

**An archaeological
watching brief at
5 Roman Road,
Colchester, Essex
March 2003**

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**on behalf of
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CAT project code: 03/3a
Museum accession code: 2003.84
NGR: TM 00180 25310



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Report on negative watching brief

Site address: 5 Roman Road, Colchester, Essex
Date of fieldwork: 3rd March 2003
NGR: TM 00180 25310
CBC brief?: no: verbal instruction from M Winter
Sketch attached?: yes
Museum accession: 2003.84

Archaeological background: The site is within the area of the Roman town (Insula 16). There have been many previous discoveries in the vicinity (see Hull 1958 and Crummy 1992).

Brief report:

Observation of footings trenches for rear extension. Footings at 400mm below modern ground were not deep enough to penetrate modern topsoil cover. Modern brick and Fabric 48d pottery in topsoil (not retained). No archaeological features were recorded.

Finds: None

References:

Hull, M R, 1958 *Roman Colchester*, Research Committee of the Society of Antiquaries Report, **20**
Crummy, P, 1992 *Excavations at Culver Street, the Gilbert School and other sites in Colchester, 1971-85*, Colchester Archaeological Report **6**

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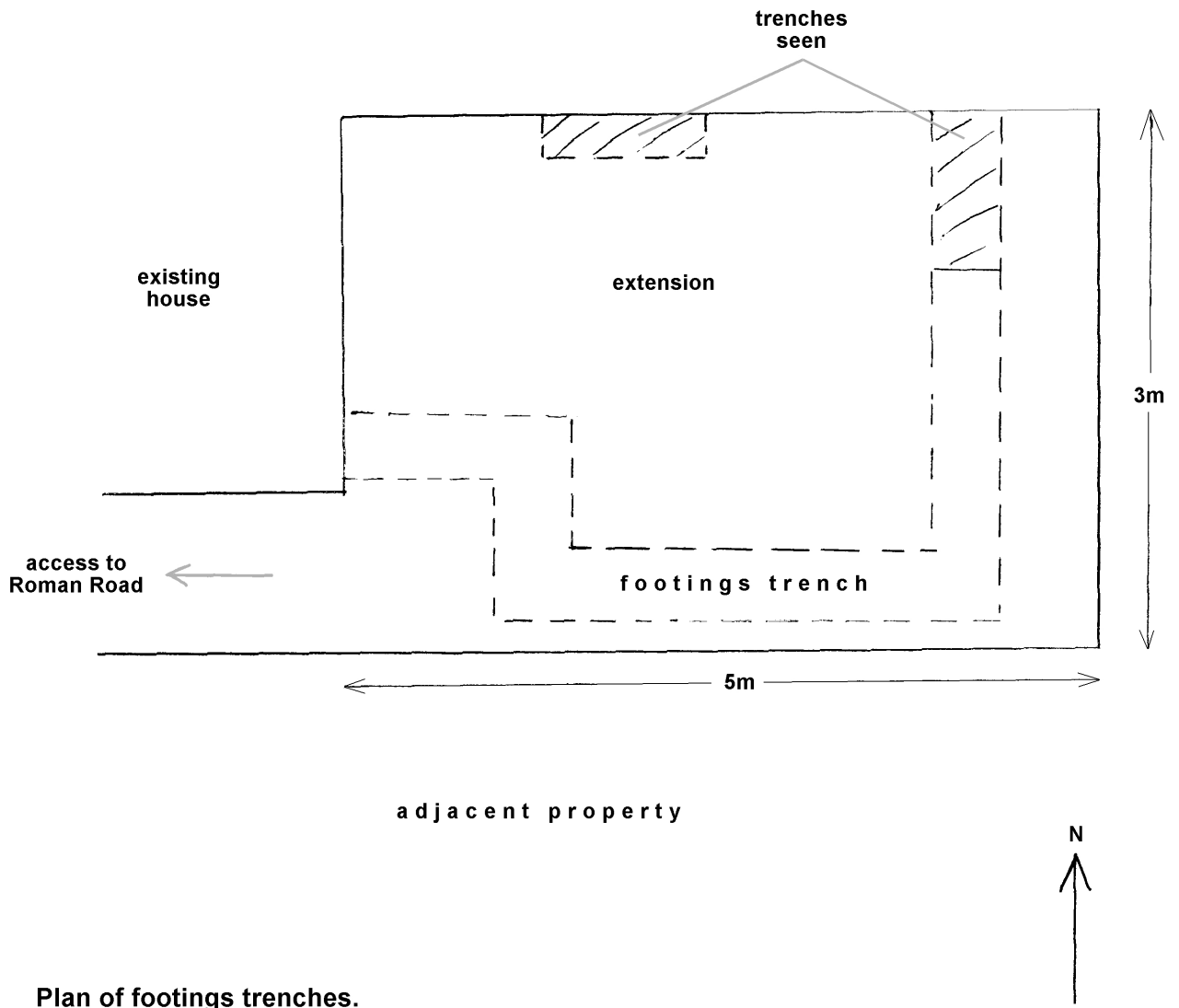


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Plan of footings trenches.

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Summary sheet

Site address: 5 Roman Road, Colchester, Essex	
Parish: Colchester	District: Colchester
NGR: TM 00180 25310	Site code: Museum accession code 2003.84
Type of work: Watching brief	Site director/group: Colchester Archaeological Trust
Date of work: March 2003	Size of area investigated: approx 3.5 x 5m
Location of finds/curating museum: Colchester Museums	Funding source: CBC
Further seasons anticipated? No	Related EHCR nos:
Final report: CAT Report 230	
Periods represented: None	
Summary of fieldwork results: Observation of footings trenches for rear extension. Footings at 400mm below modern ground were not deep enough to penetrate modern topsoil cover. Modern brick and Fabric 48d pottery in topsoil (not retained). No archaeological features were recorded.	
Previous summaries/reports: None	
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