

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	BADDESLEY CLINTON
	Dedication:	St Michael
	Grid Ref:	SP 2026 7135
	Local Authority:	North Warwickshire
	HER ref:	MWA2641
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 2/1/15
Sources: Birm Mus; Cossins Vol 2, 46-51; VCH Warks Vol 4, 17-19; Pevsner Warks, 80-81; Warks HER		
Earliest date- documentary:		
Earliest date- structural: Nave 13 th cent- north and south walls of nave and possibly chancel arch.		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Tower early 16 th cent. Clerestory 16 th cent. Chancel rebuilt 17 th cent, retaining 16 th cent east window. Observations after removal of plaster from internal face of north wall in 2011 suggest that the construction of the clerestory was accompanied by substantial dismantling and rebuilding of the north nave wall, which included resetting one and possibly both windows, and modification of the north door. Cossins says there were slabs on the floor of the chancel until restoration work in the 19 th cent.		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	By: MH	Date: 11/6/15
Earliest date (visible structures):		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Heating ducts:		
Internal graves/vaults: Slab in floor in centre of chancel- survivor of those mentioned by Cossins.		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
External drains: Around exterior		
Churchyard: Ditch on most of boundary		
Surroundings:		
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 25/10/15
Probably good survival of below-floor deposits in nave but extensive disturbance by burials in chancel.		
Research Questions		
The church's development: How extensive were the 16 th and 17 th cent modifications?		
The church's surroundings: Is there any evidence for a former settlement around the church?		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	BALSALL HEATH
	Dedication:	St Paul
	Grid Ref:	
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	None
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Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 2/1/15
Sources: VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 153; Diocesan list of church buildings		
Earliest date- documentary: Original church 1852-52, additions 1865 including Lady Chapel		
Earliest date- structural: Present Balsall Heath church centre 1980		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 19/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	BENTLEY HEATH
	Dedication:	St James
	Grid Ref:	SP 166 764
	Local Authority:	Solihull
	HER ref:	None
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 11/12/15
Sources: Diocesan list of church buildings		
Earliest date- documentary: 1999		
Earliest date- structural: 1999		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 11/12/15
No known archaeological implications		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	BILLESLEY COMMON
	Dedication:	Holy Cross
	Grid Ref:	SP 087 803
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	None
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 3/1/15
Sources: VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 214		
Earliest date- documentary: 1937		
Earliest date- structural: 1937		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Chancel and vestries added 1963-64		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings: Several features in vicinity on HER, including prehistoric chance finds, burnt mounds and a moated site		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 19/11/15
Surrounding area has high archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	BLACKWELL
	Dedication:	St Catherine
	Grid Ref:	SO 9909 7236
	Local Authority:	Bromsgrove
	HER ref:	WSM02086
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 3/1/15
Sources: Worcs HER		
Earliest date- documentary: 1939-40		
Earliest date- structural: 1939-40		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 19/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish: BOURNVILLE	
	Dedication: St Francis of Assisi	
	Grid Ref: SP 0448 8121	
	Local Authority: Birmingham	
	HER ref: MBM212	
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 3/1/15
Sources: VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 157; Pevsner Birm, 260; Birm HER		
Earliest date- documentary: 1925		
Earliest date- structural: 1925		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings: Church hall 1913. Other early 20 th cent buildings.		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 19/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	BRANDWOOD
	Dedication:	St Bede
	Grid Ref:	SP 062 800
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	None
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Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 3/1/15
Sources: Diocesan list of church buildings		
Earliest date- documentary: 1994		
Earliest date- structural: 1994		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 19/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish: COFTON HACKETT AND BARNT GREEN	
	Dedication: St Andrew	
	Grid Ref: SP 0091 7358	
	Local Authority: Bromsgrove	
	HER ref: WSM02063	
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 3/1/15
Sources: Pevsner Worcs, 75; Worcs HER		
Earliest date- documentary: 1909-14		
Earliest date- structural: 1909-14		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard: Church hall requisitioned as first aid post, 1940		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 19/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	COFTON HACKETT
