

NAME Bransgore  
PARISH Bransgore  
NGR SU 190980  
GEOLOGY Valley Gravels, Plateau Gravels, and a thin band of Bracklesham Beds

SITE CONTEXT Bransgore lies on a relatively flat area on the E edge of the flood plain of the River Avon. There is a slight gradient from W to E but there is only a rise of 15m over about 1km. To the E and particularly the NE the land rises more steeply to over 60m OD from the 15-30m OD level of the settlement

PLAN TYPE & DESCRIPTION The plan of the settlement suggests that it has grown up on an area of common land although only one small triangular area of green is visible at the N edge. There appear to be several 'islands' of encroachment around the edges of which settlement is usually to be found with little settlement of the interiors of these areas. To the E of the irregular 'islands' the fields and roads give the impression of late enclosure with fairly regular boundaries. Bransgore appears to be a post-medieval settlement with one of its earliest documentary references being 1759.

AREAS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL Due to the almost certain lateness of the settlement there are is no AHAP but there is an AAP which surrounds the two irregularly shaped 'islands' of encroachment. These areas probably represent the earliest clustering of settlement in the area although there may well have been dispersed farms and cottages in the area at an earlier date. Although 1759 appears to be the earliest reference to the settlement, this does not tell us exactly when Bransgore was developing.

CHURCH & CHURCHYARD St Mary. 1822

#### BUILDINGS

(Listed)

Thatched Cottage Betsey Lane Late C18 C19 II

Betsey Cottage Early C19 II

Hinton House Dark Lane Late C18 II

1 Hinton House Cottages Early C19 II

Yew Cottage Harrow Rd C18 and early C19 II

Harrow Fmhse C18 C19 II

Cartshed 30m NE C18 II

Little Cottage Hill Lane C18 II

Pine Tree Cottage Ringwood Rd Early C19 II

Three Tuns PH C18 Restored C20 after fire II

Church of St Mary the Virgin 1822 II

(Un-listed)

#### SMR DATA

SZ19NE

1 18909850 BA round barrow

4 17759811 ditto  
7 19419840 Neo stone tool  
8 19389858 ditto

#### ADDITIONAL SITES/FEATURES

1 18769780 Hollow-way. Alongside the road from the junction near the war memorial a hollow-way runs parallel to the road on its S side. At the grid reference given, a second trackway on the line of the boundary is visible as a hollow and meets the first track. The present day road is on the line of the track to the SW. This site is in woodland

CARTOGRAPHIC SOURCES OS 1st Edition 6" map 1870; OS 1:2,500 SZ1897-1997, 1898-1998

#### BIBLIOGRAPHY

#### PRIMARY HISTORIC SOURCES

**Domesday** Not recorded

**Subsidy Rolls** Not recorded

#### **Manorial Documents**

**Hearth Tax** not recorded

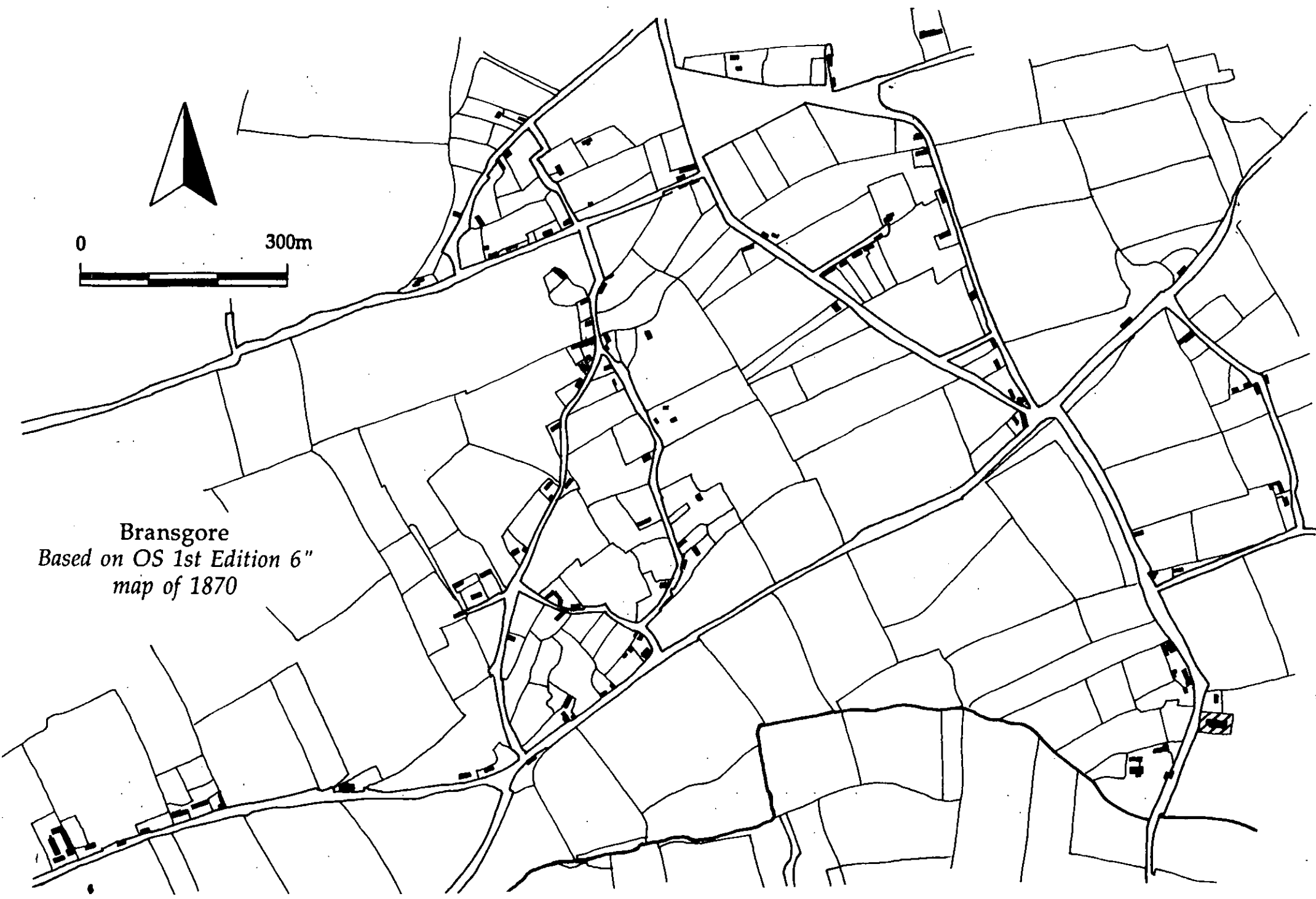
PLACE NAME 1759 *Bransgoer Common*. Recorded too late for certain interpretation. Last element is probably ME *gore* 'triangular piece of land'.

