<i>Agreement</i>	<i>Award</i>	<i>Details</i>
	No formal enclosure known.		

17.4 Commons & Greens (residual)

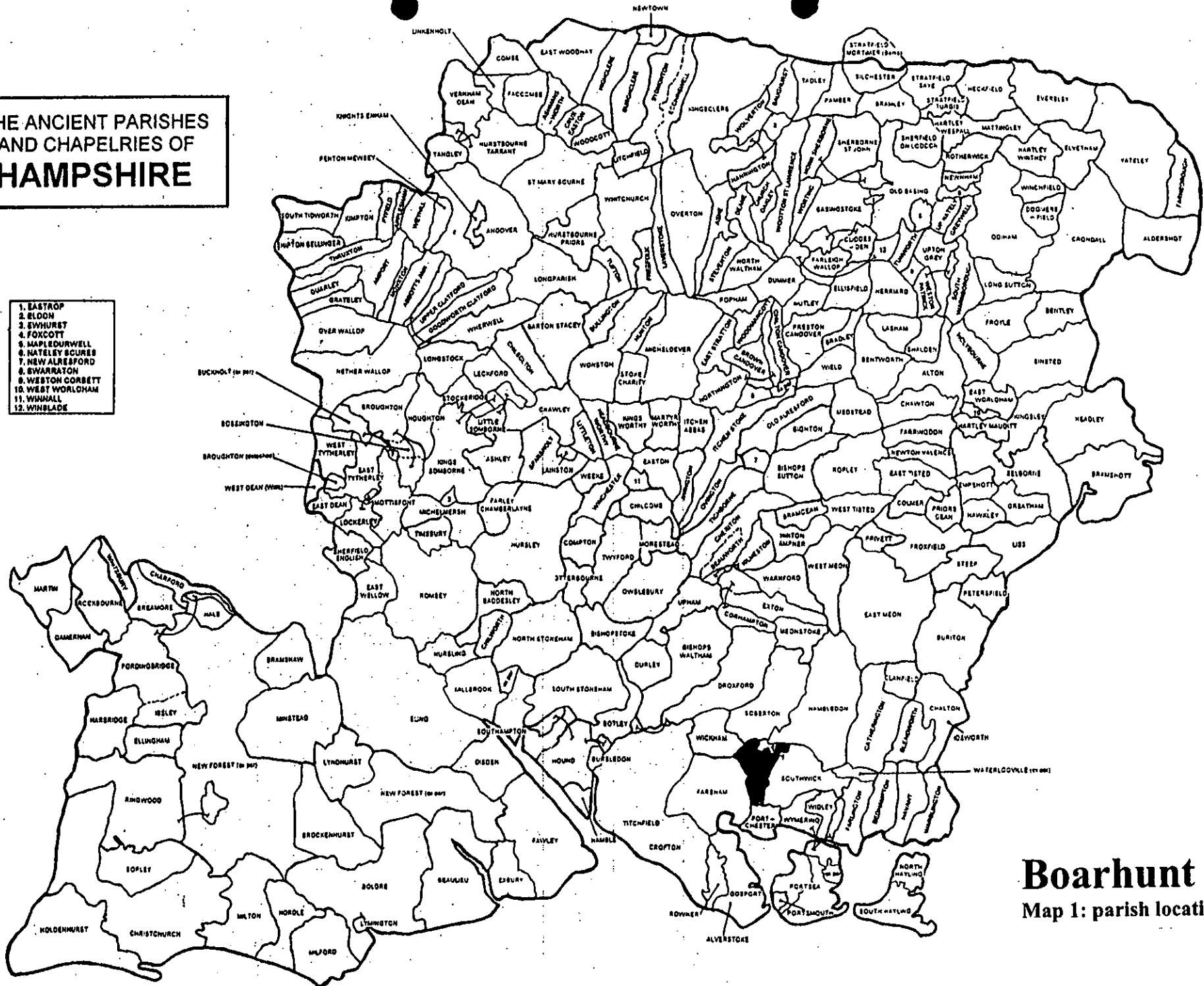
Walton Heath appears in the Tithe Apportionment of 1840.

