

# West Worldham

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<b>1.0 PARISH</b>	Worldham, formerly two parishes: East and West Worldham
<b>2.0 HUNDRED</b>	Alton
<b>3.0 NGR</b>	474100 137000
<b>4.0 GEOLOGY</b>	Upper Greensand

## 5.0 SITE CONTEXT (Map 2)

West Worldham, East Worldham and Hartley Mauditt are all now part of Worldham CP though they were separate parish centres prior to re-organisation. West Worldham is a relatively small settlement. The parish church stands at 150m AOD on a north-east downhill slope towards Alton, 3.5km distant.

## 6.0 PLAN TYPE & DESCRIPTION (Maps 3, 4 & 5)

### Church & manor house

**6.1.** The parish church is adjacent and almost contiguous with the C18 Manor Farmhouse. The diminutive size of West Worldham (once also known as Little Worldham) is reflected in the various tax assessments listed in Paragraph 14.0. It was not mentioned as a separate holding in Domesday and neither does it appear in the 1665 Hearth Tax returns. Its absence from the First Survey of the 1524 Lay Subsidy suggests that it was usually included with East Worldham (see East Worldham, Paragraph 14.2).

**6.1.1** Evidence for settlement shrinkage is not good. The Tithe Map survey (c. 1842) shows a group of three cottages 150m north-east of the church; two of these have been lost. Site inspection revealed low earthworks at the lane sides between the church and Pullens, but they could be the remains of field systems (Paragraph 11.0, Nos 3 & 4). However, these earthworks are also close to the Medieval route to Alton (Paragraph 11.0, Nos 5 & 6) and it would not be surprising if this road attracted settlement at it passed through West Worldham. Pullens (C17) is the only other buildings group of substance. It is two hundred metres south-east of the church and was formerly known West Worldham Farm.

**6.2** *Site visit condition:* strong, low sun (9.3.99)

## 7.0 ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL (Map 5)

### 7.1 AsAP

**7.1.1** North of the church (C12) and manor site in order to extend the archaeological context of this group.

**7.1.2** A plot between the church and manor site and Pullens / West Worldham Farm. There are earthworks in this area (Paragraph 11.0, No. 3) and it is also adjacent to the Medieval lanes to Alton (Paragraph 11.0, No. 6).

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## 7.2 *AsHAP*

**7.2.1** An area that incorporates the manor house and grounds, and the C12 church and churchyard. This is the focal point of the Medieval settlement.

**7.2.2** The buildings and grounds of Pullens / West Worldham Farm (C17). The origin of this farm group is not known but it is at junction of the old Alton road route through West Worldham and closely associated with earthworks *c.* 100m north.

## 8.0 CHURCH & CHURCHYARD

### 8.1 St Nicholas

- C12 single cell Norman construction (13.4m x 5.5m); built as a chapel of ease to Hamble Priory (see Paragraph 14.3). Some features may be pre-Conquest.
- C13 north and south doorways; north door now blocked;
- C15 timber-framed porch;
- 1888 heavily restored. A contemporary photograph shows the state of the church before rebuilding. It had virtually collapsed by 1870.
- The church and churchyard stand above the road. The south side of the churchyard is curvilinear and this might once have been the case on the north side.

## 9.0 BUILDINGS (Map 4)

PRN	Details	Dates	Grade
*	Parish Church of St Nicholas	C12, 13	II
13985	The Round House, Selborne Road	C18	II
*	Truncheaunts, Truncheaunts Lane	C18	II
*	Truncheaunts: dovecote 5m east of	C18	II
*	Manor Farmhouse,	C18, 19	II*
*	Pullen's	C16, 17, 19	II
*	Pullen's: barn 5m south-west of	C18	II
*	Pullen's: stable block 20m south of	C18	II