	Dedication:	St Michael and All Angels
	Grid Ref:	SP 0118 7535
	Local Authority:	Bromsgrove
	HER ref:	WSM01868
<p><i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i></p>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 3/1/15
Sources: VCH Worcs Vol 3; Pevsner Worcs, 123; Worcs HER		
Earliest date- documentary:		
Earliest date- structural: Chancel and lower part of nave 14 th cent. 14 th cent east wall.		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Nave heightened 15 th cent. West buttress, bellcote and timber porch 16 th cent. Restoration 1861.		
Floor levels raised or lowered: 14 th /15 th cent floor tiles found in churchyard, now on display inside church.		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard: Sandstone slab found just below surface, about 16ft east of east end of church in 1982- roughly tapered and broken- possibly an unused grave marker. Boundary bank on south side of original churchyard. Ridge and furrow in field to south-west. Hollow way along north of churchyard		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	By: MH	Date: 26/2/15
Earliest date (visible structures):		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Nave distinguished by smaller stones than chancel. Nave north wall has small infilled pointed window. Floor tiles are 15 th cent line-impressed designs. Porch possibly 15 th cent.		
Heating ducts: Along centre of nave		
Internal graves/vaults: Memorial slab dated 1508 in north of sanctuary and 17 th cent slab on south side of sanctuary near sanctuary step refers to burials here. Memorial slabs in north-west and south-west corners of nave.		
Floor levels raised or lowered: Pews on slightly raised platforms on north and south of nave. Chancel step possibly over original base of chancel arch piers. Chancel floor between chancel arch and sanctuary rail- wood block over original, almost up to top of sanctuary step.		
External drains: Gravel-filled trench around exterior.		
Churchyard: Boundary bank on south side of original churchyard.		
Surroundings: Hollow way along north of churchyard. Ridge and furrow in field to south-west. Possible hollow way approaching church from south-west forms northern edge of ridge and furrow. To the west the hollow way becomes a causeway with a rectangular hollow to its north, probably a dam and pond.		
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 19/11/15
Probably good survival of below-ground deposits inside church.		
Research Questions		
What was the plan of the church before the 14 th century?		
Was there an associated settlement?		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	COTTERIDGE
	Dedication:	St Agnes
	Grid Ref:	SP 048 767
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	None
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Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 3/1/15
Sources: VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 189		
Earliest date- documentary: 1902/3		
Earliest date- structural: 1902/3		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 19/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	DORRIDGE
	Dedication:	St Philip
	Grid Ref:	SP 177 769
	Local Authority:	Solihull
	HER ref:	None
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 4/1/15
Sources: Pevsner Warks, 285-286		
Earliest date- documentary: 1878		
Earliest date- structural: 1878		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Enlarged 1896-97		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 19/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	EDGBASTON
	Dedication:	Ss Mary and Ambrose
	Grid Ref:	SP 0663 8449
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	MBM1304
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Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 4/1/15
Sources: VCH Warks Vol 7, Pevsner Warks, 165		
Earliest date- documentary: 1897-98		
Earliest date- structural: 1897-98		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 20/11/15
No known archaeological implications		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	FRANKLEY
	Dedication:	St Leonard
	Grid Ref:	SO 9989 8040
	Local Authority:	Bromsgrove
	HER ref:	WSM00463
<p><i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i></p>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 4/1/15
Sources: VCH Worcs Vol 3; Pevsner Worcs, 156; Worcs HER		
Earliest date- documentary: Chapel mentioned 12 th cent. Granted to Halesowen Abbey 13 th cent.		
Earliest date- structural: 15 th cent. West end is earliest part.		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Tower built into nave 1751. Church restored 1873, further additions and alterations 1931-32.		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard: Cross shaft suggested to be possibly pre-Conquest (unlikely). Formerly cruck cottage by south-east corner of churchyard, demolished in 1907. Observation of soakaway trench in southeast corner of churchyard in 1999 revealed demolition spread of this building.		
Surroundings: Earthworks of deserted settlement in field to east, irregular platforms. Cropmarks of prehistoric enclosure and ring ditches between Egghill Lane and Holly Hill Road. Geophysical survey (gradiometer) to east and north of churchyard in 2001 revealed a probable ditch and pits.		
Site observation	By: MH	Date: 9/7/15
