

NAME Wooton St Lawrence  
PARISH Wooton St Lawrence  
HUNDRED Chuteley  
DISTRICT Basingstoke and Deane  
NGR SU 592532  
GEOLOGY Upper Chalk.

**SITE CONTEXT** The village is sited on fairly level ground at about 125m OD. To the W there is a small valley with very gently sloping sides. Effectively the settlement lies at the head of the valley and is surrounded on the N, E and S by gently rising land to around 130m OD. The valley to the W is dry.

**PLAN TYPE & DESCRIPTION** Irregular row.

The main street through the village has irregularly spaced buildings along it on both sides. On the W side of the street there is a little more regularity in that there is a common rear boundary along the blocks to both the N and S of the church which also lies alongside the street but has a deeper plot than the house sites either side. To the E of the street the plots are irregular in both size and alignment but are generally square or rectangular.

A road leads to the W along which there is one small cottage which appears to be encroachment on the roadside verge as does the cottage on the side of the road to the E out of the village.

#### AREAS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL

The AHAP takes the line of the common rear boundary as its W limit along the N-S road through the village and the line of the common boundary shown on the modern OS map on the E side of the street. The AHAP extends to the N to include Upper Farm.

The area to the W of the AHAP is an AAP. This area is bounded by the road to the W along the N side, the line of a footpath along most of its W side which probably acted as a back lane to the rear of the properties on the W side and the road to the SW at the S end, extending a little to include the three building plots outside this area.

**CHURCH & CHURCHYARD** S doorway Norman and N arcade c.1180. W bay added a little later. S arcade of 1864.

There was a church here as early as 940 (VCH Vol IV p 239).

Unusually the graveyard here seems to have been reduced slightly between the time of the Tithe map and the modern OS map. In the C19 the graveyard was an irregular quadrangle narrowing towards the road.

#### BUILDINGS

(Listed)

Crocus Cottage Early C19 II

Christ Church 1867 II

Skyers Farm Barm Lloyds Lane C18 II  
 Digweeds Fmhse Late C18 II  
 May's Fmhse C17 C18 C20 II  
 Walnut Tree Cottage, Upper Wooton C18 C19 C20 II  
 Top House C18 II  
 No 32 C17 and later II  
 Nos 28, 29 and 30 Mid C19 II  
 Church of St Lawrence II\*  
 Manor Fmhse C18 C19 II  
 No 15 C18 early C19 II  
 No 12 Primmers C17 II  
 Tangier House 1662 C18 C19 II\*  
 Lower Fm Barn C18 II  
 Granary adjoining barn Early C19 II

(Un-listed)

#### SMR DATA

##### SU55SE

17	59215321	Med church
49	59205330	Med village mentioned in Domesday Book

##### SU55NE

14	58455507	Ringwork and bailey at Up Wooton
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#### ADDITIONAL SITES/FEATURES

1	59205338	Site of cottage shown on Tithe map
2	59185335	Site of buildings shown on Tithe map
3	59275310	Site of cottage, outbuildings and another cottage to N between this point and the church shown on Tithe map
4	59445317	Site of cottage shown on map of 1616
5	59465317	Site of cottage shown on Tithe map

CARTOGRAPHIC SOURCES OS 1:2,500 SU 5853-5953; Tithe map  
21M65/F7/268/2 (1845); 21M58/P1 (1616)

#### AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS

#### BIBLIOGRAPHY

Roberts, E.	1993	A Prior's Mansion at Michelmersh in <i>PHFC&amp;AS</i> Vol 48, pp 107-119.
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#### PRIMARY HISTORIC SOURCES

**Domesday** For the supplies of the monks of Winchester from the Bishopric of Winchester. Before 1066 and now it answered for 20 hides. Land for 20 pl. In lordship 2 pl; 27 villagers and 14 smallholders with 15 pl. 10 slaves; meadow, 4 acres. Woodland at 5 pigs. Value before 1066 £15; later 316; now £20; however, it pays £28 12s 6d.

Hugh of Port. Ælmer and Alfgeat held it from King Edward in freehold. Then and now it answered for 5 hides. Land for 3 pl. In lordship 1 pl; 2 villagers and 2 smallholders with 1 pl. Meadow, 1 acre. Value before 1066 and later 50s; now 100s.

