The redevelopment of OASIS: making things easier

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OASIS DATA COLLECTION FORM: England

Test - Jens diggers new

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Email Test SMR about this OASIS record

OASIS:

Please e-mail Historic England for OASIS help and advice
© ADS 1996-2018 Created by Jo Gilham and Jen Mitcham; email Last modified Friday 13 April 2018
Cite only: http://www.oasis.et.uk/form/form21.cfm?uid-jenstdig1-314518 for this page
Currently...

- 1000+ new records every month
- 5000+ edits every month
- On average, 700+ reports released for preservation + dissemination via ADS Library every month
- Vast majority of records submitted by archaeological organisations working within the planning process.
• But....
• Problems with workflows
  • Some HERs do not participate
  • Data input not optimised
• Review, survey of user needs and redesign 2015-2018 (HERALD Stage 1)
• Actual redevelopment happening now (HERALD Stage 2)
• Not happening in isolation
• The funding from Historic England is as a distinct Work Package (Collecting + Validating) within their Heritage Information Access Strategy (HIAS) https://historicengland.org.uk/research/support-and-collaboration/heritage-information-access-strategy/
• Additional funding from HES as part of reporting to DES
• Ongoing talks DoE NI (use of the form) and RCAHMW/Welsh Trusts (sharing metadata)
New OASIS

• Use of modern technologies to facilitate accurate + consistent recording of data
• Make it easy to use the form
• Expedite transfer of reports into public domain
• Records should always open
Timescales

Database and Java framework

Pre-Alpha testing in Autumn 2018

Alpha testing Spring 2019

New form available in beta March 2020
Where are we?

- A new database is in place
- Java application (i.e. the form in place)
- Workflows mapped (i.e. what happens when!)
- Mapping to existing heritage thesauri completed
- Migration of data from old to new database completed
- Basic form in place
Review Periods

"When Alexander of Macedonia was 33, he cried salt tears because there were no more worlds to conquer... Eric Bristow's only 27"

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Review Periods

• Initial Review of *6 months*
• Extended Review to extend to 12 months
• All reports accompanied in ADS Library by appropriate disclaimer.
• Reports can be superseded or deleted
• Records that are being held back for review will appear in the Library
Series: Wessex Archaeology unpublished report series
Wessex Archaeology
ADS Digital Resource

Primary Contact: Chris Brayne email
Associated Organisation: Wessex Archaeology

Introduction

Wessex Archaeology is one of the largest archaeological practices in the country, employing 170 archaeologists and working across the country. Wessex Archaeology, which was set up in 1979 and is based just outside the medieval city of Salisbury, is also a charity, devoted to educating the public about archaeology through lectures, events and public relations. Our surplus is put back into our charitable work or to improving our service to clients. Wessex Archaeology works in areas such as housing developments, extraction, utilities, road schemes, railway and airport projects - anywhere that has the potential for significant archaeological remains. Wessex Archaeology also carries out building surveys, underwater archaeology, coastal studies, human remains analysis, heritage management, illustration and 3D computer modelling, finds and environmental work and publication.

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**Abstract:**

Wessex Archaeology (WA) was commissioned by CgMs Consulting to undertake an archaeological watching brief on the site of the former What! Retail Unit, Cross Keys, Lichfield, centred on National Grid Reference (NGR) SK 11882 09666. A previous application for the Site (planning ref: 15/00782/FULM) has been reviewed by Stephen Dean, the Principal Archaeologist for Staffordshire County Council (SCC) with a recommendation having been made for archaeological monitoring of any site investigation work. This watching brief is being conducted in accordance with these comments as it is recognised that the site is archaeologically sensitive.

The archaeological works relate to a programme of windowless sampling within the footprint of the planned construction works. Ten boreholes were investigated in total to the depth required (where possible) by contractors. There was limited archaeological material recorded with most of the site covered by compacted material from the demolition of the building that formerly occupied the plot. Average thickness of demolition was between 0.5 - 1.5 m below ground level (bgl) and this sealed two layers of natural, one a mid orangeish brown silty sand (on average between 1.5 - 2 m bgl) and the other a light greyish brown sandy clay which extended, in most areas, from 2 m bgl to the bottom of the cores sampled. WS03A was the only borehole sampled that showed a significantly different layer of deposits. Below the layer of demolition a dark brownish black silt was encountered at a depth of 0.4 - 1.2 m bgl. This possibly represents a section of something.
Former What! Retail Unit, Cross Keys, Lichfield

Report details


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Dunbar Parish Church

Location

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Site code:

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Metal Detector Survey at Barbachlaw Farm 2004-6

**DES report summary**

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**Administrative Areas:**
Parish: Tranent
Parish: Inveresk
Council: East Lothian
Former County: East Lothian
Parish: Edinburgh
Council: City of Edinburgh
Former County: City of Edinburgh
Country: SCOTLAND

**Project Name:** Metal Detector Survey at Barbachlaw Farm 2004-6

**Event type(s):** METAL DETECTING SURVEY, SALVAGE RECORDING

**Reason for Investigation:** Heritage management

**Study area:** 78000 Square metres

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**Site 1**

**Site name:** Barbachlaw Farm

**Coordinates:**
- NT349727 NT348719
- NT356712 NT349719
- NT336719 NT368721
- NT382715 NT314722
- NT372723 NT370711
- NT376716 NT360714
- NT376710 NT362717
• OS admin area
• HER area
• Geology
• Research Framework
• Museums
OASIS+

- Archives
  - You can see who is collecting for your project, what their requirements are etc
  - Archives/Museum users will be able to update their guidance/status in the form

- Geophysics
  - Extra fields (currently at review with CIfA GeoSIG)

- Building Recording
  - Bespoke ‘skin’, wordlists and custom fields
### Training Resources

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