

Archaeological monitoring and recording at 1 Eld Lane, Colchester, Essex, CO1 1LS

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1 Summary

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2 Introduction (Fig 1)

This report presents the results of archaeological monitoring and recording adjacent to the Roman Town Wall at Scheregate, Colchester, Essex which was carried out on the 23rd November 2016. The work was commissioned by Philip Wise, Colchester Borough Council in advance of the installation of a new interpretation panel, and was undertaken by Colchester Archaeological Trust (CAT).

In response to consultation with Colchester Borough Council Planning Services (CBCPS), Colchester Borough Council Archaeological Advisor Jess Tipper advised that in order to establish the archaeological implications of this application, the applicant should be required to commission a scheme of archaeological investigation in accordance with paragraphs 128, 129 and 132 of the *National Planning Policy Framework* (DCLG 2012).

All archaeological work was carried out in accordance with a *Brief for Continuous Archaeological Recording*, detailing the required archaeological work, written by Jess Tipper (CBCPS 2016), and a written scheme of investigation (WSI) prepared by CAT in response to the brief and agreed with CBCPS (CAT 2016)

In addition to the brief and WSI, all fieldwork and reporting was done in accordance with English Heritage's *Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment (MoRPHE)* (English Heritage 2006), and with *Standards for field archaeology in the East of England* (EAA 14 and 24). This report mirrors standards and practices contained in the Institute for Archaeologists' *Standard and guidance for archaeological watching brief* (ClfA 2014a) and *Standard and guidance for the collection, documentation, conservation and research of archaeological materials* (ClfA 2014b).

3 Archaeological background

The following archaeological background draws on the major published sources for Colchester archaeology (listed below), and also on Colchester Historic Environment Record (CHER) and the Essex Historic Environment Record (EHER).

The new interpretation panel is located within the Roman town of *Colonia Claudia Victricensis* at 1 Eld Lane backing onto the Roman Town Wall (Scheduled Monument NHLE no. 1003772) and is adjacent to Scheregate.

The Roman town wall was built around the town in the later 1st century AD following the revolt led by Boudica. It is constructed of a core of layered septaria and mortar faced with coursed septaria and tile. A recent study has concluded that the wall has an average width of 2.67m (including offsets) which is equivalent to precisely nine Roman feet (*pedes Monetales*). A hypothetical cross-section of the wall shows the foundations as being 3.77m wide (Crummy 2003). Some previous work shows that the wall foundations were surprisingly shallow at 600mm deep (Hull 1958, 25-6). Work by CAT at the Sixth Form College in 2005 shows the stone foundations to be 1.2m deep with wooden piles below (CAT report 347), although, being water-logged, ground conditions here presumably explain their exceptional depth. Trial-holes confirmed that survival of the foundations varies. Where they have not been robbed away, the foundations extend

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The following is taken from Heritage Statement: Colchester Town Walls – Scheregate (by Philip Wise, CBC):

Scheregate is one of the two town gates in the Town Wall that were created in the medieval period, the other being Ryegate, and is the only example still extant. It was probably added to the circuit to provide a short cut to St John's Abbey. There is relatively little known about this gate in the medieval period, as it has never been excavated and there are few surviving documentary sources.

The present Scheregate dates to the 17th century and is surrounded by buildings of this period including a two-storeyed gabled building at 3A-4 Scheregate. The approach to the gate from the south is narrow and up a flight of steps to reach the higher level within the town itself. Immediately inside Scheregate is 1 Eld Lane, a shop which dates to the late 18th or early 19th century which is Grade II listed.

