

NAME Dibden

PARISH Hythe and Dibden

HUNDRED Redbridge

NGR SU 405075

GEOLOGY Barton Clay and Barton Sand. The church is on Barton Sand according to the OS Geology map 1:50,000 but a newly dug grave in the churchyard was cutting through a very heavy clay.

SITE CONTEXT The church and Church Farm are sited at the N end of a small promontory at around 25m OD. To the N and E the land falls away to flat, possibly reclaimed mudflats, of the Test estuary. S of the church the land rises gently but the church itself is on a slight knoll.

Dibden Manor, a late C19/early C20 building to the SE of the church, lies on a similar spur to that on which the church stands. The main area of settlement along the road to the SE towards Hythe is at between 5 and 15m OD.

PLAN TYPE & DESCRIPTION Church and farmstead with irregular row. Other dispersed farms in the area.

The church lies next to a farmstead at the end of a short lane which the 1st Edition OS map shows leading only to the church and farm. The Tithe map shows the road continuing past the farm and joining the road to the N. To the SW of the church along the road to the W there are a few cottages and another farm further to the SW.

The main area of settlement lies a considerable distance to the SE of the church where there is an irregular row of properties leading upto and around a T-junction. Most of the plots lie length-ways to the road but there is one small group that have longish plots which lie a right-angles to the road and form a block of three of similar length. However, the middle plot is unoccupied.

The Tithe map suggests that the area to the E of the access road to Locks Farm was an area of green.

AREAS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL The area around the church is regarded as an AHAP due to the obvious antiquity of the site and the local prominence of the situation which is a factor common to many of the older church sites in the district.

The irregular row of settlement from the Junction of Bramshott Hill and Claypits Lane to the NW is an AAP.

Generally the settlement pattern tends towards dispersion and so any development around the scattered farms that can shown to be earlier than C19 should be monitored as it will be through investigation at these sites that the development of the settlement pattern will be understood.

CHURCH & CHURCHYARD All Saints. Bombed 1940, restored and re-opened 1955. Late C13 chancel.

The graveyard was reconsecrated in C14 after being polluted by bloodshed (VCH IV, 655).

BUILDINGS

(Listed)

Church of All Saints II

Glebelands Former rectory Early C18 with mid C19 alterations II

No 2 Home Farm Cottage Late C18 extended either end in early C19 II

Deepdene House Southampton Rd Early C18 C19 II

(Un-listed)

SMR DATA

SU30NE

3 40390717 BA bowl barow

17 41000800 Med village mentioned in Domesday Book

21 406 075 Site of post-med brickworks

ADDITIONAL SITES/FEATURES

No new sites recorded

CARTOGRAPHIC SOURCES OS 1st edition 6" 1869; OS 1:2,500 SU 3908

PRIMARY HISTORIC SOURCES

Domesday Odo holds form the king. Ketel held it from King Edward. Then it answered for 5 hides, now for 2 hides. It does not pay tax except for 1 hide, because 3 hides are in the Forest. Land for 4 pl. 4 villagers and 15 smallholders with 5 pl. Meadow, 9 acres; woodland at 6 pigs; a salt house; a fishery. Value before 1066 £10; later £8; now 50s; however, it pays 100s.

Subsidy Rolls

1334 4. 9. 7

1524 2. 17. 4 (46 taxpayers)

Manorial Documents The demense of the manor was split into three parts, probably during the reign of Henry II, and they eventually became regarded as three manors.

At Dibden Poleyn manor in 1413, 6 messuages and various lands were settled on Margaret wife of John Poleyn (VCH IV, 655).

