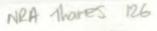
NRA-REC

NO

### RECREATION AND AMENITY SURVEYS OF IDENTIFIED LOW FLOW RIVERS

### PART 2 : MAPS AND PHOTOGRAPHS REPORT (Part 2 of 2)

Martin Cooke September 1993 NRA-Thames Region





# NATIONAL LIBRARY & INFORMATION SERVICE

### HEAD OFFICE

Rio House, Waterside Drive, Aztec West, Almondsbury, Bristol BS32 4UD



CONTENTS

1.	INTRODUCTION	1
1.1	Maps	1
1.2	Photographs	2
2.	MAPS AND PHOTOGRAPHS	3
2.1	River Gade to confluence with River Bulbourne.	4
2.2	River Bulbourne to confluence with River Gade.	16
2.3	Ampney Brook from Ampney Park	
	to confluence with Thames.	29
2.4	River Cherwell from Grimsbury intake	
	to Banbury SW outfall.	39
2.5	White Brook and Maidenhead Ditch.	49
2.6	River Beane.	54
2.7	River Mimram.	72
2.8	River Wye above High Wycombe SW.	91
2.9	River Churn.	104
2.10	River Whitewater.	129

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Maps

For each river surveyed 1:10,000 Ordnance Survey maps were used for recording the locations from which photographs were taken and other features of interest which needed to be noted. The maps also enabled 4 figure grid references to be taken which accurately recorded the location of for example odour and refuse.

The maps are reproduced in this report at a scale of 1:10,000 with the location of information relevant to this survey and photograph locations being clearly shown. The maps are shown in order from the start of the survey of the river at their upstream point to the end of the survey downstream.

The maps are annotated using a key which is shown below:

