

- 1.0 PARISH** Rotherwick
2.0 HUNDRED Odiham
3.0 NGR SU 47130 15640
4.0 GEOLOGY London Clay extending westwards onto Lower Bagshot (sand).

5.0 SITE CONTEXT

Rotherwick is situated at the junction of two roads. The first of these, known as The Street, runs east-west through the settlement from the direction of Mattingley which lies 2.5km north-east. The east end of The Street is 72m AOD after which it becomes Cowfold Lane. At the western end of Rotherwick, the second road is aligned north-south, forming a T-junction with The Street (88m AOD). North of the junction this road is known as Frog Lane, to the south it is called Ridge Lane, an appropriate description because west from here the terrain falls towards the valley of the Lyde River and the parish boundary (c. 60m AOD).

6.0 PLAN TYPE & DESCRIPTION

Regular row + farmsteads

6.1 *Regular row* Recent maps show rectilinear property plots set at right angles to both sides of the Street, virtually throughout its entire length. The lengths of the plots are greatest at the west end of Rotherwick, reducing to half size or less at the east end of The Street. This, and other features argue strongly in favour of a regular row, and this is particularly marked at the western end of Rotherwick where The Street forks around a triangular green. Just to the east of the green, on the north side of the road, the C13 parish church fits neatly into the order of things in its rectangular roadside plot; only the style of construction setting it apart from other buildings. Nevertheless, there are grounds for doubt. The Tithe Map (1841) indicates that there was a degree of attenuation east of the church which is not obvious today, whilst the group of plots south of the green looked much less regular than they do now.

6.2 *Farmsteads* There are two associated small farmstead clusters.

6.2.1 Rook's Farm (earliest fabric C17) is south of a long west / east boundary and little more than 200m north-east of the church. The long boundary runs 300m north of The Street and possibly demarcates the northern limit of the Rotherwick settlement. The farm has an access track that connects at a right angle to the north side of The Street (as it did in 1841), suggesting unity with the rest of the Rotherwick lay-out.

6.2.2 Wedman's Farm (earliest fabric C18) is c.0.7km north-east of the church, but it lies north of the west / east bound (6.2.1) and this indicates that it was a separate entity to the main settlement. A linear group of plots just south of Wedman's Farm include Tudor Cottage (C16) and Timbers Cottage (probably C16).

6.3 *Synthesis* Rotherwick shows has been categorised as a regular row albeit with reservations (6.1). The settlement is not mentioned in Domesday Book and it has been suggested that it was included within the listing for Odiham (VCH 4: 99). Whatever the case, it is not likely that there was a planned settlement here at that time. Planned settlement at Rotherwick might have started at its west end where The Street meets the north / south route of Ridge Lane and Frog Lane. These lanes form a section of a long, seemingly ancient, boundary route between several parishes. In many instances, this boundary can be associated with natural features, which is the case along the aptly named Ridge Lane. It would seem then, that Rotherwick was planned eastwards from a pre-existing north / south boundary-route and this might explain why the longer and (on the north side) more regular property units are at the west end of the settlement, for these represent the first components of the 'scheme' (church included). However, c. 1km north of, and c. 1.5km south of Rotherwick, the Ridge Lane / Frog Lane boundary has been diverted in a topographically illogical loop westwards to the Lyde River (c. 1.5km). It is virtually certain that this re-routing of the boundary was carried out in order to provide Rotherwick parish with an area of meadowland which would otherwise have been in short supply. This added parcel of land between the *original* boundary and the Lyde would make better topographical sense if it was a part of Newnham parish (south), or Hartley Wespall parish (north). Newnham is not in Domesday and is first mentioned 1167 as *Niwenham*, 'new estate' (Coates 1989: 122). Hartley Wespall is twice mentioned in Domesday but simply as *Hartley*. Hartley Mauditt is also listed but not *H. Wintney*. The second place-name elements in the Hartley series are first recorded in C13; Mauditt (late C13), Wintney (1236) and Wespall (1236). Immediately south of Newnham, Natley was distinguished as Natley Scures (1274) and Up Natley (1272). These place name distinctions may be older than the first date of mention. Alternatively, they could indicate that a major re-parcelling of estates took place on the east side of the Lyde in C 12-C13 and this included the westwards extension of Rotherwick estate.

