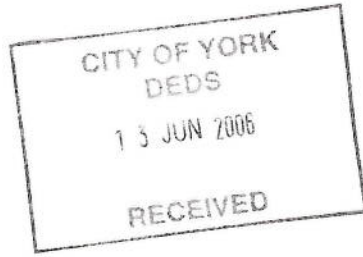


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Mrs Heather Fairy  
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Dear Mrs Fairy

**PROPOSED EXTENSION TO THE REAR & INTERNAL ALTERATIONS TO  
NO. 96 THE MOUNT, YORK – FOR DR R. GLOVER - Approval N° 05/00503/FUL**

With reference to the above approved project please find enclosed copy of York Archaeological Trust's Archaeological Watching Brief as required under Planning Condition N° 4 for your approval.

We look forward to receiving your written approval of this information and the coping detail / obscure glazing, which we previously submitted and verbally agreed, in the meantime should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours faithfully

*Paul Bielby*  
PAUL BIELBY

Copy: Dr R. Glover + Watching Brief  
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To John,

Is this information OK?  
Can I have it back for  
the file please!

Thanks.

*Heather*





**YORK ARCHAEOLOGICAL TRUST**  
**WATCHING BRIEF REPORT FORM**

<b>SITE ADDRESS</b>	96 The Mount, York	
<b>CLIENT NAME</b>	Darton Elgee	
<b>YAT PROJECT CODE</b>	<b>YAT REPORT NUMBER</b>	<b>MUSEUM ACCESSION NUMBER</b>
1335	2006/47	YORAT: 2006.11
<b>GRID REFERENCE</b>	<b>PLANNING/SMR REFERENCE</b>	<b>OPERATIONS NOTICE NUMBER</b>
SE5950 5121	05/00503/FUL	N/A
<b>ARCHIVE LOCATION</b>	York Archaeological Trust	
<b>DATES OF VISIT</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup> ,28 <sup>th</sup> April and 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2006	

**DESCRIPTION**

96 The Mount is situated close to the supposed line of the Roman road from York to Tadcaster and numerous burials from the Roman period have been found in this area. In the medieval period this area was close to, or may have formed, part of the area occupied by the hospital of St Catherine's.

The watching brief involved monitoring the excavation of footings for a new extension and associated drainage at the rear of 96 The Mount. The new extension was a replacement for an earlier extension which was built on a raised area of the garden and the new service trench was adjacent to retaining wall for the stairs to the cellar of the house. All depths are given in relation to the ground level at the time of the watching brief.

The new foundation trenches were excavated to a average maximum depth of 0.9m. The natural gravel sub soil (1002) was observed at a depth of 0.6m below ground level (BGL) and was overlain by a dark grey silt with frequent inclusions of brick rubble and mortar (1001) 0.5m thick which was sealed by the 0.1m thick concrete (1000) floor of the demolished extension. The new drainage trench showed a similar sequence of deposits although this extended beyond the limits of the concrete of the floor (1000) and the dark grey silt (1001) formed the topsoil of the garden topped with grass.

