

1.0 PARISH	Buriton
2.0 HUNDRED	Finchdean
3.0 NGR	474000 120000
4.0 GEOLOGY	Upper Greensand abounding Lower Chalk

5.0 SITE CONTEXT (Map 2)

Buriton is at 90m AOD. Within 400m SW are the lower slopes of an area of high Downland known as Queen Elizabeth Country Park (or War Down), a feature that rises to 244m AOD at its northern end. One kilometre north-west of Buriton is the A3 (T) Horndean-Petersfield road and it is a south-east branch of this route that enters the settlement, where it takes a sharp turn to the north-east close to the parish church. A tributary of the River Rother flows through Buriton, its source being on the nearby downs.

On the west side of Buriton C20 housing has filled many of the spaces that were apparent in 1840 (Map 3). A relatively large housing estate has been added to the north end of the settlement.

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

Church and manor house + regular & irregular rows

The church and manor house is at the heart of Buriton and it is here that there is a major intersection of routeways. South Lane approaches from the south-west, an old route from Portsmouth and little more than a bridle path in places. At Buriton church the road splits three ways. The High Street and Bones Lane lead north-westwards where both join the A3 (T) Portsmouth-Petersfield Road. North Lane is effectively a continuation of South Lane linking Buriton with Sheet, Liss and Greatham. This arrangement of roads has dictated the pattern of settlement at Buriton, giving it a triangular or fan-like appearance.

6.1 Church & manor house The present parish church is C12. The manor house is within 0.7km further north. It has C14 features. West of the church is a large pond that probably served the manorial complex and travellers alike. Medieval settlement might have been more extensive here and Maps 3 & 4 / 1 show that a degree of contraction has occurred since 1840.

6.2 Regular row The High Street exhibits a degree of regularity and it is possible that it was a planned extension to the original church and manor house site. However, it would be wise to be cautious: numbers 6, 8 & 10 have C16 features but these properties are at the south end of the High Street where they might just as easily have formed a part of an agglomeration around the pond (Paragraph 6.2). Elsewhere the High Street buildings are C18 or later.

6.3 Irregular rows developed along South Lane, Bones Lane and North Lane. The Tithe Map (Map 3) suggests that they developed in random fashion, following the line of

the routes. Numbers 29 & 31 North Lane are C15 but in general the houses in both lanes are C18 or later, possibly replacements for earlier structures. The Tithe Map shows settlement in Bones Lane as being rather patchy. Here there is a C19 house called

Lynchets. These are visible still suggesting that development here was probably post-Medieval or later. Settlement along South Lane was interrupted by the construction of the railway after 1840 and although an underpass was provided, the route became constricted and it is probable that use of the lane declined (it is little more than a footpath). This might explain why there has been some contraction in settlement here since the mid C19.

6. *Site visit condition:* Sunny; occasional cloud (27.4.99)

7.0 ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL (Maps 5 / 1 & 5 / 2)

7.1 AsAP

The one AAP includes the settlement zones along South Lane and North Lane and the south-east part of Bones Lane. Along these routes there is some evidence for late Medieval settlement (Paragraphs 6.3).

7.2 AsHAP

7.2.1 Specifically the church and manor house site (Map 5 / 1). These buildings are known to be C12 and C14 respectively; perhaps earlier. The site of demolished buildings south of the pond has been included.

7.2.2 The High Street which might be a planned regular row and in which numbers 6, 8 & 10 are indicative of late Medieval settlement at the south end (Paragraph 6.2 and Map 5 / 2).

8.0 CHURCH & CHURCHYARD

St Mary

- late C12 nave (transitional Norman); font (Purbeck Marble);
- C13 chancel; east window *c.* 1270; vestry; tower arch;
- 1300 south aisle and doorway;
- C18 north aisle rebuilt; tower (1715);
- 1860 south porch;
- Monuments to Thomas Hanbury †1617 and to Thomas Bilson † 1695.

9.0 BUILDINGS (Maps 4 / 1 & 4 / 2)

PRN	Details	Dates	Grade
*	Old Ditcham Farm: barn at	C17, 19	II*
*	15 & 16 Bones Lane (reclad)	late med, C18, 20	II
*	B16 & 19 Bones Lane (reclad)	C16, 18, 20	II
*	Rock Cottage, Bones Lane	C17, 18	II
*	The Old Rectory, High Street	C18, 19	II*
*	21 & 25 High Street	C18, 19	II
*	29 (The White House), High Street	C19	II
*	6, 8 & 10 High Street (reclad)	C16, 18, 19	II

*	38-44 (even), High Street (former poor house	C18	II
*	The Five Bells, High Street	mid C18	II

