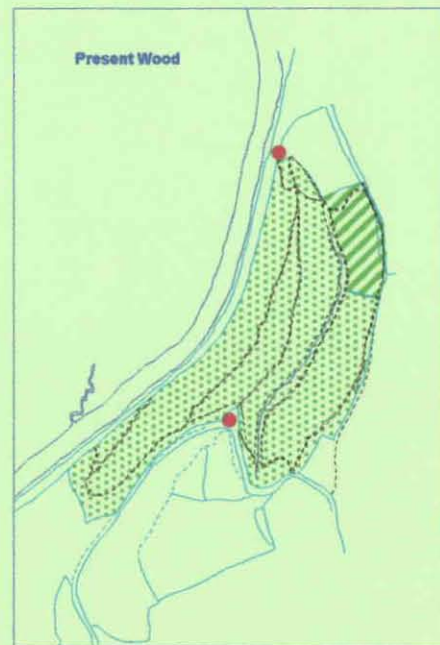
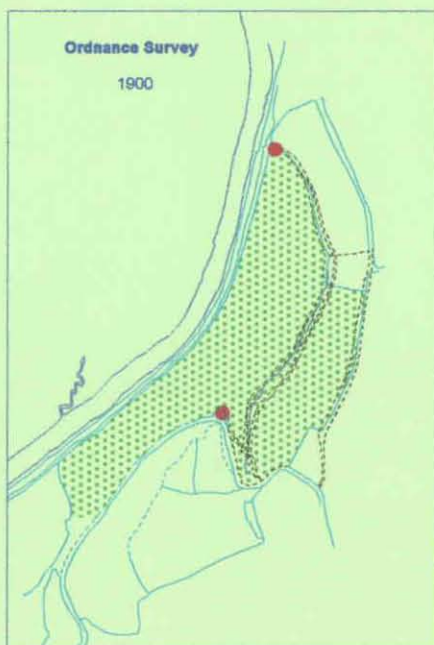
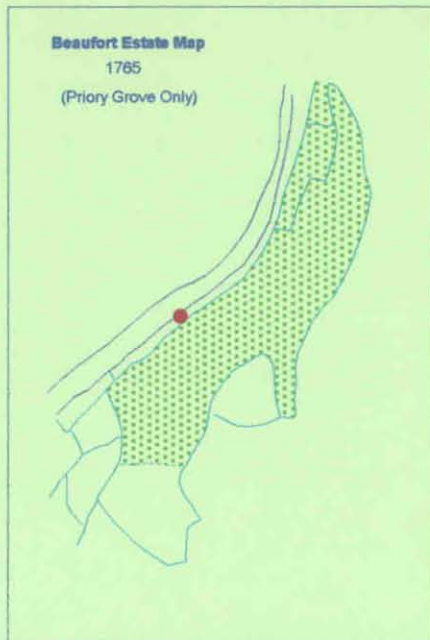


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## **1. Introduction**

- 1.1** CPAT Contracting was commissioned in November 1996 by the Woodland Trust to undertake an archaeological and historical assessment of Priory Grove near Monmouth (centered on SO 528140). The site formerly consisted of two distinct woods known as Priory Grove and Lady Grove.
- 1.2** The site covers a total area of approximately 35ha and lies within the Fidler's Elbow Site of Special Scientific Interest. It was acquired by the Woodland Trust in 1993 and is being actively managed to enhance its wildlife, recreational and landscape value. In particular this includes re-establishment of coppice in selected areas.
- 1.3** The archaeological and historical survey is designed to place the wood in its historic context, and to identify sites of archaeological interest for management purposes. Any specific management advice should be sought from the relevant archaeological curator, in this case the Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust.

## **2 Sources and Methods**

- 2.1** The regional Sites and Monuments Record held by the Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust was consulted as were the records of the Monmouth Archaeological Society and the Dean Archeological Group.
- 2.2** A search was made of readily available documentary and cartographic sources, including eighteenth-century estate maps and documents, the tithe map and apportionment, and early editions of the Ordnance Survey 25" and 6" series. The records of the Woodland Trust were also used, including stock map information which noted the position of some charcoal burning hearths.
- 2.3** A rapid field assessment was carried out using the results of the desk-top survey. This identified the sites and their condition, but because of limited time and difficulty of access caused by undergrowth a systematic transect approach to fieldwork was not adopted. This means that there may be further archaeological sites within the wood which were not identified.
- 2.3** The cartographic sources were digitised using AutoCAD software onto the Woodland Trust stockmap along with sites identified during fieldwork. The database was created in Foxpro using the FastMAP GIS system and linked to the map base. The presentation of the mapped data in this report was created through the Mapinfo GIS system. The digital results of the project will be made available to the Woodland Trust.

## **3 Landscape and Historic Background**

- 3.1** The western boundary of Priory Grove is formed by Hadnock Road and runs parallel to the eastern bank of the River Wye. The wood rises to a ridge at approximately 100m OD, then falls on the eastern side to a small stream which forms the boundary with Lady Grove. The eastern edge of Lady Grove lies on a former trackway, the other side of which is agricultural land. The local geology is red sandstone.
- 3.2** Apart from a larch plantation to the north of Lady Grove the wood consists of broadleaved trees, including extensive areas of former small-leaved lime coppice. The presence of the small-leaved lime, and other indicators suggest that the wood is ancient woodland, one which has had continuous woodland cover since at least 1600 AD.



