

- 1.0 PARISH** Greywell  
**2.0 HUNDRED** Odiham  
**3.0 NGR** SU 47180 15100  
**4.0 GEOLOGY** Upper Chalk. Alluvium of River Whitewater valley (east); northern extension of settlement spreads onto Reading Beds (basin of Basingstoke Canal).

## 5.0 SITE CONTEXT

Greywell is situated on the south-south-west / north-north-east Nately-Hook Road (here known as Greywell Street). The settlement is in the valley of the River Whitewater which flows within 200m to the east. Most of the buildings are on the west side of the road at c. 90m AOD but the Church of St Mary is virtually at the riverside and at a somewhat lower level (c. 80m AOD). The Basingstoke Canal, following an east / west course, cuts across Greywell almost at the mid-point.

## 6.0 PLAN TYPE & DESCRIPTION

**Composite: church and manor house + regular row + irregular row**

**6.1 Church and manor house** At the extreme south end of the settlement, as Greywell Street curves to the west, is Manor Farm. The Church of St Mary is within 200m east of the farm, and Church Cottage (C15, 16, 17) is c. 60m north. Church Cottage is believed to have been the house of the 'priest' (probably Rector IH) since the time of the Reformation at least. However, it ceased to be referred to as The Parsonage in 1814 (Willoughby, 1996). It is possible that it was once the manor house, later replaced by the mansion (see 6.2 below). Together, these buildings comprise a probable cluster of Church, manor house and farm.

**6.2 (Single) regular row** From Church Cottage northwards, up to the course of the Basingstoke Canal, nearly all of the extant properties front onto the west side of Greywell Street, the exceptions being Weston House (C18) and Marlow Lodge (Modern). On the built-up western side, most of the property boundaries are of uniform length and at right angles to the street. Most of the property plots are contained within a common boundary (now discontinuous) 70-90m back (west) from the road. It is likely that there has been some piecemeal re-planning since this regular row was first laid out. The Tithe Map (c. 1842) offers little evidence for attenuation except for one vacant plot, the southern part of which is now occupied by the Village Hall (C20). The largely vacant land on the east side of Greywell Street includes some conspicuous earthworks. An indistinct group is situated immediately north-east of Church Cottage (471700 151000) and these are said to represent the site of the Higgins and Toll family mansion, destroyed in the late C18 (HTS 3: 61). In the next field northwards a more prominent earthwork can be seen alongside Weston House (471800 151200). It is a rectilinear platform (c. 100m x 100m), at right angles to the street, and upon it less regular earthworks are visible. The SMR (10.0) lists this platform as a garden feature associated with the demolished mansion house but it might seal evidence of former occupation. There is no strong case for regular row occupation on the east side of Greywell Street.

**6.3 Irregular row** At 471840 151290 Deptford Lane heads eastwards off Greywell Street. This lane has a number of Modern buildings on its north side and the Tithe Map shows only the Ford Farm cluster on the south side next to the River Whitewater. The Basingstoke Canal cuts the line of Greywell Street *c.* 70m north of the Deptford Lane junction, and from this point northwards the settlement pattern changes once more, with buildings confined to the east side of the road rather than the west. The Old Wharf (south) and The Old Forge (north) flank the canal course as it enters a tunnel. It seems certain that both buildings were associated with the business of the waterway but they are listed as C17, *c.* 100 years earlier than the canal (9.0). North of the The Old Forge, the Tithe Map indicates no further settlement for *c.* 120m when Barracks Cottages are reached (17), alternate occupation of plots continuing for a further 250m up to and including Old Pound Cottage (472600 151870). This is characteristic of dispersed settlement and is in accord with the general pattern elsewhere in Hart District.

**6.4 Site visit conditions:** strong, low sun; dry.

## 7.0 ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL

**7.1 AsAP** (Map 4, page 129).

**7.1.1** A continuous AAP extends for *c.* 1km beginning at the church / Manor Farm group at the south end of Greywell Street. From here, it continues northwards taking into account the suspected regular row to the west (where there are late medieval buildings (9.0) and observed earthworks opposite on the east side of the road. At the junction with Deptford Lane, settlement continues northwards on the east side of Hook Road only; much of it is modern but C17 / C18 buildings suggest an earlier attenuated row. The most northerly property in this AAP is Shenlon (C17).

**7.1.2** Beyond Shenlon (7.1.1) settlement switches to the west side of Hook Road where a small AAP takes in Royal Oak House (C18) and its neighbour.