*	New Barn (& adjacent water tank), New Barn Lane (NE)	C18 / 19	II
*	Church of St Mary, North Lane	C12, 13, 17, 18	II*
*	Gates to churchyard	C18	II
*	7 x table tombs	C18, 19	II
*	The Manor House, North Lane	C16, 17, 18	II*
*	The Manor House: dovecote 30m north-east of	C18	II
*	The Manor House: barn 40m south of	C18	II
*	The Manor House: stables 30m south-west of	C18	II
*	The Manor House, orangery 10m west of	c. 1820	II
*	The Manor House, stables 15m south of	C19	II
*	29 & 31 North Lane	C15, 18, 19	II
*	Lawn Cottage, North Lane	C17, 19	II
*	Nursted House, North Lane	C18, 19	II
*	Nursted House: stable south of	C18, 19	II
*	Nursted Farmhouse (Nursted Great Farmhouse), North Lane	C18	II
*	Nursted Farmhouse: granary 20m south-west of	C18	II
*	Nursted Farmhouse: barn 40m south-west of	C18	II
*	Nursted Farmhouse: barn 55m west of	C18	II
*	Nursted Farmhouse: cartshed 50m west of	C19	II
*	Nursted Farmhouse: stables 45m west of	mid C18	II
*	Old House Farm: barn south side of	C18	II
*	Bolinge Hill Farmhouse, Petersfield Road	C16, 18, 19	II
*	Rock Cottage, Sussex Road	C17, 18, 20	II
*	Weston Farm, Weston Lane: barn at	C18	II
*	Dean's Farmhouse, Weston Lane	C16, 17, 18, 19	II
*	Dean's Farmhouse: barn 5m north-east of	C17, 19	II

10.0 SMR DATA SW 473000 119700, NE 475000 121000 (Maps 4 / 1 & 4 / 2)

SU 72 SW	No.		
	22	474000 120000	Medieval. Parish Church (see 8.0)
	29	474300 120800	Bronze Age. Palstave find. Portsmouth City Museum.
	37	473780 120050	Saxon. Pottery find (grass-tempered wares)
	38A	473780 120050	Medieval. Pottery find. C12-C14 wares.
	38B	473780 120050	Medieval. Fragments of daub.
	39	473780 120050	Prehistoric. Flints.
**m	40	474070 120113	Post-Medieval. Dovecote.

**m	41	473980 120215	C19 oast house. The original SMR reference (474000 120300) is incorrect and has been amended.
**m	44	474030 120080	Medieval. Manor house. Probable timber-framed hall. C15 door frame and 2 x C14 windows. The SMR entry for this building is incorrect (473900 120050) for it relates to a later mansion building at the south end of the High Street.
	50	474300 120200	Neolithic. Fragment of flint axe.
	51	474300 120200	Bronze Age. Pottery.
	53	474060 120100	Bronze Age. Beaker fragments.
	54A	474300 120200	Roman. Settlement site. C1 fort or camp; later villa.
	54B	474300 120200	Roman. Pottery finds.
	54C	474300 120200	Roman. Tile find (CBM).
	54D	474300 120200	Roman. Various masonry fragments.
	54E	474300 120200	Roman. Spur, sword tang and other unidentifiable fragments.
	54F	474730 120200	Roman. 3 x coins (AD 41-54; 98-117; 268-70).
military	54G	474300 120200	Roman. Copper alloy finds, many of origin.
	55A	474300 120200	Saxon. Settlement site.
	55B	474300 120200	Saxon. 215 sherds of grass-tempered ware.
	71	474670 120730	Undated. Linear feature; possible wood banks. HCC AP ref: run28e 113.
	72	474300 120150	Undated. Irregular features of uncertain origin. AP ref: 395: 6716.

10.2 Hampshire Romano-British Settlements survey

Hants No.	NGR	Parish	NAR / NMR Nos
121	472160 117680	Buriton (SAM 474)	SU71NW7 / 242582

10.3 Scheduled Ancient Monuments (SAMs)

SAM No.	NGR	Site
474	472100 117600	Romano-British villa in Holt Down
Plantation		
542	473400 117300	Romano-British settlement
24319 & 24320	471850 120020	A hill top enclosed by IA cross dykes, an associated field system and BA barrows on Butser Hill (see also East Meon)

11.0 ADDITIONAL SITES / FEATURES (Maps 4 / 1 & 4 / 2)

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| 1 | 473960 120380 | Traces of ridge & furrow field system |
| 2 | 473970 120370 | Former serpentine boundary conforming to ridge & furrow field system. This boundary continued westwards to become the northern boundary of the property known as <i>Lynchets</i> (473920 120335) |
| 3 | 473845 119935 | Site of building within curtilage represented on the Tithe Map of 1840 |
| 4 | 433930 119955 | Earthworks associated with a building represented on the Tithe map of 1840 |
| 5 | 473840 119890 | Site of building represented on the Tithe Map of 1840 |
| 6 | 473900 119900 | Traces of ridge & furrow field system |
| 7 | 473800 119855 | Site of building & enclosures represented on the Tithe Map of 1840 |
| 8 | 473980 120250 | Earthwork |

12.0 CARTOGRAPHIC SOURCES

- Tithe Map 21M65/F7/41/2 (1840 / 1842)
- GSGB 316 Fareham
- OS 1: 2500 SW 473740 119785, NE 474280 120000 and SW 473440 120000, NE 474340 120550
- OS 1: 25000 Pathfinder 1265 (SU 62/72), Petersfield & the Meon Valley and 1285 (SU 61/71), Horndean.

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- HTS 6: 71-82
- VCH 3: 85-93

14.0 PRIMARY HISTORIC SOURCES**14.1 Domesday Book**

Not mentioned but *Sunwood*, once a manor (now a farm at NGR 475900 119400) in Buriton parish, is included (21,7) as is Mapledurham, formerly the parish name (Coates 1989: 45). Sunwood was a manor of modest size (assessed for 3 hides) whilst Mapledurham was substantial and its principal settlement might have been at Buriton though this cannot be taken for granted. In particular, it should be noted that the initial record of the place-name is late (see 15.0 below).

