

NAME Hurstbourne Priors
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HUNDRED Evingar
DISTRICT Basingstoke and Deane
NGR SU 437464
GEOLOGY River gravels and Upper Chalk.

SITE CONTEXT The N-S road through the settlement lies in the valley of the River Bourne. The settlement is concentrated on the W side of the river with only the site of the manor house and the lodge on the E side of the river. The line of settlement lies on the first piece of rising ground up from the river's flood plain. The church is actually sited on the flood plain at between 60-70m OD and is positioned 100m away from the road. To the W the land rises to about 110m OD and to the E, beyond the wide flood plain, the land rises gently as far as Tufton.

PLAN TYPE & DESCRIPTION Irregular row.

The settlement mainly lies on the W of the N-S road with the church isolated on the E side of the road but away from the road frontage. Earthworks around the church suggest that this may not have always been the case.

Opposite the church are blocks of properties with four different toft lengths. In the NW corner of the cross-roads is an irregular block. S of the cross-roads on the W side is a block with its rear boundary lying parallel to the road but other units S of the cross-roads are small and either alone or joined to one other plot.

AREAS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL

The now isolated church is surrounded by earthworks, known archaeological deposits and the site of a grange. Therefore this forms an AHAP. Also within this area is the line of settlement on the W side of the N-S road through the village.

S of the cross-roads the lines of occupation on both sides of the road and including Manor Farm are more intermittent and have been included within the AAP. The sizes and shapes of the plots in this area of the village are similar in their mixture to the line opposite the church but whether the gaps between the plots are due to abandonment of the sites or that the density of settlement reduced nearer the edge of the village is uncertain.

CHURCH & CHURCHYARD St Andrew. Norman W doorway and arch to chapel which was probably the chancel arch of the early church. Early C13 chancel. Elizabethan N chapel.

A church was recorded here in 802 when it was consecrated (VCH Vol IV p 287).

BUILDINGS

(Listed)

The Bee House Early C18 late C19 II*
Stables W of site of mansion house Late C18 early C19 II
No 30 (Post Office) C17 early C19 II
Longhatch C17 C18 C20 II
The Manor House Late C18 II
The Long House C18 C19 II
Church of St Andrew II*
Apsley Fmhse C18 C20 II
The Island 1753 II
No 55 C17 and mid C19 II

(Un-listed)

SMR DATA

7	43924666	Med church
21	44204650	IA pot
22	43924666	Roman pot and tile
28	44014669	Med manor house (demolished)
29	44014669	Saxon manor (documented)
31	44004660	Med village mentioned in Domesday Book
32	43904670	P-med raised terrace and pot. Prob associated with The Grange
33	43904670	Roman burial
40	44004800	Georgian park

ADDITIONAL SITES/FEATURES

1	43804668	Site of village pound shown on Tithe map
2	43784653	Site of cottage shown on Tithe map
3	43734635	Site of cottage and outbuildings shown on Tithe map. To the rear of this site are some earthworks and a linear scarp runs parallel to the road
4	43754634	Site of cottage shown on Tithe map
5	43904650	Earthworks. From the S side of the extension to the graveyard to the S there are earthworks which, although difficult to interpret without a survey, include scarp slopes defining platforms and terraces and hollows. The earthworks extend across the SE corner of the cricket ground. There are also 'humps and bumps' due E of the graveyard
6	43804680	Earthworks. Undefined 'humps and bumps' with an apparent platform to the SE of this point ?Is this the platform mentioned in the SMR Site 32? The earthworks are all on the gentle slope of the valley side
7	43804620	Several low scarp slopes run parallel to the road along the valley slope above the flood plain. In the S end of the field on the flood plain are more linear features including what appears to be a bank. There are also some 'humps and bumps', especially at the S end of the field. (Two inspection covers are visible in the

field so it is possible that some disturbance may be the result of the insertion of drains)

CARTOGRAPHIC SOURCES OS 1:2,500 SU 4246-4346, 4446-4546; Tithe map 21M65/F7/125/2 (1842)

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Roberts, E. 1993 A Prior's Mansion at Michelmersh in *PHFC&AS* Vol 48, pp107-119.

PRIMARY HISTORIC SOURCES

Domesday For the supplies of the monks of Winchester. It was always in the lands of the Monastery. Before 1066 and now it answered for 38 hides. Land for 51 pl. In lordship 4 pl; 55 villagers and 38 smallholders with 45 pl. 14 slaves; 5 mills at 25s; meadow, 30 acres; woodland at 20 pigs. Value before 1066 £36; later £26; now £40.

Geoffrey holds from the Bishop 5 hides of this manor in the same village. 3 thanes held it from the Bishop; they could not go whither they would. They had 3 halls. 3 pl in lordship; 19 smallholders and 2 slaves. A mill at 12s 6d; meadow, 20 acres. The value was £8; now £6.