The listed building entry for Scheregate states:

This is the remaining mediaeval gateway in the town wall. It now consists of a wide entry with a flight of steps through a C17 house built in the wall. The rest of this house is Nos 6a and 6b, Sir Isaac's Walk (qv). The flight of steps is at the head of a broad passageway leading up from St John's Street; with houses (Nos 1 to 4) on each side closely abutting the building above the entry. The building is timber-framed and plastered, with a deep brick plinth each side of the flight of steps, the upper storey projects on the north side and the tiled roof is hipped back. Timbers are exposed in the roof of the entry. No 1 Eld lane forms the east side of the entry. The Scheregate forms a group with No 1 Eld Lane, The Clarence Inn Trinity Street and Nos 1 to 4 (consec)

4 Results (Figs 2-3)

A single hole was hand-dug by contractors under archaeological supervision. The hole measured 350mm diameter and 750mm deep. It was excavated through block paving and hoggin (L1, 200mm thick) onto a layer of post-Roman accumulation (L2, 550mm thick) consisting of a medium brown/black sandy-silt containing brick/tile and pottery (see below), as well as fragments of oyster shell, septaria and Kentish ragstone (not retained) probably deriving from the Roman town wall.



Photograph 1 Excavated hole, looking S

5 Finds

A small number of finds were recovered from L2 (finds number 1), all dating to the Roman period. Fragments of septaria, Kentish ragstone, and peg-tile of a medieval/post-medieval date were also identified in L2 but not retained. All of the finds are listed in Table 1. The Roman pottery fabrics refer to the Colchester Roman pottery fabric series (*CAR 10*). The Roman pottery forms follow the *Camulodunum* (Colchester) Roman pottery type-series (Hawkes & Hull 1947 & Hull 1958).

Context	Description
L2, 1	<p>Roman pottery: amphora sherd (1: 44g), mid 1st – 3rd century; black-burnished ware rim sherd from a cam 37b (Fabric GB), probably late 2nd to 3rd century.</p> <p>Roman brick: (3: 2.778kg), all incomplete, 35mm, 50mm and 62mm thick; thinnest has mortar on a surviving edge; largest has a four swirl semi-circular signature (that could make a full circle but rest of brick missing); all fine sandy fabrics with rare small grit/stone inclusions and reddish-orange in colour</p> <p>Roman brick: (1: 1.36kg), incomplete, 45mm thick, coarse sandy fabric with frequent small grit/stone inclusions and brownish-red in colour</p> <p>Roman tile: (1: 328g), incomplete, 24mm thick, fine sandy fabric with rare small grit/stone inclusions and brownish-red in colour</p>

Table 1 All finds by context (pottery identified by Stephen Benfield)

6 Discussion

The layer of post-Roman accumulation contained quantities of Roman ceramic building material and building stone which probably debris from the Roman town wall. Is this possible that this debris is associated with the construction of Scheregate and the adjacent properties.

7 Acknowledgements

CAT thanks Philip Wise, Colchester Borough Council for commissioning and funding the work. The project was managed and carried out by C Lister. Figures were prepared by CL and E Holloway. The project was monitored for the CBCPS by Jess Tipper.

8 References

Note: all CAT reports, except for DBAs, are available online in PDF format at <http://cat.essex.ac.uk>

CAR 10	1999	<i>Colchester Archaeological Report 10: Roman pottery from excavations in Colchester, 1971-86, by Robin Symonds and Sue Wade</i>
CAT	2016	<i>Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) for continuous archaeological recording during the installation of an interpretation panel at 1 Eld Lane, Colchester, Essex, CO1 1UP</i>
CAT Report 347	2009	<i>Roman buildings, the rear face of the Roman town wall and archaeological investigations in Insulas 1a, 1b, 9a and 9b, at the Sixth Form College, North Hill, Colchester, Essex: April 2005-March 2006</i>
CBC	2016	<i>Brief for continuous archaeological recording at installation of interpretation panel at 1 Eld Lane, Colchester, by J Tipper</i>
ClfA	2014a	<i>Standard and Guidance for an archaeological watching brief</i>
ClfA	2014b	<i>Standard and guidance for the collection, documentation, conservation and research of archaeological materials</i>
Crummy, P	1997	<i>City of Victory: the story of Colchester – Britain's first Roman town</i>
Crummy, P	2003	'Colchester's town wall' in <i>The archaeology of Roman towns: studies in honour of John S Wacher</i> , ed by P Wilson
David Gurney	2003	<i>Standards for field archaeology in the East of England</i> . East Anglian Archaeology Occasional Papers 14 (EAA 14).
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Wise, P	2016	<i>Heritage Statement: Colchester Town Walls - Scheregate</i>