8,1 The King himself holds Mapledurham in lordship. Wulfeva held it; Queen Matilda had it. Before 1066 it answered for 20 hides; now for 13. Land for 20 ploughs. In lordship 4 ploughs; 34 villagers and 15 smallholders with 15 ploughs. A church; 8 slaves; 3 mills at 20s; meadow, 5 acres; woodland at 30 pigs from pasturage; from grazing 6s 3d.

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Abold Cook holds 2 ½ hides of this land. Theodger held them before 1066; he could not go elsewhere. This land paid tax at ½ hide with other hides above. In lordship 1 plough; 5 villagers and 3 smallholders with 1 plough; 2 slaves; meadow, 1 acre. Theobald holds 3½ hides of the land of the above-mentioned manor. Richard of Tonbridge gave it to him when he had the land from the Queen. Now they do not know from whom he holds it. 2 riding men held it; they could not withdraw elsewhere. In lordship 2 ploughs; 4 villagers and 8 smallholders with 1 plough; 2 slaves; meadow, 1 acre; woodland at 6d. Value of the whole manor before 1066 £25; later and now as much; however the holder pays £32. Abold's part 40s; Theobald's part £4.

21, 7 Walter holds *Sunwood* from the Earl. Tunbi held it from Earl Godwin. Then and now it answered for 3 hides. Land for 4 ploughs. In lordship 2 ploughs; 4 villagers and 6 smallholders with 2 ploughs. A small church; 1 slave; meadow, 1 acre; woodland at 4 pigs. Most of it was destroyed by the wind. Value before 1066 and now £4; when acquired £3; but it pays 100s.

14.2 Subsidy Rolls

1334		£1.15.6	
1524	1st survey	£3.6.10	(28 taxpayers)
	2nd survey	£3.6.10	(29 taxpayers)

14.3 Manorial Documents

Manors recorded: Mapledurham, West Mapledurham, Weston, Bollingehill Farm, Ditcham, Sunwood, Mapledurham Rectory.

14.4 Hearth Tax 1665

78 hearths chargeable (25 houses)
28 hearths not chargeable (22 houses). Total: 47 houses.

NB Nursted and Weston taxed separately.

15.0 PLACE NAME

1227 *Buriton*. OE *burh-* or *byrigton* 'farm by the fortification' but if so probably not the one on Butser Hill as suggested by Coates (1989: 44-5) which is *c.* 3km west and therefore does not have a close topographical association - unless it is a transferred name (IH/viii/98). The earlier name of the parish was Mapledurahm OE 'maple-tree estate'.

16.0 PHOTOGRAPHS

17.0 OTHER PROJECT ELEMENTS

17.1 Pre-Conquest Charters

None.

17.2 Other parish settlements include:

<i>Name</i>	<i>MSP No.</i>	<i>Map ref.</i>	<i>First recorded</i>
Bollingehill Farm	512	473600 121200	1236
Butser Hill	514	471000 120000	956
Ditcham	516	476100 120300	C12
Mapledurham Farm	517	473200 121300	1086
Nurstead	518	476100 121200	1204
Sunwood Farm	519	475900 119300	1086
Weston	520	472900 121800	C12

17.3 Enclosures*Parliamentary:*

<i>NEP no.</i>	<i>Act</i>	<i>Order</i>	<i>Award</i>	<i>Details</i>
14023		1854	1864	Holt Down, Head Down.
14024		1855	1861	Petersfield Heath within Buriton.

Formal Agreements:

<i>NRP no.</i>	<i>Agreement</i>	<i>Award</i>	<i>Details</i>
None.			

17.4 Commons & Greens (residual)

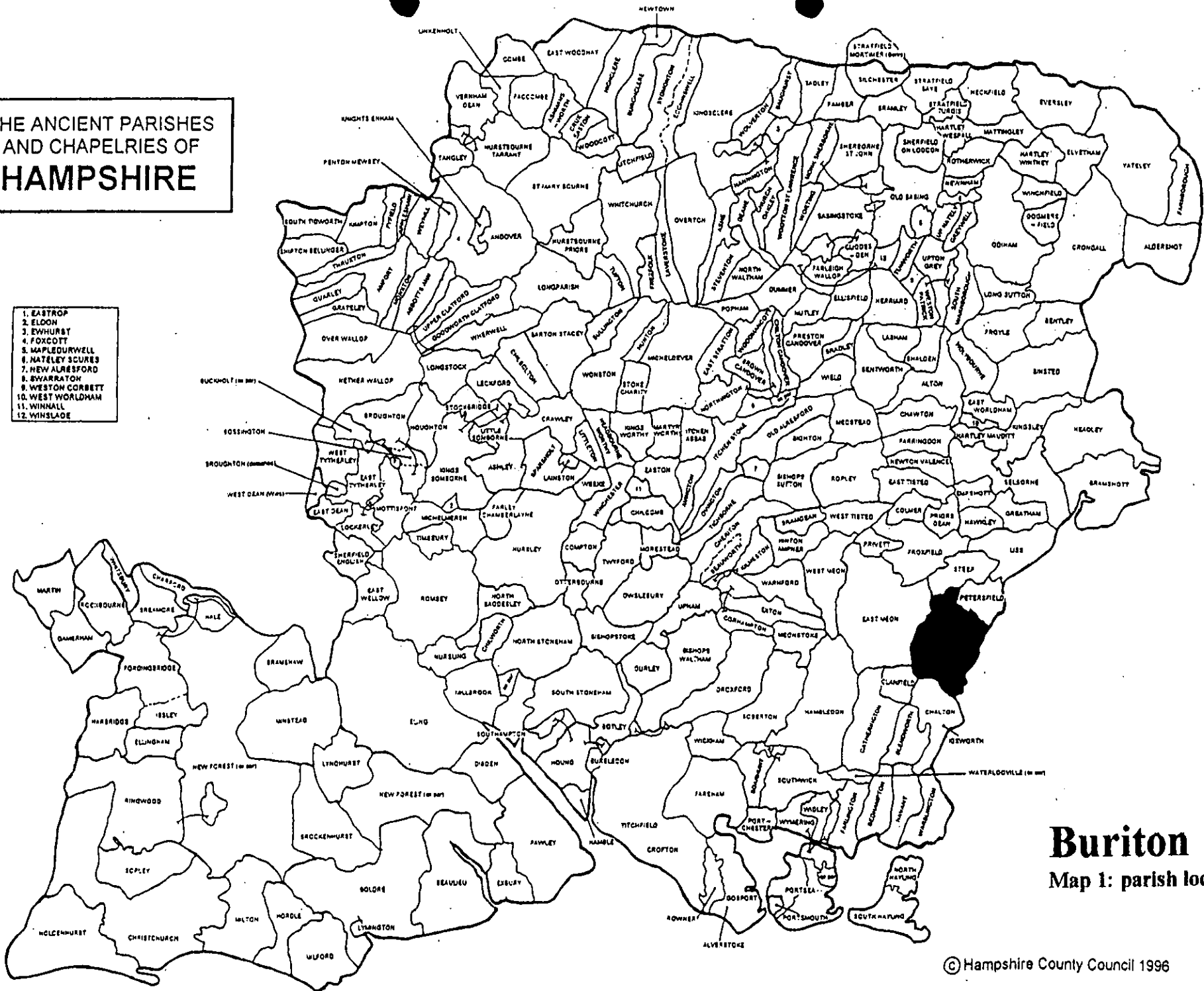
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18.0 ILLUSTRATIONS