Richere holds from the Bishop 2 hides of this manor. Alnoth held it; he could not go whither he would. In lordship 1 pl; 9 smallholders and 3 slaves. Meadow, 5 acres; woodland at 3 pigs pasturage. Value 60s.

William holds from the bishop 2 hides less 1 virgate of this manor. Saewin held it from the bishop; he could not go whither he would. 1 pl with 1 villager; 12 smallholders with 1 pl; Meadow, 4 acres. The value was £6; now 40s.

Leofwin holds from the Bishop 1 hide with the church. He has 7 oxen in plough; meadow, 2 acres. The value is and was 50s.

Subsidy Rolls

1334	2. 3. 11
1524	4. 8. 2 (24 taxpayers)

Manorial Documents

Hearth Tax

1665	68 hearths chargeable (28 houses) 8 hearths not chargeable (6 houses) Total 34 houses
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PLACE NAME 873x888 *neoderan hysseburnan* Either OE *Hysseburna* 'tendrill stream' or *Hyssa burna* 'stream of the sons/youths'.

PHOTOGRAPHS 7/41, 42 and neg with no number

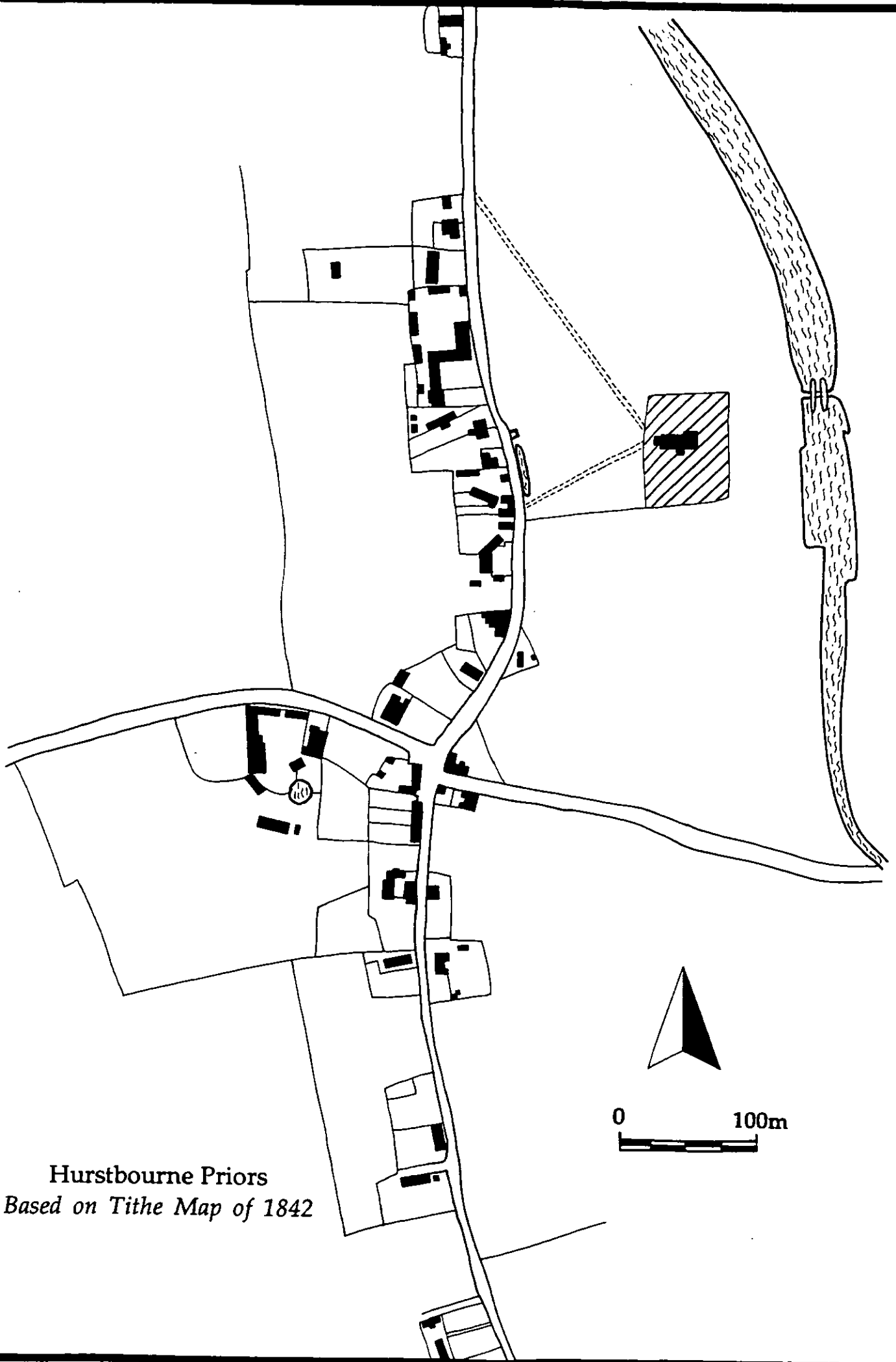
OTHER PROJECT ARCHIVE ELEMENTS

Mentioned in a charter of 879x899 (ref. 354 in Sawyer, 1968, p 158).