- 3.3** There is no direct evidence for the date of major woodland clearance in this area although much of Wales had lost its woodland cover by the end of the Iron Age. Evidence of prehistoric activity in the area around Priority Grove is indicated by a number of flint and chert artefacts recovered during field walking in the surrounding agricultural land by the Monmouth Archaeological Society. Significant finds include a chert scraper at SO 52861332, and various flint finds which include those from near Great Warfield (SO 52581330, SO 52781308, SO 52831330) (Clarke 1984, 15).
- 3.4** There is a great deal of evidence pointing to the exploitation of the iron deposits in the vicinity of Priority Grove during the Roman period. A furnace base was excavated during work at Hadnock Villa (SO 535151) and other furnaces associated with Roman artefacts have been recorded near Conegre Barn (SO 53621454; SO 53241395; and SO 53101385), Lower Warfield (SO 529136) and Great Warfield (SO 52851310) (Walters 1991, 18-19; Clarke 1981, 5). A certain level of woodland management is implied by these sites as the furnaces would have consumed a large amount of charcoal.
- 3.5** Priority Grove lies just outside the boundary of the medieval Royal Forest of Dean and, although there is no direct evidence, was probably associated with the Benedictine priory in Monmouth. A document dated to around 1166 mentions that Baderon of Monmouth exchanged three forges on the banks of the Wye with the priory's land at Hadnock (Clarke 1981, 1). Documentary evidence from elsewhere in England and Wales shows that ecclesiastical management of woodland, including coppicing, was very sophisticated, although this is more often associated with the Cistercian order (Linnard 1982, 45-50). References to charcoal burning are abundant in the medieval records of Dean, including references to a wood called Hadnock (Hart 1987, 44).
- 3.6** Following the dissolution of the monasteries the woodland would have passed into private lands. Documentary and cartographic sources referring to Priority Grove and Lady Grove begin in the late 18th century. At this time the two woods were in different hands. Priority Grove was part of the Duke of Beaufort's extensive estate while Lady Grove and an area in the northern part of Priority Grove belonged to the Griffin family based at Hadnock Court. Priority Grove is shown on a map of the Duke of Beaufort's Monmouth Manor and Mitchel Troy Estate dated 1765 (Fig 2), with its boundary much as it is today. The only major difference is that the Staunton Road does not appear to have been constructed and Priority Grove included part of the modern Garth wood which now lies to the east of the road. A valuation of timber from a felling of Lady Grove in 1770 recorded that Lady Grove then covered approximately 16.5 acres, similar to its area today (National Library of Wales Miscellaneous Records III, 42-3).
- 3.7** The eighteenth-century documentary and cartographic records give important information on how the woodland was managed. It is clear that, unlike the surrounding agricultural land which was tenanted out, both the woods were retained directly by the respective landowners and managed as coppice. The whole of the coppice in Lady Wood appears to have been felled in 1770 yielding 34-36 cords. This yield of approximately 14.25 cords per acre compares with yields recovered in modern times (Watkins 1990, 87). The document in which the valuation of Lady Wood occurs also includes valuations from a number of other woods felled at different dates suggesting a rotation system of felling. Lady Grove therefore seems to have been one part of an integrated management system which included other woods on the Griffin estate, a type of system which is well known from elsewhere in Britain (Rackham 1990, 82-3).
- 3.8** The nineteenth-century maps, including the tithe and early editions of the Ordnance Survey, show the minor changes which have taken place to the wood over the past 230 years. The Staunton road had been built by 1844, the date of the tithe survey (not copied in this report because of copyright reasons), and this now formed the eastern boundary between Priority Grove and Garth Wood. The houses at Fidler's Elbow and Hadnock Cottages are not shown on the tithe survey, but are recorded on the first edition of the Ordnance Survey 6" series surveyed in 1880 (Fig 3). The Staunton road appears to have been re-aligned to go to the south of the new Fidler's Elbow house. The extension of the Monmouth railway over the Wye in the 1860s caused a slight realignment of the Hadnock road which, as well as removing a house site shown on the earlier maps, encroached on the western



side of Priory Grove. The eastern side of Lady Grove included the 'Roman Road' which lay outside the wood according to the tithe map. This probably reflects the fact that it was no longer used as a major route. The second edition of the Ordnance Survey, revised in 1900, shows no difference to the first edition map (Fig 4).

- 3.9** The woodland itself is simply described as wood on the tithe apportionment and is depicted as deciduous woodland on the early editions of the Ordnance Survey map. The tithe map shows two internal boundaries in the wood as well as the division between Lady Grove and Priory Grove. The division in Priory Grove corresponds to the block under the ownership of the Griffin estate shown on the 1765 map and may reflect a continued division of ownership. Unfortunately a large part of the tithe apportionment is illegible, including the ownership details of the wood. The early editions of the Ordnance Survey map show a series of rides which correspond with some of the present rides.
- 3.10** The major change in the boundaries between the second edition of the Ordnance Survey map and the modern wood is the inclusion of the larch plantation to the north of Lady Grove. This area was agricultural land on the tithe and early editions of the Ordnance Survey, and the acreage given for the wood in the 1775 document similarly suggests that it was not wooded at that time.
- 3.11** The digitising of the cartographic sources and rectification to modern co-ordinate values enables a direct comparison to be made of the development of the wood over the past 230 years. The results are presented in Fig 5.