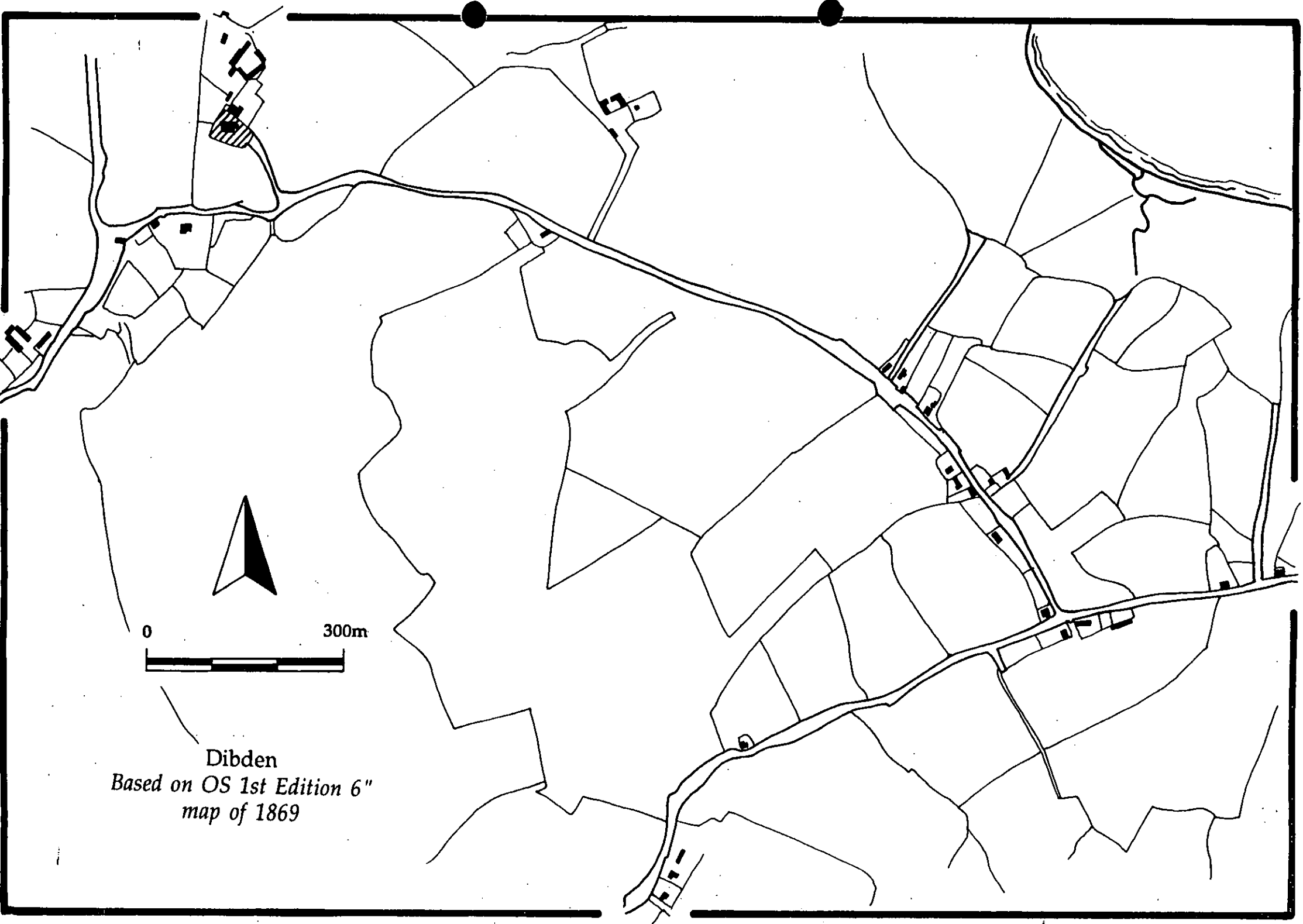
Hearth Tax

1665 102 hearths chargeable (53 houses)

18 hearths not chargeable (17 houses) Total 70 houses

PLACE NAME 1086 *Depedene* Apparently OE *Deope denu* '(the) deep valley but the village centre is on a slight hill so a better solution might be that it was the valley by the *Deope* or zone of deep water in the Test estuary. There is no valley typical of the use of *denu* in the vicinity.