**NB** See also listings under **East Worldham & Hartley Mauditt**

## 10.0 SMR DATA SW 473500 136500, NE 474500 137500 (Map 4)

SU 73 NW	No.		
	3	474110 136990	Medieval. Parish Church (see 8.0).
	14	473770 136720	Bronze Age. Bowl barrow <i>c.</i> 23m diameter, 1.8m high. Littlewood Copse.
**m	42	474200 137000	Post-Medieval. Oast House. This is a component of the C19 farm buildings 20m to the west.
	57	474190 136960	Medieval. C13 pottery find.
	101A	473590 137400	Iron Age. Pottery find; 2 x sherds.
	101B	473590 137400	Prehistoric. Flint finds; 2 x pieces
	102A	473590 137400	Medieval. Pottery finds; 7 x sherds.
	102B	473590 137400	Post Medieval. Pottery finds; 7 x sherds.
	103A	473770 137200	Post-Medieval. Pottery finds; 2 x sherds.

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103B	473770 137200	Prehistoric. Flint finds; 3 x pieces.
104	473800 137400	Post-Medieval & Modern. Pottery finds; 12 x sherds and 1 x sherd respectively.
105A	473800 137400	Prehistoric. Flint finds; 7 x pieces.
105B	473800 137400	Prehistoric. Burnt flint finds; 16 x pieces.
107	473900 137200	Roman. Pottery find; 1 x sherd.
108	473900 137200	Post-Medieval & Modern. Pottery finds; 15x sherds & 2 x sherds respectively.
109A	473900 137200	Prehistoric. Flint finds; 20 x pieces.
109B	473900 137200	Prehistoric. Burnt flint finds; 43 x pieces.
112A	474000 137250	Prehistoric. Flint finds; 21 pieces.
112B	474000 137250	Prehistoric. Burnt flint finds; 14 x pieces.
113A	474000 137250	Medieval. Pottery finds; 2 x pieces.
113B	474000 137250	Post-Medieval & Modern. Pottery finds; 14 x sherds & 5 x sherds respectively.
115A	474100 137400	Medieval. Pottery finds; 64 x sherds.
115B	474100 137400	Post-Medieval & Modern. Pottery finds; 115 sherds & 13 sherds respectively.
117A	474330 137160	Prehistoric. Flint finds; 43 pieces.
117B	474330 137160	Prehistoric. Burnt flint finds; 89 pieces.
117C	474330 137160	Roman. Pottery find; 1 x sherd of a Romano-British ware.
118A	474330 137160	Medieval. Pottery find; 1 x sherd.
118B	474330 137160	Post-Medieval & Modern. Pottery finds; 24 sherds & 8 sherds respectively.
122A	474440 137270	Prehistoric. Flint finds; 36 pieces.
122B	474440 137270	Prehistoric. Burnt flint finds; 64 pieces.
123A	474440 137270	Medieval. Pottery find; 1 x sherd.
123B	474440 137270	Post-Medieval & Modern. Pottery finds; 4 sherds & 9 sherds respectively.
184	473890 136930	Undated. Linear feature. HCC AP ref.: run 18e266.
203	474200 136860	Medieval. Late medieval timber-framed hall with C17 extension. Heavily restored C20.

## 10.2 Hampshire Romano-British Settlements survey

<i>Hants No.</i>	<i>NGR</i>	<i>Parish</i>	<i>NAR / NMR Nos</i>
None listed.			

## 10.3 Scheduled Ancient Monuments (SAMs)

<i>SAM No.</i>	<i>NGR</i>	<i>Site</i>
262	474170 136100	Hartley Mauditt DMS
	474310 136270	
465	475500 137700	Camp on King John's Hill

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## 11.0 ADDITIONAL SITES / FEATURES (Map 4)

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| 1 | 474100 137180 | Site of building represented on the Tithe Map of <i>c.</i> 1842.   |
| 2 | 474150 137150 | Site of building represented on the Tithe Map of <i>c.</i> 1842.   |
| 3 | 474140 136945 | Earthworks of unknown date and purpose.  |
| 4 | 474200 136930 | Earthworks of unknown date and purpose.  |
| 5 | 474300 136700 | Hollow-way. Point on a west / east lane that represents a part of an old route to Selborne Priory via Candovers.   |
| 6 | 474120 136880 | Hollow-way. point on a south-east / north-west lane that represents a stretch of the old Alton Road (known as Water Lane a little further to the north). This stretch of the hollow-way had been blocked off at the time of the site visit. It is a public footpath. |