**7.1.3** In Deptford Lane on the west bank of the River Whitewater is Ford Farm with adjoining plots (south) which contain three riverside ponds. This is clear evidence of fish farming, but of unknown antiquity. The farm and ponds constitute an AAP.

**7.1.4** Note the site of Old Pound Cottage and roadside plot in Hook Road at NGR 472065 151870 (9.0, no. 259).

**7.2 AsHAP** (Map 4, page 129)

**7.2.1** The greater part of 7.1.1 but on the west side of Greywell Street emphasis is placed upon the roadside properties and their defined back yards.

**7.3** The process of settlement development at Greywell is an unresolved issue and some important questions need to be asked. That there was a manor house seems certain but there are at least two candidates for the site; Church Cottage and the demolished Higgins / Toll mansion. South of Deptford Lane, the potential for former settlement evidence on the east side of Greywell Street merits further attention.

## 8.0 CHURCH & CHURCHYARD

### St. Mary

#### 8.1 Church

- Originally a chapelry dependant upon Odiham (VCH 4: 79).
- c. 1200: nave (north door rounded arch with dog-tooth); tower arch and chancel arch pointed on simple imposts.
- C15, window at east end of south wall of nave (three cinquefoil lights).
- C15 semi-circular projection for rood-stair.
- C1500, rood screen. Rood loft one of only two in Hampshire (see South Warnborough).
- Chancel: 1870-1.

#### 8.2 Churchyard

The archaeological integrity of the site has been impaired by trenching around the base of the church wall in order to facilitate drainage.

## 9.0 BUILDINGS

PRN	Details	Dates	Grade
3859	Church of St. Mary the Virgin	C12, 13, 15 1870	II*
3860	The Ford (C18, may be older - HTS 3: 63)	early C19	II
3861	Greywell Hill House	C18, 19	II
3862	Greywell Mill	C18	II
3863	Greywell Tunnel portal, Basingstoke Canal	1792	II
3864	Fox & Goose public house, Greywell Street	C18, 19	II
1575	Horse Shoe Cottages, Greywell Street	late C18	II
3865	Cedar Tree House, Greywell Street	C18, 19	II
3866/7	Cedar Cottage & adjoining cottage, Greywell Street	C17	II
3868	Malthouse Cottage, Greywell Street	C16, 17	II
3869	The Malthouse, Greywell Street	C16, 19, 20	II
3870	Weston House, cartsheds & barn, Greywell Street	C18	II
3871	Southfields, Greywell Street	late C18	II
3872	The Old Vicarage, Greywell Street	early C19	II
3873	Yew Tree Cottage (The Old Cottage?), Greywell Street	C16, 19	II
3884	Church Cottage, Greywell Street	C15, 16, 17	II*
3885	Manor Farm House, Greywell Street	C18	II
849	Manor Farm House: barn to S	c. 1800	II
3886	Manor Farm House: barn attached to SW	c. 1800	II
259	Old Pound Cottage, Hook Road	early C19	II
3887	Royal Oak House, Hook Road	C18	II
3888	Shenton, Hook Road	C17	II
3890/1/2	Rose Cottage, Holly Cottage, Dorchester Cottage, Hook Road	C18, 19	II
3893/4/5/6	The Barracks, Hook Road	C17, 18	II
3897	Old Forge, Hook Road	C17, 19	II

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3898	Old Wharf House, Hook Road	C17, early 19	II
unlisted	The Dower House, Greywell Street (HTS 3: 63)	C16 ?	II
listed	Nos 3 and 4 Vine Cottages		

**NB** Most of the unlisted buildings on the west side of Greywell Street are worthy of attention.

## 10.0 SMR DATA SW 47100 15050, NE 47250 15200

SU75SW	No.	
18	47183 15097	Medieval. Parish church of St. Mary.
31	47181 15121	Undated. Garden feature. Raised ridge adjacent to old Manor House demolished late C18.
34	47250 15180	Post-Medieval. Aqueduct.
35	47165 15065	Post-Medieval. Watermill.
110	47181 15129	Medieval. Irregular timber building C16 & C19, C20.
112	47177 15120	Medieval. Irregular timber building C16.
113	47181 15131	Medieval. Rectangular timber building C16, C17.
121	47172 15105	Medieval. Irregular timber building C16.

