

Colchester Archaeological Trust

CAT Report 1779

Archaeological monitoring at 72 Castle Road, Colchester, Essex, CO1 1UN: October 2020 Planning reference: 200883 CHER Event no.: ECC4547 OASIS ref.: colchest3-401417

Grid Reference: TM 00060 25371 (centre)

Number of site visits: 1

Dates of visit: 19th October 2020

Nature of the work: Observation of groundworks for single-storey rear extension.

Reason for condition: The development site is located within the north-east corner of the historic settlement core of Roman Colchester.

% of total seen: 100% of the groundworks.

Results: The following groundworks were monitored by a CAT archaeologist in response to a brief set by Dr Jess Tipper of Colchester Borough Council Planning Services.

An area covering approximately 2 square metres was mechanically-excavated through a make-up layer (L1, c 0.70-0.80m thick, soft, moist, dark brown loam with inclusions of brick and concrete) and into another dark silty fill (L2, c 00.70-0.80m below current ground level, soft, moist, dark grey/brown silty loam with inclusions of oyster shell, brick and tile). L2 could possibly be the fill of a large undefined feature. The trench was 0.65m wide and 1.40m deep.

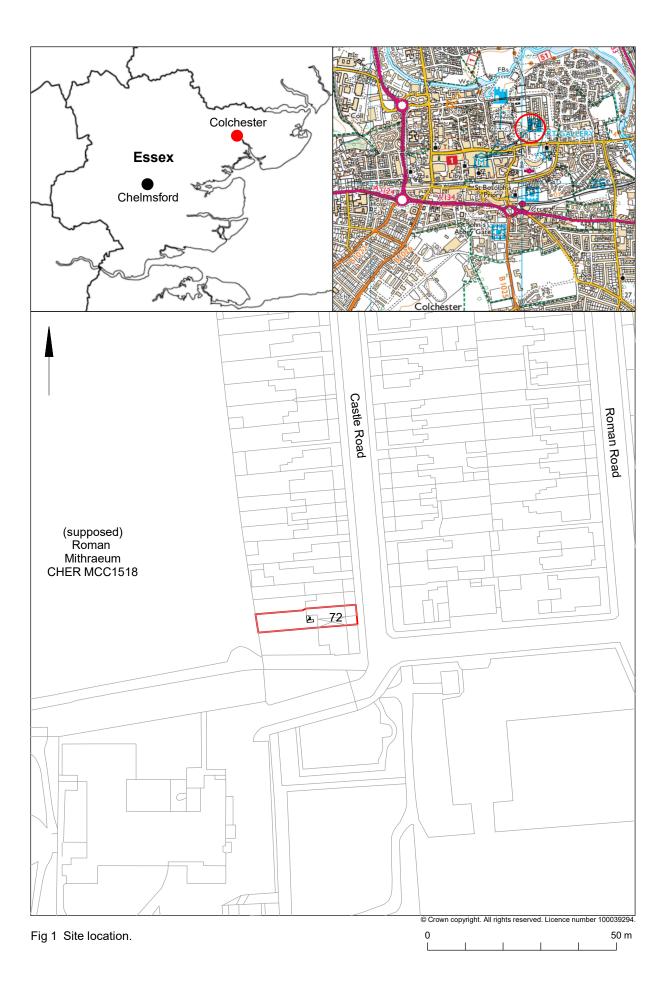


Photograph 1 Site shot - view east



Photograph 2 Trench shot – view north-east.

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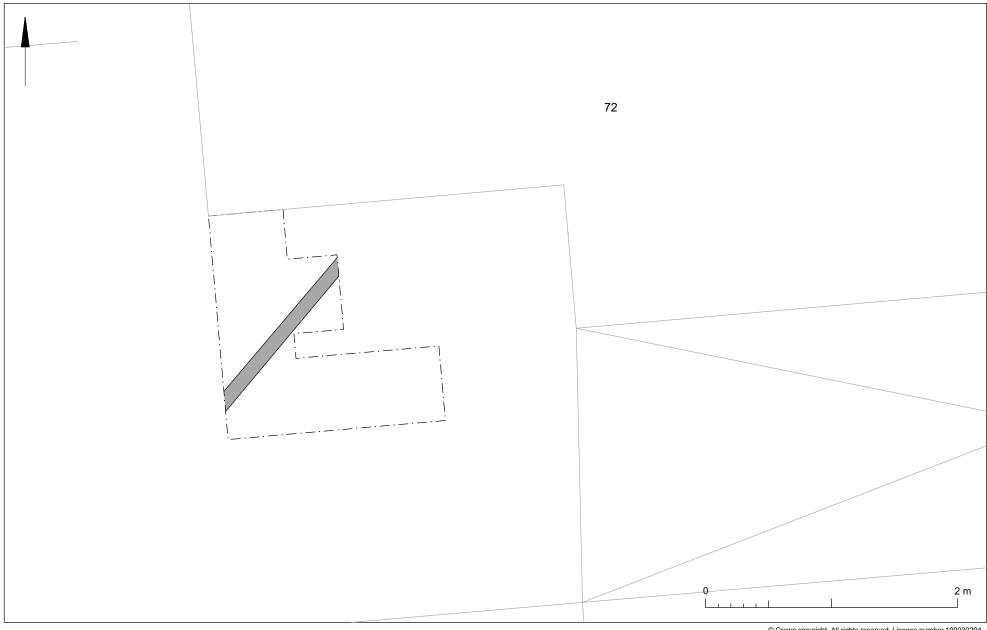


Fig 2 Results. Modern service in grey.

Summary for colchest3-401417

OASIS ID (UID)	colchest3-401417
Project Name	Monitoring at 72 Castle Road, Colchester
Activity type	EVALUATION
Project Identifier(s)	2020/08e
Planning Id	200883
Reason For Investigation	Planning requirement
Organisation Responsible for work	Colchester Archaeological Trust
Project Dates	19-Oct-2020 - 19-Oct-2020
Location	Castle Road, Colchester, East of England, England
	NGR: TM 00077 25361
	LL: 51.8908826, 0.9061656
	12 Fig : 600077,225361
Administrative Areas	Country : England
	County : Essex
	District : Colchester
	Parish : Colchester, unparished area
Project Methodology	An area covering approximately 2 square meters was mechanically- excavated under the supervision of a CAT archaeologist.
Project Results	The trench was excavated through a make-up layer (L1, c 0.70-0.80m thick, soft, moist, dark brown loam with inclusions of brick and concrete) and into another dark silty fill (L2, c 00.70-0.80m below current ground level, soft, moist, dark grey/brown silty loam with inclusions of oyster shell, brick and tile). L2 could possibly been the fill of a large undefined feature. The trench was 0.65m wide and 1.40m deep.
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