## 12.0 CARTOGRAPHIC SOURCES

- Tithe Map 21M65/F7/250/2 (\* / 1842)
- GSGB 300 Alresford
- OS 1: 2500 SW 473835 136370, NE 474435 137270
- OS 1: 25000 Pathfinder 1244 (SU 63/73), Alton & Four Marks.

## 13.0 BIBLIOGRAPHY

- HTS 6: 327-331 (included in Worldham)
- VCH 2: 521-3

## 14.0 PRIMARY HISTORIC SOURCES

### 14.1 Domesday Book

Not mentioned. Probably included under the reference for (East) Worldham.

### 14.2 Subsidy Rolls

1334		£1.11.0
1524	<i>1st survey</i>	Not listed but possibly included in the assessment East Worldham.
	<i>2nd survey</i>	£0.17.6 (10 taxpayers).

### 14.3 Manorial Documents

West Worldham, first mentioned 1277 / 91 (VCH 6: 522). The manor was held by Hamble Priory and this association is preserved in the name of Hamble Pits Wood, situated within 100m north-west of the church off Water Lane (the old Alton Road). The manor was bought by Winchester College in 1414.

### 14.4 Hearth Tax

Not mentioned. Possibly included within the assessment for East Worldham.

## 15.0 PLACE NAME

1086 *Werildeham*; 1212 *Worildham*; 1204 *Werldham*. Probably OE *wærhildeham*

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'estate of *Wærhild*' (female).

## 16.0 PHOTOGRAPHS

## 17.0 OTHER PROJECT ELEMENTS

### 17.1 Pre-Conquest Charters

None.

### 17.2 Other parish settlements include:

<i>Name</i>	<i>MSP no.</i>	<i>Map ref.</i>	<i>First recorded</i>
Barleywood Farm	2608	472900 136400	1380
Binswood Farm	892	476000 137000	1210
Truncheaunts	261?	472800 137900	1327

**NB** See also East Worldham & Hartley Mauditt

### 17.3 Enclosures

*Parliamentary:*

<i>NEP no.</i>	<i>Act</i>	<i>Order</i>	<i>Award</i>	<i>Details</i>
None.				

*Formal Agreements:*

<i>NEP no.</i>	<i>Agreement</i>	<i>Award</i>	<i>Details</i>
None.			