6.3.1 It is also possible that this aberration in the boundary line relates to a peculiarity in the bounds of Odiham hundred. Speed's map of 1610 (*qv*) shows the hundred boundary as extending westwards from Rotherwick to include Sherfield. A similar appendage appears on the hundred map which accompanies Munby (ed.) Hampshire Domesday Book (1982). However, Sherfield is not mentioned in Domesday and neither is any other estate in this limb of Odiham hundred. It is therefore open to doubt as to whether this extension existed at all until C12, C13.

6.3.2 The wider implications of this hypothesis are not relevant to this survey, but in the case of Rotherwick the ramifications are crucial. Rotherwick is first mentioned c. 1100, but not necessarily in the context of the present settlement. The earliest fabric of the church is the late C13 chancel, a date that fits well with the place-name evidence for re-organisation. Perhaps, then, Rotherwick was first planned as a *village* at this time, the church developing from a temporary chapel to purpose-built stone structure within a *standard* lay streetside plot. The church has no dedication, having been dependent upon the mother church at Odiham.

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

7.0 ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL

The case for a C12, C13 foundation for Rotherwick lacks archaeological support, SMR dates being mostly confined to extant late medieval structures (C16). Opportunities for investigation assume particular importance in the context of ascribing dates to planned village layouts, particularly in an area where settlement is preponderantly dispersed. Further fieldwork is necessary in order to determine whether Rotherwick is a planned regular row rather than an attenuated row with a higher density of properties at the western end.

7.1 *AsAP*

7.1.1 A band which includes all of the plots along The Street (north and south) from the junction with Ridge Lane / Frog Lane eastwards to Wedman's Lane. Rook's Farm (barn C16) is brought within the AAP by means of a northwards projection. Of particular importance are the apparently vacant plots for assessment of these could help to determine the nature of the original settlement plan (Map 5, page 234 and Map 7, page 236).

7.1.2 North of Rotherwick, on the east side of Frog Lane a series of plots with buildings comprise an AAP. Frog Lane Farm and The Old Cottage are C17 (Map 5, page 234).

7.1.3 Approximately 200m north of the east end of Rotherwick (Wedman's Lane) a west / east AAP includes two late medieval buildings: Tudor Cottage (C16) and Timbers Cottage (C16 [Map 7, page 236]).

7.2 *AsHAP*

7.2.1 Within the AAP described in 7.1.1 there are three areas of particular importance:

- The west end of The Street from Frog Lane to Church Cottage. The church is within this group. The present layout of plots and buildings demonstrates some of the characteristics of a planned regular row (Map 5, page 234).
- Rook's Farm (Map 7, page 236).
- The east end of The Street which has a group of C17 buildings and The Ricks, C16 (Map 7, page 236).

7.2.2 Frog Lane Farm and The Old Cottage (7.1.2 [Map 5, page 234]).

7.2.3 Tudor Cottage, Timbers Cottage and respective grounds (7.1.3 [Map 7, page 236])

8.0 CHURCH & CHURCHYARD

Dedication unknown

- Situated on a slight knoll.
- Nave: originally timber-framed but brick faced C16; roof timbers C15. Small opening in west wall (interior) gave access to musicians' gallery.
- West Tower: also brick but late C17.
- Brickwork of tower and nave has traces of plaster render.
- Chancel late C13 (flint), blocked putlogs in east and west walls. East window C16.
- Chancel screen C16.
- Substantial re-building 1865-67 included north aisle and north chapel 1876.
- Monument: Frederick Tylney (†1725).
- Foundations have been severed from the churchyard context by drainage trenching.

