

COLCHESTER ARCHAEOLOGICAL TRUST

WATCHING BRIEF REPORT

CAT Project reference: **00/3b**

CAT Report: **66**

Address: 13, Endsleigh Court, Colchester

NGR: TL 9830 2519

Date: 16th March 2000

Officer: H Brooks

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Proposed construction is an extension to house and garage rear (north) of the property. The north boundary of the plot is along the south edge of an area of Scheduled Ancient Monument (SAM) - the Sheepen Late Iron Age farm and industrial area (Essex SAM 46: Essex Sites and Monuments Record 11673-82 and related numbers).

At the time of the visit, the footings trenches had already been dug out and were available for inspection. The north edge of the footings had been cut 1 metre below modern garden level. Visible stratigraphy was 0.2 metres of modern topsoil over 0.8 metres of natural gravelly sand. The south edge was cut through the modern paved patio, and was 1.4 metres deep, showing the same stratigraphy as above but with a layer of modern dump (presumably contemporary with the modern bungalow) on top of it.

Nothing archaeological was seen. The spoil in the skip was inspected. No surface finds. A sketch was made of the trench layout, and a typical soil profile (attached).

Finds:

None

Summary:

Negative.

SKETCH
SECTION 1

W E

TOPSOIL

DULL ORANGE
BROWN GRANULAR
SAND

SKETCH
SECTION 2

N S

SLOPE

BASE

DUMPED SAND

OLD TOPSOIL

DULL ORANGE
BROWN GRANULAR
SAND

SECTIONS

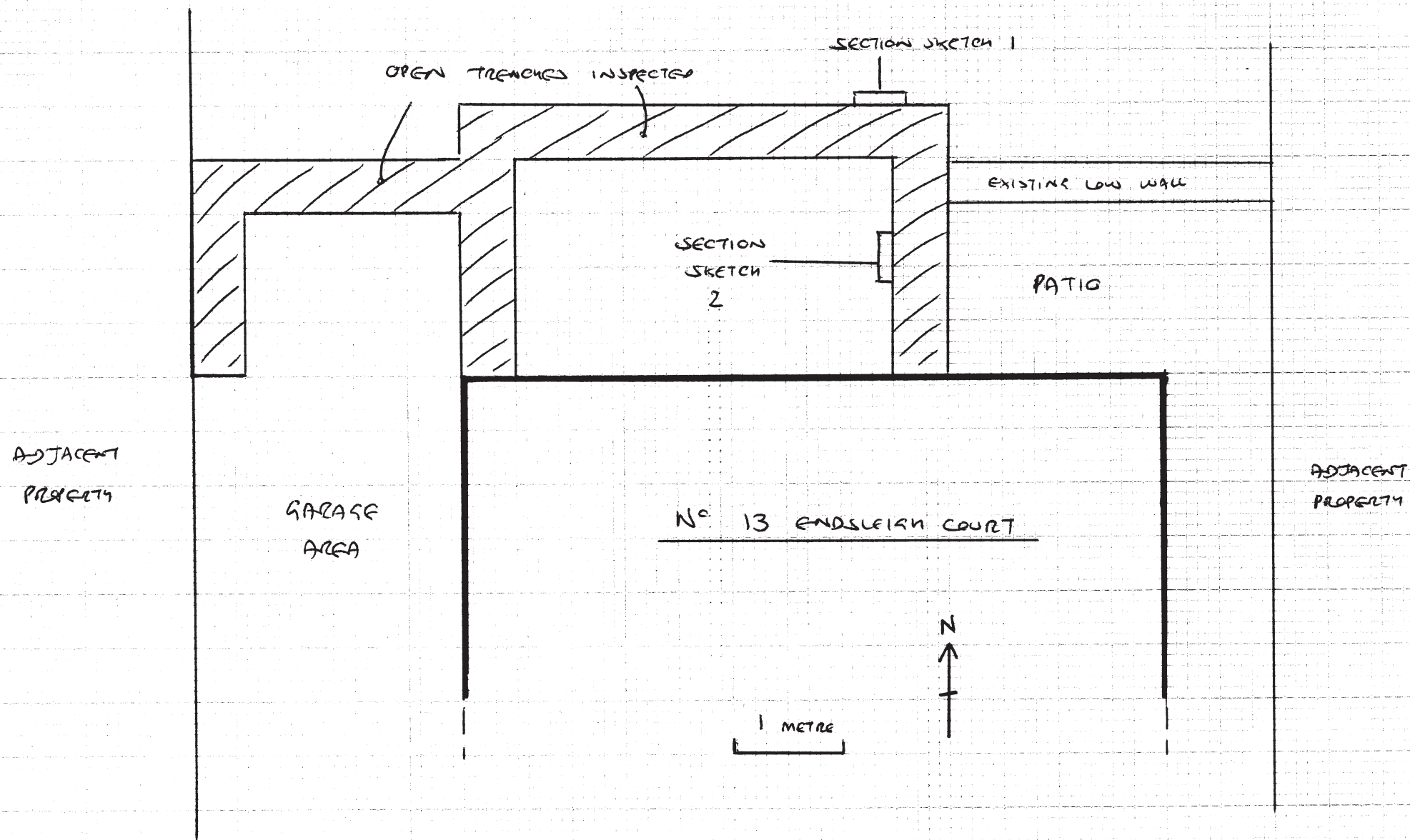
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