## 11.0 ADDITIONAL SITES / FEATURES

- 1 471740 151060 to 471810 151170 Earthworks; possibly associated with SMR31 (10.0)
- 2 471800 151200 to 471860 151260 Approximate south-west / north-east extent of earthen platform (rectilinear); contains minor earthworks
- 3 471890 151315 Approximate site of buildings group (2), c. 1842
- 4 471860 151385 Site of building and plot, c. 1842
- 5 472130 151320 Site of buildings (2) c. 1842
- 6 471840 150960 Earthworks (former boundary?) in the churchyard of St Mary.

## 12.0 CARTOGRAPHIC SOURCES

- Tithe Map 21M65/F7/101/2 (\*1842)
- GSGB 284 Basingstoke
- OS 1:2500 SW 47144 15095, NE 47229 15150
- OS 1: 25000 Pathfinder 1204 (SU 65/75), Basingstoke & 1224 (SU 64/74), Lasham and Alton (North)

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- Willoughby R 1996 *St Mary the Virgin, Greywell: An Architectural Note* Private publication

## 14.0 PRIMARY HISTORIC SOURCES

**14.1 Domesday Book** Not mentioned. Probably included under Odiham (VCH 4: 77).

## 14.2 Subsidy Rolls

1334		£ 3.13. 6	
1524	<i>1st survey:</i>		
	<i>2nd survey:</i>	£21.17. 8	(50 taxpayers)

## 14.3 Manorial Documents

Greywell was a single manor. Documents available at HRO.

## 14.4 Hearth Tax

1665	90 hearths chargeable (30 houses)
	10 hearths not chargeable (7 houses). Total: 37 houses.

**15.0 PLACE NAME** 1167 *Graiwella*; 1236 *Greiwell*; 1253 *Grewell*; 1579 *Gruell*. OE 'grey or badger spring / stream'. **NB** might incorporate an earlier river-name (IH 1977); Whitewater is late and of unknown origin but part of the upper reach may have been known as *weargaburna* in AD 973 (Coates 1989: 175).