9.0 BUILDINGS

PRN	Details	Dates	Grade
4455	Cowfold Farmhouse: cartshed NE of	C18	II
4456	Old Cottage, Frog Lane	C17	II
4457	Frog Lane Farmhouse, Frog Lane	C17, 19, 20	II
4458	Frog Lane Farmhouse, barn NE of	C17	II
4459	Rowley's House, Frog Lane	C17, 1900	II
4460	Rowley's House: barn at	C18	II
4461	Coachman's Cottage, Green Lane	C18	II
4462	Runten's Farmhouse, Green Lane	late C17	II
4463	Runten's Farmhouse: barn NW of	late C17	II
543	Hadley Dene House, Hook Road	early C19	II
1948	Hadley Dene House: kilns at	1867	II
4464	Whitehouse Farm, Hook Road: granary at	early C19	II
4465	Baron Mead, The Street (N)	early C19	II
4466	Rotherwick House (Wyk House), The Street (N)	C17	II
4467	The Ricks, The Street (N)	C16, 20	II
4468/9/70	Nos 1, 2, 3, Wogsbarne Cottages,	C17, 19	II
4479	Rook's Farm Cottage, The Street (N)	C16, 17	II
4480	Rook's Farm: barn W of Cottage	C18	II
4481	Rook's Farm: barn S of Cottage	C16, 17	II
4482	School House, The Street (N)	C18	II
4483	Church Cottage, The Street (N)	C18	II
1160	Parish Church, The Street (N)	C13, 15, 16, 19	II*
4484	The Old Store House, The Street (N)	C16, 19 c. 1900	II
544	Pond House, The Street (N)	C18, 19	II
4485	Kennels, The Street (S)	C16, 18	II
4486	No. 27 (Fingle Cottage), The Street (S)	C17, 20	II
4487	Yew Tree Cottage, The Street (S)	C17, 20	II
4488/9/90/1	Nos 86-89 Honeysuckle Cottage, The Street (S)	C18, 19	II
4492	Coach & Horses public house, The Street (S)	late C18	II
4493	Church Farmhouse, The Street (S)	early C18, early C19	II
4494	Church Farmhouse: granary	early C19	II
1781	Church Farmhouse: barn E of	C18	II
4495	The Old Bakery, The Street (S)	C18, c. 1900	II
4496	Hartford House, The Street (S)	early C19	II
4497/8	Nos 15, 16, The Street (S)	C17	II
4499/4500	Nos 70, 71, Ridge Lane	C17, 20	II
1661	Timbers Cottage, Wedman's Lane	C18	II
4501	Tudor Cottage, Wedman's Lane	C16, 20	II
4502	Wedman's Farm: barn, Wedman's Lane	C18	II
4503	Laundry Farmhouse, Wedman's Lane	C17	II
4504	Bartlett's Farmhouse	C16, 17, 20	II
1323	Bartlett's Farmhouse: barn SE of	C17	II

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4505	Bartlett's Farmhouse: cartshed NE of	C17	II
4506	Bartlett's Farmhouse: granary		early C19
	II		
1118	Bunkers Hill Farmhouse	C17, 19	II
4507	Bunkers Hill Farmhouse: barn E of	late C17	II
4508	Bunkers Hill Cottage	C18	II
4509	Mattingley Post Office	C18, 19	II
4510	The Old House, Old House Lane (Frog Lane)	C16, 20	II
4511	The Old House Cottage, Old House Lane	C17	II
4512	Stokers	C17, 18	II
4513	Stroud Green Cottage	C17, 18	II
848	Tylney Hall: main & subsidiary blocks	1879, C20	II*
1022	Tylney Hall: walled garden, cottages etc.	C19, 20	II*
4519	Tylney Hall: Middle Lodge	1879-1901	II
4521	Tylney Hall: outbuilding NE of stable courtyard	c. 1900	II
unlisted	The Falcon public house, The Street (north) includes some early C19 fabric		
unlisted	Rotherwick Village Hall: good example of C20 Brewers' Tudor		
unlisted	Tresco, Wedman's Lane (see 10.0 no. 66)	C16	

10.0 SMR DATA SW 47050 15550, NE 47250 15750

SU75NW	No.	
2	47117 15625	Medieval, C13, 15,16. Parish Church.
47	47130 15670	Bronze Age. Copper alloy find. Palstave of <i>Wilburton</i> type.
62	47053 15598	Medieval, C16. Rectangular timber building. Modern extensions.
63	47114 15625	Medieval, C16. Irregular timber building. Shop and other extensions added c. AD 1900.
64	47162 15641	Medieval, C16. Irregular timber-framed building.
65	47168 15668	Medieval, C16. Irregular timber-framed building. Modernised with various extensions. NB This most closely resembles PRN 4466 Rotherwick House (471730 156440) but might answer the description of PRN1661 Timbers Cottage (471730 156690)
66	47179 15644	Medieval, C16. Rectangular timber building. C18 brick cladding.
67	47131 15645	Medieval barn, C16 with C17 bay added to the west.
68	47130 15648	Medieval, C16. Rectangular timber building. C17 alterations.

