

NAME Shipton Bellinger
PARISH Shipton Bellinger
HUNDRED Thorngate
DISTRICT Test Valley
NGR SU 233455
GEOLOGY River gravels and upper chalk to N and S

SITE CONTEXT The village lies along a narrow, winding valley orientated NW-SE at a little under 100m OD. To the W the land rises, gently at first to 130m OD, then 2km away sharply to the crest of Beacon Hill. To the E the valley side rises to 170m OD on Snoddington Down. A small stream, (dry in August 1995) runs alongside the main street through the village.

PLAN TYPE & DESCRIPTION Regular row.

On the SW side of the main street through the village is a regular row with nearly all the properties having a common rear boundary which curves rather more than the road resulting in the plots in the centre of the row being longer. The regularity of this block is most evident at the N end where there are several narrow strips together. Along the NE side of the street the plots are irregular in size and form an irregular row. There is only one block with any coherence and that is at the N end of the plan where the stream veers to the N. The main route is the N-S road on the E side of the village which effectively forms a by-pass. The village street can be seen as the earlier route following the line of the valley and leaving the village along the lane on the W side of the stream at the N of the plan.

AREAS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL

The building lines along both sides of the street through the village and the area to the N of the church and around Manor Farm lie in the AHAP. The area along the street frontages have probably been almost continually occupied during the medieval period and therefore there is a high possibility that archaeological remains exist within this area. It is important to note that the houses along the street, especially on the S side of the road, can lie back from the street and that buildings set away from the roadside are not always outbuildings or service buildings.

The back part of the properties that formed the regular row on the S side of the road are included as an AAP as the remains of boundaries dividing this area into strips but not recorded cartographically may survive either as earthworks or as negative features.

CHURCH & CHURCHYARD St Peter. Nearly entirely 1879. Chancel S doorway C13.

1312 Record of a chapel at Snoddington.

BUILDINGS

(Listed)

Forge Cottage, High St Late C18 and extensions of early C19 and C20 II
Lorne Cottage Early C19 II
Bramble Cottage C17, re-clad C18 with C20 extensions II
The Old School Room 1875 II
Nos 478 and 479 Late C18 II
Church of St Peter II

(Un-listed)

SMR DATA

SU 24 NW

1	23294508	Inhumations 3+ skeletons
12	23754585	Prehist flint debitage and BA and Roman pot
13	23154563	Med Fe spearhead
17	23314542	Med church
29	23304530	Med village mentioned in Domesday Book
33	23274522	Roman coin

SU 24 SW

4	23804460	Possible DMV Snoddington
6	23204460	Saxon inhumation
7	23204500	Inhumations of unknown date

ADDITIONAL SITES/FEATURES

1	23504527	Site of cottage shown on Tithe map
2	23364541	Site of several outbuildings associated with Manor Farm
3	23264541	Site of cottage shown on Tithe map
4	23154567	Site of two outbuildings shown on Tithe map near junction of roads
5	23324547	'Humps and bumps'. General area of uneven ground on land adjoining the NE side of the churchyard. Undefined

CARTOGRAPHIC SOURCES 1:2,500 SU 2245-2345; Tithe map 21M65/F7/207/2 (1840).

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS

BIBLIOGRAPHY

PRIMARY HISTORIC SOURCES

Domesday Robert son of Gerald. Wulfstan held it from King Edward in freehold. Then and now it paid tax for 1.5 hides. 2 villagers with 0.5 pl. Value always 20s.

Alfred of Marlborough. Reginald from him. Karl held it from King Edward in freehold. Then and now it paid tax for 10.5 hides. Land for 5 pl. In lordship 1; 5 villagers and 3 smallholders with 3 pl. Woodland for fencing. A church; 6 slaves. Value before 1066, later, and now £6.

Subsidy Roll

1334 5. 4. 0/1f

1524 5. 19. 0 (36 taxpayers)

The 1524 Subsidy includes Snoddington which was taxed separately in 1334 at 1. 17. 0/1f.