Earliest date (visible structures): Lancet in south wall of chancel, with worn plinth internally and externally. May reproduce an earlier feature even if it is not original.		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Large rectangular sandstone ashlar used in build (or rebuild) of north and south walls of nave, but on smaller footings on north side, including a possible carved stone. Footings not visible on south side. Smaller stones used in east wall. Internal face of west wall – reused masonry, including some stones with limewash, various toolings including diagonal.		
Heating ducts:		
Internal graves/vaults:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
External drains: Concrete-lined drainage ditch 18 inches deep. Not continuous around all of buildings. Around south, west and north of nave but not around porch.		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 30/10/15
Probably good survival of below-floor deposits inside church. Possible footings of earlier church on north side suggest that footings of other earlier walls may survive. Deserted settlement represented by earthworks immediately adjacent to east may extend into the churchyard.		
Research Questions		
What was the plan of the church before the 15 th century and how did it develop?		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	HAZELWELL
	Dedication:	St Mary Magdalen
	Grid Ref:	SP 062 809
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	None
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 11/12/15
Sources: VCH Warks, Vol 7		
Earliest date- documentary: 1915		
Earliest date- structural:		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: enlarged 1932-36		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 11/12/215
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	HIGHTERS HEATH
	Dedication:	Immanuel
	Grid Ref:	SP 083 783
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	None
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 11/12/15
Sources: Diocesan list of church buildings		
Earliest date- documentary: 1940		
Earliest date- structural:		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 11/12/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	KINGS HEATH
	Dedication:	All Saints
	Grid Ref:	SP 073 816
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	None
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 5/1/15
Sources: VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 187		
Earliest date- documentary: 1859		
Earliest date- structural: 1859		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: North aisle 1883, whole church extended to west 1899		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	KINGS NORTON
	Dedication:	St Nicolas
	Grid Ref:	SP 04930 78940
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	MBM185
<p><i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i></p>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 5/1/15
<p>Sources: Birm Mus, VCH Worcs Vol 3; Pevsner Warks, 188-89; Birm HER; J R Holliday, TBAS 1872, 44-62; Vaughan, Some Account of the Parish Church of Kings Norton; M Hislop et al, Northeton.. a praty uplandish town, Brit Archaeol Reps Brit Series 529 (2011); G Demidowicz and S Price, A history of King's Norton (2009)</p>		
Earliest date- documentary:		
<p>Earliest date- structural: Two Norman windows reset in north wall of chancel. Head of lower one breaks through the sill of the one above it. Shallow buttress at east end of chancel possibly original.</p>		
<p>Phasing- extensions and contractions: Chancel probably partly rebuilt early 13th cent, nave and north aisle arcade late 13th cent, south aisle arcade early 14th cent, chancel arch 14th cent, tower and spire and porch 15th cent, additions 17th cent, restoration 1883. Brick vestry on north side of chancel which was on more ancient stone foundations was proposed to be removed 1870. Concrete floor laid 1882, sealing vaults.</p>		
<p>Floor levels raised or lowered: Interior of church markedly lower than exterior ground surface- steps down into interior.</p>		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
<p>Churchyard: Chancel suggested to correspond to extent of 12th cent chapel. Church west of it was possibly built over northern part of former green and over former road alongside it. Churchyard extended to west at same time.</p>		
<p>Surroundings: Kings Norton medieval village. Old Grammar School; 15th cent building (Saracen's Head) and below-ground remains of 13th cent earlier buildings. Some Roman pottery found at Saracen's Head. Possible Anglo-Saxon vessel (cremation urn?) found in meadow adjoining church.</p>		
Site observation	By: MH	Date: 25/6/15
Earliest date (visible structures):		
<p>Phasing- extensions and contractions: Straight joints on north side of chancel. Piscina in south wall east of doorway- chantry chapel</p>		
<p>Heating ducts: Grills along west part of nave and entire length of north and south aisles, north-south near centre of nave and probably north-south in front of chancel arch</p>		
<p>Internal graves/vaults: Memorials on south wall mention vaults and burials- which would have been in south aisle. Two chest tombs under tower.</p>		
<p>Floor levels raised or lowered: Interior of church lower than exterior- could be result of higher ground level in graveyard. Three steps down from porch. Plinths of piers not obviously buried. Westernmost pier of south arcade has more of plinth visible.</p>		
External drains: Brick drain channel around most of exterior		
<p>Churchyard: Mound in churchyard to north-west of church – possibly just a remnant of a boundary bank.</p>		
Surroundings:		
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 17/11/15
Possibly removal of earlier floor surfaces inside church, therefore poor survival of below-floor		