11.0 ADDITIONAL SITES / FEATURES

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| 1 | 470910 156110 | Site of building and plot, 1841 |
| 2 | 471080 156500 | Earthworks? |
| 3 | 471600 156360 | Site of pond, 1841 |
| 4 | 471830 156440 | Site of buildings in grounds of <i>Verelo</i> , 1841 |

12.0 CARTOGRAPHIC SOURCES

- Tithe map 21M65/F7/199/2 (1841/44)
- GSGB 284, Basingstoke
- OS 1:2500 SW 470800 156000, NE 471900 156800
- OS 1: 25000 Pathfinder 1204, Basingstoke

13.0 BIBLIOGRAPHY

14.0 PRIMARY HISTORIC SOURCES

14.1 Domesday Book Not mentioned. VCH (4: 99) suggests that it was included with Odiham.

14.2 Subsidy Rolls

1334		Not listed.	
1524	<i>1st survey:</i>	Not listed.	
	<i>2nd survey:</i>	£3.17.0	(31 taxpayers)

14.3 Manorial Documents

Rotherwick was a single manor.

14.4 Hearth Tax

1665 93 hearths chargeable (31 houses),
28 hearths not chargeable (20 houses). Total: 51 houses.

15.0 PLACE NAME *c.* 1100 *Hrytheruuica*; 1193 *Retherwyk*; 1262 *Rutherwik*. OE *Hriðerwic*, *Hryðerwic* 'cattle farm'

16.0 PHOTOGRAPHS

17.0 OTHER PROJECT ELEMENTS

17.1 Other parish settlements include:

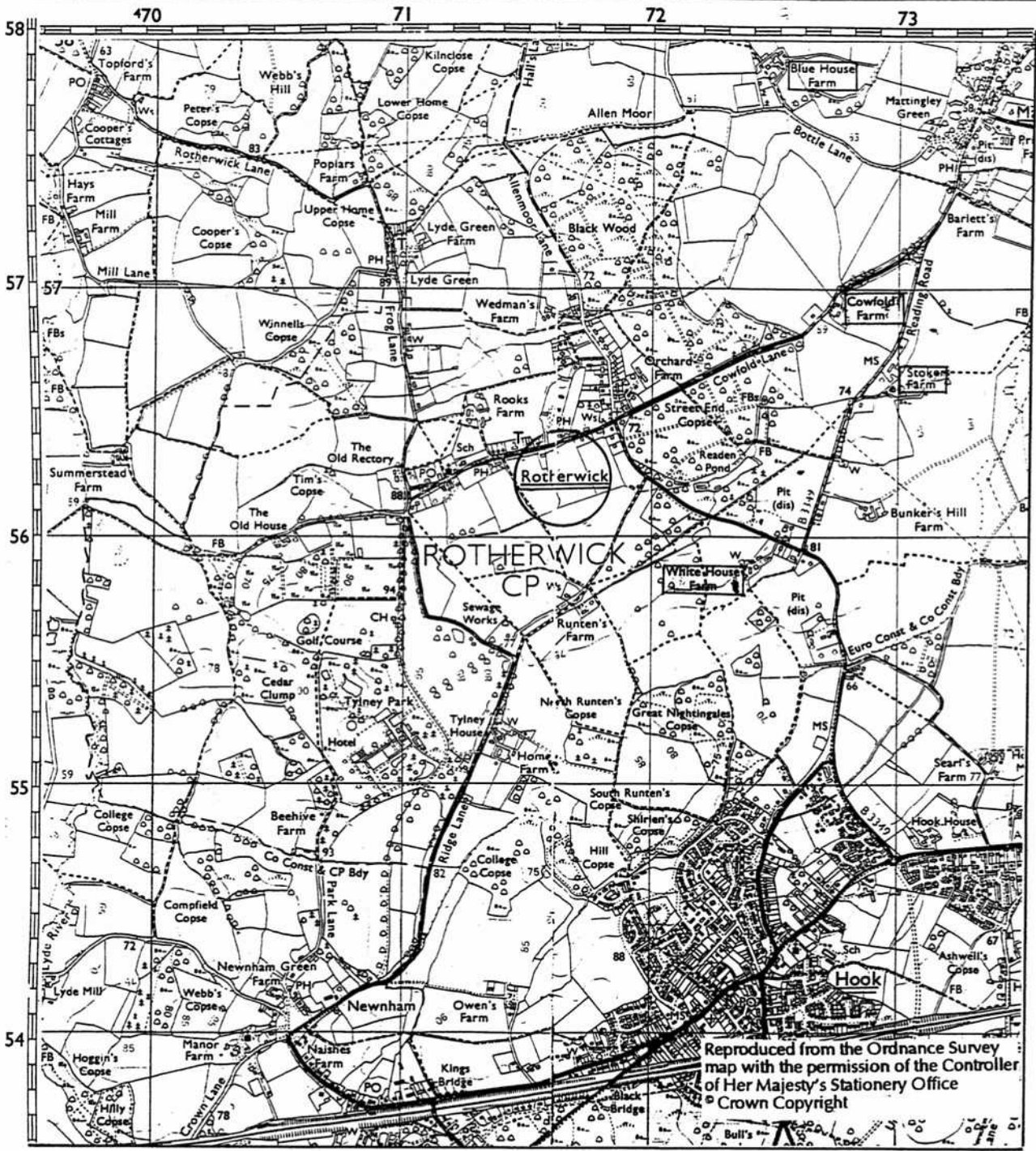
Cowfold Farm 47280 15690	1248, Cuffaud (Home of Rich atte Coufolde)
Strouds Green 47060 15600	1522, Strod(e) Place (Marshy Land with Brushwood).

