



# **Norwich Western Link**

## **Environmental Statement Chapter 13: Geology and Soils**

### **Appendix 13.1: Interpretative Environmental Desk Study Report**

#### **Sub Appendix H: Unexploded Ordnance Assessment Part 3 of 3**

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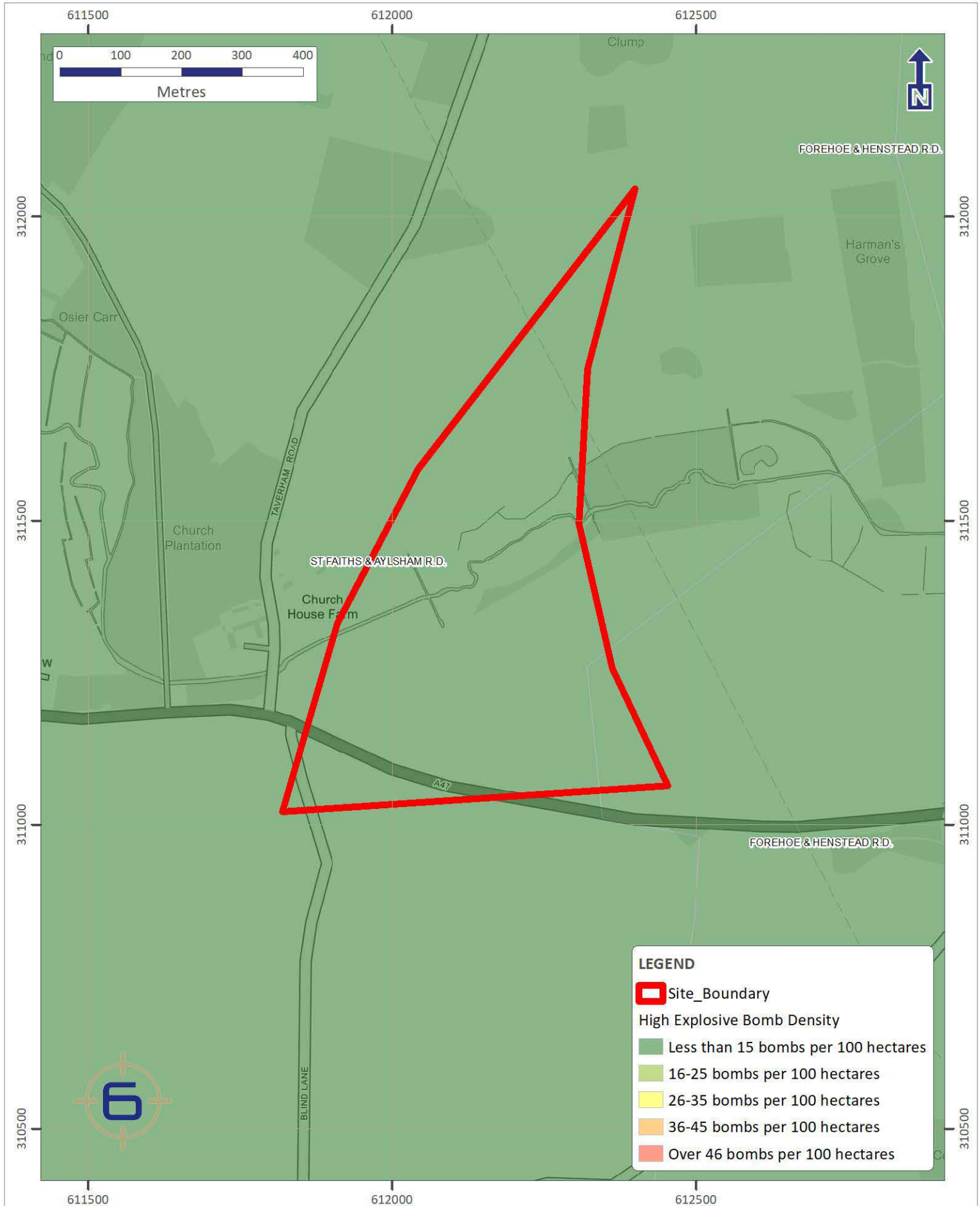
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## 1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 This Preliminary Assessment is designed to inform environmental and construction professionals of the potential threat of military related explosives and/or ordnance on, or in, the vicinity of the Study Site.
- 1.1.2 During WWII, the Study Site was situated within St Faiths & Aylsham Rural District, which recorded one High Explosive (HE) Bomb strike per 100 hectares; a very low level of bombing.
- 1.1.3 Luftwaffe aerial reconnaissance photography associated with the Site identified an airfield (875m south-west) as a primary bombing target.
- 1.1.4 Further research identified this airfield as Royal Air Force (RAF) Attlebridge (located 920m south-west) which was active between 1941-1956. Its primary purpose was originally as a satellite station, before then being extended to accommodate RAF and American Air Force heavy bomber groups and their training.
- 1.1.5 Air Raid Precaution (ARP) records did not identify any HE bomb strikes within the Site, however one was located 605m south-west of the Site boundary.
- 1.1.6 Official bomb damage was not available. In addition, an analysis of post-war mapping and further research did not identify any evidence of potential bomb damage on-site or within the vicinity.
- 1.1.7 Despite an airfield being located within the area during WWII, there is no evidence to suggest that further investigation into UXO is warranted.
- 1.1.8 We have included a summary of key information shown in this document in an accessible format in section 1.1.1. However, some users may not be able to access all technical details that are included in the rest of this document. If you require this document in a more accessible format, please contact [norwichwesternlink@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:norwichwesternlink@norfolk.gov.uk)