deposits, but footings of earlier walls may survive. Possible former structure on north side of chancel. Potential remains of former road and former north part of green in west part of churchyard.

Research Questions

Is there any evidence of the former road under the nave? Is the mound in the churchyard an earlier feature? Is there any more evidence of Anglo-Saxon activity? What was the structure under the later vestry?

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	LAPWORTH
	Dedication:	St Mary the Virgin
	Grid Ref:	SP 1631 7110
	Local Authority:	North Warwickshire
	HER ref:	MWA1737
<p><i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i></p>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
Sources: Birm Mus, Cossins Vol 4, 117; VCH Warks Vol 5, 112-116; Pevsner Warks, 331-32; Warks HER		
Earliest date- documentary: Advowson mentioned about 1270		
Earliest date- structural: Nave 12 th cent- corners surviving, and one window in north wall above nave arcade. Possible Norman arches between north chapel and chancel and north aisle, suggesting original Norman north transept. Possibly reused 12 th cent. masonry in chancel arch.		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: North aisle early 13 th cent, south aisle mid 13 th cent, chancel rebuilt and north chapel added 13 th cent. Detached tower 14 th cent, west relic chapel added at west end 15 th cent. Restored 1884-5- north aisle entirely rebuilt and exterior of chancel wholly renewed.		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard: 17 th cent cottages on south side of churchyard removed 1892. Location represented by change in level of churchyard- south half is lower.		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	By: MH	Date: 11/6/15
Earliest date (visible structures):		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Junction between chancel arch and south-west corner of north transept- chancel possibly butts up to earlier arch, or there was an earlier chancel arch, represented by chamfered blocks.		
Heating ducts: North chapel. Grill over heating duct at east end of nave.		
Internal graves/vaults: In floor on south side of chancel. Grave slabs in walkways of south aisle and north aisle.		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
External drains:		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 17/11/15
Probably good survival of below-ground deposits		
Research Questions		
What was the extent of the 12 th century church?		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish: LICKEY	
	Dedication: Holy Trinity	
	Grid Ref: SO 9945 7522	
	Local Authority: Bromsgrove	
	HER ref: WSM01879	
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
Sources: Pevsner Worcs, 213; Worcs HER		
Earliest date- documentary: 1856		
Earliest date- structural: 1856		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish: LONGBRIDGE	
	Dedication: St John the Baptist	
	Grid Ref: SP 017 774	
	Local Authority: Birmingham	
	HER ref:	
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
Sources: VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 191		
Earliest date- documentary: 1956-58		
Earliest date- structural: 1956-58		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	MOSELEY
	Dedication:	St Agnes
	Grid Ref:	SP 086 824
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	MBM657
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
Sources: VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 192; Birm HER		
Earliest date- documentary: 1883-84		
Earliest date- structural: 1883-84		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Enlarged 1893, tower added 1932.		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	MOSELEY
	Dedication:	St Anne
	Grid Ref:	SP 075 836
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	MBM1302
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Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
Sources: VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 192; Birm HER		
Earliest date- documentary: 1874		
Earliest date- structural: 1874		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	MOSELEY
	Dedication:	St Mary
	Grid Ref:	SP 0780 8317
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	MBM257
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Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
Sources: Birm Mus (quoting 1955 press article); VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 192; Birm HER; G Demidowicz and S Price, A history of King's Norton (2009), 42		
Earliest date- documentary: Licence for use of chapel 1405		
Earliest date- structural: Tower 16 th cent (1513).		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: New church built 1780 and altered 1823-24. North aisle added 1886, chancel extended and side chapel added 1897. Nave and south aisle reconstructed 1910.		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works: Foundations of single-cell medieval chapel found within church in 1909. Fragment of north wall under present nave- only 12" thick, showing that church was timber-framed on a stone footing. Indications of north wall on tower arch.		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings: 19 th cent buildings. Within historic settlement.		