18.0 ILLUSTRATIONS

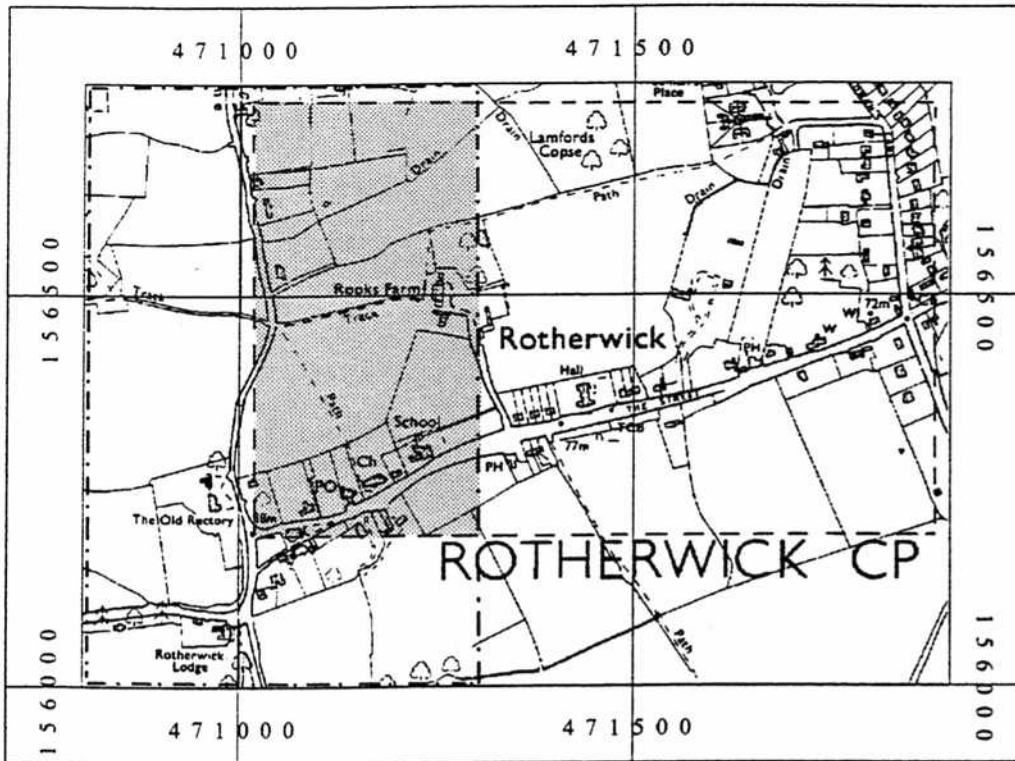
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- 2 Location map at 1: 10000
- 3 Tithe Map transcription at 1: 2500
- 4 Map: Development and Archaeological Features at 1: 2500; Rotherwick
(west)
- 5 Map: Development and Archaeological Features at 1: 2500; Rotherwick
(east)
- 6 Map: Areas of Archaeological Potential at 1: 2500 (west)
- 7 Map: Areas of Archaeological Potential at 1: 2500 (east)
- 8 John Speed's Map of Hampshire, 1610 (Hart).