#### **4 Archaeological Features**

- 4.1** The boundaries of the wood to the west and south of the wood are formed by the Hadnock and Staunton roads, apart from the stretch between Staunton road and Hadnock road which is a low bank approximately 0.5m high (Site 1). The boundary on the northern side of the wood between Hadnock cottage and the larch plantation is a slightly higher bank c. 1m high (Site 2). Where the Hadnock road has been realigned due to the construction of the railway it has been revetted with stone (Site 3).
- 4.2** The eastern boundary of Lady Grove lies on a holloway (Site 4) described as a Roman Road on the early editions of the Ordnance Survey map. Locally it is known as the Royal Road and said to be one of the main routes out of the Royal Forest of Dean. The actual origin of the feature cannot be determined but its considerable depth (between 3-4m towards the south) suggests that it was an important routeway for a considerable period of time, perhaps until the building of the present Staunton road sometime between 1765 and 1844. By 1880 when the first edition of the Ordnance Survey map was surveyed it appears to have gone out of use as it is included as part of the wood. It is much better preserved in the woodland than in the surrounding agricultural land where it has been largely ploughed away, particularly to the south-east. A recent ride runs to the west of the feature in the southern part of Lady Grove but in the larch plantation the ride follows the line of the hollow way.
- 4.3** A low stone built wall (Site 10) lies on the western side of the holloway within the larch plantation. This probably relates to the former field boundary marked on the tithe map.
- 4.4** The woodland rides are not well sunken or metalled, but those on either side of the stream which forms the boundary between Priory Grove and Lady Grove are shown on the early editions of the Ordnance Survey maps (Sites 5-6). The ride along the top of the ridge is not shown on the maps but is lined with pollarded beech (Site 7). No other internal boundary features were identified, and those marked on the tithe map (Sites 8 and 9) could not be located, perhaps because they were only temporary features.
- 4.5** Eighteen charcoal burning hearths have been identified in the woodland (Sites 11-28). Ten of these were located during species identification work by the Woodland Trust in 1986. Of these ten six were re-located during the survey along with eight new sites. There are undoubtedly more unlocated



sites because the wood was not walked intensively. The date of the hearths cannot be determined but archaeological work in the surrounding fields has shown a large amount of iron smelting taking place from at least the Roman period onwards which implies a significant local demand for charcoal.

- 4.6 Two quarries are situated on the western side of Priory Grove adjacent to the Hadnock road (Sites 29-30). It is assumed that these are related to the construction of the railway and the re-alignment of the road. Smaller pits (Sites 31-32) of unknown use were also identified and a pit to the south-east of Hadnock Cottages (Site 33) is a bottle dump associated with the house.

## 5 Conclusions

- 5.1 Priory Grove and Lady Grove are ancient woodland sites with a long history of coppice management. This can be demonstrated not only by the surviving species in the wood but also by direct cartographic and documentary references from 1765 onwards. The association of the wood with Monmouth Priory and the abundance of iron furnaces in the vicinity dating from at least the Roman period onwards also suggest that the woodland management has a long history.
- 5.2 The cartographic sources show that with the exception of the Staunton road only minor changes to the woodland boundaries have taken place over the past 230 years. Surviving archaeological features include a deeply sunken hollow way which could be of at least Roman date and eighteen recorded charcoal hearths reflecting the long history of woodland management.

## 6. Acknowledgements

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## Gazetteer of Sites

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**Site No:** 1                      **Priory Grove Boundary**                      **SO5229513549**

**Site type:** Woodland Boundary                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Woodland Bank between Hadnock Road and Staunton Road. The bank has formed the southwestern boundary of Priory Grove since at least 1765. It is a low bank approximately 0.5 metres high

Site is well preserved with no obvious threats.

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**Site No:** 2                      **Priory Grove boundary**                      **SO5289914408**

**Site type:** Woodland Boundary                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Bank forming the woodland boundary between Hadnock Cottages and the larch plantation. Has formed the boundary since at least 1765. It is c.1m high.

The bank is well preserved and there are no obvious threats

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**Site No:** 3                      **Hadnock Road Revetment**                      **SO5260713919**

**Site type:** Revetment                      **Period:** Modern                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Structure

Revetment of Hadnock Road where it was realigned following the construction of the railway in the 1860's. Stone built up to approximately 0.5m

No obvious threat.

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**Site No:** 4                      **Royal Road Hollow Way**                      **SO5305413959**

**Site type:** Hollow way                      **Period:** Roman ?                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

A deeply sunken holloway marked on the early editions of the Ordnance Survey as a Roman Road. Locally it is known as the Royal Road, and thought to be one of the main exits from the Royal Forest of Dean. The site forms the eastern boundary of Lady Grove. Its precise origin cannot be determined but its depth, up to 3-4m in places, suggests considerable age.

The site is well preserved, in contrast to the surrounding agricultural land where it has been reduced by ploughing. A recent ride runs along the western side of the feature in the south of Lady Grove but lies on top of it in the larch plantation. The ride however has caused little damage.

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**Site No:** 5                      **Lady Grove Ride**                      **SO5289013888**

**Site type:** Woodland Ride                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

A ride marked on the early editions of the Ordnance Survey. It is neither sunken or metalled.

Still being used as a ride with no obvious threat.

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**Site No:** 6                      **Priory Grove Ride**                      **SO5287213911**

**Site type:** Woodland Ride                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

A ride marked on the early editions of the Ordnance Survey. It is neither sunken or metalled

Still being used as a ride with no obvious threat.