Site observation	By: MH	Date: 5/11/15
Earliest date (visible structures): Tower interior faced with brick, exterior stone. Lower part may include stone reused from earlier church. Tower offset from present nave. Weathering line of former roof goes to edge of stone wall north of tower arch.		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Heating ducts: Each side of nave walkway and along centre of north aisle.		
Internal graves/vaults: Wall slabs refer to vault on north side of chapel, burials on south side of chapel, and reinterments in porch.		
Floor levels raised or lowered: Bases of arcade piers suggest that nave and aisle floors lowered. Brick floors are about 12cm below probable original visible base of pier.		
External drains: Along north side and around east end.		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 17/11/15
Despite internal graves and floor lowering, the wall footings of the pre-18 th century church may survive under the floor.		
Research Questions		
What was the plan of the original church?		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	NORTHFIELD
	Dedication:	St Laurence
	Grid Ref:	SP 02540 79340
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	MBM138
<p><i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i></p>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
<p>Sources: Birm Mus; VCH Worcs Vol 3; Pevsner Warks, 193-94; Birm HER; A E Everitt, TBAS 1877, 1-10; D Palliser guide (1986); R Hastings, Discovering Northfield (1966, new ed 1986-87)</p>		
<p>Earliest date- documentary: Priest in Domesday Book. Church mentioned 1160.</p>		
<p>Earliest date- structural: 12th cent doorway, originally north door of nave, reset in north wall of north aisle. Norman arch reset in east end of south aisle. Two 12th cent windows inserted into north and south faces of tower. Two buttresses at east end of chancel and the lower part of the tower are Norman work. Reused Norman work (carved stones) on north and south sides of tower.</p>		
<p>Phasing- extensions and contractions: Chancel 13th cent, lower part of tower 13th cent, nave and south aisle and south arcade 14th cent, replacing earlier south aisle. Bonding of eastern wall shows former south aisle. Former building against south chancel wall and opening from south aisle indicated by low sill under window and northern springer of arch in east wall of south aisle and bonding of eastern wall with chancel. South porch and upper part of tower 15th cent. North aisle 1898-1905. Early buttressing at south-east corner. Vestries 1959.</p>		
<p>Floor levels raised or lowered: Nave and aisles floors below 14th century levels, as shown by column bases, either result of Victorian levelling or reversion to original floor level which had been raised earlier.</p>		
<p>Other works: Observation of trench dug along north wall of chancel revealed underpinning towards west end consisting of a mixture of large irregular sandstone blocks and bricks. Probable original foundation trench under this, cut by grave.</p>		
<p>Site moved: No</p>		
<p>Churchyard: Churchyard cleared 1984. Observation of trench for electric cable 1984- no features seen except for small section of modern brickwork just beyond north end of tower. Observation of drain trenches 2012- a length of masonry was recorded in the trench north of the chancel, which may represent an early wall parallel to the chancel. A possible ledger stone was also recorded north of the tower. In trenches cut into the paths earlier surface levels could be seen; these were particularly deep in the area to the south of the porch, suggesting the ground here was originally much lower. Medieval floor tile found.</p>		
<p>Surroundings: Northfield medieval village to north. Great Stone Inn medieval and later. Moated site (former rectory) to east, formerly surrounded timber-framed mansion. Observation of foundation trenches at 19th cent Rose Cottage in 1995 revealed a worked flint flake, medieval pottery, possible cobble post pads for a timber building, and a cultivation soil.</p>		
Site observation	By: MH	Date: 25/6/15
<p>Earliest date (visible structures):</p>		
<p>Phasing- extensions and contractions: Buttresses at east end of chancel and lower part of tower look 13th cent rather than Norman. Small moulded reused stone in south chancel wall, near junction with south aisle.</p>		
<p>Heating ducts: Along walkway of south aisle, north-south across western part of nave and arcades, and along centre of nave. Grill at west end of chancel.</p>		
<p>Internal graves/vaults: Grave slabs in south aisle just inside south door. Grave slabs and vault in chancel floor</p>		