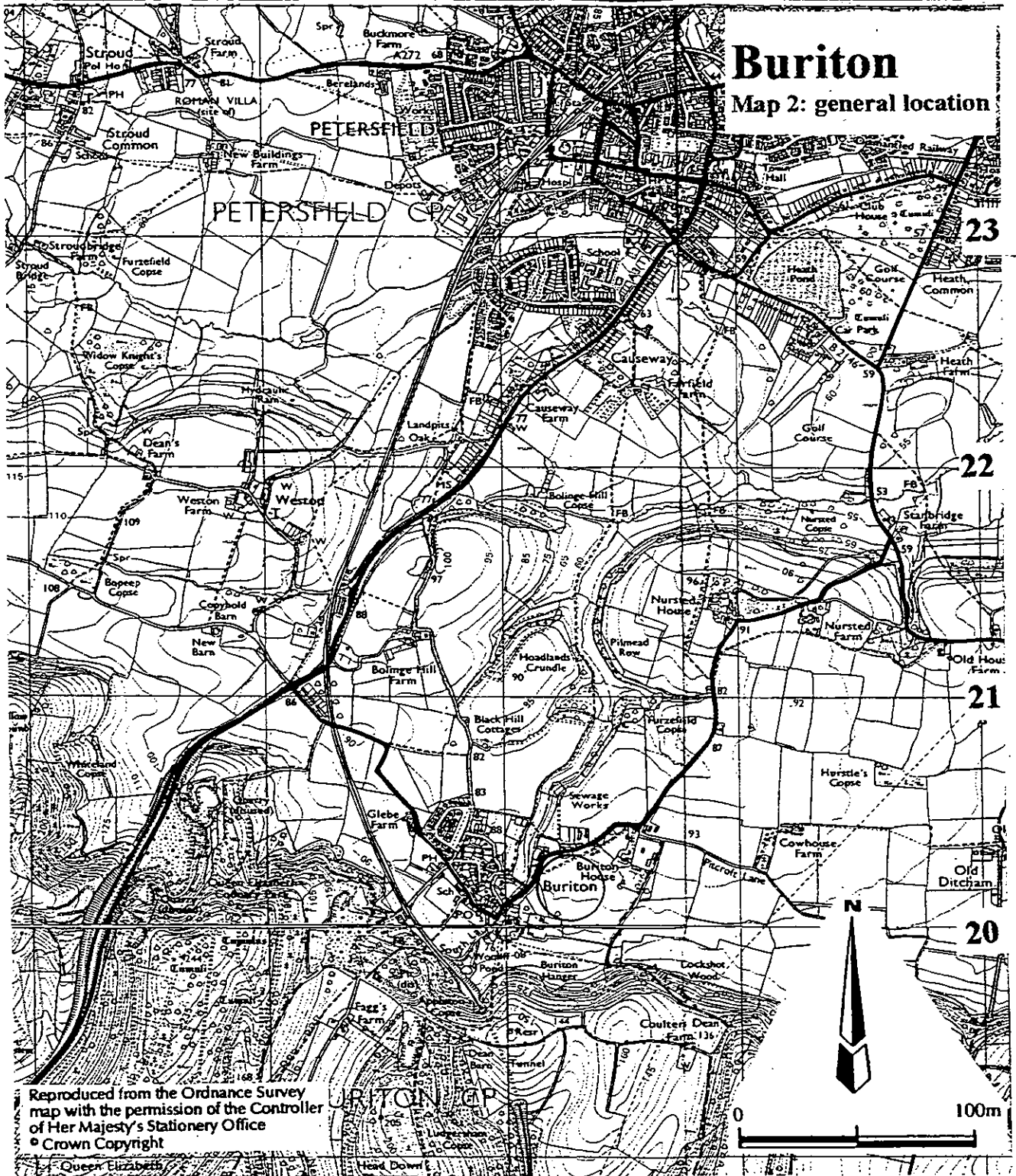
- 1 Map 1: Parish location (not to scale)
- 2 Map 2: Settlement location at 1: 2500
- 3 Map 3: 1840 Tithe Map transcription at 1: 2500 reduced to 71%
- 4 Map 4 / 1: Development & archaeological features (south) at 1: 2500 reduced to 71%
- 5 Map 4 / 2: Development & archaeological features (north) at 1: 2500 reduced to 71%
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2. ELDON
3. EXHURST
4. FOXCOTT
5. MAPLEDURWELL
6. NATELEY SCURES
7. NEW ALRESFORD
8. SWARRATON
9. WEST CORBETT
10. WEST WORLDHAM
11. WINNALL
12. WINSLADE