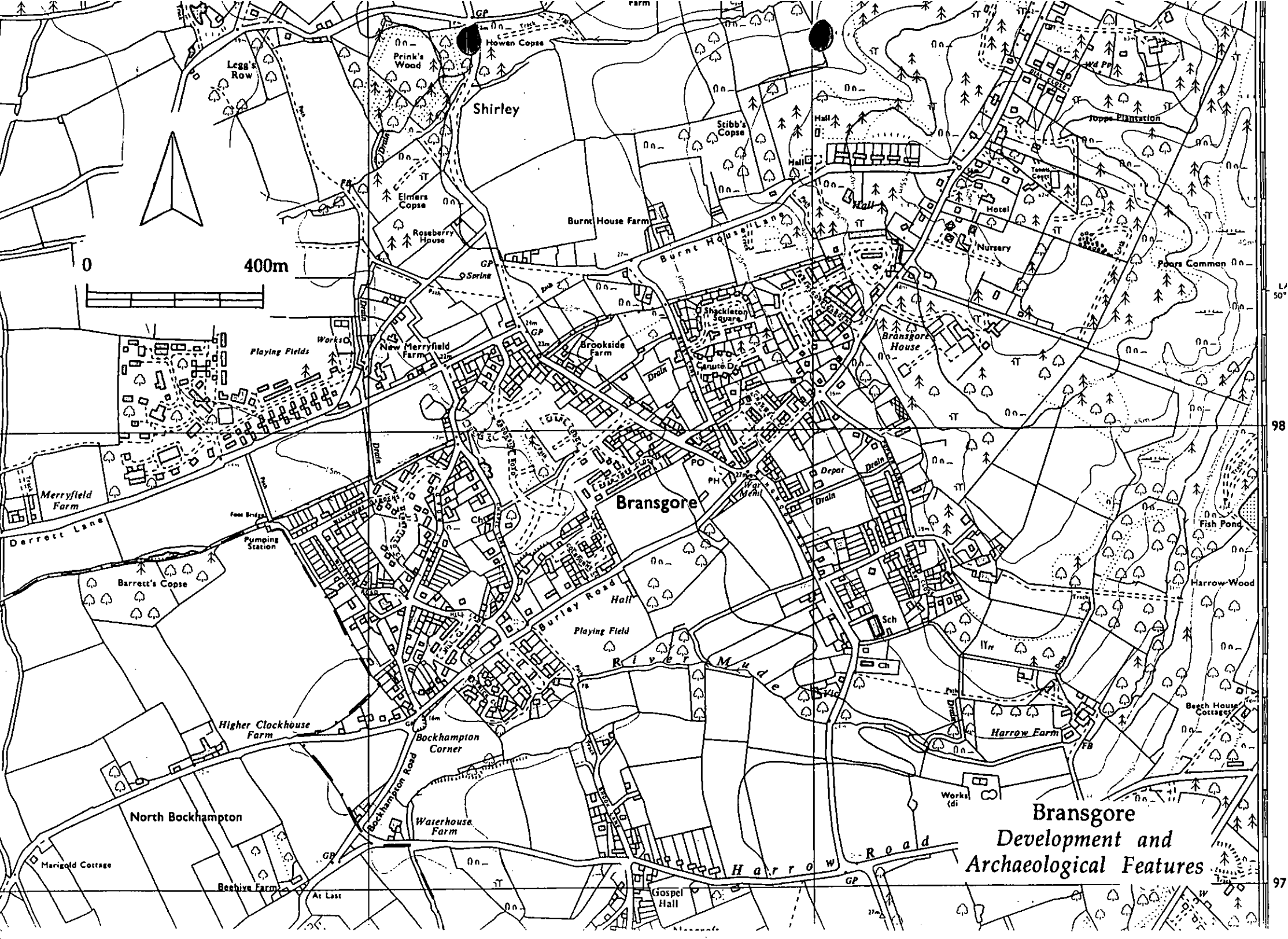
#### PHOTOGRAPHS

#### OTHER PROJECT ARCHIVE ELEMENTS



Bransgore  
Based on OS 1st Edition 6"  
map of 1870





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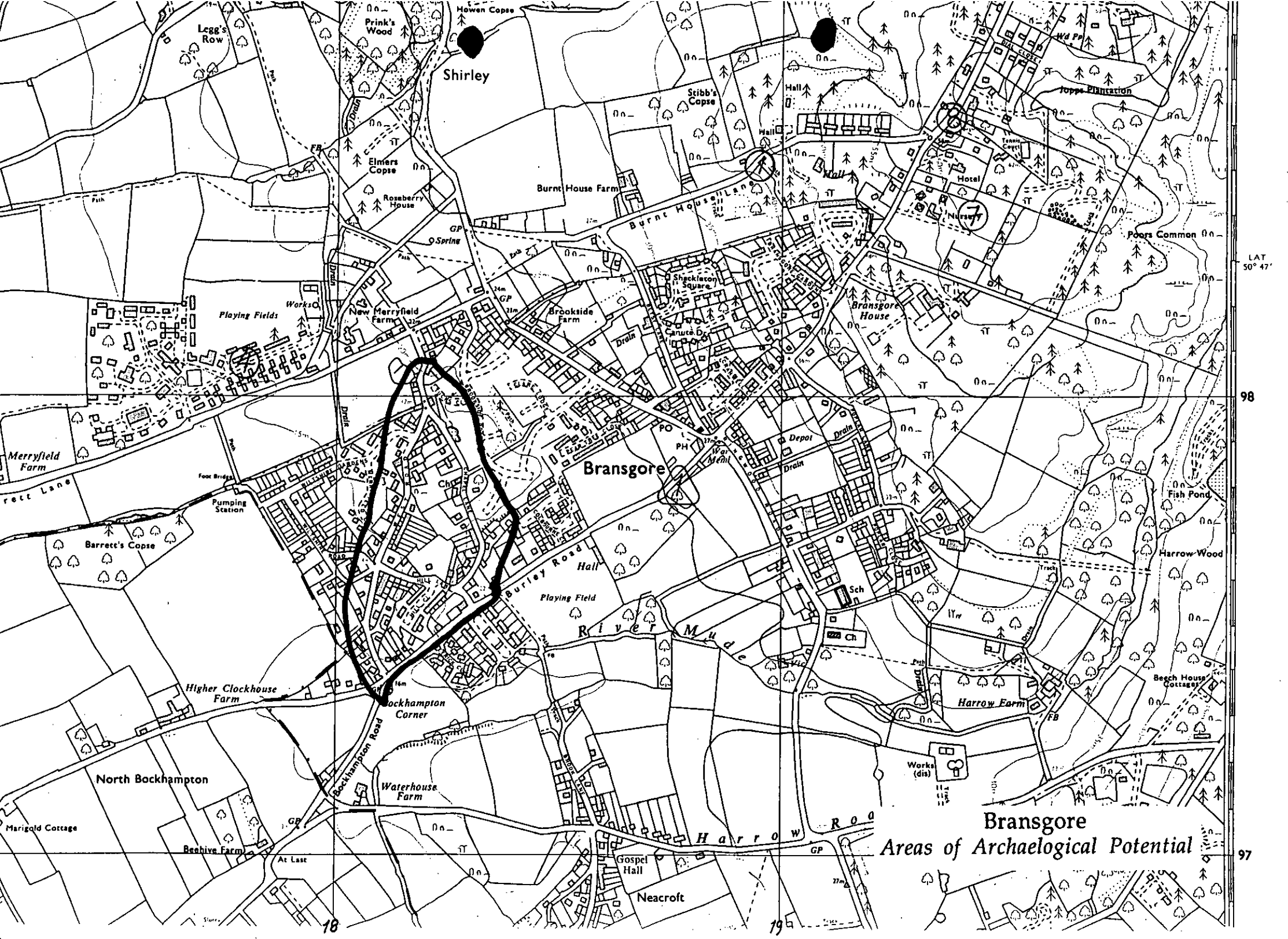
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Bransgore

Bransgore  
Development and  
Archaeological Features

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Areas of Archaeological Potential

LAT  
50° 47'

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