Floor levels raised or lowered: More of pier plinths exposed at west end of south arcade than at east. Three steps down from tower arch. Two steps down into tower west door. Three steps down from north door

External drains: Whole exterior

Churchyard:

Surroundings:

Overall Assessment

By: MH

Date: 17/11/15

Survival of below-floor deposits probably varies. Remains of former structures in present churchyard known from observations to north of chancel and suggested by former doorway to south of chancel.

Research Questions

What was the plan of the 12th cent church? Are there any remains of a pre-Conquest church? What were the structures to the north and south of the chancel?

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish: NUTHURST-cum-HOCKLEY HEATH
	Dedication: St Thomas
	Grid Ref: SP 1514 7229
	Local Authority: Solihull
	HER ref: MSI199
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>	
Existing documentation	By: MH Date: 6/1/15
Sources: Birm Mus; VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 367; Solihull HER	
Earliest date- documentary: 1874 (Chapel mentioned 1216, possibly one of chapels of Hampton mentioned 1170- the site of this is occupied by the present mortuary chapel to the west).	
Earliest date- structural: 1874	
Phasing- extensions and contractions:	
Floor levels raised or lowered:	
Other works:	
Site moved: Yes	
Churchyard:	
Surroundings:	
Site observation	Not visited
Overall Assessment	By: MH Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential	