9 Abbreviations and glossary

CAT	Colchester Archaeological Trust
CBCPS	Colchester Borough Council Planning Services
CBM	brick/tile (ceramic building material)
ClfA	Chartered Institute for Archaeologists
context	specific location of finds on an archaeological site
feature (F)	an identifiable thing like a pit, a wall, a drain: can contain 'contexts'
layer (L)	distinct or distinguishable deposit of soil
medieval	period from AD 1066 to Henry VIII
modern	period from c AD 1800 to the present
natural	geological deposit undisturbed by human activity
NGR	National Grid Reference
post-medieval	from Henry VIII to c AD 1800
residual	something out of its original context, eg a Roman coin in a modern pit
Roman	the period from AD 43 to c AD 410
Section	(abbreviation sc or Sx) vertical slice through feature/s or layer/s
UAD	Urban Archaeological Database
WSI	Written Scheme of Investigation

10 Contents of archive

Finds: none retained

Paper and digital record

One A4 document wallet containing:

The report (CAT Report 1039)

CBCPS Evaluation Brief, CAT Written Scheme of Investigation

Original site record (Feature and layer sheets, Finds record, plans)

Site digital photos and log, Architectural plans, Attendance register, Risk assessment

11 Archive deposition

The paper and digital archive is currently held by the Colchester Archaeological Trust at Roman Circus House, Roman Circus Walk, Colchester, Essex, CO2 7GZ, but will be permanently deposited with Colchester Museum under accession code: COLEM 2016.107.

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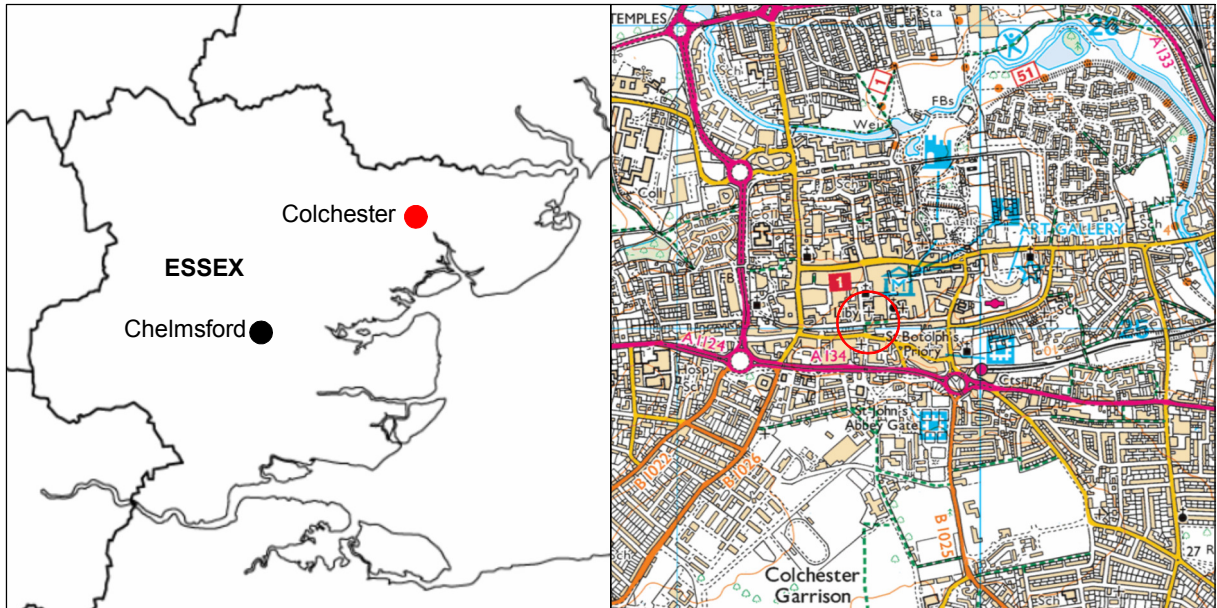
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Fig 1 Site location.