18.0 ILLUSTRATIONS

- 1 Map 1: Parish location (not to scale)
- 2 Map 2: General (settlement) location at 1: 25000
- 3 Maps 3 / 1 and 3 / 2: Ordnance Survey First Edition County Series (c. 1870s). Map 3 / 2 not to scale
- 4 Maps 4 / 1, 4 / 2 and 4 / 3: Development & archaeological features at 1: 2500 reduced to 71%
- 5 Map 5 / 1, 5 / 2 and 5 / 3: Areas of archaeological potential at 1: 2500 reduced to 71%

**THE ANCIENT PARISHES
AND CHAPELRIES OF
HAMPSHIRE**

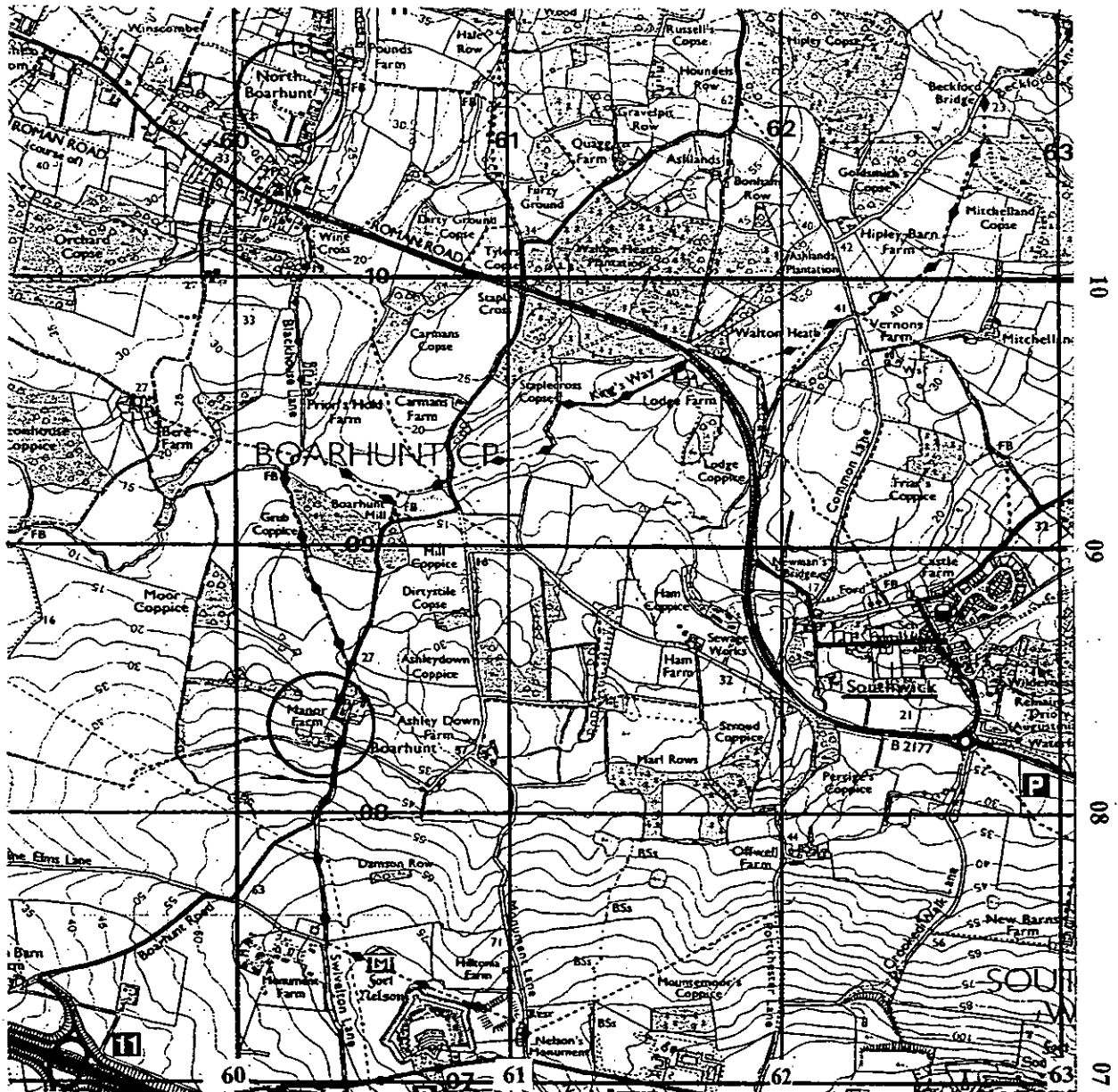
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3. EWHURET
4. FOXCOTT
5. MAPLEDURWELL
6. NATELEY SQUARES
7. NEW ALRESFORD
8. SWARRATON
9. WEST WORLHAM
10. WINNALL
11. WINBLADE