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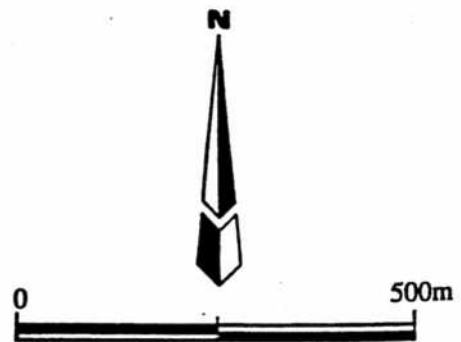
Location



Map 1



Area of overlap Maps 4 & 6 / 5 & 7



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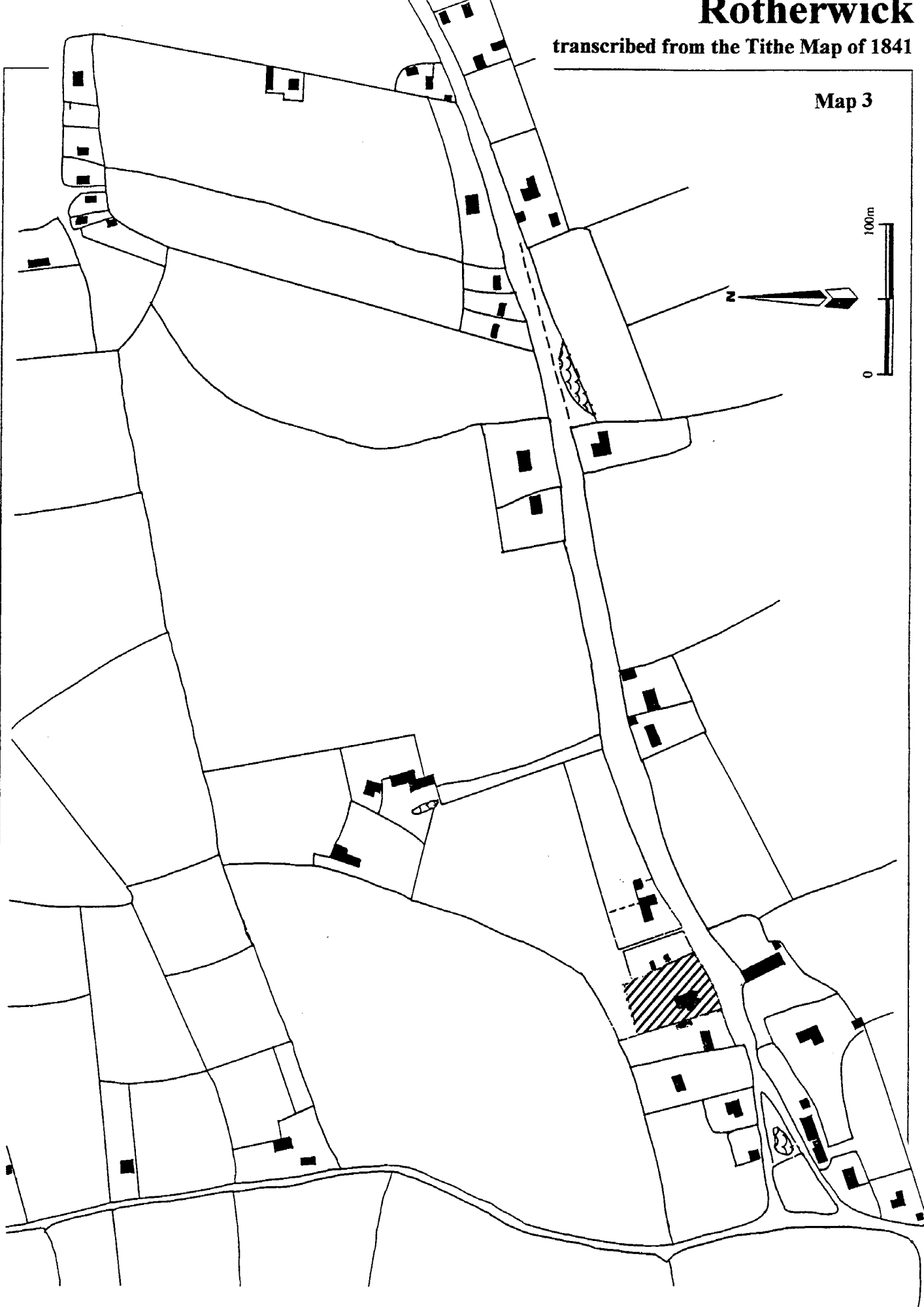
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Rotherwick

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Map 3

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Rotherwick (west)
Development and Archaeological Features