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	PACKWOOD
	Dedication:	St Giles
	Grid Ref:	SP 1699 7280
	Local Authority:	North Warwickshire
	HER ref:	MWA1740
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
Sources: Birm Mus; Cossins Vol 1, 171-177; VCH Warks Vol 5, 131-32; Pevsner Warks, 370; Warks HER		
Earliest date- documentary:		
Earliest date- structural: Nave and chancel late 13 th cent.		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Porch late 14 th cent but may be earlier. West tower late 15 th cent, north transept 18 th cent (1704). Church thoroughly restored between 1883 and 1885. Splayed indent at recess between chancel and transept observed 1883. Arch and jamb on north side of chancel arch not thought by Cossins to be door to stair to rood loft but may be related to splay on exterior.		
Floor levels raised or lowered: North chapel floor level possibly raised. Steps up to it from nave. Floors taken up during restoration 1883-85.		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings: Moated farmhouse to west- posthole and glazed ridge tile fragments found. Dam below moat. Dam to east of church- bank running east-west and followed by footpath north-east of church.		
Site observation	By: MH	Date: 11/6/15
Earliest date (visible structures):		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Wall painting over chancel arch. Filled-in arch or niche to north of chancel arch- possibly hagioscope. Piscina at south east corner of nave indicates former chantry chapel.		
Heating ducts: Chancel		
Internal graves/vaults: North side of nave, indicated by wall slab, and north side of chancel		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
External drains: Whole exterior		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 25/10/15
Probably good survival of below-floor deposits in nave but extensive disturbance by burials in chancel. Possibly earlier structure on site of north transept.		
Research Questions		
Was there a church here before the 13 th century?		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish: REDNAL	
	Dedication: St Stephen the Martyr	
	Grid Ref: SO 998 770	
	Local Authority:	
	HER ref: None	
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 11/12/15
Sources: Diocesan list of church buildings		
Earliest date- documentary: 1951		
Earliest date- structural:		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 11/12/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish: RUBERY	
	Dedication: St Chad	
	Grid Ref: SO 9883 7722	
	Local Authority: Bromsgrove	
	HER ref: WSM1802	
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
Sources: Pevsner Worcs, 256-57; Worcs HER		
Earliest date- documentary: 1956-57		
Earliest date- structural: 1956-57		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	SALTER STREET
	Dedication:	St Patrick
	Grid Ref:	SP 122 749
	Local Authority:	Solihull
	HER ref:	None
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
Sources: Pevsner Warks, 287-88		
Earliest date- documentary: 1839-40		
Earliest date- structural: 1839-40		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Tower 1860, 1899 rebuilding		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	SELY OAK
	Dedication:	St Stephen
	Grid Ref:	SP 053 828
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	None
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Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
Sources: VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 202		
Earliest date- documentary: 1870-71		
Earliest date- structural: 1870-71		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	SELY OAK
	Dedication:	St Wulstan
	Grid Ref:	SP 048 831
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	None
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Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
Sources: VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 202		
Earliest date- documentary: 1905		
Earliest date- structural: 1905		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	SHENLEY GREEN
	Dedication:	St David
	Grid Ref:	SP 019 809
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	None
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 11/12/15
Sources: Diocesan list of church buildings		
Earliest date- documentary: 1965		
Earliest date- structural:		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 11/12/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish: SHIRLEY	
	Dedication: St James the Great	
	Grid Ref: SP 118 788	
	Local Authority: Solihull	
	HER ref: None	
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 6/1/15
Sources: Pevsner Works, 396-97		
Earliest date- documentary: 1831		
Earliest date- structural: 1831		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: 1882		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings: Medieval to post-medieval settlement.		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish: TANWORTH IN ARDEN
	Dedication: St Mary Magdalene
	Grid Ref: SP 1135 7051
	Local Authority: Stratford-on-Avon
	HER ref: MWA992
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>	
Existing documentation	By: MH Date: 6/1/15
Sources: Birm Mus; VCH Warks Vol 5, 170-75; Pevsner Warks, 430-31; Warks HER	
Earliest date- documentary: Chapel (of Brailes) at Tanworth mentioned early 12th cent	
Earliest date- structural: North aisle early 13 th cent- has late 13 th cent windows inserted into it.	
Phasing- extensions and contractions: North aisle was probably original chapel. East window of north aisle predates chancel and shows that chapel was wider than existing aisle. Most of church 14 th cent (c1330-40)- tower, nave and chancel. Possibly originally a south aisle. Alterations in 18 th cent included demolition of north arcade and north and south porches, which were converted into windows. Large restoration 1880 onwards, including rebuilding north arcade. Remodelling of sanctuary 1948- medieval tiles found and a later floor.	
Floor levels raised or lowered: Nave floor lowered as part of late 19th cent restoration. Chancel floor now about 15cm above original. Small areas of original floor visible, with medieval tiles, in north-east and south-east corners of chancel (in sanctuary), north and south of altar. Archer vault built under sanctuary c1790.	
Other works:	
Site moved: No	
Churchyard:	
Surroundings: Earthworks in field to south-east of churchyard. 18 th and 19 th cent. buildings around.	
Site observation	By: MH Date: 26/2/15
Earliest date (visible structures):	
Phasing- extensions and contractions:	
Heating ducts: West end of nave. Grill between two doorways in nave and to the west of this, and north-south across chancel.	
Internal graves/vaults: Vaults indicated by 18 th cent memorial on south wall of nave which refers to burials in the church, and memorials on the south side of the tower.	
Floor levels raised or lowered: Steps down from south porch and north door to nave floor. Sinkage in nave floor just in front of chancel arch. Chancel floor about 15cm above nave floor, sanctuary step about 8cm high. Tiles at north-east and south-east corners are about 15cm below surrounding floor. Tile patterns suggest that they are at least partly relaid. Sedilia and piscina in south wall. Existing chancel floor is above base of sedilia. Base of sedilia probably corresponds to original floor level represented by tiles.	
External drains: Whole exterior. Inspection cover in path to east of church	
Churchyard: Original edge of churchyard is possibly marked by change of slope to east of church, between church and school wall.	
Surroundings: Earthworks, possibly house platforms, in field to south-east of church continue into graveyard extension. Hollowed road to south and east of churchyard- the churchyard may originally have included the building to the south-west of the church. The road pattern suggests a possible circular enclosure on the hilltop. The church would be in the south-east part of this.	
Overall Assessment	By: MH Date:
Probably poor survival of below-floor deposits, except in chancel where much of original floor	