Boarhunt
Map 1: parish location

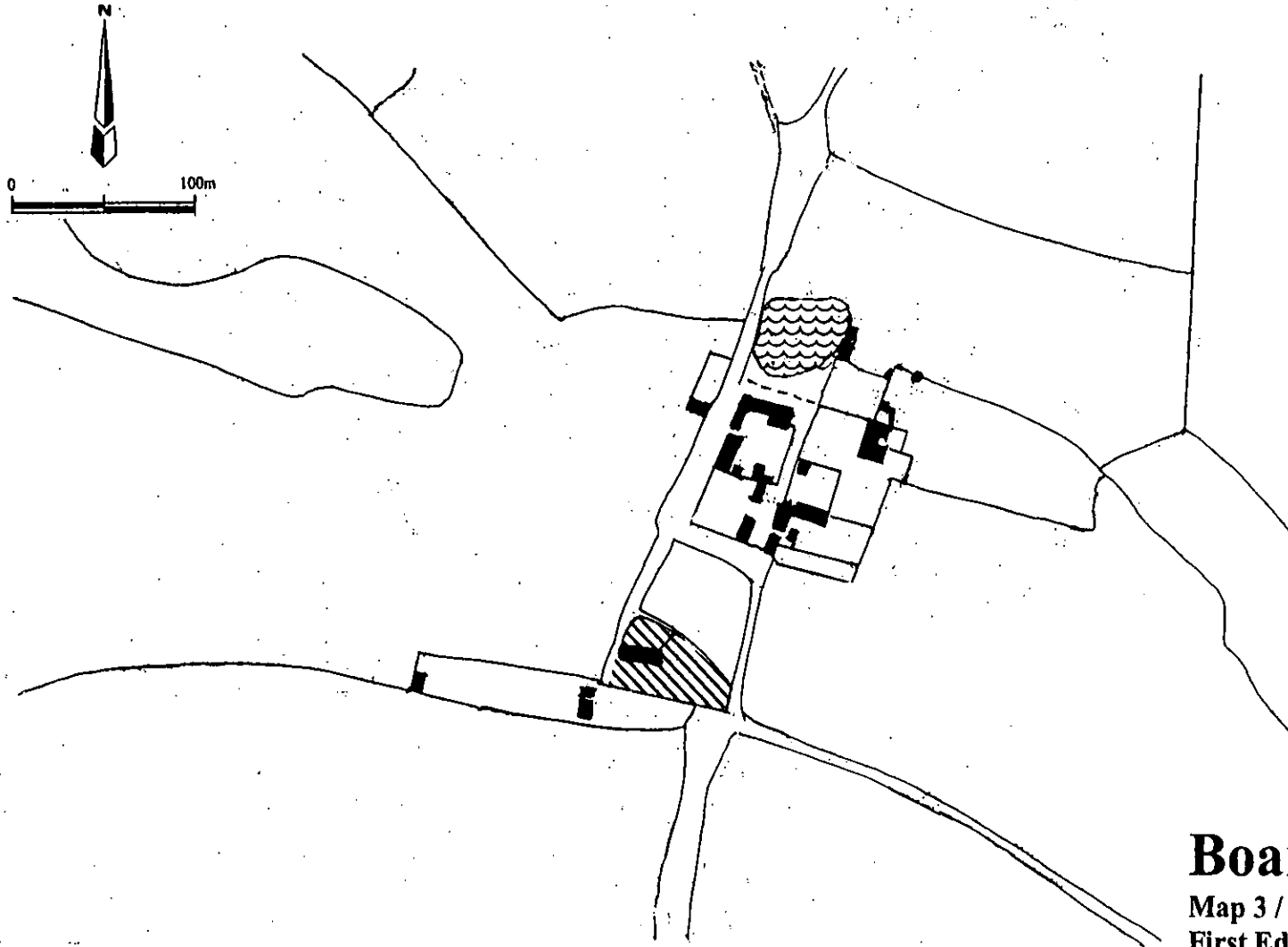
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Map 2: general location