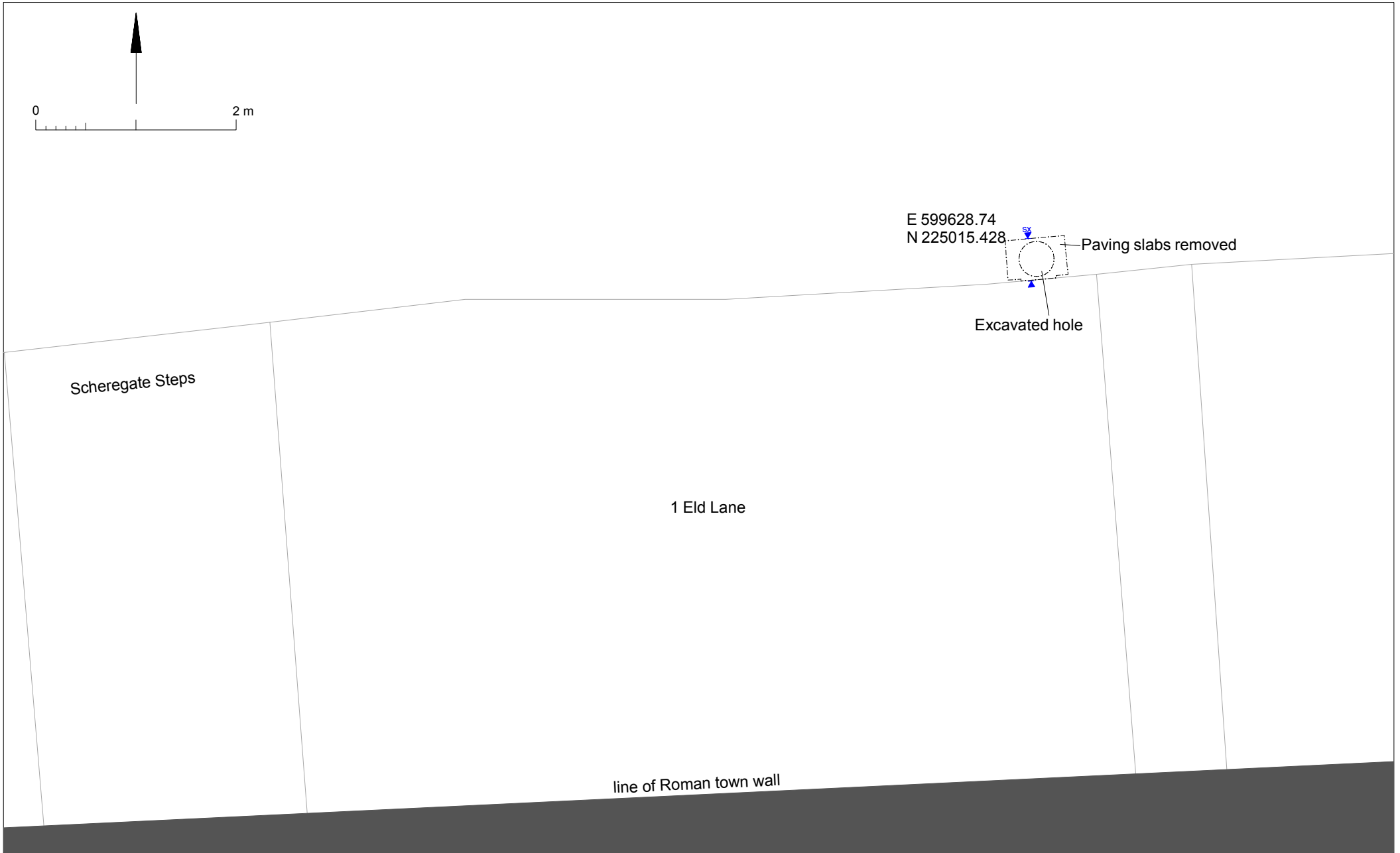


Fig 2 Results

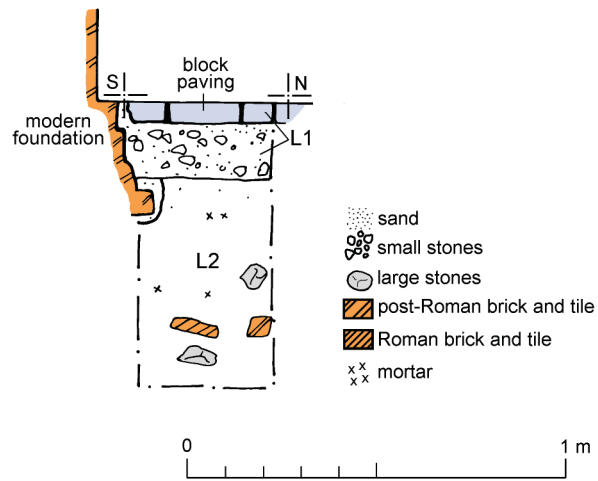


Fig 3 Representative section.

Essex Historic Environment Record/ Essex Archaeology and History

Summary sheet

Address: 1 Eld Lane, Colchester, Essex, CO1 1LS	
Parish: Colchester	District: Colchester
NGR: TM 99625 25015 (centre)	Site code: CAT project ref.: 16/10j CHER ref: ECC3892 OASIS ref: colchest3-267288
Type of work: Monitoring and recording	Site director/group: Colchester Archaeological Trust
Date of work: 23rd November 2016	Size of area investigated: 0.12m ²
Location of curating museum: Colchester museum accession code COLEM: 2016.107	Funding source: Borough Council
Further seasons anticipated? no	Related CHER/SMR numbers:
Final report: CAT Report 1039	
Periods represented: modern, Post-Roman	
Summary of fieldwork results: Archaeological monitoring and recording was carried out at 1 Eld Lane adjacent to the Roman Town Wall (a scheduled monument, NHLE no. 1003772), at Scheregate, Colchester during the installation of a new interpretation panel. The hole for the panel measured 350mm diameter and 750mm deep and was dug through modern paving and hoggin onto a layer of post-Roman accumulation. The accumulation contained quantities of Roman building material (brick, tile, stone) which was probably debris from the town wall.	
Previous summaries/reports: None	
CBC monitor: Jess Tipper	
Keywords: -	Significance: -
Author of summary: Laura Pooley	Date of summary: November 2016

Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) for continuous archaeological recording during the installation of an interpretation panel on at 1 Eld Lane, Colchester, Essex, CO1 1LS

NGR: TL 99625 25015

Planning reference: 160975

Client: Philip Wise, Colchester Borough Council

Curating Museum: Colchester

Museum accession code: [tbc](#)

ECC Project code: ECC3892

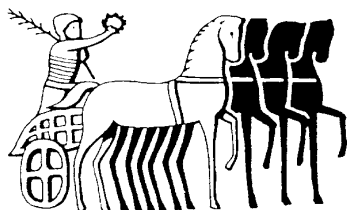
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CBC Monitor: Jess Tipper