### **Subsidy Rolls**

1334	1. 0. 3
1524	8. 3. 8 (47 taxpayers)

### **Manorial Documents**

#### **Hearth Tax**

1665	104 hearths chargeable (36 houses) 29 hearths not chargeable (28 houses) Total 64 houses
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PLACE NAME 990 *wudatune* OW 'wood farm' or 'farm by a wood'.

### **PHOTOGRAPHS**

#### **OTHER PROJECT ARCHIVE ELEMENTS**

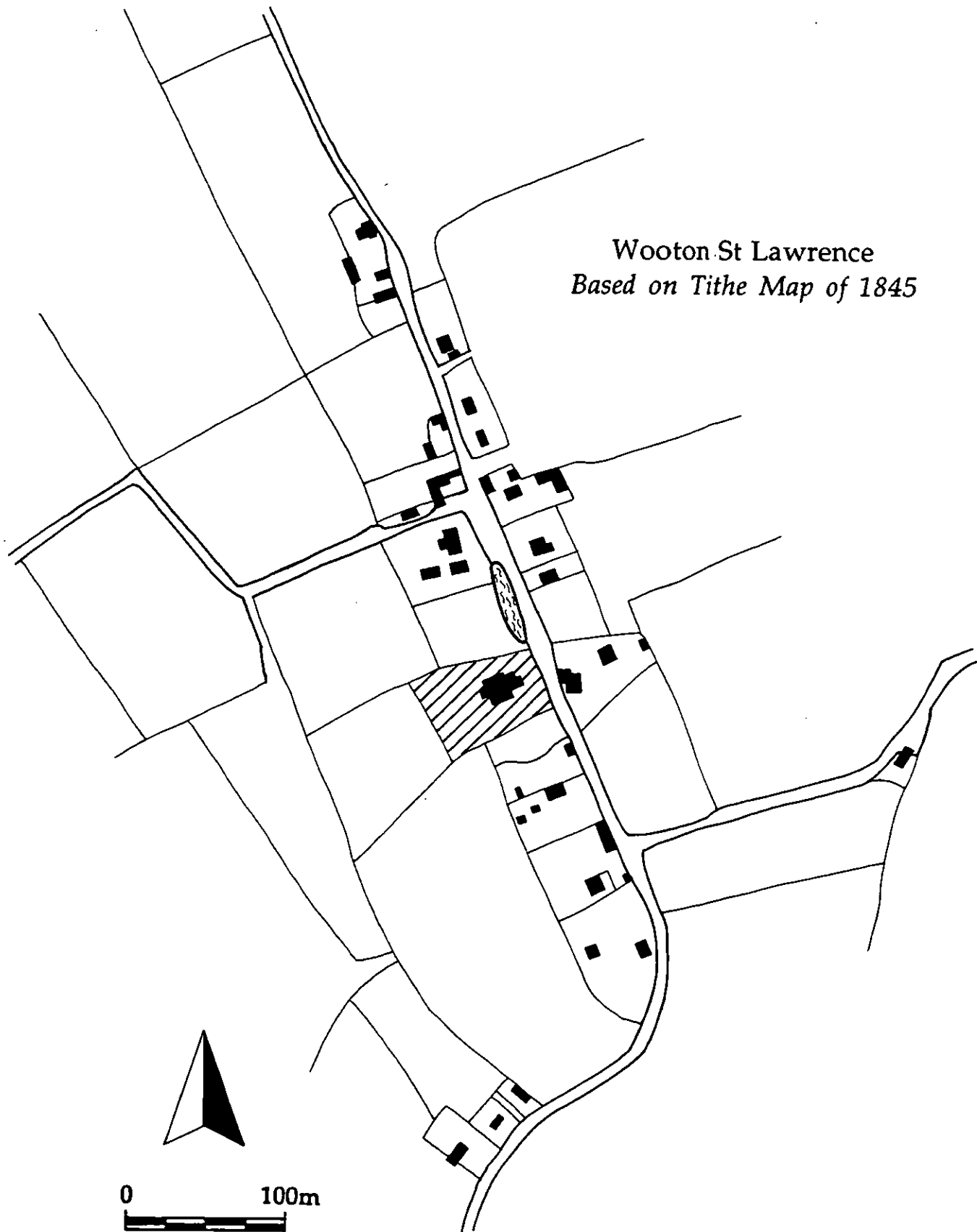
Mentioned in a charter of 933 (ref. 874 in Sawyer, 1968, p 269).