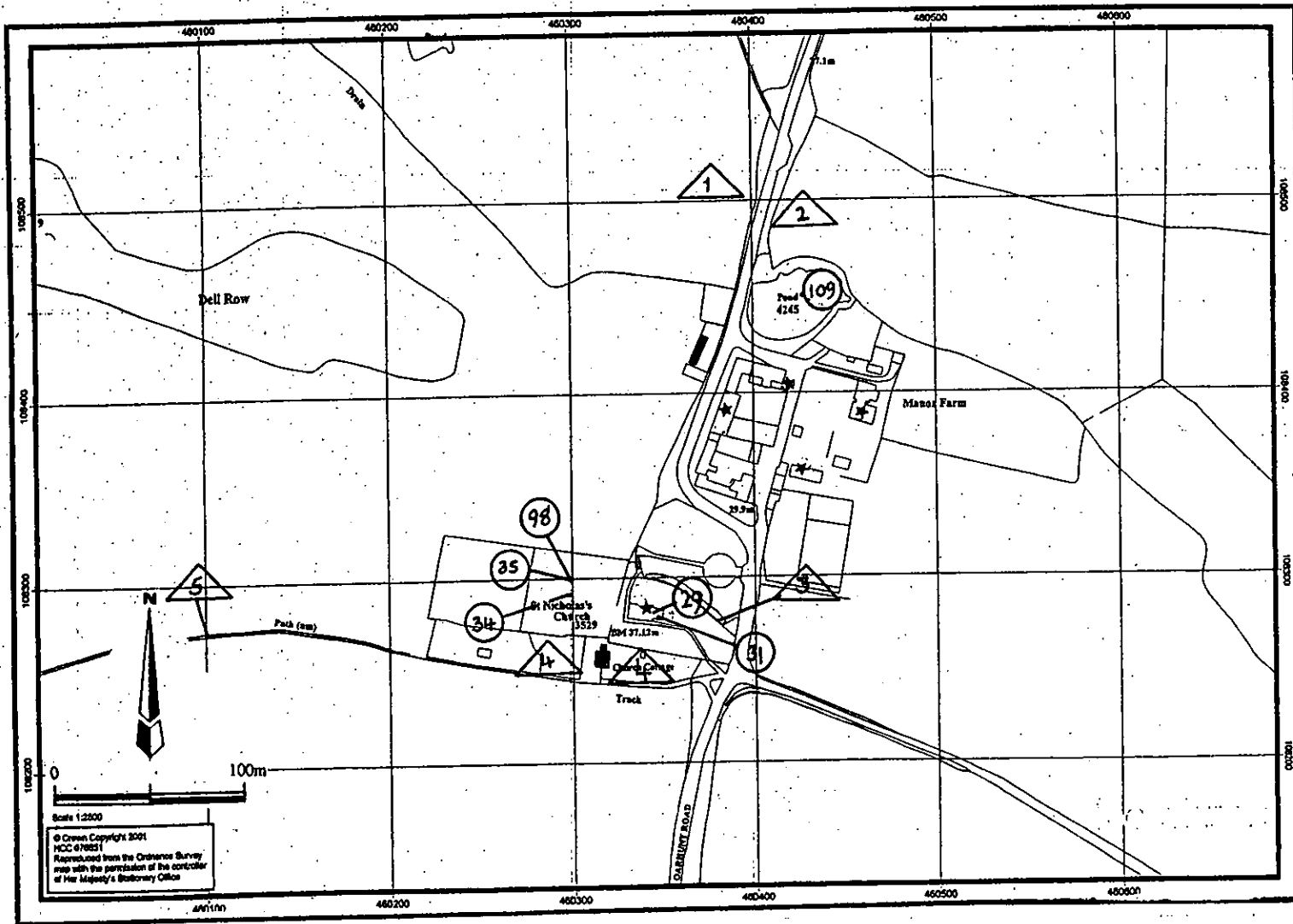
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