### 17.4 Commons & Greens (residual)

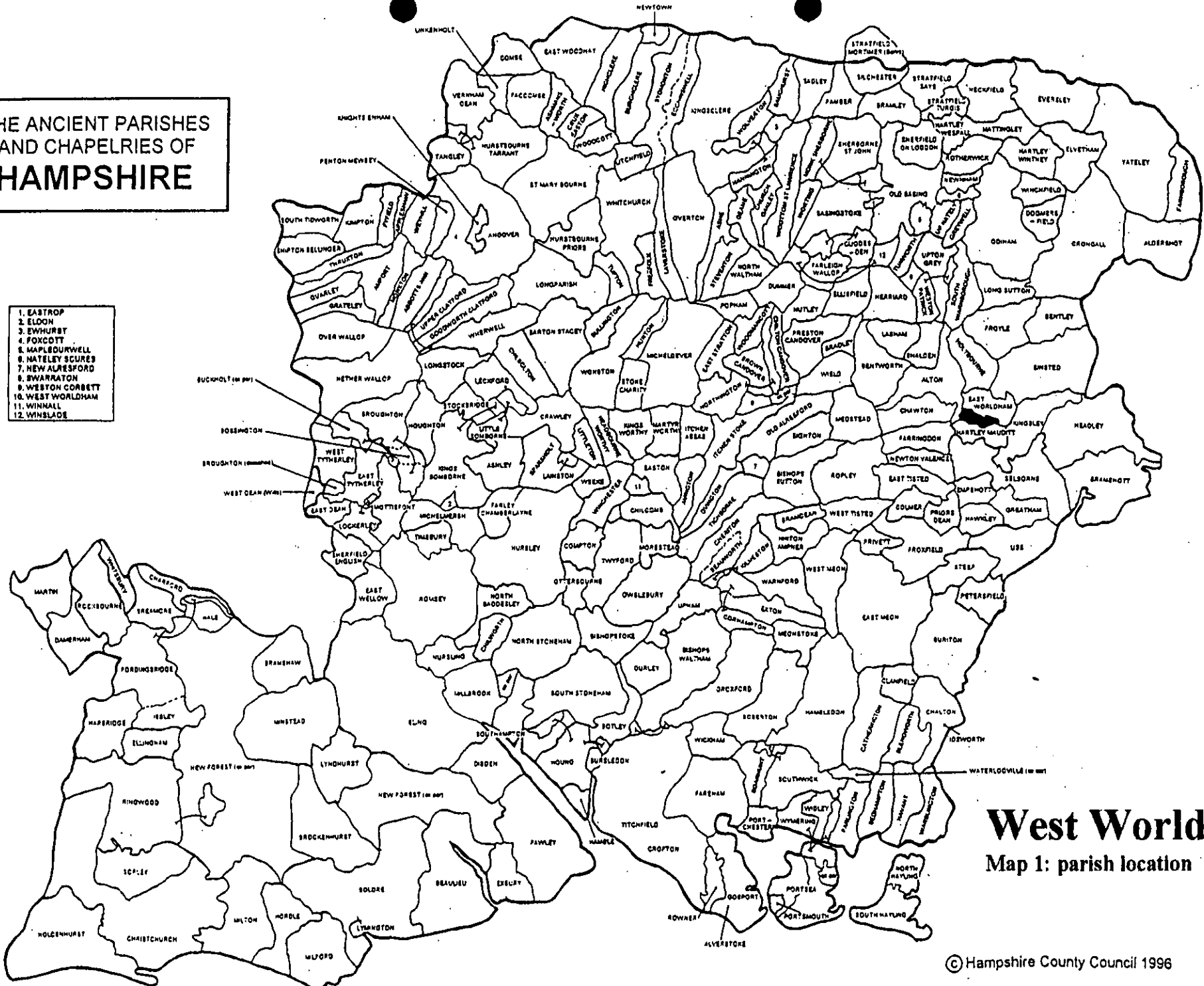
Binswood	476000 137000
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## 18.0 ILLUSTRATIONS

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- 4 Map 4: Development & archaeological features at 1: 2500 reduced to 71%
- 5 Map 5: Areas of archaeological potential at 1: 2500 reduced to 71%.

**THE ANCIENT PARISHES  
AND CHAPELRIES OF  
HAMPSHIRE**

1. EASTROP
2. ELDON
3. EWHURST
4. FOXCOTT
5. MAPLEOURWELL
6. NATELEY SCURES
7. NEW ALRESFORD
8. SWARRATON
9. WESTON CORBETT
10. WEST WORLDHAM
11. WINNALL
12. WINSLADE



