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Summary sheet

**CAT Report 492
Archaeological monitoring on land at
Chapel Farm, Baker Street, Orsett, Essex**

Parish: Orsett	District: Thurrock
NGR: TQ 56335 18110	Accession code: Thurrock Museum - pending HEM code - THCF08
Type of work: Monitoring	Site director/group: Colchester Archaeological Trust
Date of work: 23rd October 2008	Size of area investigated: 15 x 21m open area and 42 x 2.5m access and service road
Location of finds/curating museum: Thurrock Museum	Funding source: Mr L Warwick
Further seasons anticipated? No	Related EHER numbers:
Final report: CAT Report 492	
Periods represented: modern	
<p>Summary of fieldwork results: <i>The monitoring work involved the stripping of an area 15 x 21m for the foundation base of a proposed stable block and the 42 x 2.5m access and service road. For site plan, see Figure 2; for site location, see Figure 1. The open area was reduced to a depth of 200mm, by removing the topsoil (L1) and a slightly silty accumulation deposit (L2). Natural geological levels were not encountered across the majority of the site, although glacial sands and gravels were noted as patchy deposits across the stripped area. No archaeological features were observed in the stripping of the area or of the access and service road. Plough scars were apparent across the site, and, as a result of some discussion with the landowner, it became apparent that the field in which the site is located had been ploughed in the recent past. No archaeologically significant finds were found, although modern pottery and modern agricultural ironwork was recovered from the topsoil (L1).</i></p>	
Previous summaries/reports: None	

<i>Keywords:</i> -	<i>Significance:</i> neg
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Fig 1 Site location. (Not to scale).

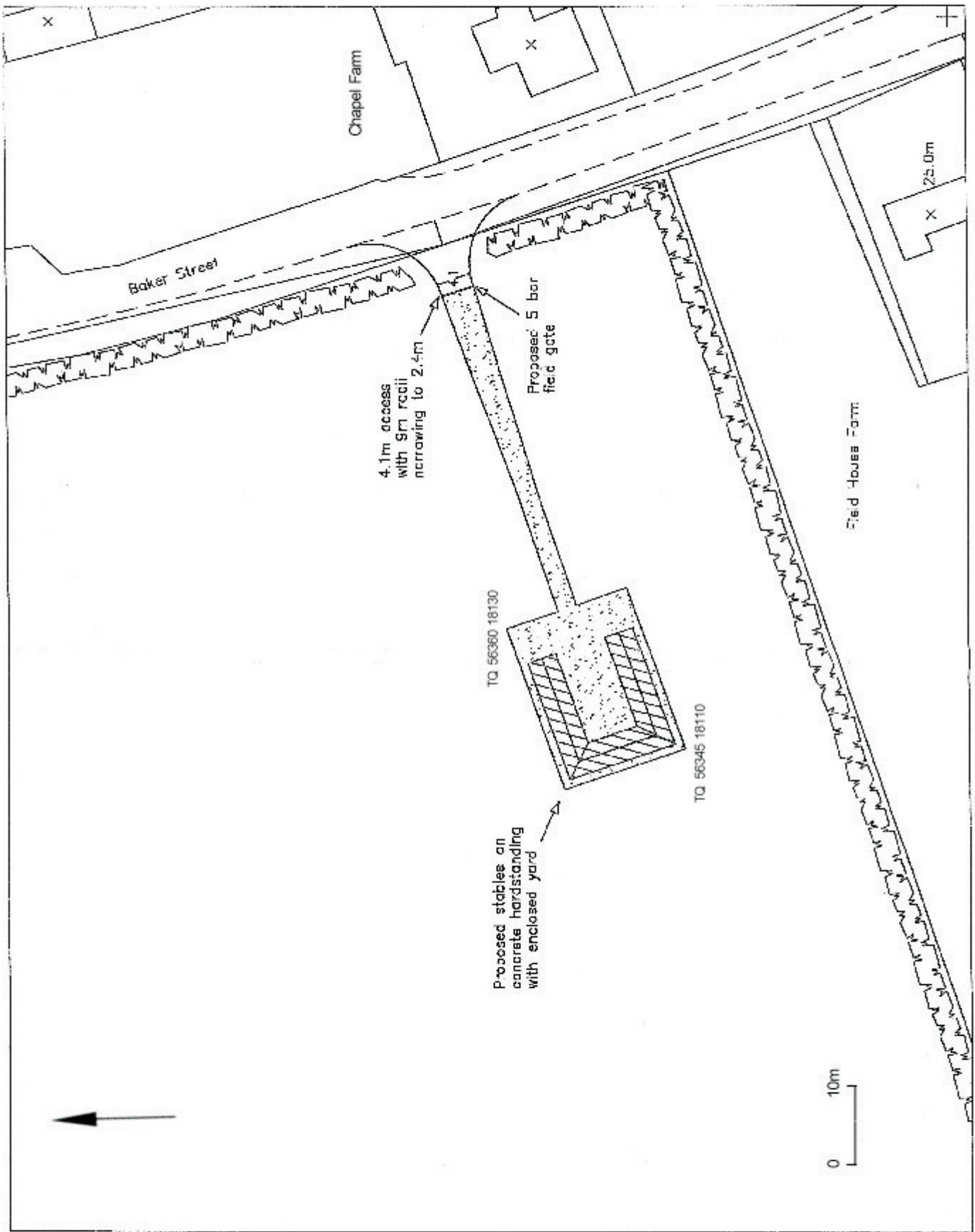


Fig 2 Site plan.