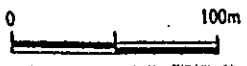
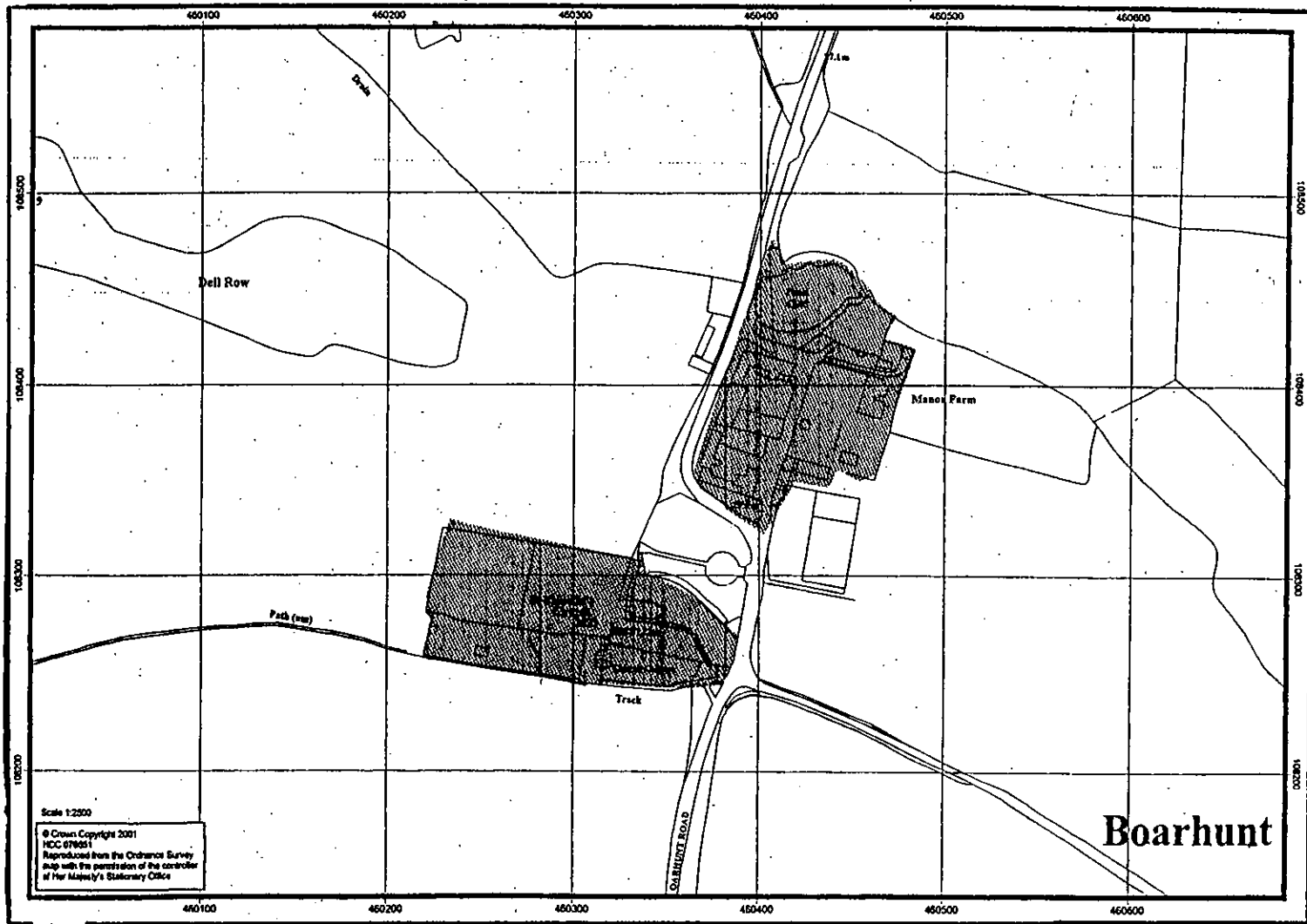