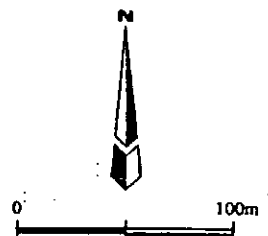
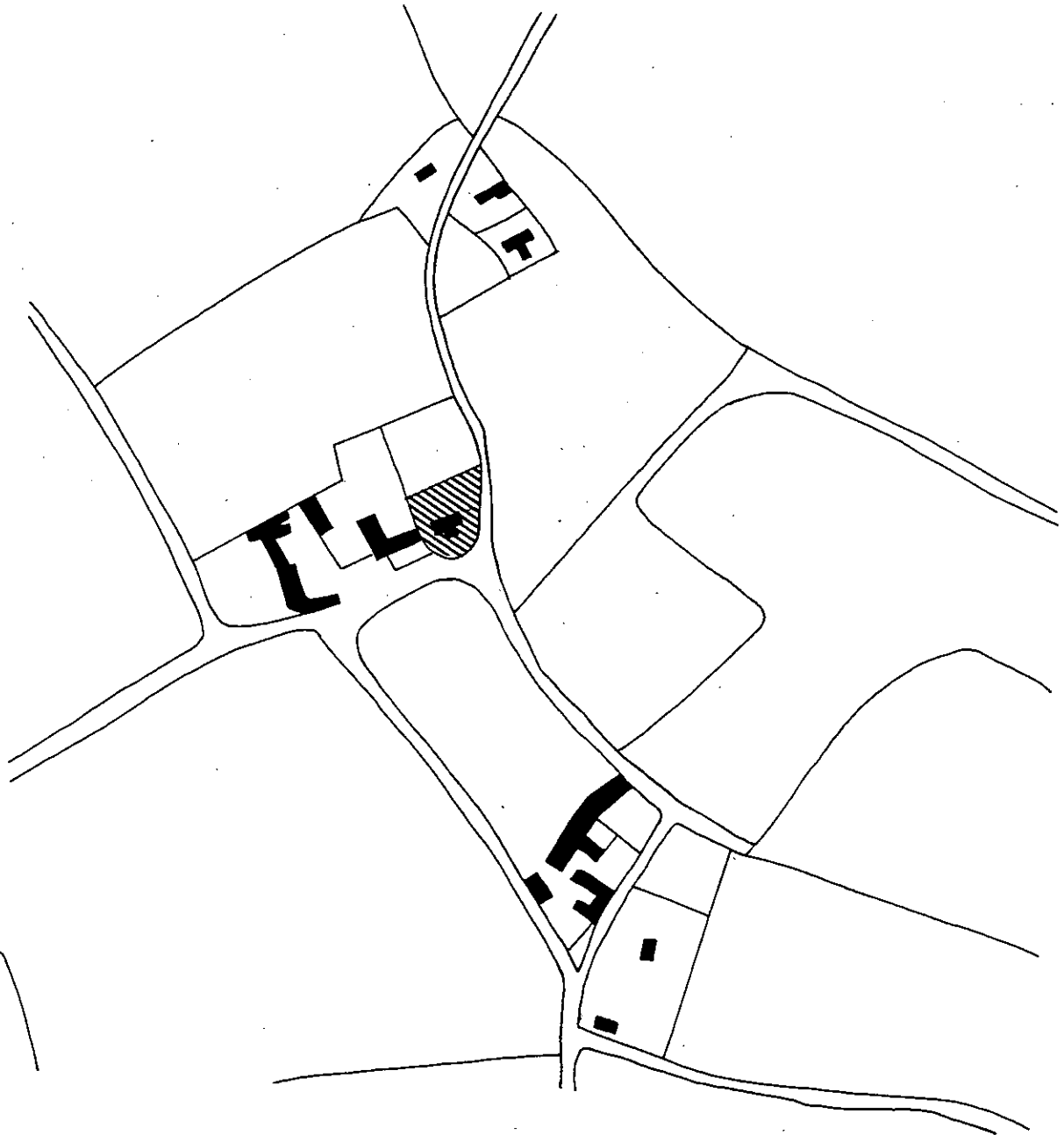
**West Worldham**  
Map 1: parish location