The Prior of St Swithun's, Winchester had a manor-house which consisted of a camera domini, gatehouse and stable (Roberts 1993).

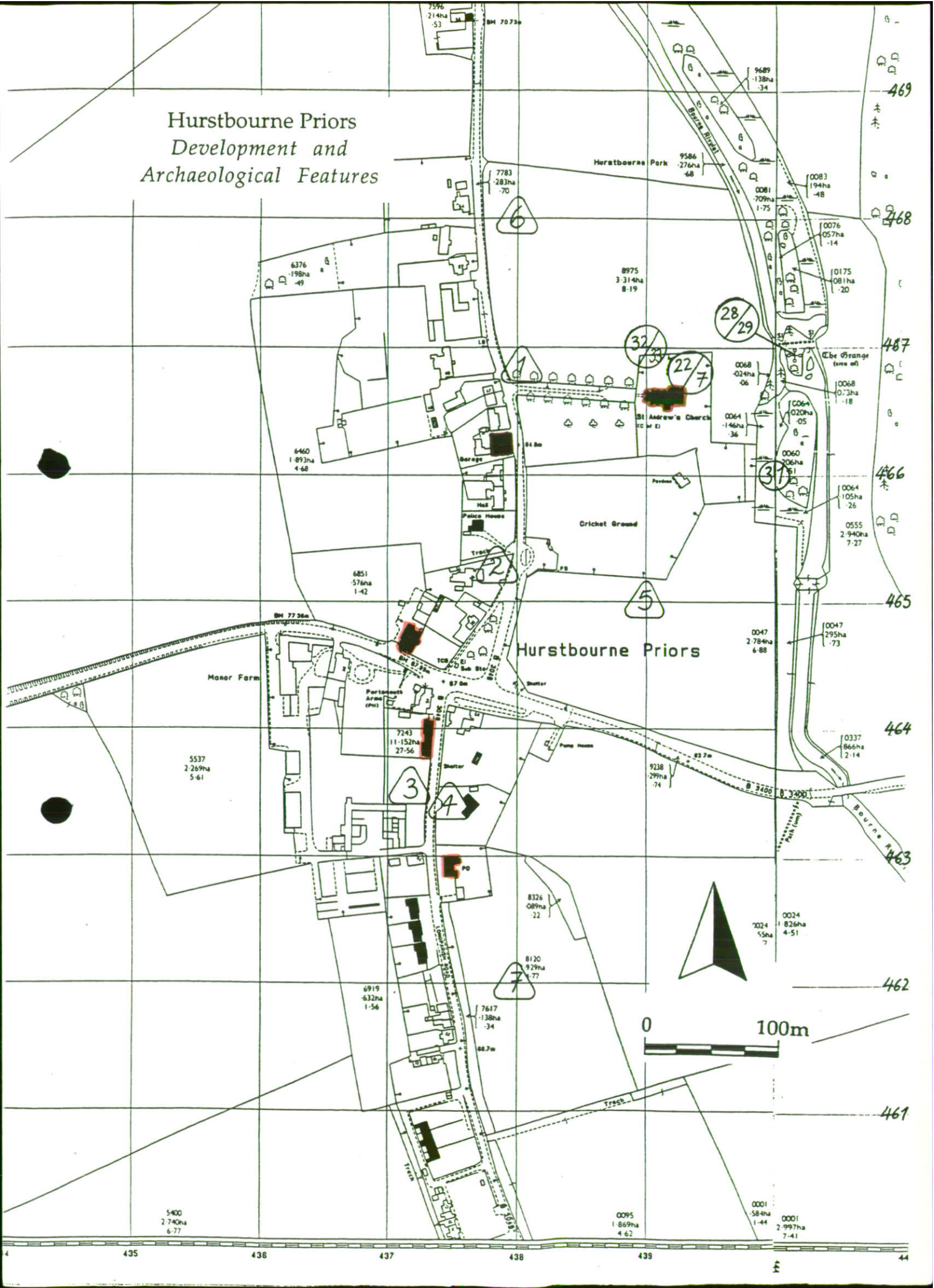
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The manor of Hurstbourne Priors, Down Hurstbourne or Nether Hurstbourne included the tithings of St Mary Bourne, Stoke Binley, Week and Egbury (VCH Vol IV p 287).



Hurstbourne Priors
Based on Tithe Map of 1842

Hurstbourne Priors Development and Archaeological Features



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Areas of Archaeological Potential