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<i>Site No:</i>	7	<b>Priory Grove Woodland Ride II</b>	SO5285214010
<i>Site type:</i>	Woodland Ride	<i>Period:</i> Unknown	<i>Visit on:</i> 09/12/96
<i>Form:</i>	Earthwork		
A woodland ride not marked on the early editions of the Ordnance Survey. It is marked in places by pollarded beech trees.			
Still being used as a ride with no obvious threat.			
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<i>Site No:</i>	8	<b>Priory Grove Internal Boundary</b>	SO5276014130
<i>Site type:</i>	Internal Woodland Boundary	<i>Period:</i> Unknown	<i>Visit on:</i> 09/12/96
<i>Form:</i>	Documentary		
An internal division of Priory which first appears on the 1765 map of the Duke of Beaufort's estate when it the boundary between the Duke's Estate and that of Admiral Griffin. Not located during the field visit.			
Not located			
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<i>Site No:</i>	9	<b>Lady Grove Internal Boundary</b>	SO5296013933
<i>Site type:</i>	Internal Woodland Boundary	<i>Period:</i> Unknown	<i>Visit on:</i> 09/12/96
<i>Form:</i>	Documentary		
A division of Lady Grove marked on the tithe map. No feature could be seen during the field visit.			
Not located			
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<i>Site No:</i>	10	<b>Field Boundary</b>	SO5307414177
<i>Site type:</i>	Field Boundary	<i>Period:</i> Unknown	<i>Visit on:</i> 09/12/96
<i>Form:</i>	Earthwork		
A boundary marked on the early editions of the Ordnance Survey. It survives as a low stone wall.			
Well preserved and no obvious threat.			
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<i>Site No:</i>	11	<b>Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth I</b>	SO5237113535
<i>Site type:</i>	Charcoal Burning Hearth	<i>Period:</i> Unknown	<i>Visit on:</i> 09/12/96
<i>Form:</i>	Earthwork		
Charcoal Hearth identified by Woodland Trust during species identification. Located during the field survey, it roughly circular and cut into the slope on its eastern side. It measures between 5-6m across and the surrounding ground surface is blackened with charcoal.			
Well preserved and no obvious threat.			
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<i>Site No:</i>	12	<b>Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth II</b>	SO5245913702
<i>Site type:</i>	Charcoal Burning Hearth	<i>Period:</i> Unknown	<i>Visit on:</i> 09/12/96
<i>Form:</i>	Earthwork		
Charcoal Hearth identified by Woodland Trust during species identification. Not located during CPAT site visit.			
Not located.			

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**Site No:** 13                      **Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth III**                      **SO5253713702**  
**Site type:** Charcoal Burning Hearth                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Charcoal Hearth identified by Woodland Trust close to the Staunton road during species identification. Located during the field survey, it roughly circular and cut into the a very steep slope on its eastern side. It measures between 5-6m across and the surrounding ground surface is blackened with charcoal.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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**Site No:** 14                      **Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth IV**                      **SO5258013747**  
**Site type:** Charcoal Burning Hearth                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Charcoal Hearth identified by Woodland Trust during species identification. Located during the CPAT site visit. It lies on a flattened area and has not been cut into the slope. The surrounding ground surface is blackened with charcoal.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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**Site No:** 15                      **Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth V**                      **SO5275313740**  
**Site type:** Charcoal Burning Hearth                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Charcoal Hearth identified by Woodland Trust during species identification. Located by CPAT during the field visit, it lies on an east facing slope and is cut into the slope on the western side. It measures c. 4-5m across and the surrounding earth is blackened with charcoal.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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**Site No:** 16                      **Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth VI**                      **SO5271514029**  
**Site type:** Charcoal Burning Hearth                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Charcoal Hearth identified by Woodland Trust during species identification. Located during the CPAT site visit. It lies on a steep westfacing slope and has been cut into the sloe on its eastern side. It is elliptical in shape measuring c. 5m E-W and c. 6m N-s. The surrounding ground surface is blackened with charcoal.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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**Site No:** 17                      **Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth VII**                      **SO5281114208**  
**Site type:** Charcoal Burning Hearth                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Charcoal Hearth identified by Woodland Trust during species identification. Unlocated during the CPAT site visit.

Not located.

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**Site No:** 18                      **Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth VIII**                      **SO5280714333**  
**Site type:** Charcoal Burning Hearth                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Charcoal Hearth identified by Woodland Trust during species identification. Unlocated during the CPAT site visit.

Not located.

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**Site No:** 19                      **Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth IX**                      **SO5278114154**

**Site type:** Charcoal Burning Hearth                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Charcoal Hearth identified by Woodland Trust during species identification. Unlocated during the CPAT site visit.

Not located.