Buriton
Map 1: parish location



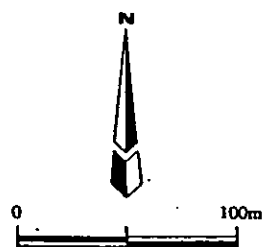
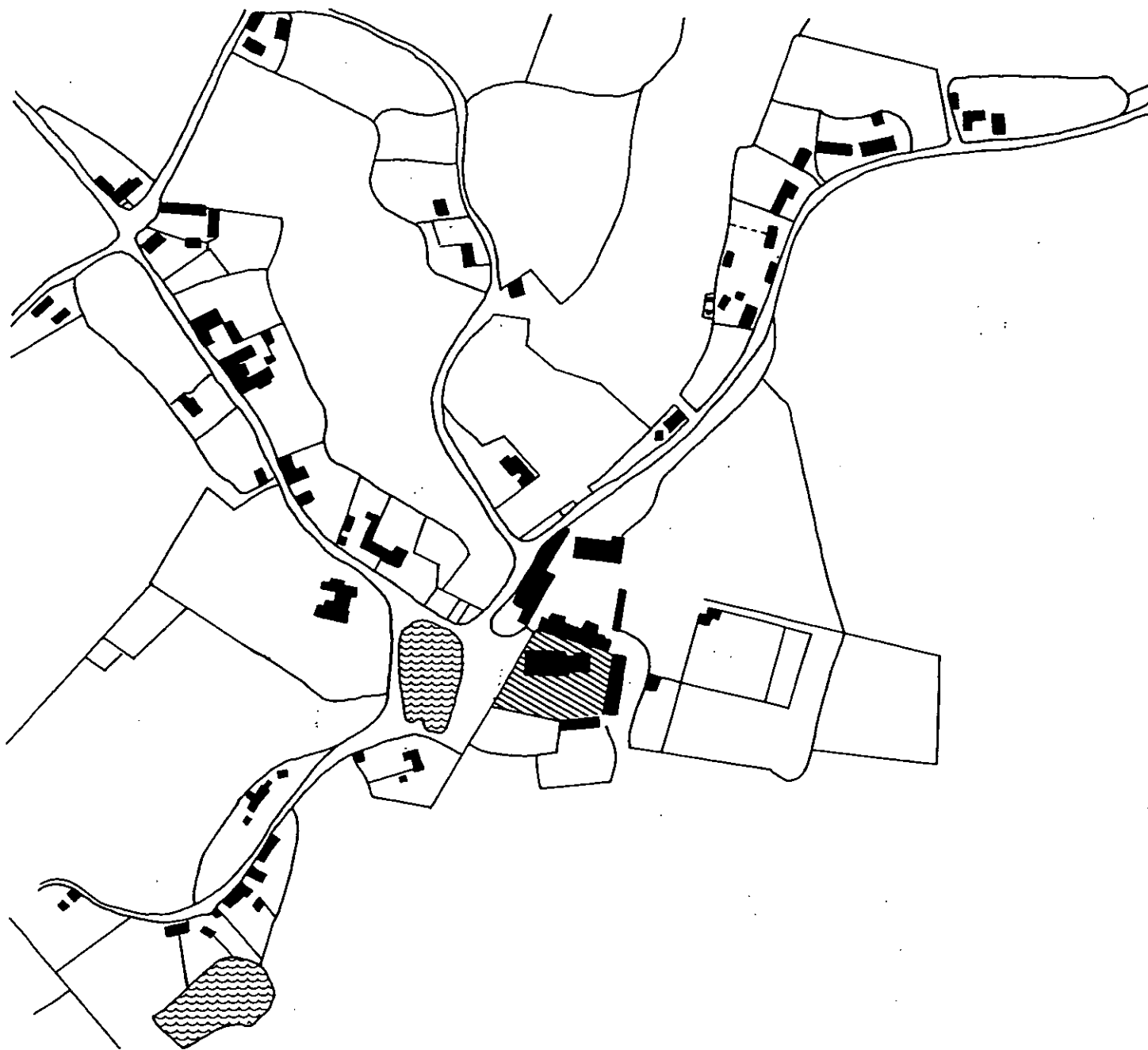
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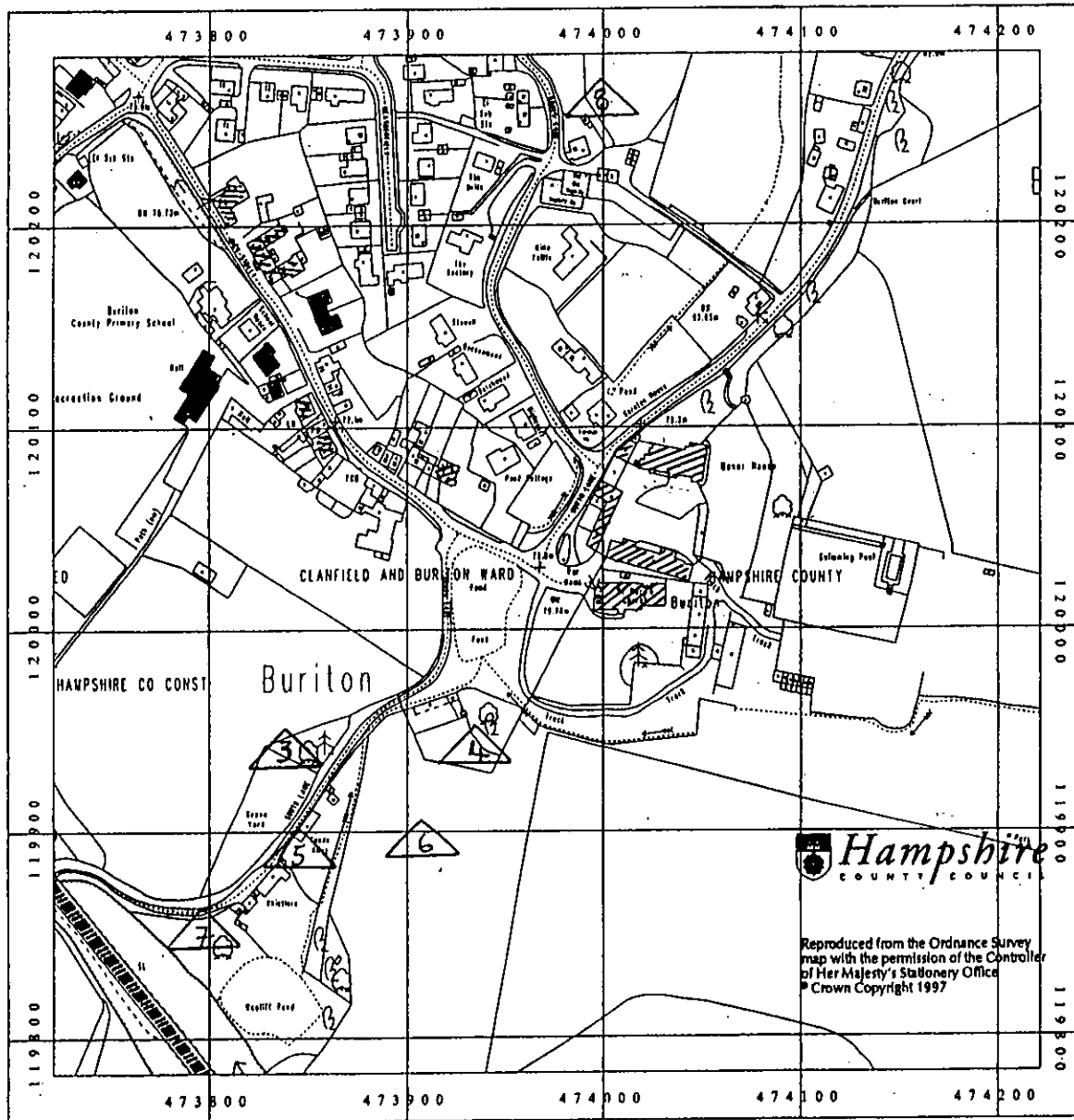
Map 2: general location