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Site location and description

The interpretation panel will be located within Colchester Town Centre in front of 1 Eld Lane and adjacent to Scheregate Steps (Fig 1). Site centre is NGR TL 99625 25015.

Proposed work

Installation of a new interpretation panel on a single post set into the ground in front of a section of blank brick wall at 1 Eld Lane.

Archaeological background

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Planning background

A planning application was made to Colchester Borough Council in April 2016 (application No. 160975) proposing the installation of a new interpretation panel.

As the site lies within an area highlighted by the EHER / UAD as having a high potential for archaeological deposits, an archaeological condition was recommended by the Colchester Borough Council Archaeological Advisor (CBCAA). The recommended archaeological condition is based on the guidance given in the *National Planning Policy Framework* (DCLG 2012).

Requirement for work

The required archaeological work is for continuous archaeological monitoring and recording of all groundworks. Details are given in a Project Brief written by CBCAA (CBC 2016).

Specifically:

The monitoring and recording is being undertaken to identify and record any surviving archaeological deposits that may exist on site.

It is proposed that the single post used to hold the interpretation panel will require a hole measuring approximately 300mm square by 750mm deep.

General methodology

All work carried out by CAT will be in accordance with:

- professional standards of the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, including its *Code of Conduct* (ClfA 2014a, b)
- Standards and Frameworks published by East Anglian Archaeology (Gurney 2003, Medlycott 2011)
- relevant Health & Safety guidelines and requirements (CAT 2014)
- the Project Briefs issued by the CBCAA (CBC 2016).