## 16.0 PHOTOGRAPHS

## 17.0 OTHER PROJECT ELEMENTS

### 17.1 Other parish settlements include:

Butter Wood 47100 15200	1330, Boterwell (Spring / Stream with Good Pastureland)
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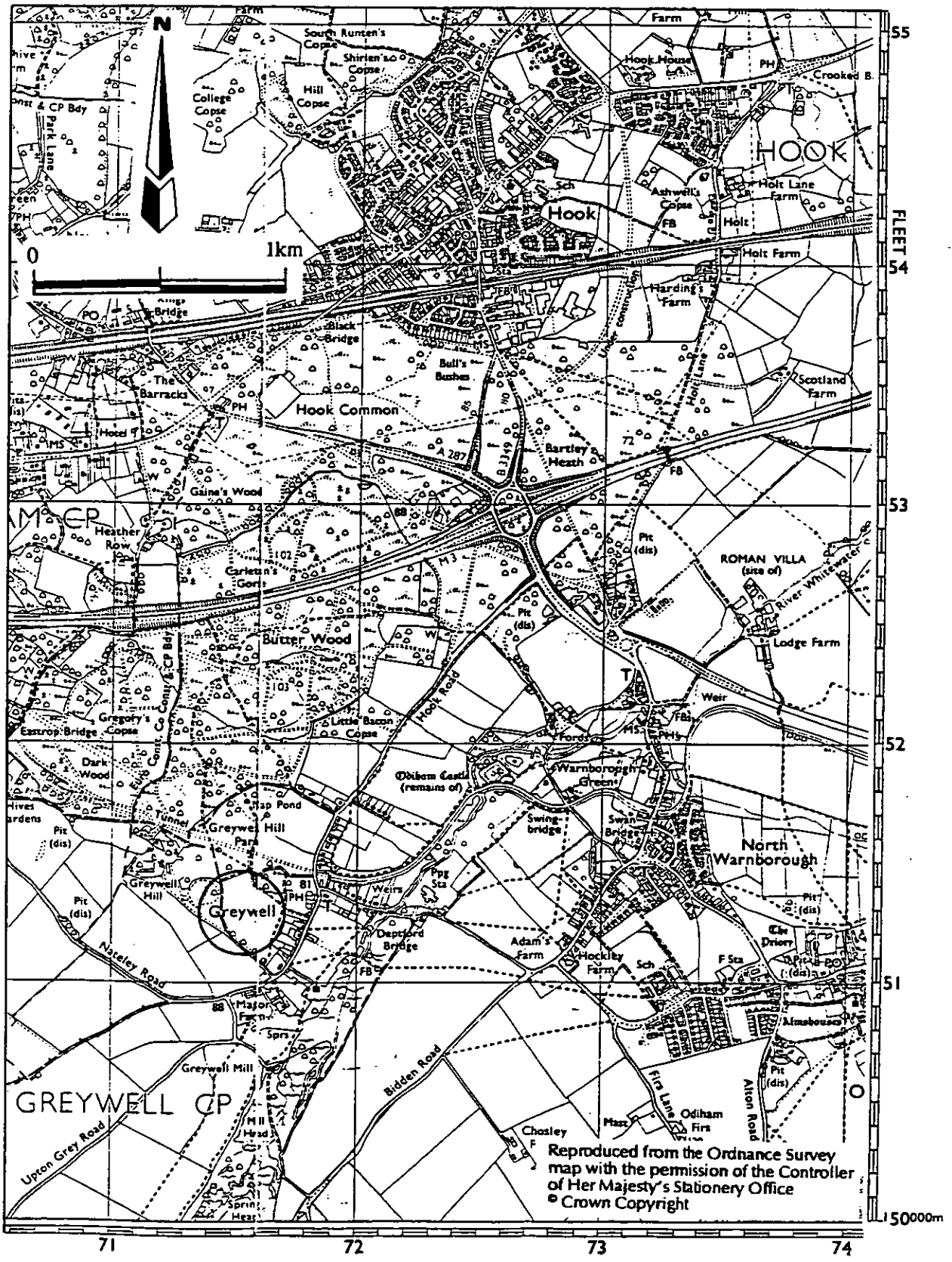
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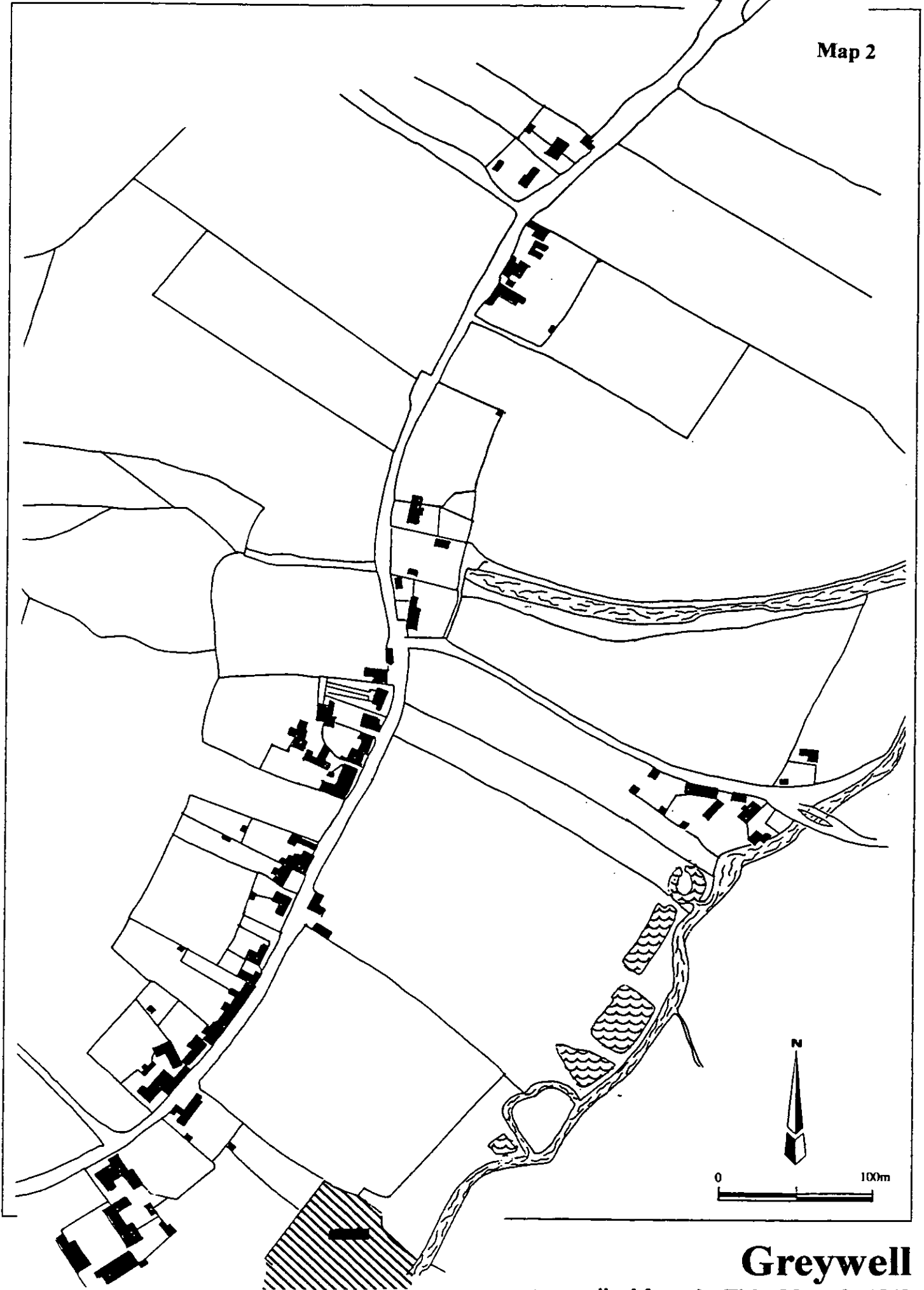
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Location