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**Site No:** 20                      **Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth X**                      **SO5275114067**

**Site type:** Charcoal Burning Hearth                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Charcoal burning hearth identified during field visit. It lies on a west facing slope, and is cut into the slope on the eastern side. It is roughly circular and measures c.6m across. The surrounding ground surface is blackened with charcoal.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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**Site No:** 21                      **Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth XI**                      **SO5260713840**

**Site type:** Charcoal Burning Hearth                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Charcoal burning hearth identified during field visit. Cut into a steep west facing slope on its eastern side it is roughly circular. It is about 3-4m across and the surrounding earth is blackened with charcoal.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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**Site No:** 22                      **Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth XII**                      **SO5284813894**

**Site type:** Charcoal Burning Hearth                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Charcoal burning hearth identified during field visit. Roughly circular and cut into an east facing slope. It measures c.5m across. The surrounding ground surface is blackened with charcoal.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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**Site No:** 23                      **Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth XIII**                      **SO5293314218**

**Site type:** Charcoal Burning Hearth                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Charcoal burning hearth identified during field visit. Roughly circular and cut into an east facing slope. It measures c.5m across. The surrounding ground surface is blackened with charcoal.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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**Site No:** 24                      **Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth XIV**                      **SO5293014268**

**Site type:** Charcoal Burning Hearth                      **Period:** Unknown                      **Visit on:** 09/12/96

**Form:** Earthwork

Charcoal burning hearth identified during field visit. Roughly circular and cut into a slight east facing slope. It measures c.6m across. The surrounding ground surface is blackened with charcoal.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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<b>Site No:</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth XV</b>	<b>SO5291214327</b>
<b>Site type:</b>	Charcoal Burning Hearth	<b>Period:</b> Unknown	<b>Visit on:</b> 09/12/96
<b>Form:</b>	Earthwork		

Charcoal burning hearth identified during field visit. Roughly circular it lies on a slight north-east facing slope. It measures c.5m across and the surrounding ground surface is blackened with charcoal.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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<b>Site No:</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth XVI</b>	<b>SO5282713686</b>
<b>Site type:</b>	Charcoal Burning Hearth	<b>Period:</b> Unknown	<b>Visit on:</b> 09/12/96
<b>Form:</b>	Earthwork		

Charcoal burning hearth identified during field visit. The only one to be identified in Lady Grove, although there are undoubtedly more. It measures c.5-6m across and the surrounding ground surface is blackened with charcoal. It is cut into a slight west facing slope.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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<b>Site No:</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth XVII</b>	<b>SO5276513795</b>
<b>Site type:</b>	Charcoal Burning Hearth	<b>Period:</b> Unknown	<b>Visit on:</b> 09/12/96
<b>Form:</b>	Earthwork		

Charcoal burning hearth identified during field visit. Roughly circular in shape it is cut into an east facing slope. It measures c. 5m across and the surrounding ground surface is blackened with charcoal.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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<b>Site No:</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Priory Grove Charcoal Hearth XVIII</b>	<b>SO5286014233</b>
<b>Site type:</b>	Charcoal Burning Hearth	<b>Period:</b> Unknown	<b>Visit on:</b> 09/12/96
<b>Form:</b>	Earthwork		

Charcoal Hearth identified by Woodland Trust during species identification. Not located during CPAT site visit.

Not located.

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<b>Site No:</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>Priory Grove Quarry I</b>	<b>SO5273014087</b>
<b>Site type:</b>	Quarry	<b>Period:</b> Modern	<b>Visit on:</b> 09/12/96
<b>Form:</b>	Earthwork		

Quarry, probably constructed in the 1860s when the railway was constructed and the Hadnock Road realigned.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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<b>Site No:</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Priory Grove Quarry II</b>	<b>SO5272314067</b>
<b>Site type:</b>	Quarry	<b>Period:</b> Modern	<b>Visit on:</b> 09/12/96
<b>Form:</b>	Earthwork		

Quarry, probably constructed in the 1860s when the railway was constructed and the Hadnock Road realigned.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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<b>Site No:</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Priory Grove Pit I</b>	<b>SO5278214134</b>
<b>Site type:</b>	Pit	<b>Period:</b> Unknown	<b>Visit on:</b> 09/12/96
<b>Form:</b>	Earthwork		

A small steeply sided pit of unknown use. It measures c.3-4m across.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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*Site No:* 32 **Priory Grove Pits** SO5287914344

*Site type:* Pits *Period:* Unknown *Visit on:* 09/12/96

*Form:* Earthwork

Two side by side shallow pits each measuring c. 3m NE-SW and c. 1.5m SE-NW. Of unknown use but they may be large tree fall hollows.

Well preserved and no obvious threat.

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*Site No:* 33 **Priory Grove Bottle Dump** SO5287414389

*Site type:* Bottle Dump *Period:* Modern *Visit on:* 09/12/96

*Form:* Earthwork

Bottle dump associated with Hadnock Cottage. There is a large amount of bottle glass showing on the surface with other rubbish.

Well preserved and no obvious threat other than continued dumping, although there does not appear to be much recent dumping.