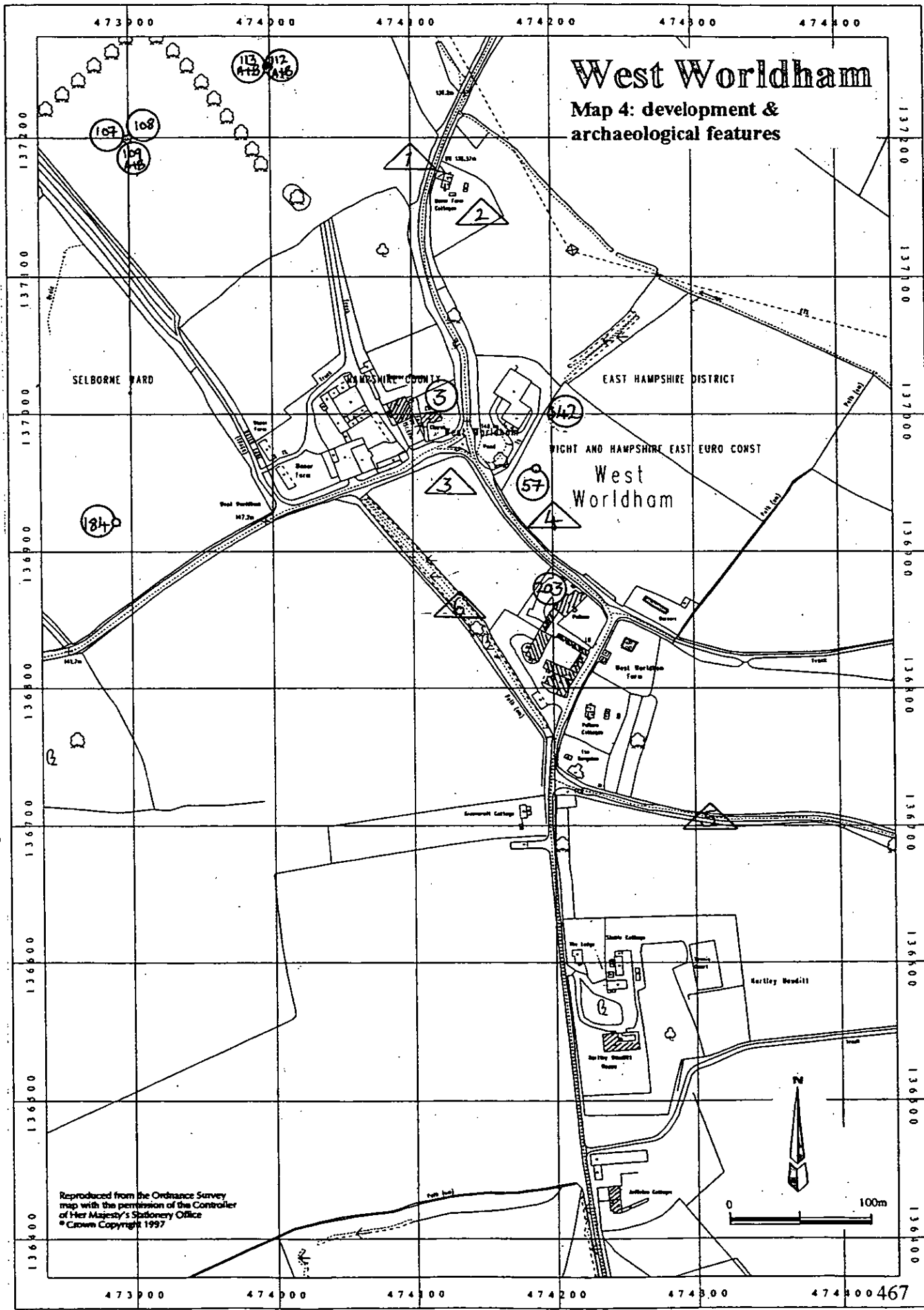
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Map 3: transcribed from the  
Tithe Map of c. 1842