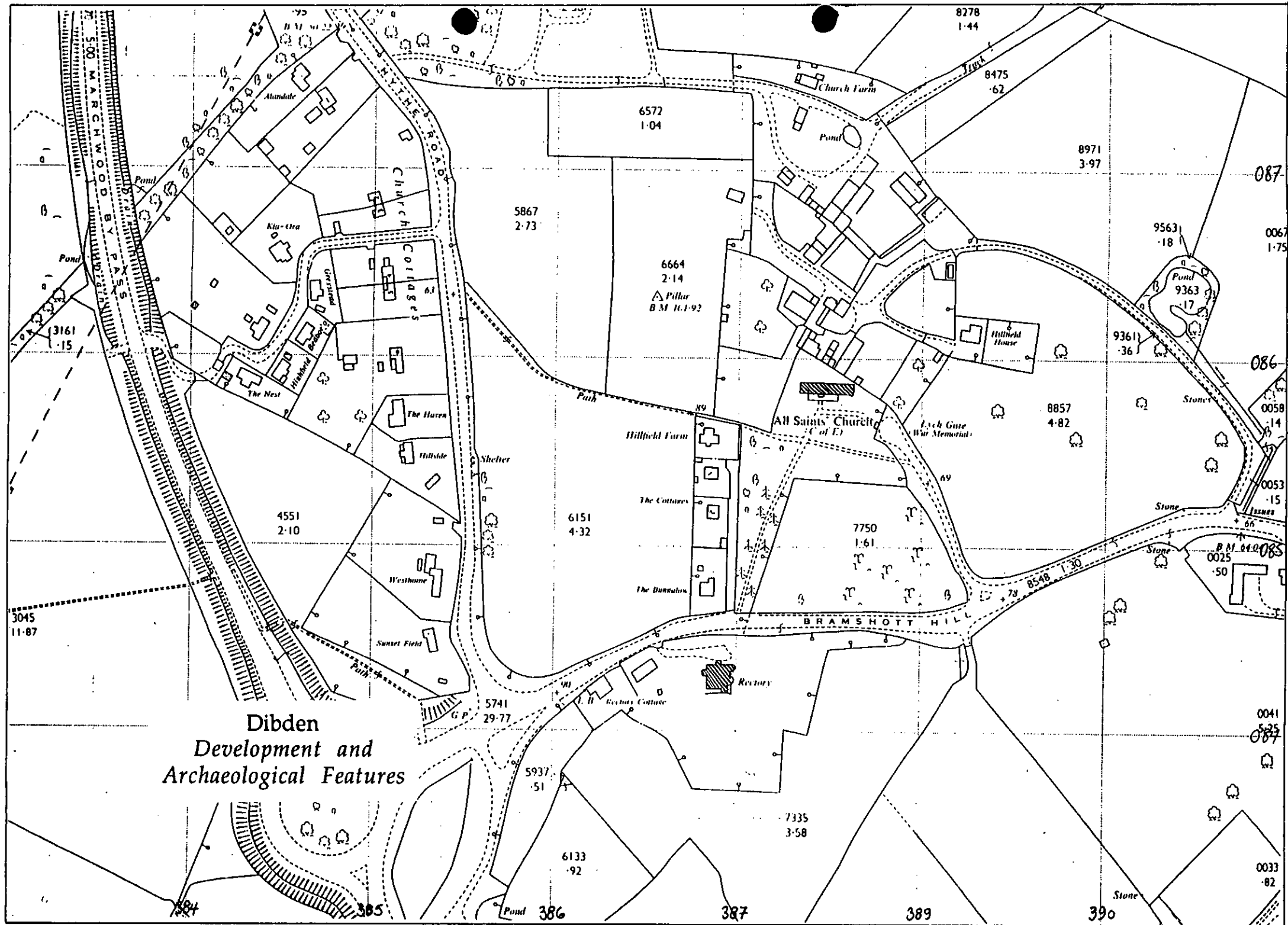
OTHER PROJECT ARCHIVE ELEMENTS



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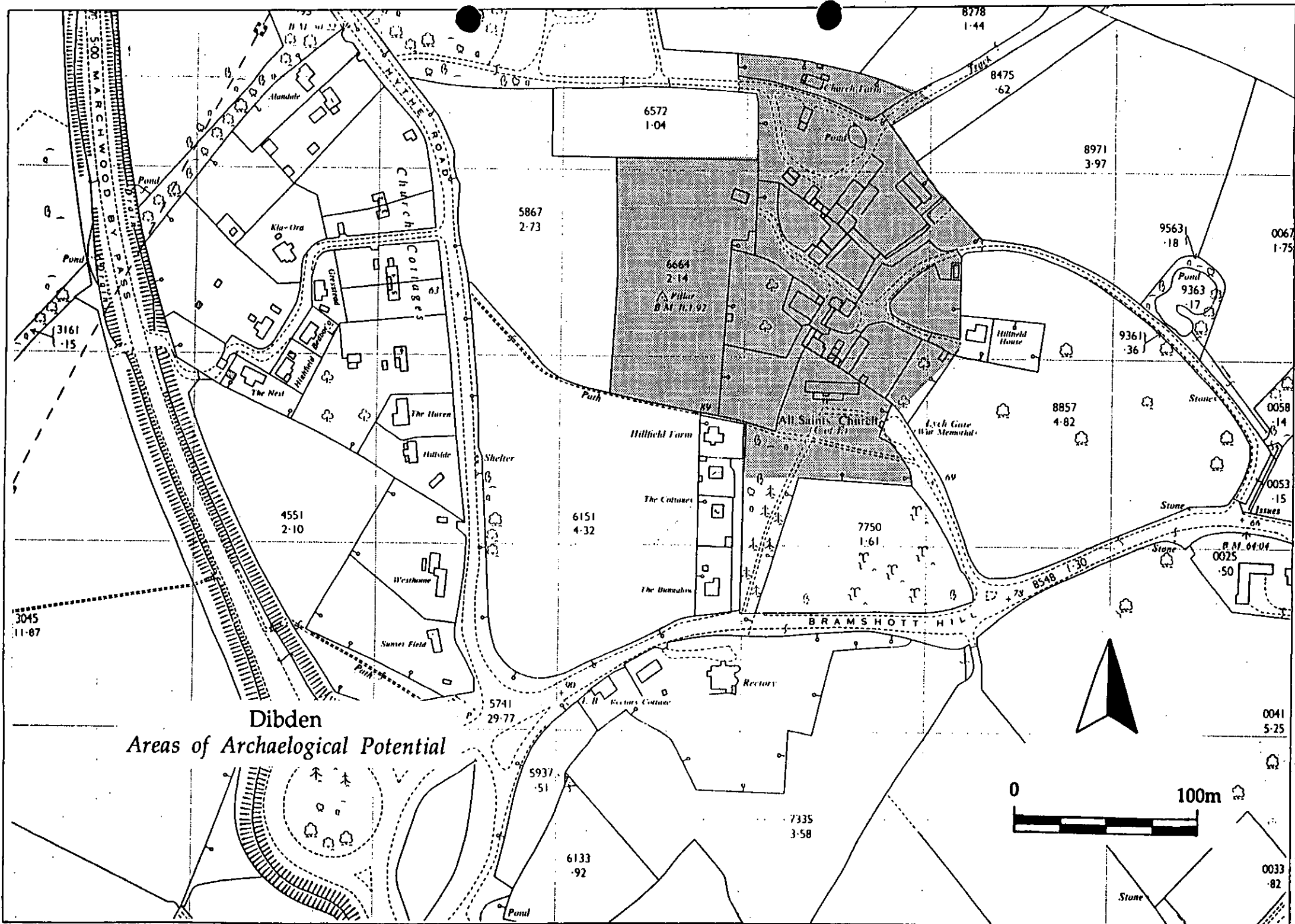