Hearth Tax

1665 40 hearths chargeable (20 houses)

14 hearths not chargeable (14 houses) Total 34 houses

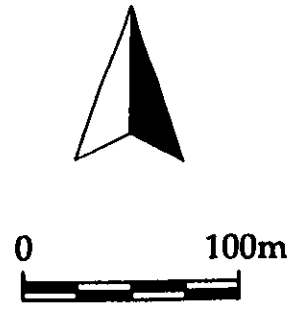
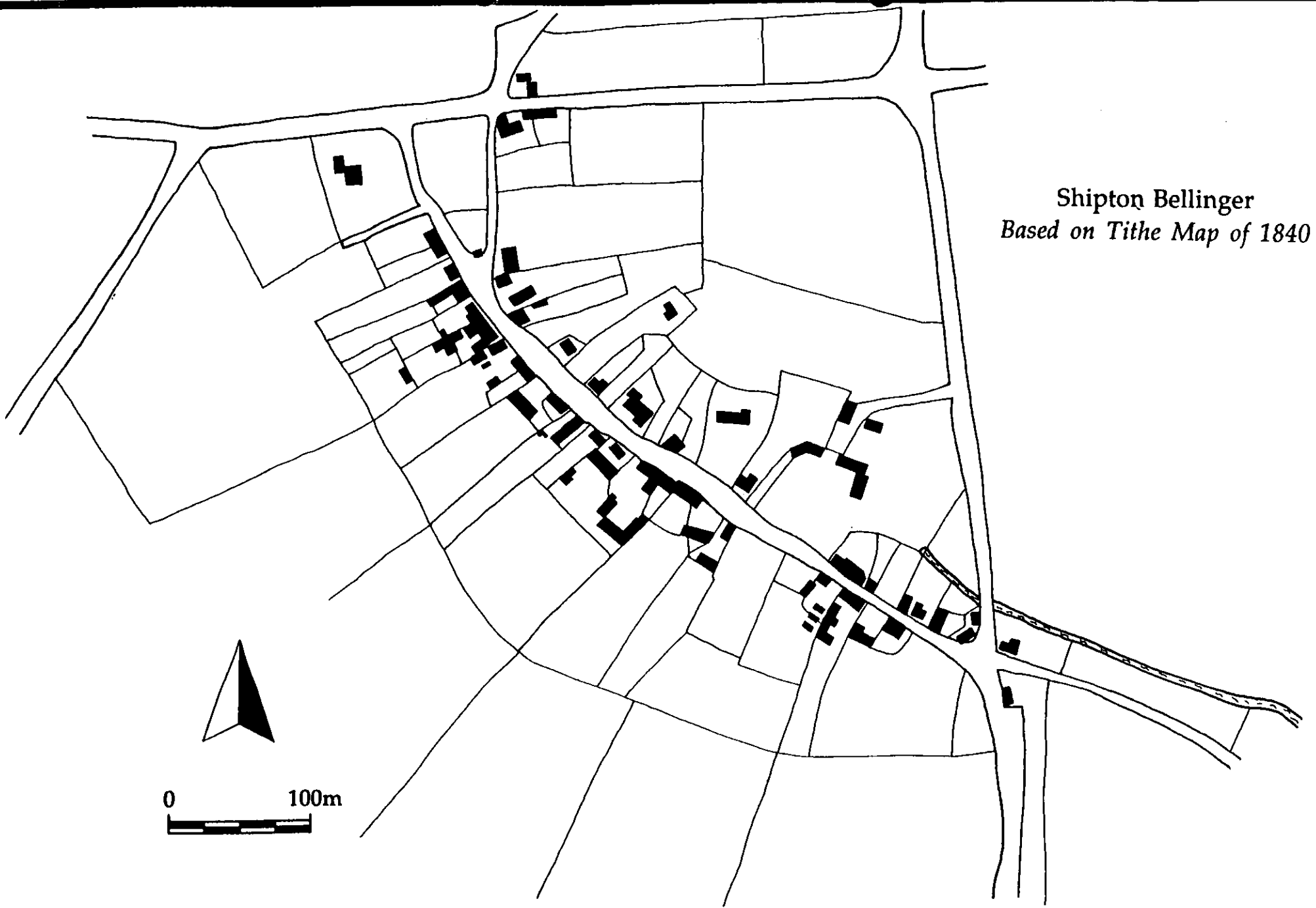
The return covers both Shipton and Snoddington.

PLACE NAME 1086 *Sceptune*. OE *Sceaptun* 'sheep farm'. Bellinger is from the lord of the manor in 1296, Ingelram Berenger.

PHOTOGRAPHS

OTHER PROJECT ARCHIVE ELEMENTS

Shipton Bellinger
Based on Tithe Map of 1840





1174
2 18th
5 87
recreation Ground

107
745ha
1 84

2968
817ha
2 02

17269
728ha
457

SHIPTON BELLINGER C P

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5858
4 515ha
11 16

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6041
4 216ha
10 42

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Development and
Archaeological Features

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