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Fig 2: Extract of a Map of the Duke of Beaufort's Monmouth Manor and Mitchel Troy Estate Vol 9, No 4  
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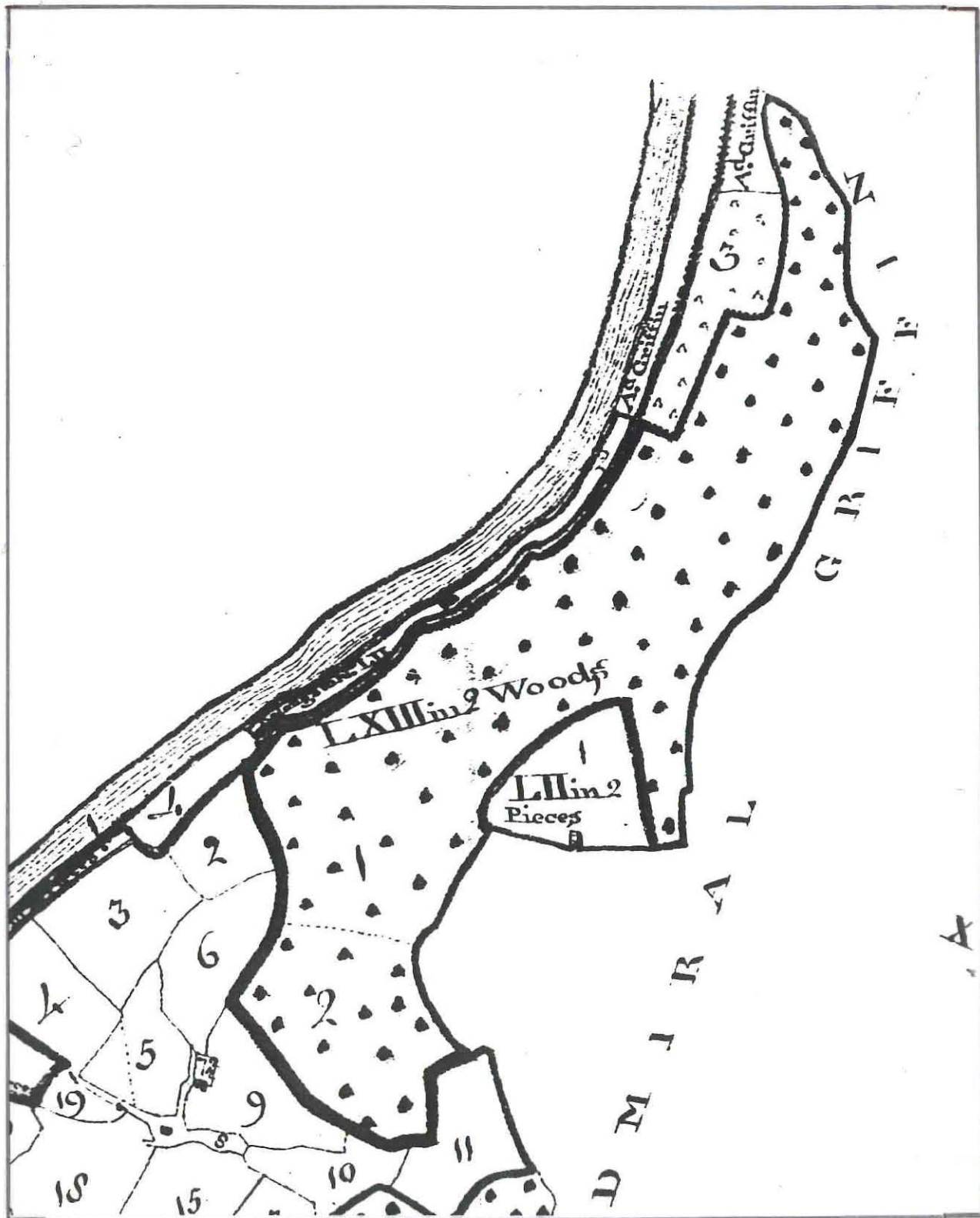


Fig 3: Extract of the 1880 1st Edition Ordnance Survey 6" series.  
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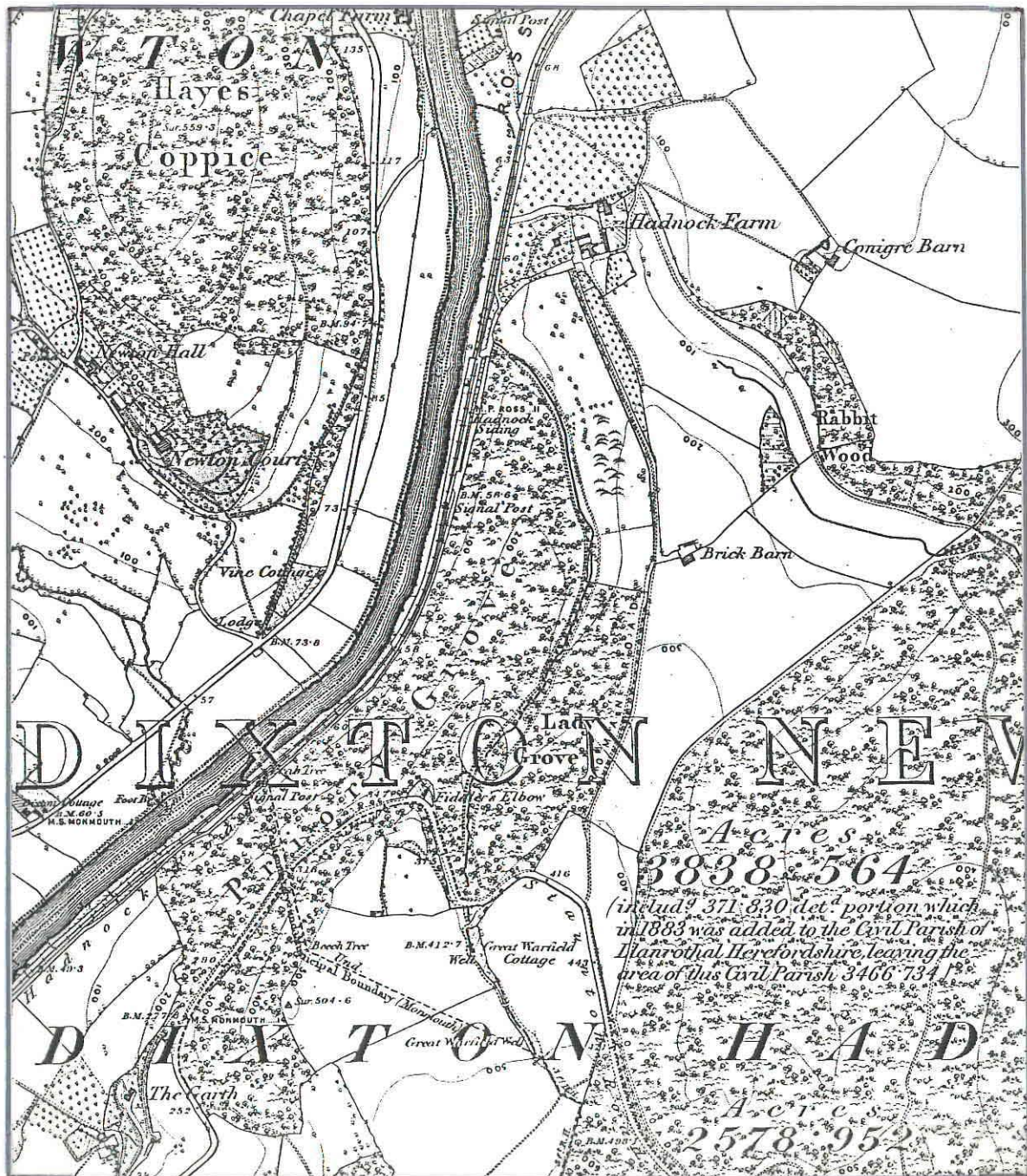