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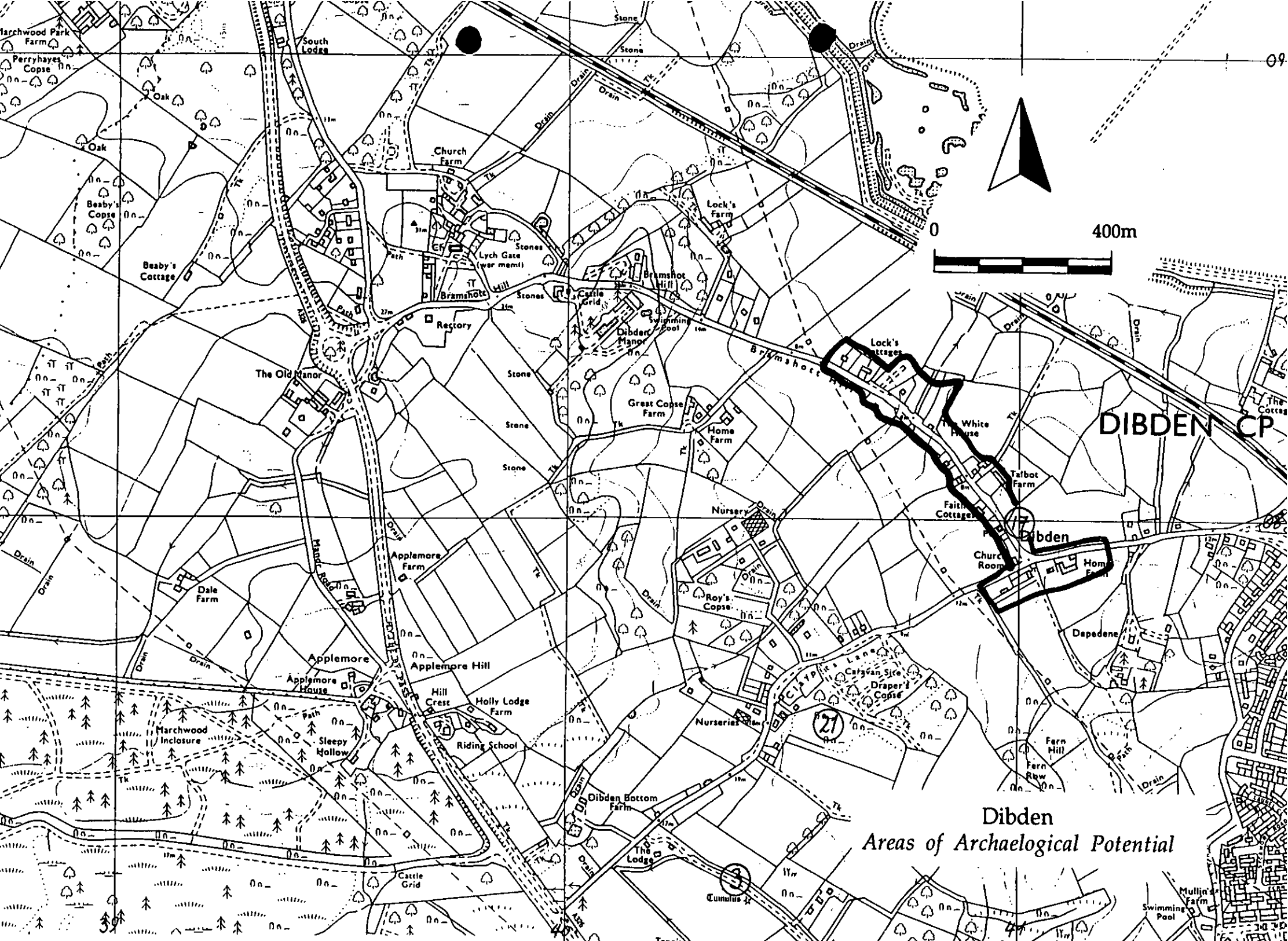
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map of 1869*



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Development and
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