Map 1



Map 2

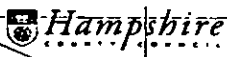


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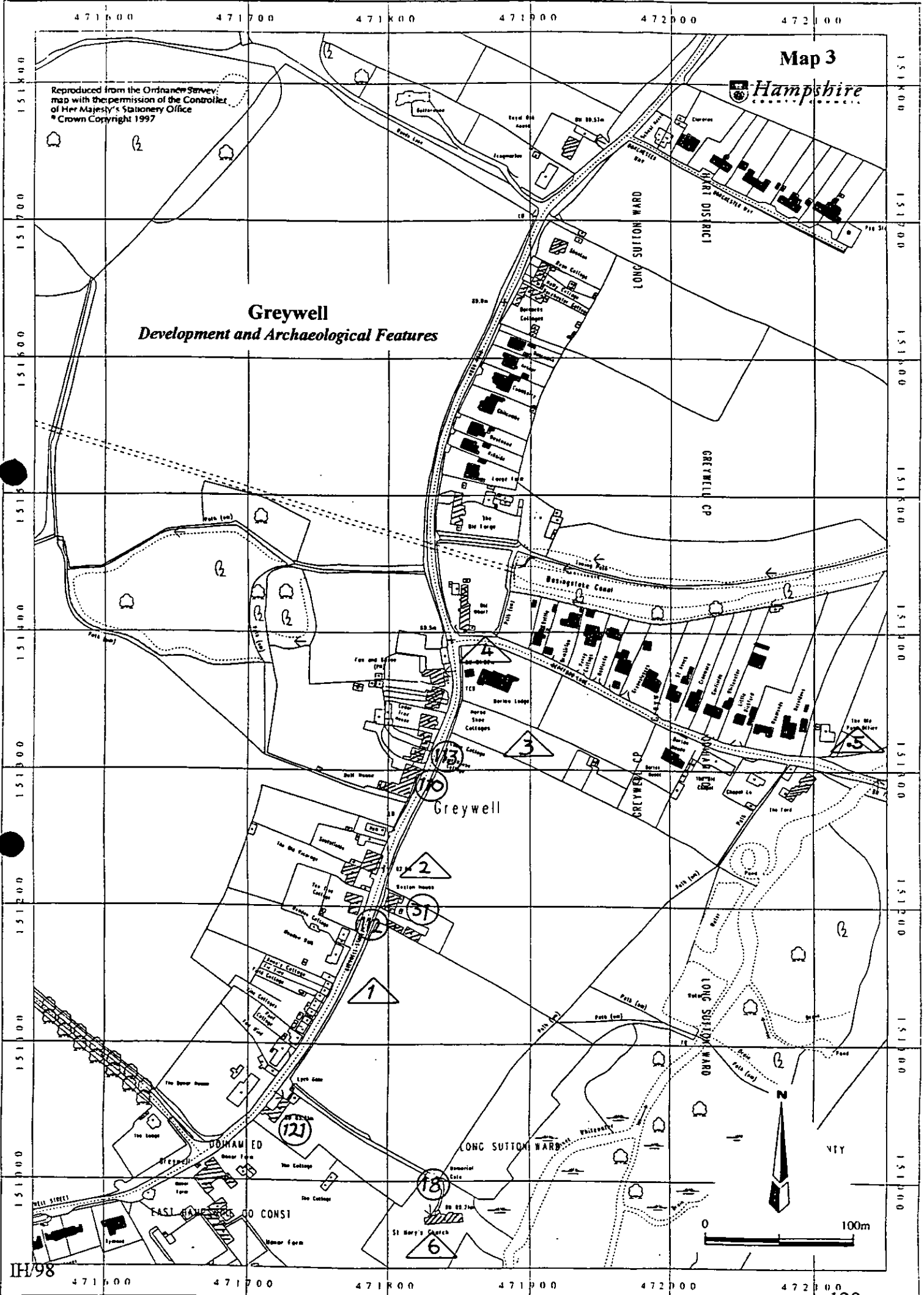
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# Map 3