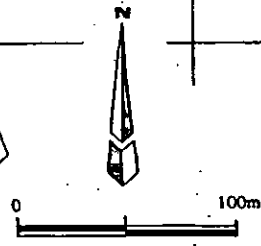


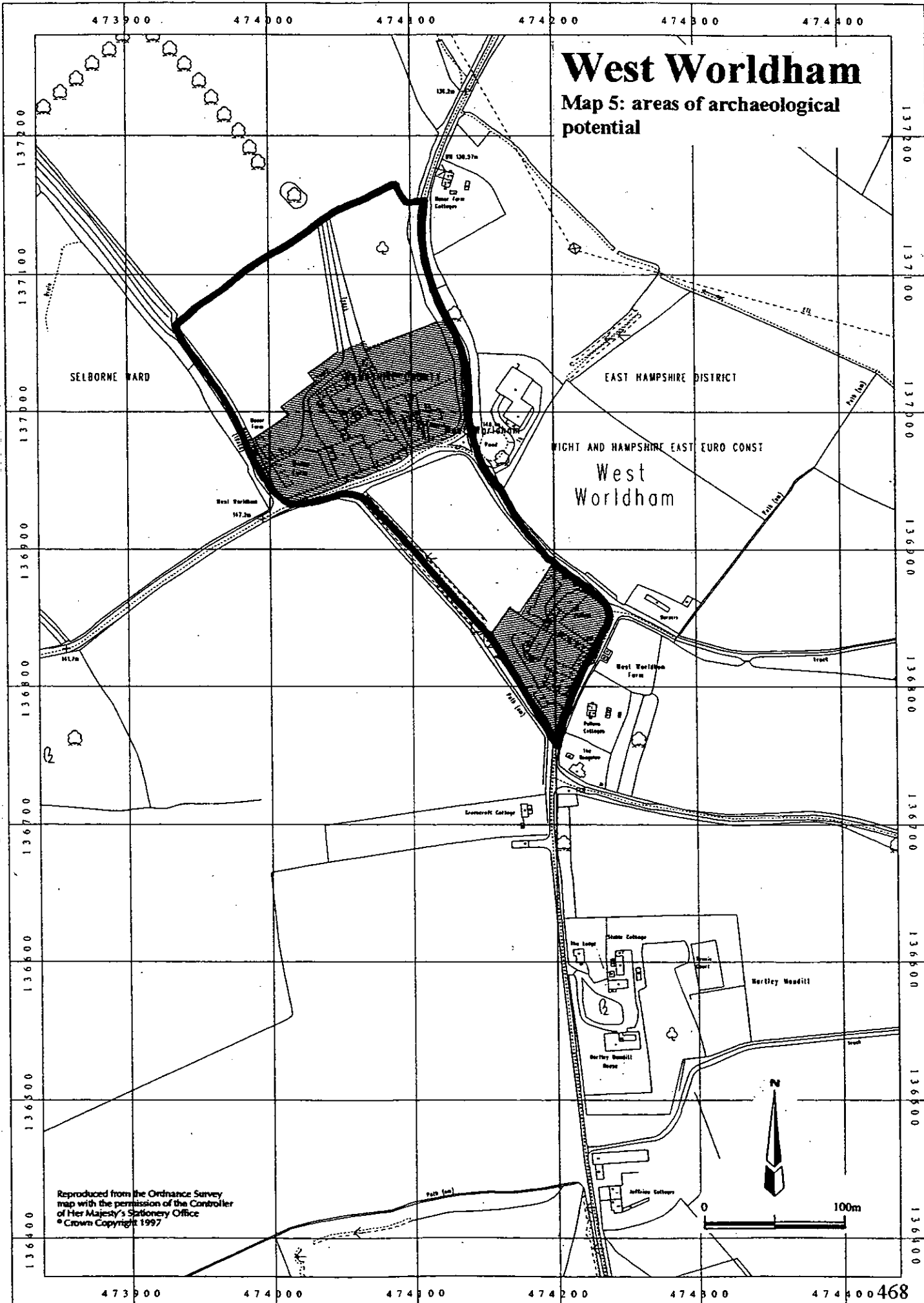
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## Map 4: development & archaeological features



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## Map 5: areas of archaeological potential

SELBORNE WARD

EAST HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT

WIGHT AND HAMPSHIRE EAST EURO CONST

West Worldham

West Worldham Farm

Hartley Woodmill

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