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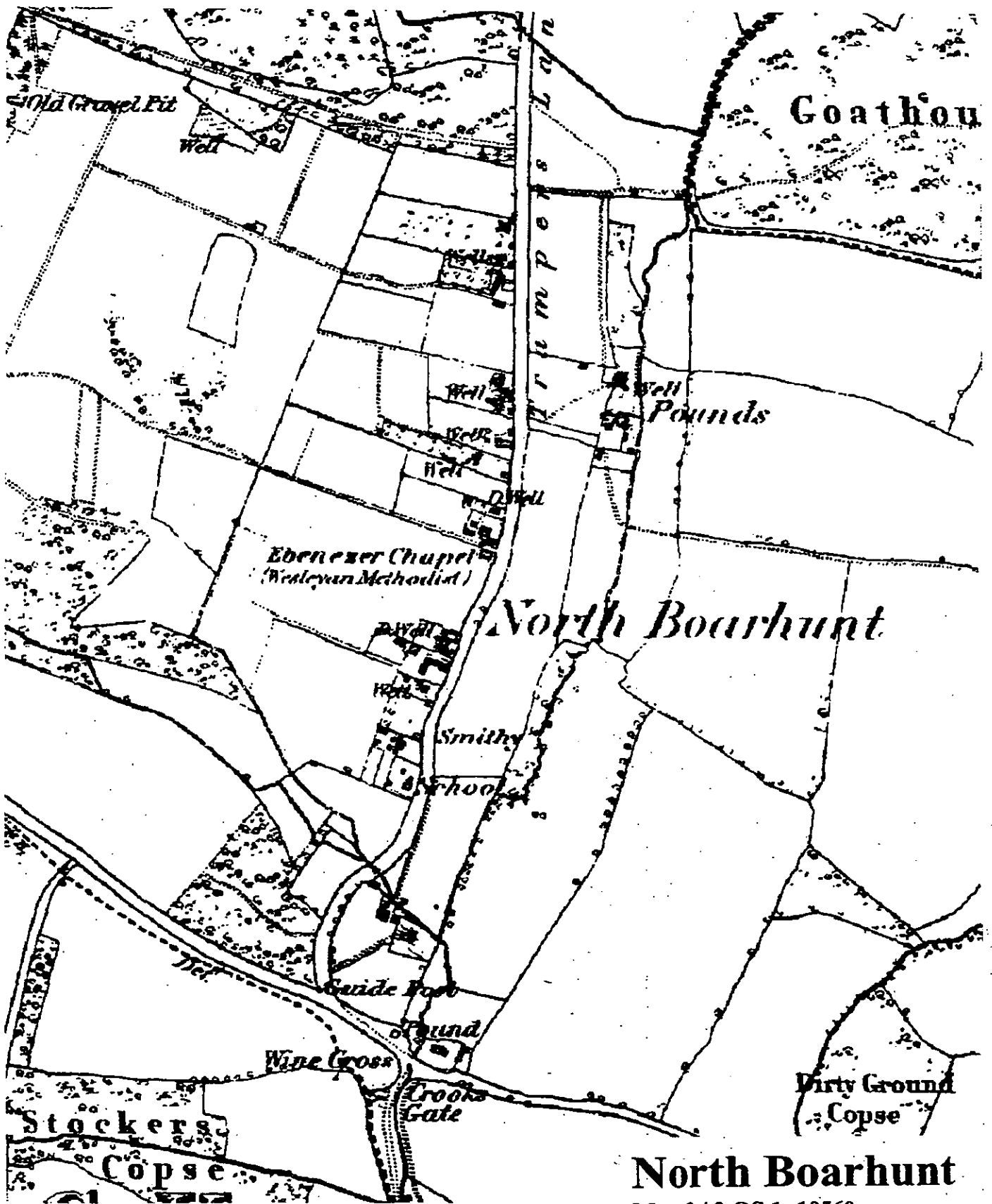
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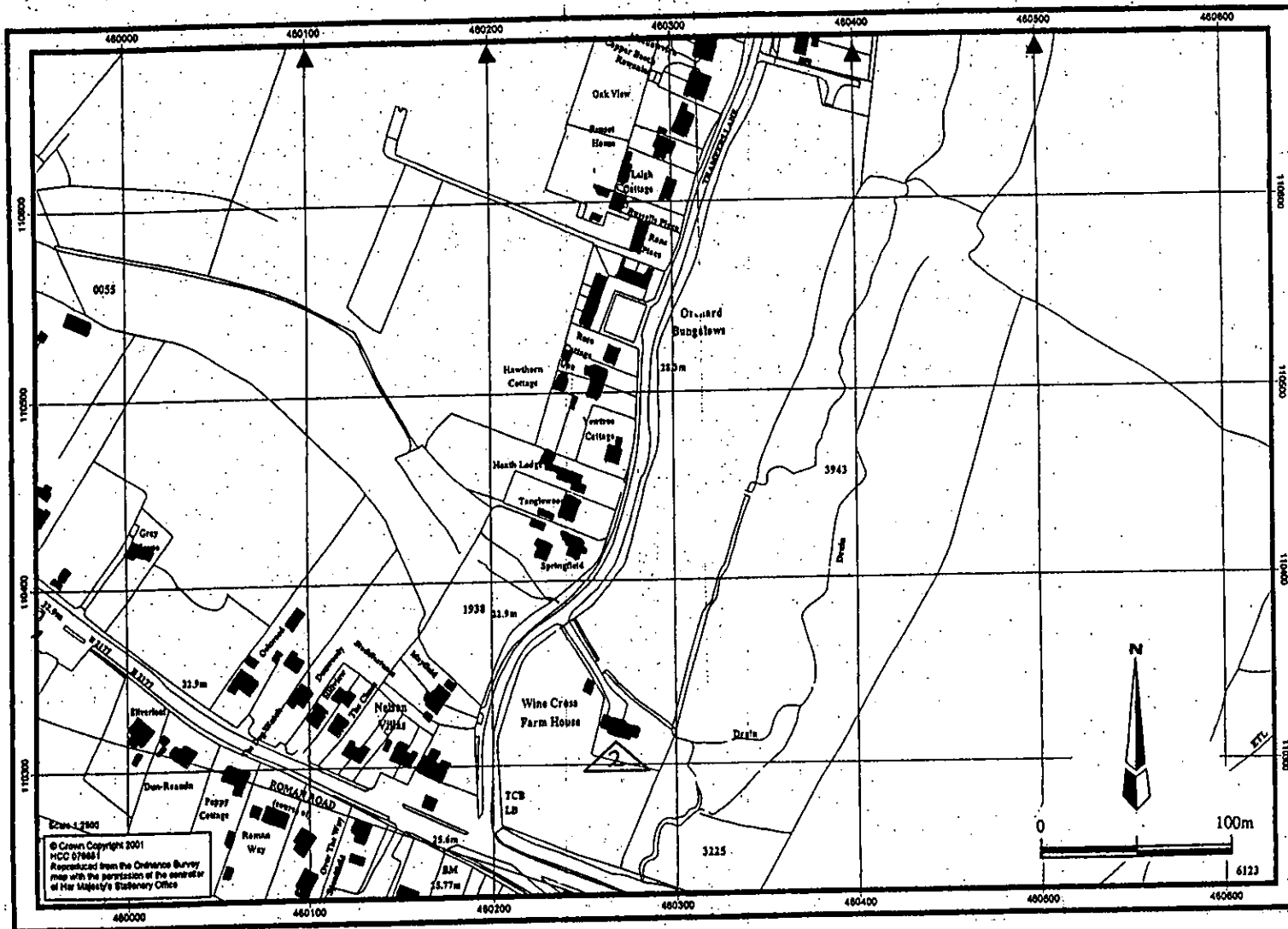


