# BASE STATION FOR A VODAFONE TOWER IN THE GROUNDS OF REDLANDS SUB STATION WEYMOUTH

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## CENTRED ON

## NGR SY 67167 82294


***Summary***

Absolute Archaeology were contacted by Wireless Infrastructure Group, after hand excavations for the base/plinth of a Vodafone tower revealed a linear feature measuring 300mm in width, comprising compacted limestone and nodular flint. This was within an area truncated by previous ground work associated with the adjacent sub- station. First impressions were of an outlying feature relating to the area of extensive Romano-British occupation, located during ground works to the east of the Vodafone development (Valentin 1998, 108; McMahon 1998, 120). Further examination concluded that the feature running on an N-S alignment was a late 18$^{th}$/early 19$^{th}$ century land drain cut into Quaternary River terrace deposits (BGS). The feature was dated by a single sherd of green glazed pancheon found within the matrix of the land drain make up. No other features were observed within the development area.

## References

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**Figure 1: Location of Site: NGR SY 67167 82294**

(Not to Scale)

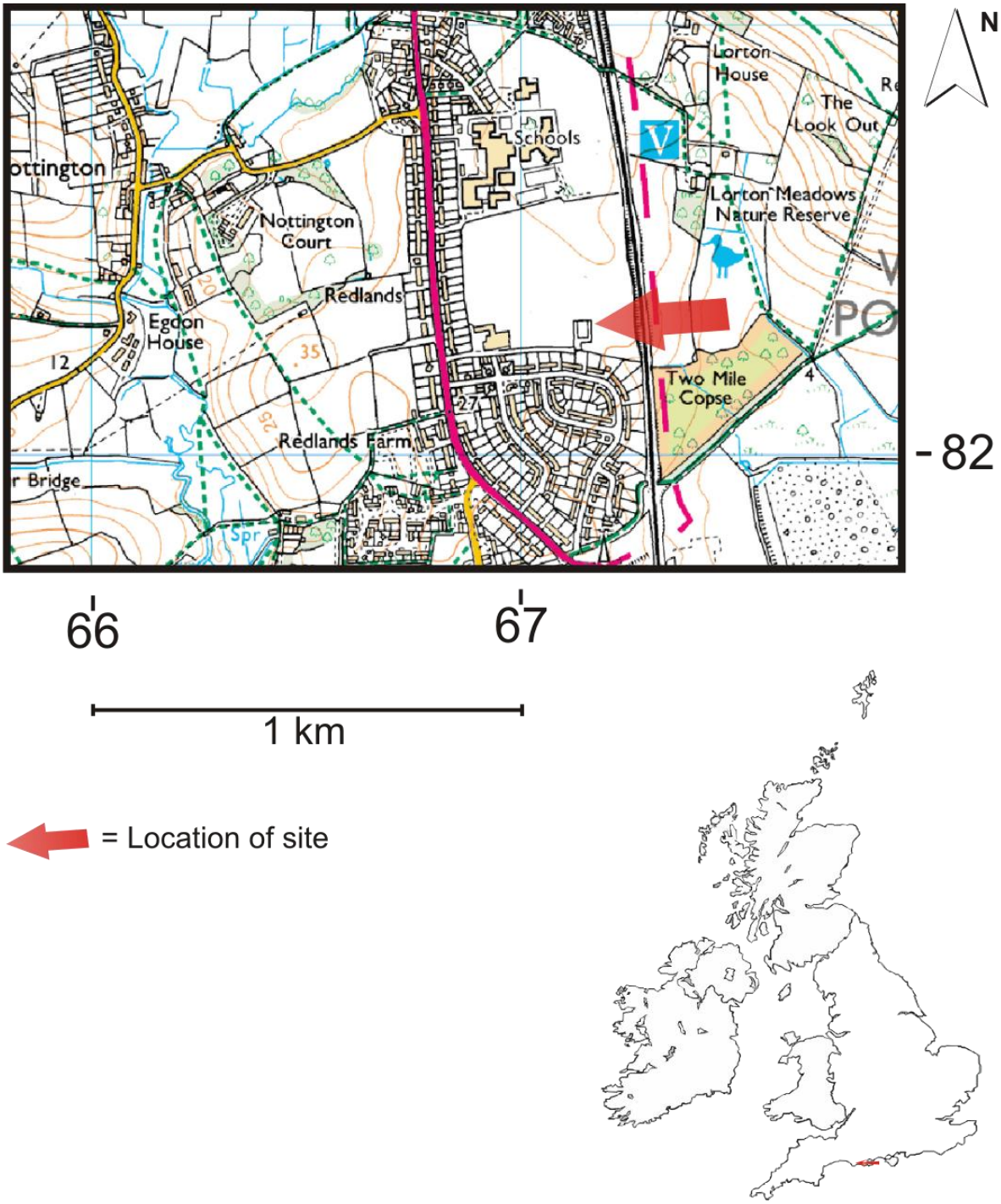
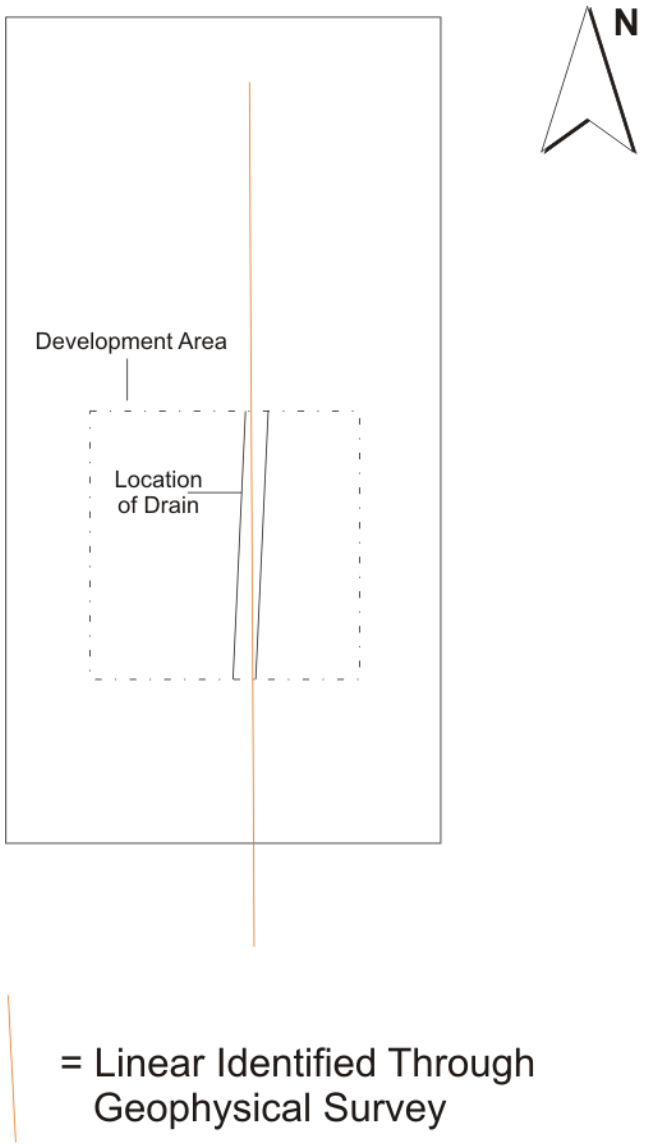


Figure 2: Plan of Site Showing Location of Drain

Scale 1:100



Photographs

Photo 1: North View

Photo 2: South View