The manor-house of the Prior of St Swithun's, Winchester was 'a house of considerable pretensions' with a lord's chamber, a squire's chamber, a chapel, park and gardens (Roberts 1993).

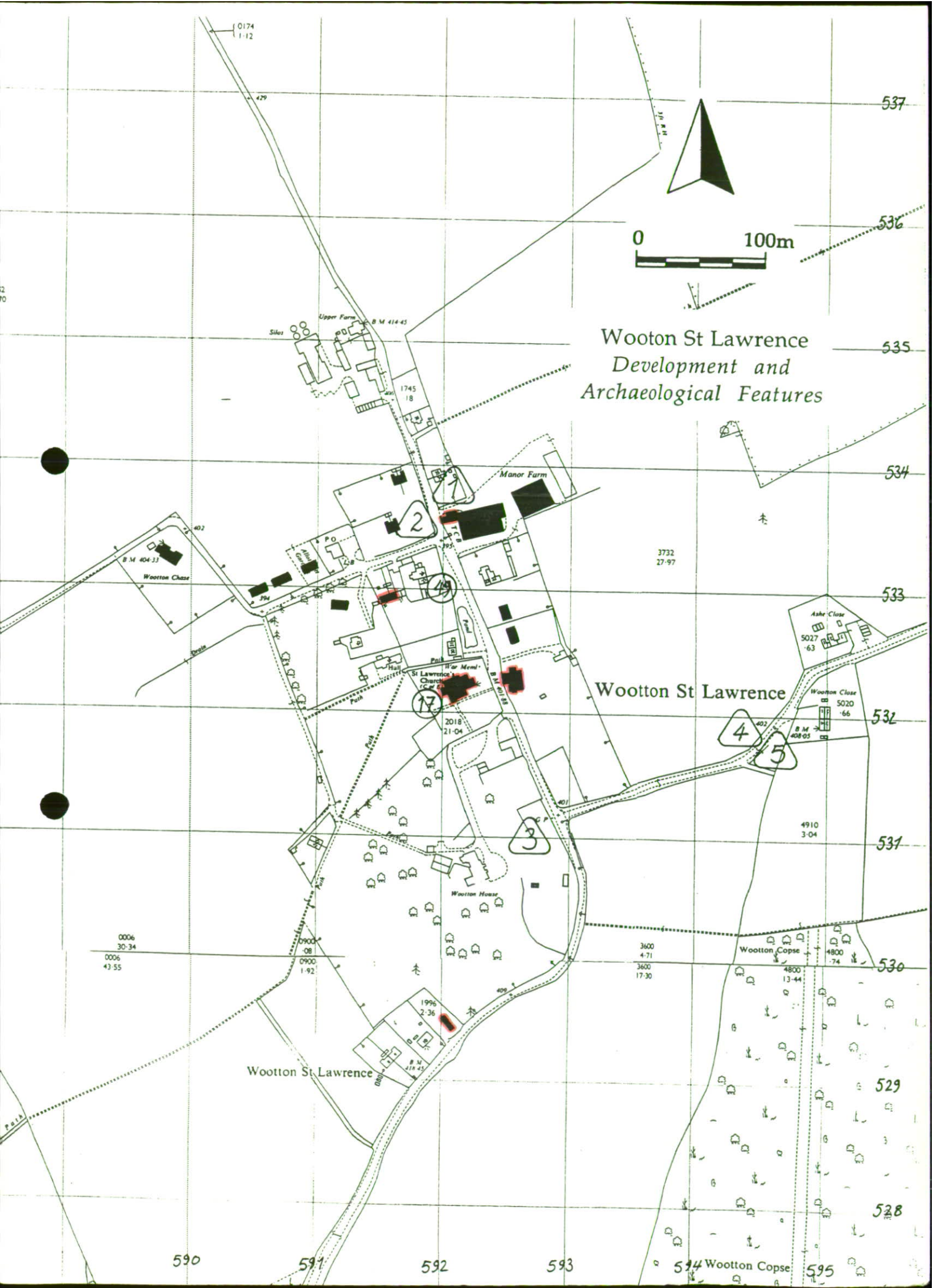
1332 Licence to impark the woods.

1392 The woods supplied timber for building work at Winchester cathedral when 91 cartloads of timber were taken from Manydown Wood (VCH Vol IV p239).