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 Map 5 / 1: areas of archaeological potential

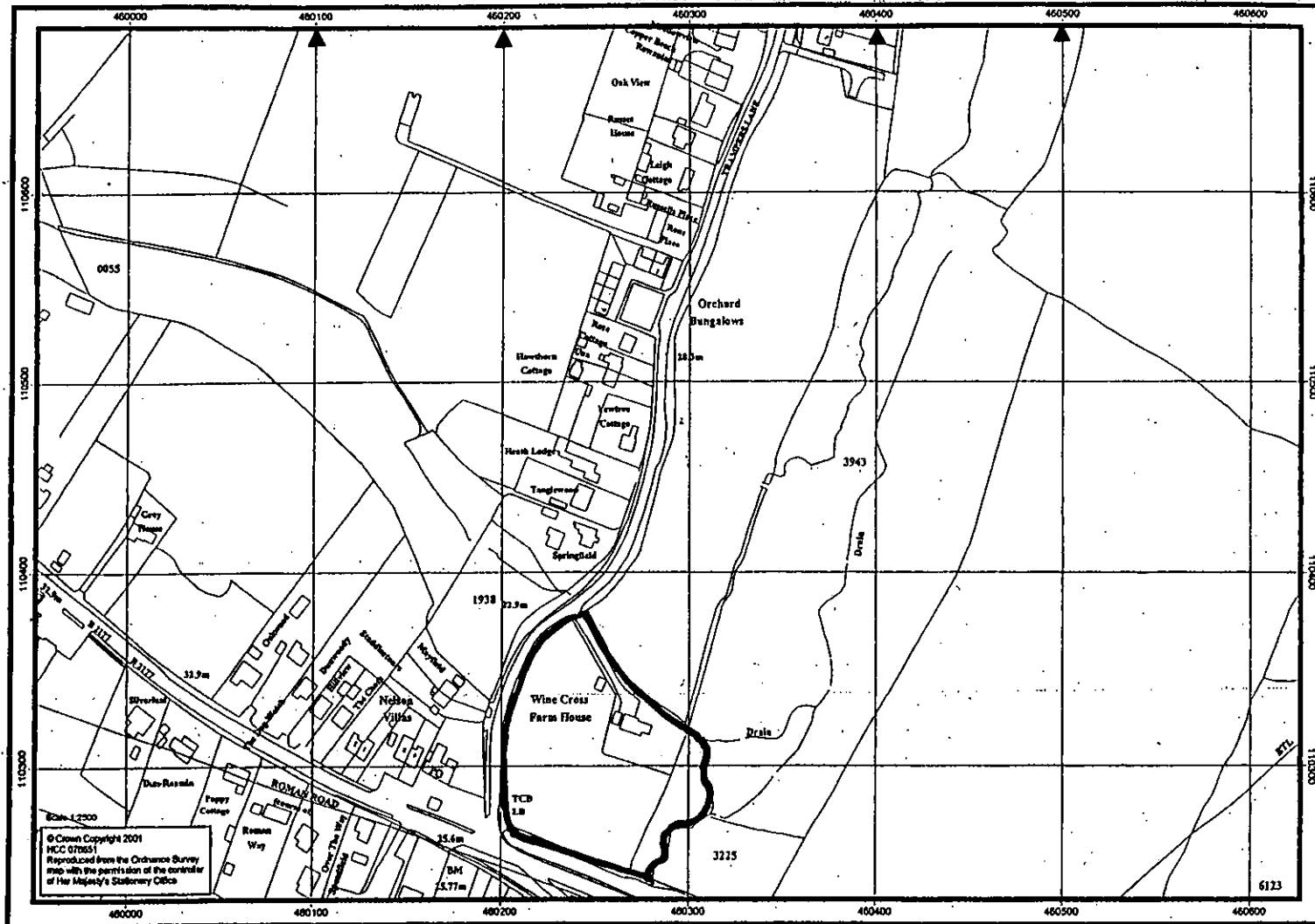


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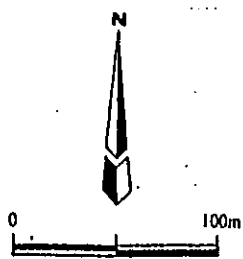
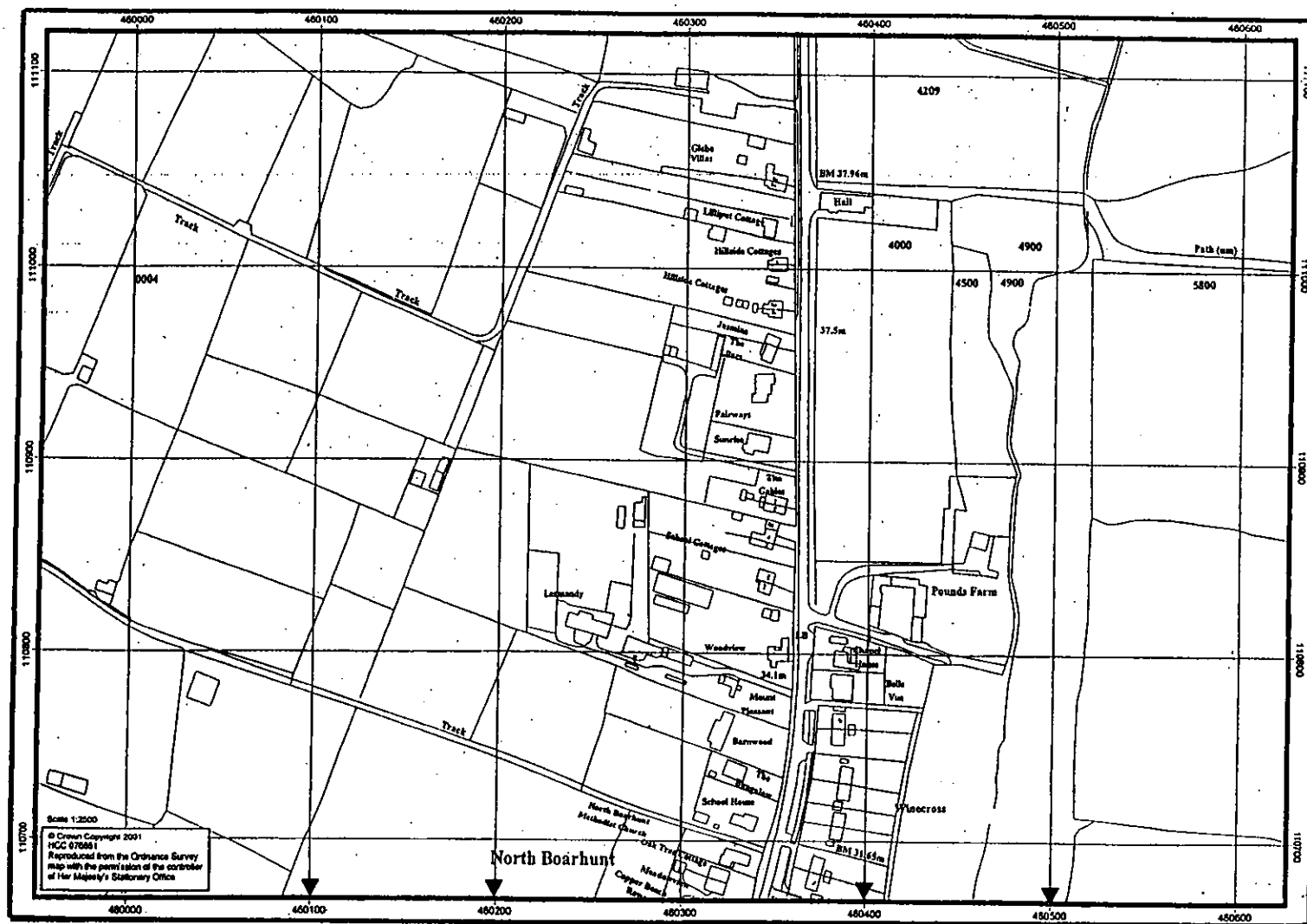
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 Map 4 / 3: development &
 archaeological features



North Boarhunt
 (south)
 Map 5 / 3: areas of archaeological
 potential



North Boarhunt
 (north)
 Map 5 / 2: areas of archaeological potential