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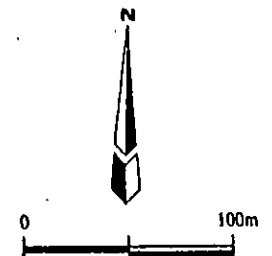
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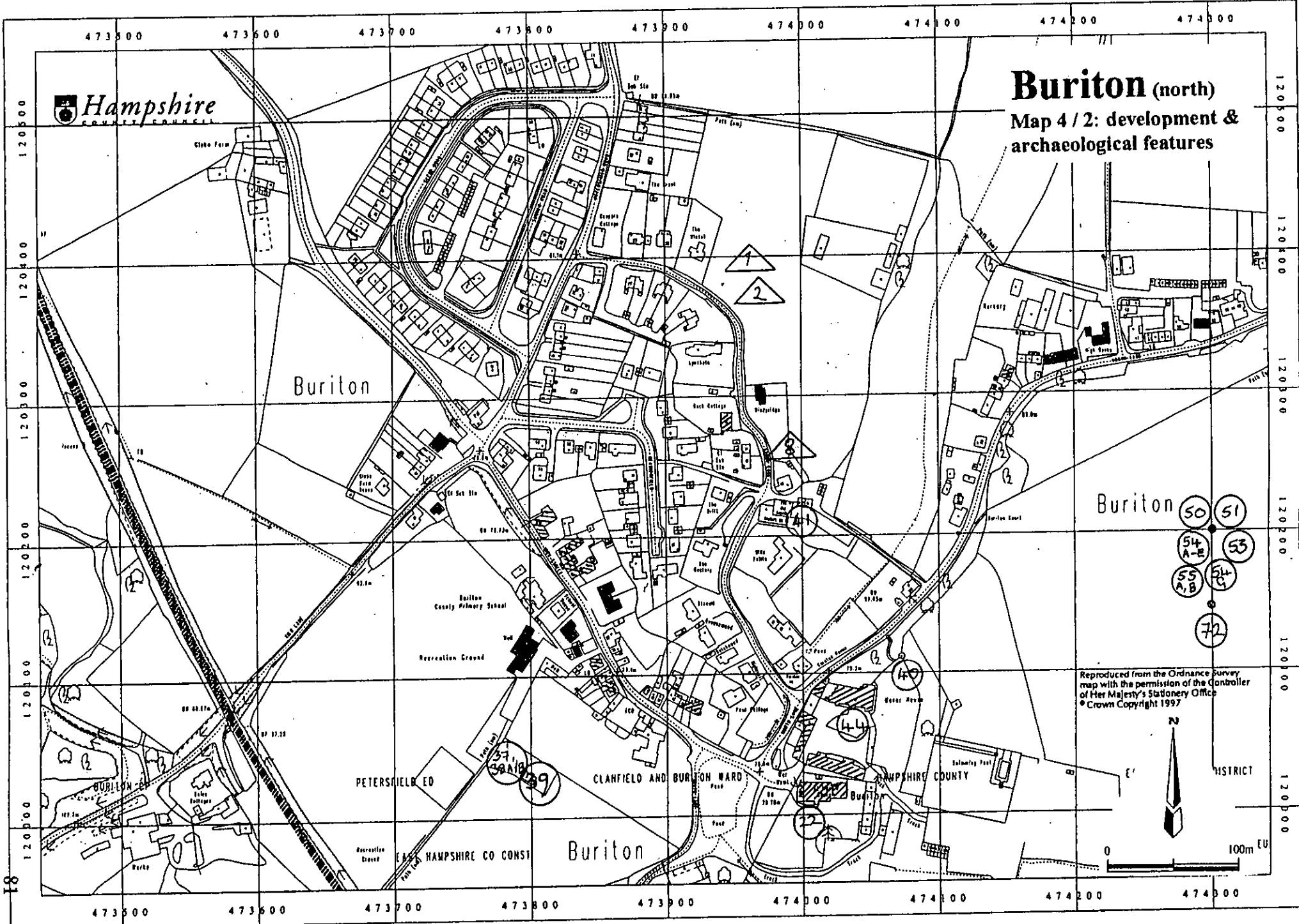
Map 3: transcribed from the
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Buriton (south)
 Map 4 / 1: development & archaeological features