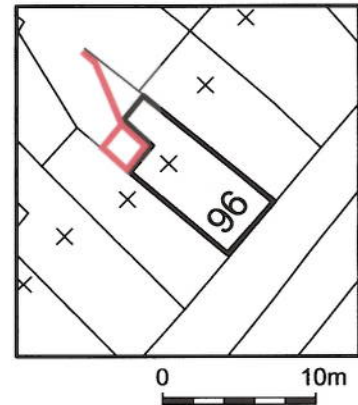
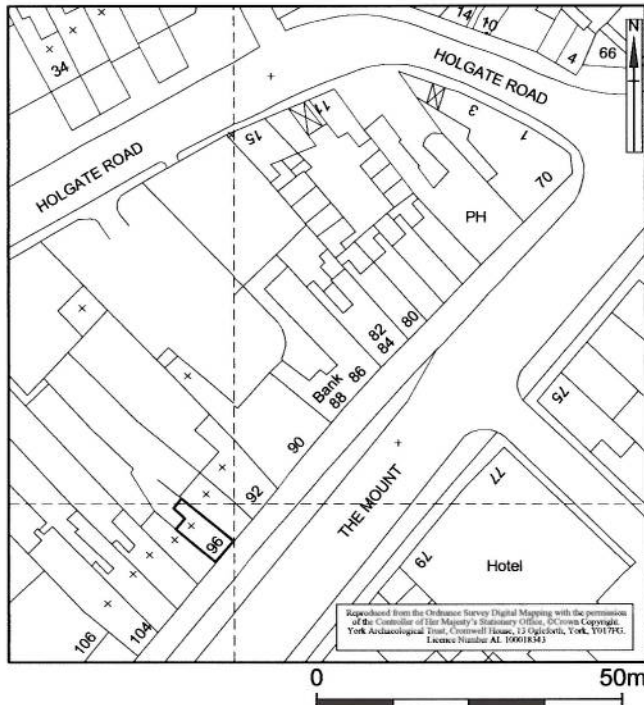
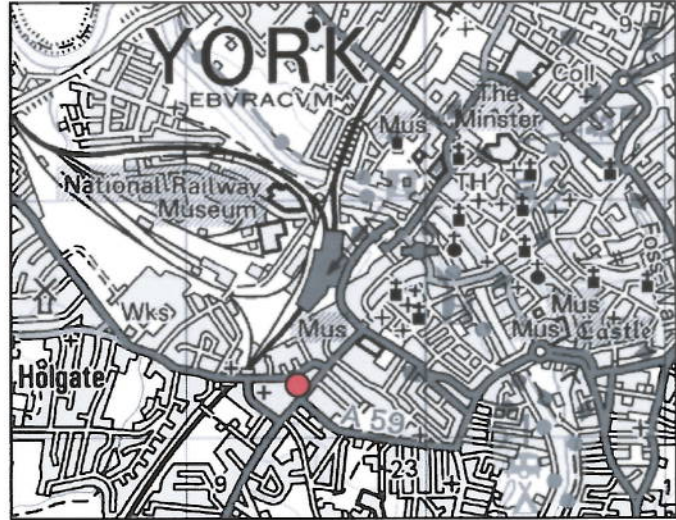
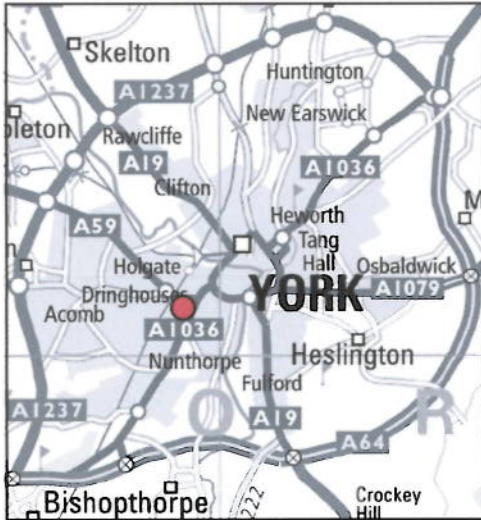
96 The Mount is located on a fairly steep slope and it seems likely that the house has been partially terraced into the hillside. The drainage trench adjacent to the retaining wall for the stair way to the cellar had no obvious construction cut and it seems probable that the dark silt (1001) had built up or been deliberately dumped against this wall to form the present ground surface.

<b>COMPLETED BY</b>	Gareth Dean		<b>CHECKED BY</b>	Martin Stockwell			
<b>ADDITIONAL SHEETS</b>	1	Site Location					
<b>PHOTOGRAPHS</b>	No	<b>FINDS</b>	No	<b>SAMPLES</b>	No	<b>DATE COMPLETED</b>	01/06/06





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 Areas observed excavation

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