Professional CAT field archaeologists will undertake all specified archaeological work, for which they will be suitably experienced and qualified.

Notification of the supervisor/project manager's name and the start date for the project will be provided to CBCAA one week before start of work.

Unless it is the responsibility of other site contractors, CAT will study mains service locations and avoid damage to these.

At the start of work (immediately before fieldwork commences) an OASIS online record <http://ads.ahds.ac.uk/project/oasis/> will be initiated and key fields completed on Details, Location and Creators forms. At the end of the project all parts of the OASIS online form will be completed for submission to EHER. This will include an uploaded .PDF version of the entire report.

A project or site code will be sought from the curating museum. This code will be used to identify the project archive when it is deposited at the curating museum.

Staffing

The number of field staff for this project is estimated as follows: One CAT officer for the duration of the groundworks.

Monitoring methodology

There will be sufficient on-site attendance by CAT staff to maintain a watch on all contractors' ground works to record, excavate or sample (as necessary) any archaeological features or deposits.

All topsoil removal and ground reduction will be done with a toothless bucket.

If archaeological features or deposits are uncovered, time will be allowed for these to be planned and recorded.

If any features or deposits uncovered are to be destroyed by the proposed development, time will be allowed for these features to be excavated by hand. This includes a 50% sample of discrete features (pits, etc) and 10% of linear features (ditches, etc).

Fast hand-excavation techniques involving (for instance) picks, forks and mattocks will not be used on complex stratigraphy.

A metal detector will be used to examine spoil heaps, and the finds recovered.

Individual records of excavated contexts, layers, features or deposits will be entered on pro-forma record sheets. Registers will be compiled of finds, small finds and soil samples.

All features and layers or other significant deposits will be planned, and their profiles or sections recorded. The normal scale will be site plans at 1:20 and sections at 1:10, unless circumstances indicate that other scales would be appropriate.

Site surveying

Normal scale for archaeological site plans and sections is 1:20 and 1:10 respectively, unless circumstances indicate that other scales would be more appropriate.

The site grid will be tied into the National Grid. Corners of excavation areas and trenches will be located by NGR coordinates.

Environmental sampling policy

CAT has an arrangement with Val Fryer/Lisa Gray whereby any potentially rich environmental layers or features will be appropriately sampled as a matter of course, but only if they are datable. Any processing and reporting will be done by VF/LG. If any complex or outstanding deposits are encountered, VF/LG will be asked onto site to advise. EH Regional Adviser is available for further advice.

Human remains

CAT follows the policy of leaving human remains *in situ* unless there is a clear indication that the remains are in danger of being compromised as a result of their exposure. If circumstances indicated it were prudent or necessary to remove remains from the site during the monitoring, the following criteria would be applied; if it is clear from their position, context, depth, or other factors that the remains are ancient, then normal procedure is to apply to the Department of Justice for a licence to remove them. In that case, conditions laid down by the license will be followed. If it seems that the remains are not ancient, then the coroner, the client, and CBCAA will be informed, and any advice and/or instruction from the coroner will be followed.

Photographic record

Will include both general and feature-specific photographs, the latter with scale and north arrow. A photo register giving context number, details, and direction of shot will be prepared on site, and included in site archive.

Finds

All significant finds will be retained.

All finds, where appropriate, will be washed and marked with site code and context number.

Stephen Benfield (CAT) normally writes our finds reports. Some categories of finds are automatically referred to other CAT specialists:

animal bones (small groups): Pip Parmenter

flints: Adam Wightman

or to outside specialists:

small finds, metalwork, coins, etc: Pip Parmenter

animal bones (large groups) and human remains: Julie Curl (*Sylvanus*)

environmental processing and reporting: Val Fryer (Loddon)/ Lisa Gray (Kent)

conservation of finds: staff at Colchester Museum

Other specialists whose opinion can be sought on large or complex groups include:

Roman brick/tile: Ernest Black

Roman glass: Hilary Cool

Prehistoric pottery: Paul Sealey

Other: EH Regional Adviser in Archaeological Science (East of England).