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Buriton (north)

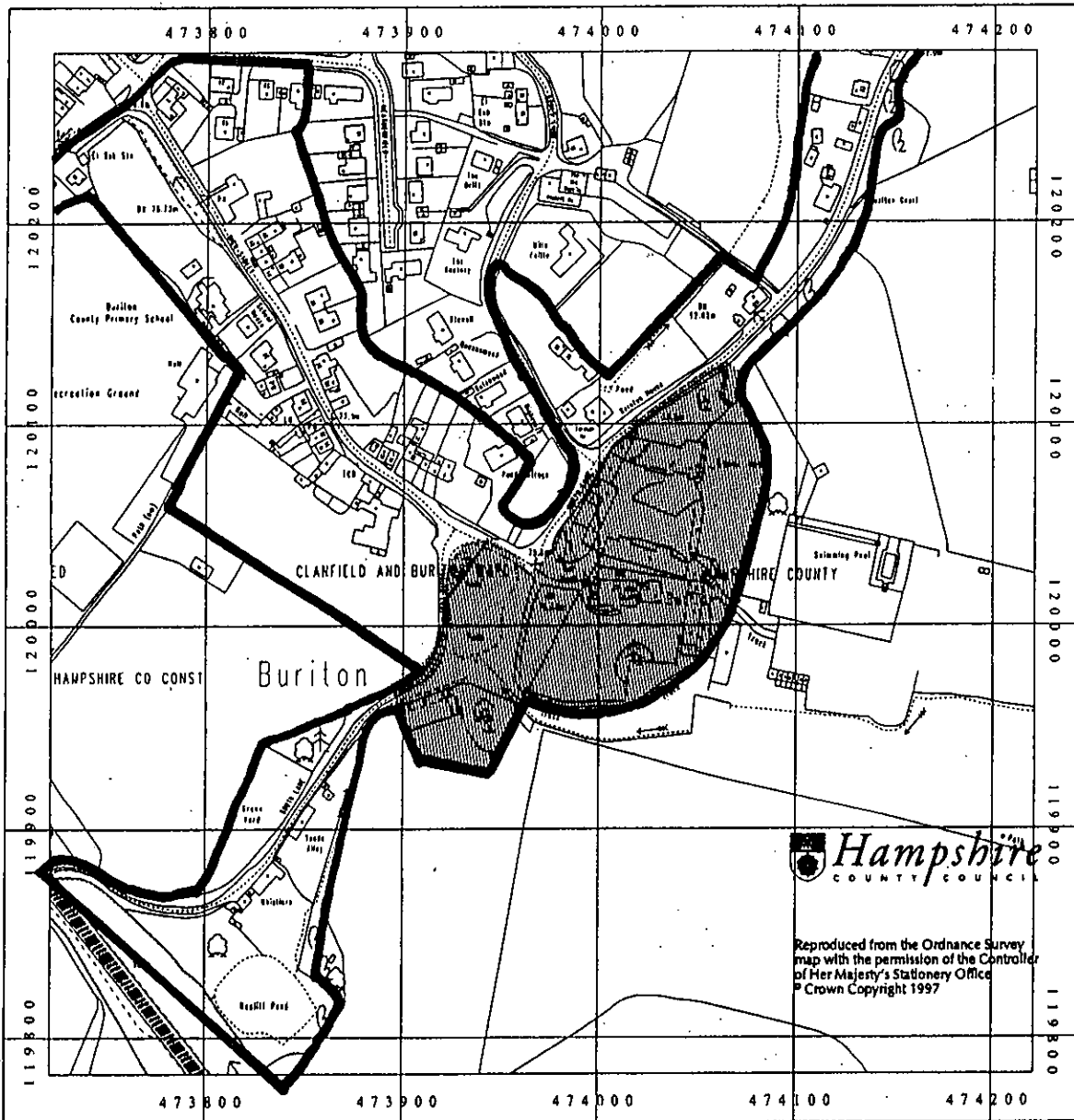
Map 4/2: development & archaeological features