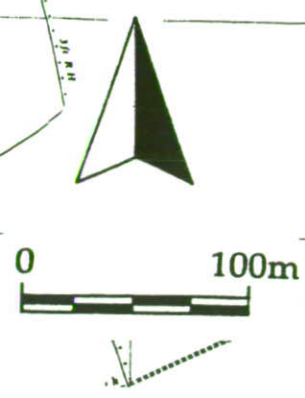
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*Based on Tithe Map of 1845*



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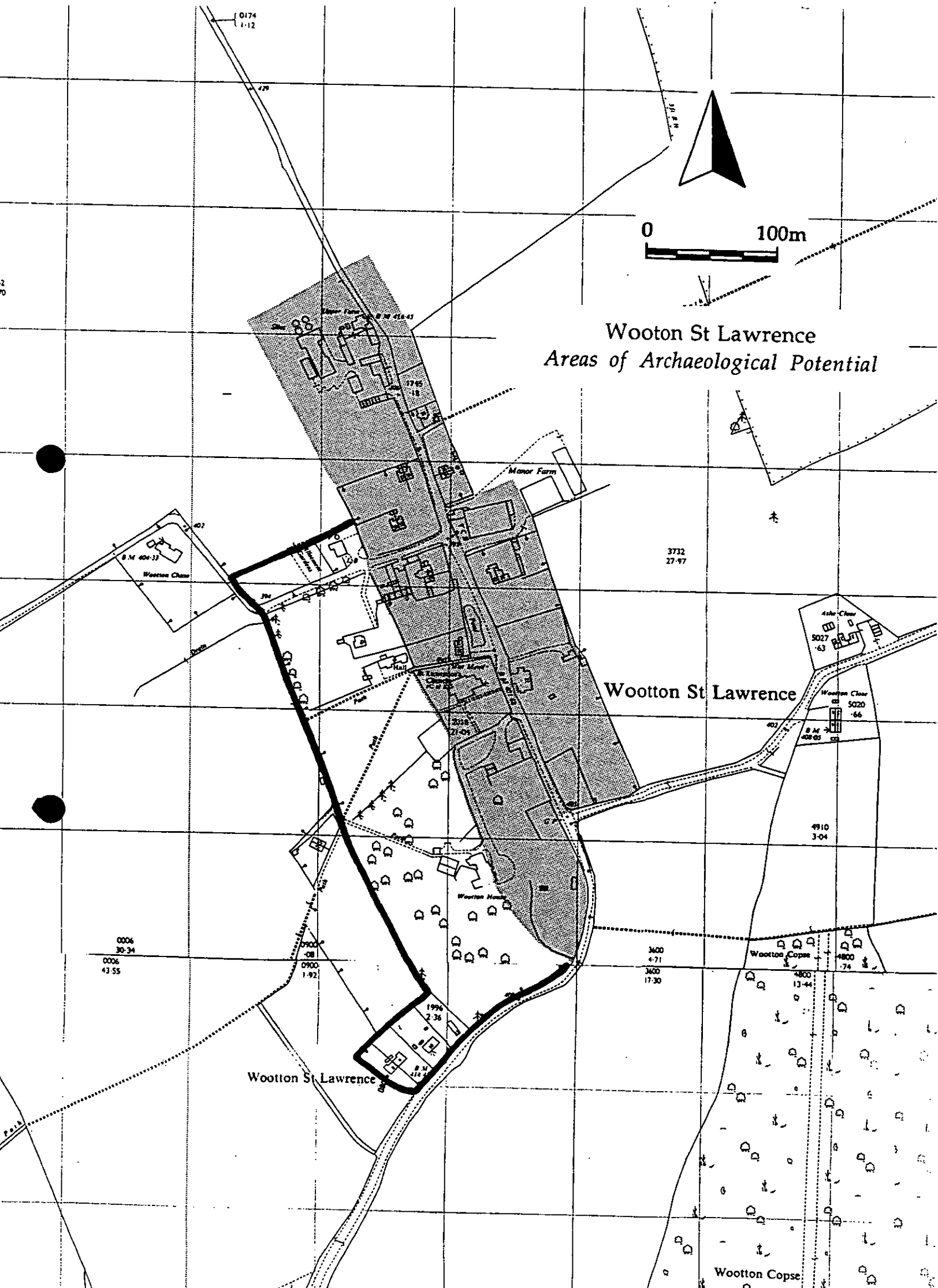
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*Areas of Archaeological Potential*

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