appears to survive at a lower level than at present. Earthworks to south-east may extend into churchyard.

Research Questions

What was the plan of the 12th century chapel?

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	TIDBURY GREEN
	Dedication:	St John the Divine
	Grid Ref:	SP 102 766
	Local Authority:	Solihull
	HER ref:	None
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 9/2/15
Sources: Diocesan list of church buildings		
Earliest date- documentary: 1918		
Earliest date- structural: World War I		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings: Betteridge Farm moat to east.		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	WEST HEATH
	Dedication:	Holy Trinity
	Grid Ref:	SP 027 776
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	None
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 11/12/15
Sources: Diocesan list of church buildings		
Earliest date- documentary: 1975		
Earliest date- structural:		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings:		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 11/12/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	WYTHALL
	Dedication:	St Mary
	Grid Ref:	SP 0727 7488
	Local Authority:	Bromsgrove
	HER ref:	WSM01889
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 9/1/15
Sources: Birm Mus; Pevsner Worcs, 337-38; S Price various; Worcs HER		
Earliest date- documentary: Wythall chapel 1576 (Saxton map). Possibly late medieval origin.		
Earliest date- structural: 1862		
Phasing- extensions and contractions: Rebuilt 1771 and 1861. Tower 1863.		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard: Now offices. Part of graveyard is under office car park.		
Surroundings: 19 th cent. school (now parish hall) to south. Barrage balloon site to north-east		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		

Diocese of Birmingham ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT 2015	Parish:	YARDLEY WOOD
	Dedication:	Christ Church
	Grid Ref:	SP 093 795
	Local Authority:	Birmingham
	HER ref:	None
<i>Please read the Introduction and Guide that accompanies the Assessment.</i> <i>This assessment is not a substitute for consultation of the relevant Historic Environment Record</i>		
Existing documentation	By: MH	Date: 9/1/15
Sources: VCH Warks Vol 7; Pevsner Warks, 214		
Earliest date- documentary: 1849		
Earliest date- structural: 1849		
Phasing- extensions and contractions:		
Floor levels raised or lowered:		
Other works:		
Site moved: No		
Churchyard:		
Surroundings: Near Webster and Horsfall's Hay Mills works		
Site observation	Not visited	
Overall Assessment	By: MH	Date: 22/11/15
No known archaeological potential		