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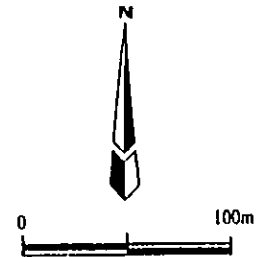


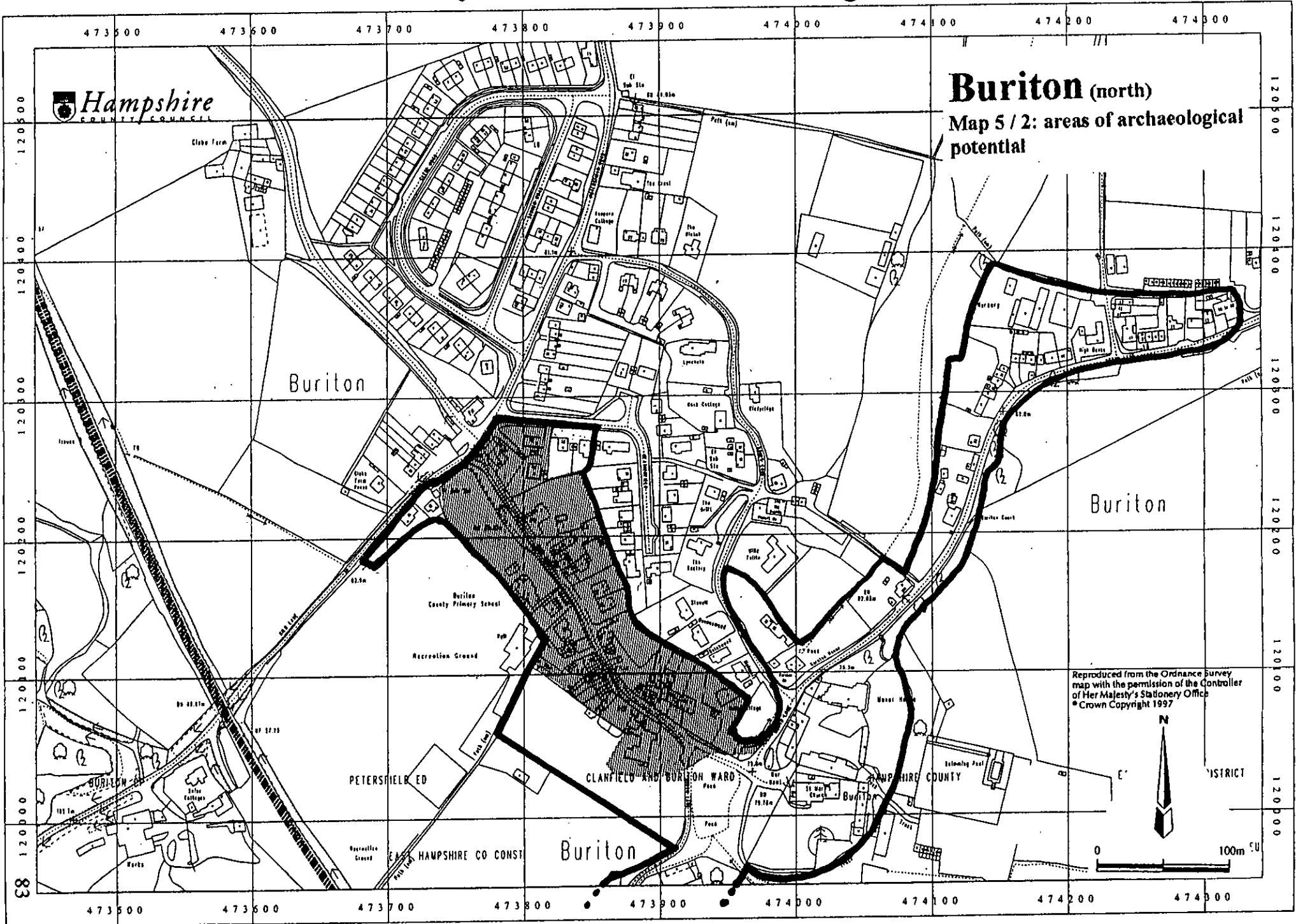
Buriton (south)

Map 5 / 1: areas of archaeological potential



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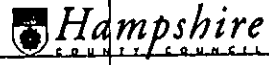


Buriton (north)
 Map 5 / 2: areas of archaeological potential

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