# WWII High Explosive Bomb Density

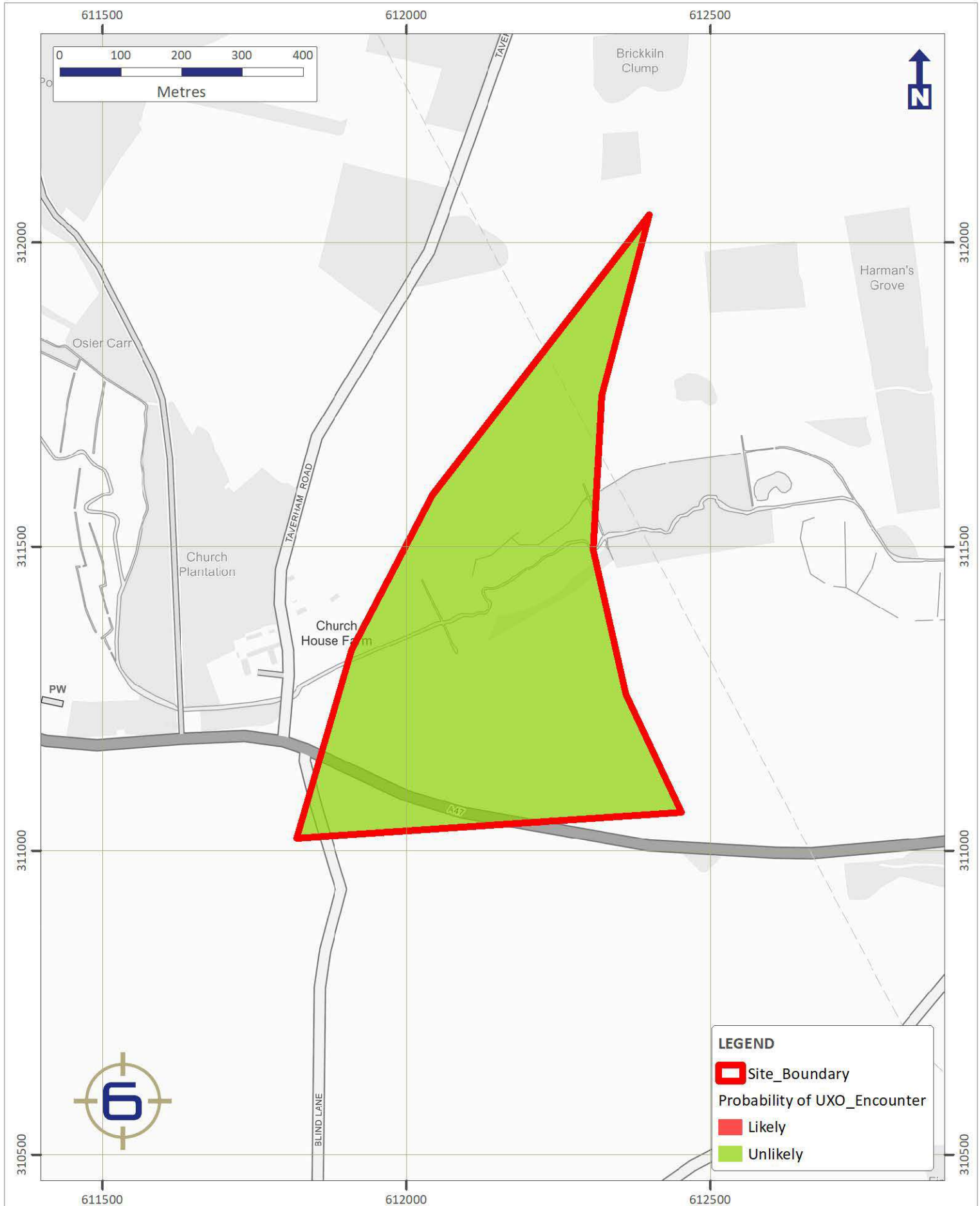




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# Probability of UXO Encounter



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- Site\_Boundary
- Probability of UXO\_Encounter
- Likely
- Unlikely