All finds of potential treasure will be removed to a safe place, and the coroner informed immediately, in accordance with the rules of the Treasure Act 1996. The definition of treasure is given in pages 3-5 of the Code of Practice of the above act. This refers primarily to gold or silver objects.

Requirements for conservation and storage of finds will be agreed with the appropriate museum prior to the start of work, and confirmed to CBCAA.

Results

Notification will be given to CBCAA when the fieldwork has been completed.

An appropriate archive will be prepared to minimum acceptable standards outlined in *Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment* (English Heritage 2006).

The report will be submitted within 6 months of the end of fieldwork, with a copy supplied to CBCAA as a PDF.

The report will contain:

- Location plan of groundworks. At least two corners of which will be given 10 figure grid references.
- Section/s drawings showing depth of deposits from present ground level with Ordnance Datum, vertical and horizontal scale.
- Archaeological methodology and detailed results including a suitable conclusion and discussion and results referring to Regional Research Frameworks (Medlycott 2011).
- All specialist reports or assessments
- A concise non-technical summary of the project results.

An EHER summary sheet will also be completed within four weeks and supplied to CBCAA.

Results will be published, to at least a summary level (i.e. round-up in *Essex Archaeology & History*) in the year following the archaeological field work. An allowance will be made in the project costs for the report to be published in an adequately peer reviewed journal or monograph series

Archive deposition

It is a policy of Colchester Borough Council that the integrity of the site archive be maintained (i.e. all finds and records should be properly curated by a single organisation), with the archive available for public consultation. To achieve this desired aim it is assumed that the full archive will be deposited in Colchester Museums *unless otherwise agreed in advance*. (A full copy of the archive shall in any case be deposited).

By accepting this WSI, the client agrees to deposit the archive, including all artefacts, at Colchester & Ipswich Museum.

The requirements for archive storage will be agreed with the curating museum.

If the finds are to remain with the landowner, a full copy of the archive will be housed with the curating museum.

The archive will be deposited with Colchester & Ipswich Museum within 3 months of the completion of the final publication report, with a summary of the contents of the archive supplied to CBCAA.

Monitoring

CBCAA will be responsible for monitoring progress and standards throughout the project, and will be kept regularly informed during fieldwork, post-excavation and publication stages.

Notification of the start of work will be given to CBCAA one week in advance of its commencement.

Any variations in this WSI will be agreed with CBCAA prior to them being carried out.

CBCAA will be notified when the fieldwork is complete.

The involvement of CBCAA shall be acknowledged in any report or publication generated by this project.

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Fig 1 Site location.

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Short description of the project	Archaeological monitoring and recording was carried out at 1 Eld Lane adjacent to the Roman Town Wall (a scheduled monument, NHLE no. 1003772), at Scheregate, Colchester during the installation of a new interpretation panel. The hole for the panel measured 350mm diameter and 750mm deep and was dug through modern paving and hoggin onto a layer of post-Roman accumulation. The accumulation contained quantities of Roman building material (brick, tile, stone) which was probably debris from the town wall.
Project dates	Start: 23-11-2016 End: 23-11-2016
Previous/future work	No / No
Any associated project reference codes	COLEM: 2016.107 - Museum accession ID
Any associated project reference codes	16/10j - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	160975 - Planning Application No.
Any associated project reference codes	ECC3892 - HER event no.
Type of project	Recording project
Site status	Conservation Area
Current Land use	Industry and Commerce 3 - Retailing
Monument type	N/A None
Significant Finds	POTTERY Roman
Significant Finds	CERAMIC BUILDING MATERIAL Roman
Investigation type	"Watching Brief"
Prompt	Planning condition

Project location

Country	England
Site location	ESSEX COLCHESTER COLCHESTER 1 Eld Lane
Postcode	CO1 1LS
Study area	0.12 Square metres

Site coordinates TL 99625 25015 51.887366807189 0.901149550271 51 53 14 N 000 54 04 E Point

Project creators

Name of Organisation Colchester Archaeological Trust

Project brief originator CBC Archaeological Officer

Project design originator Laura Pooley

Project director/manager Chris Lister

Project supervisor Chris Lister

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