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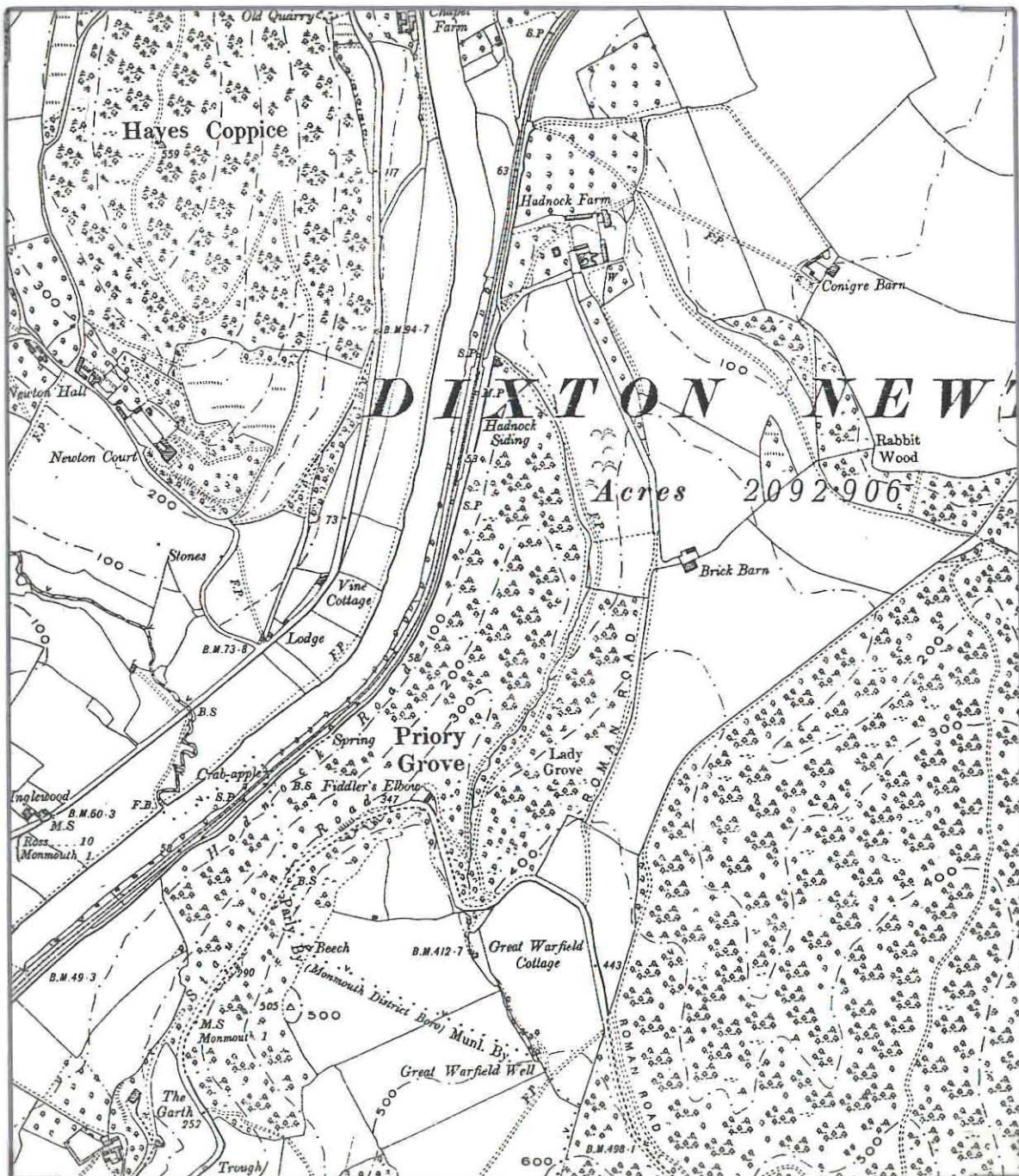