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## Greywell Development and Archaeological Features



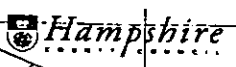
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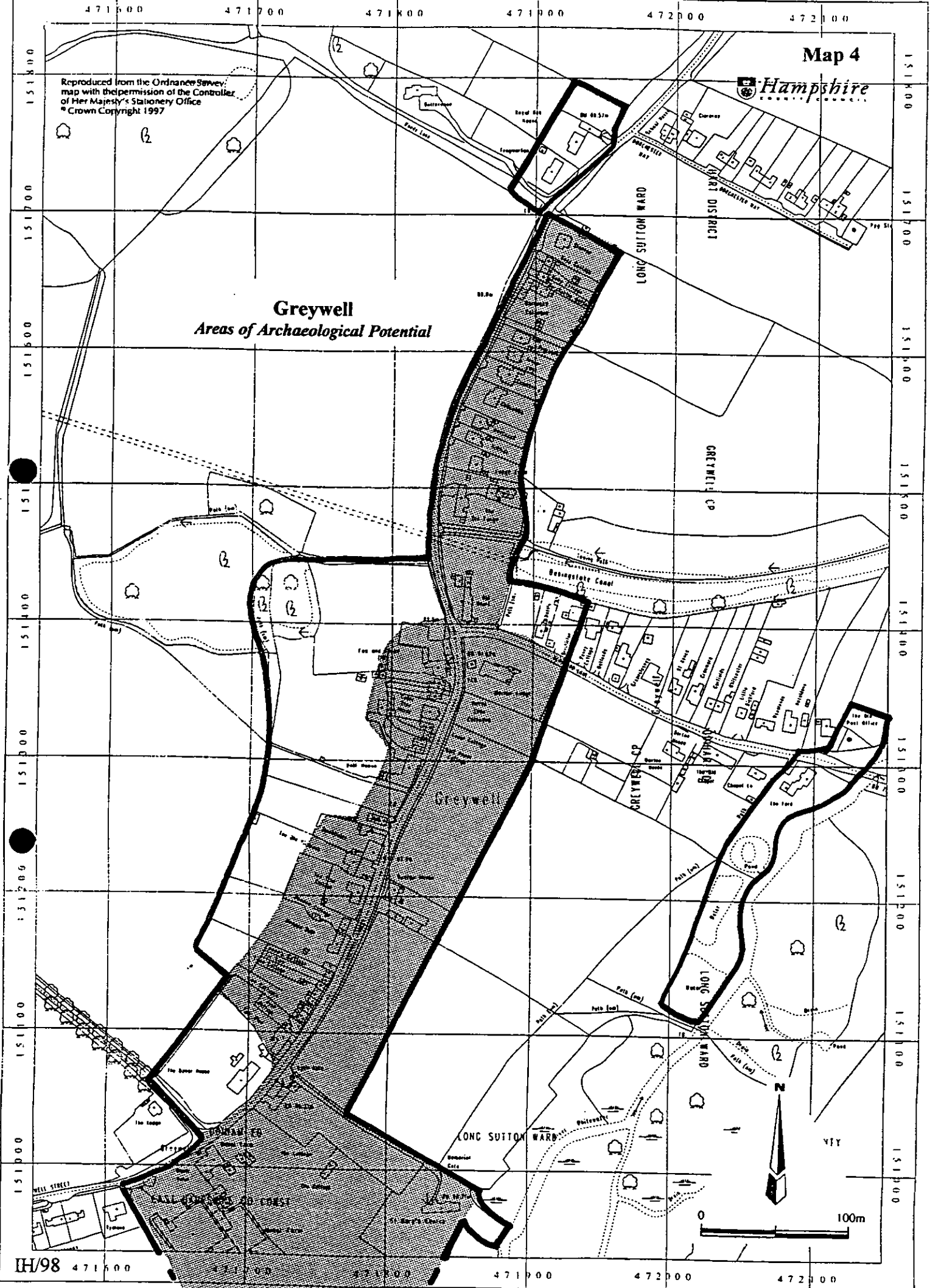
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# Map 4



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## Greywell Areas of Archaeological Potential



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