Fig 5: Development of Priory Grove and Lady Grove

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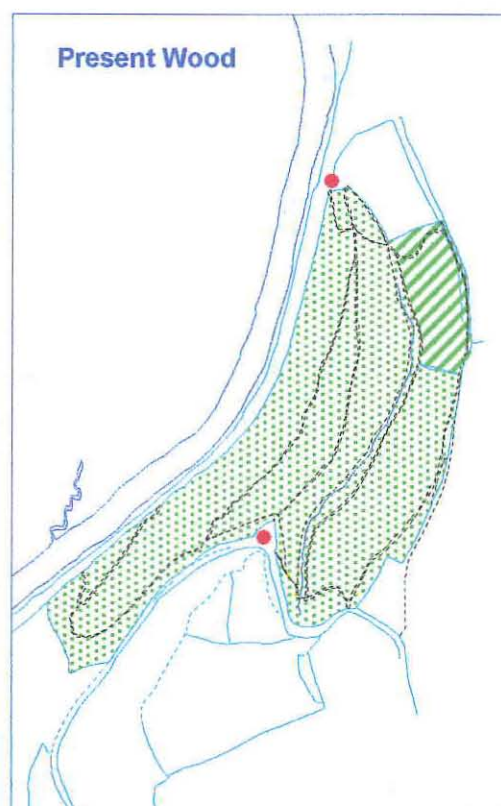
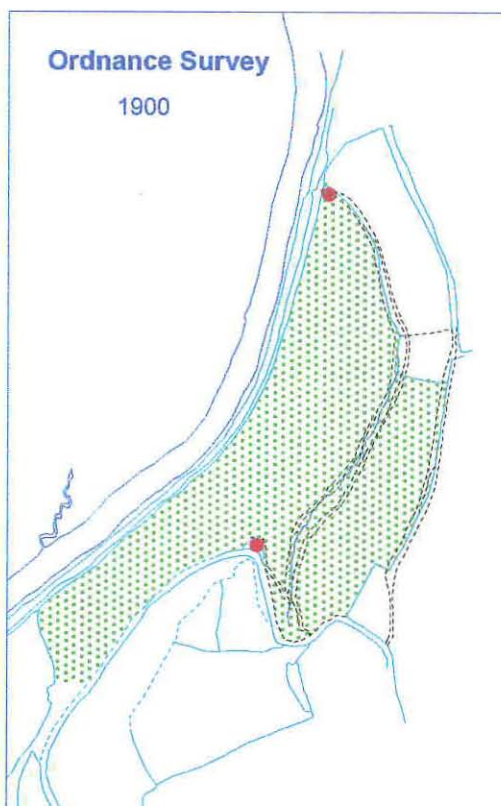
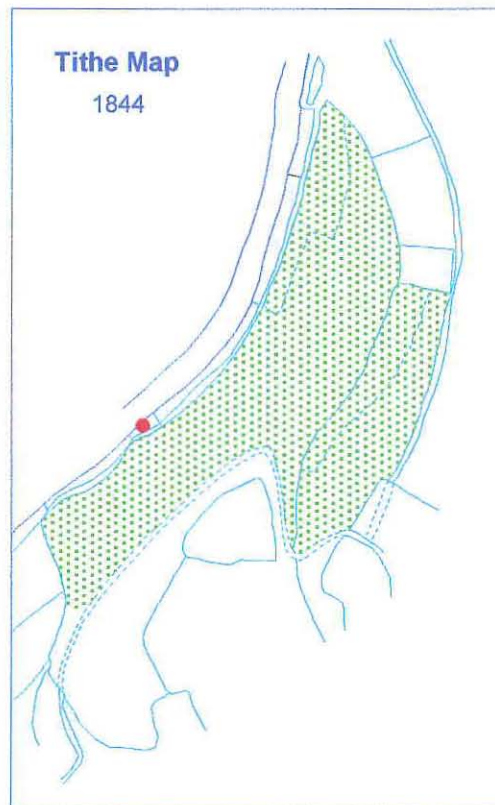
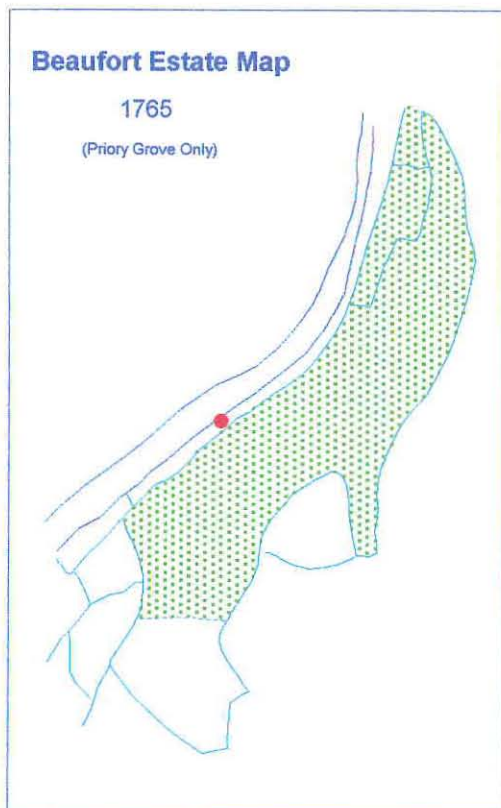




Fig 6: Features of archaeological interest in Priory Grove  
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