(₽2)→

NT

يبقد الإيد بنقد بيرد النقد مريد

River course surveyed

Photograph location and number

National Trust land

Boundary of public open space

Public rights of way

Footpath Bridleway Road used as a public path

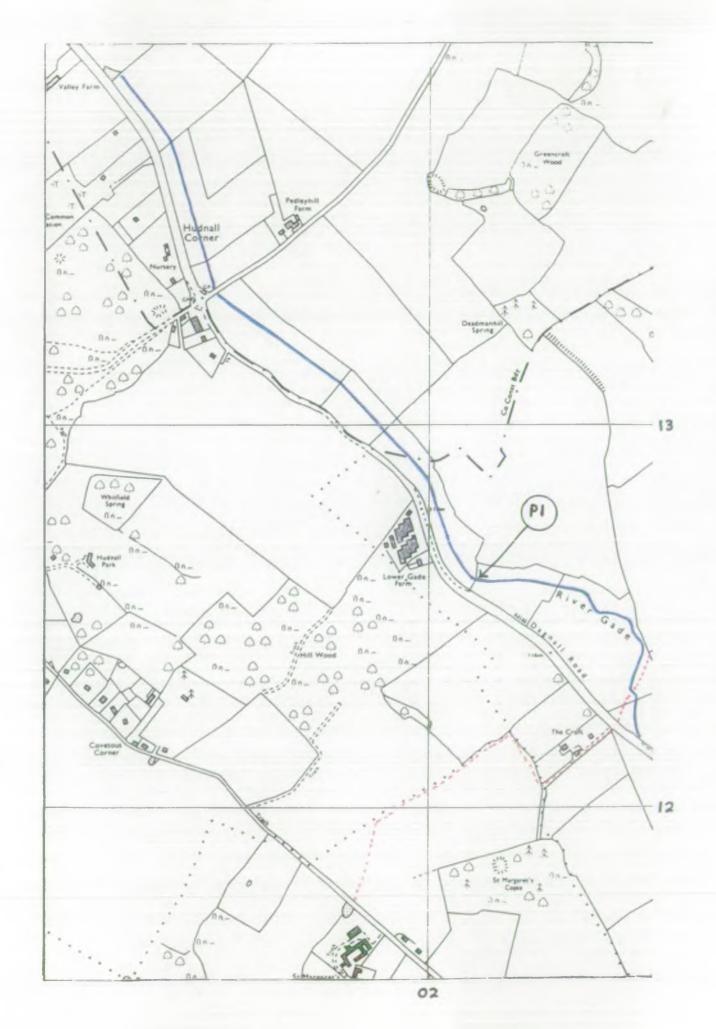
#### 1.2 Photographs

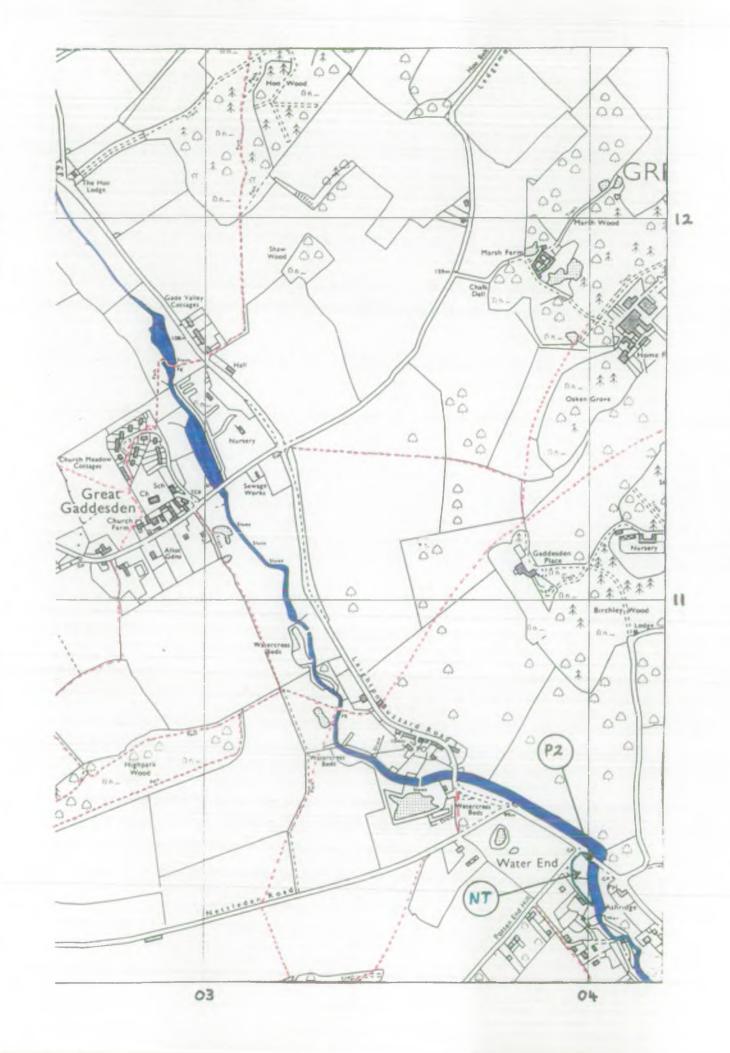
Along each river surveyed, photographs were taken at locations along the course in order to give a general view of the changing nature of the river. Photographs were taken of any features of direct relevance to the parameters to be applied. In the course of a day's surveying approximately 24 photographs were taken of the rivers, this was regarded as being sufficient by the surveyor. A selection of the photographs taken have been incorporated into this report in order to give a general flavour of each river along with a description of the shot. The photograph locations are described by grid references and also by symbols on the relevant maps.

2. MAPS AND PHOTOGRAPHS

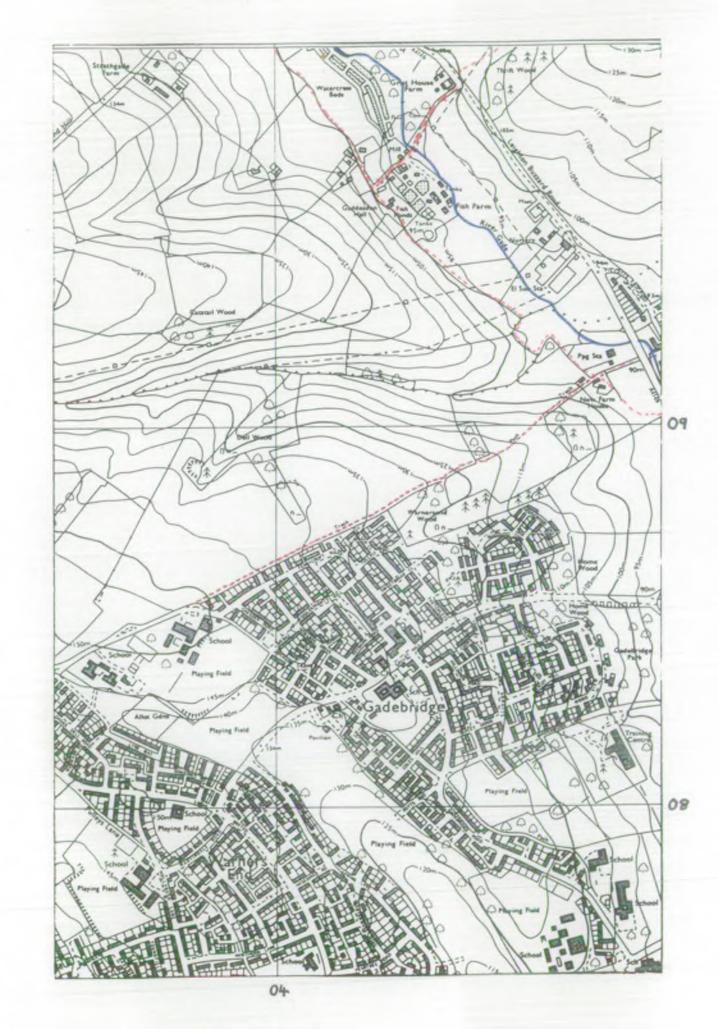
z. .

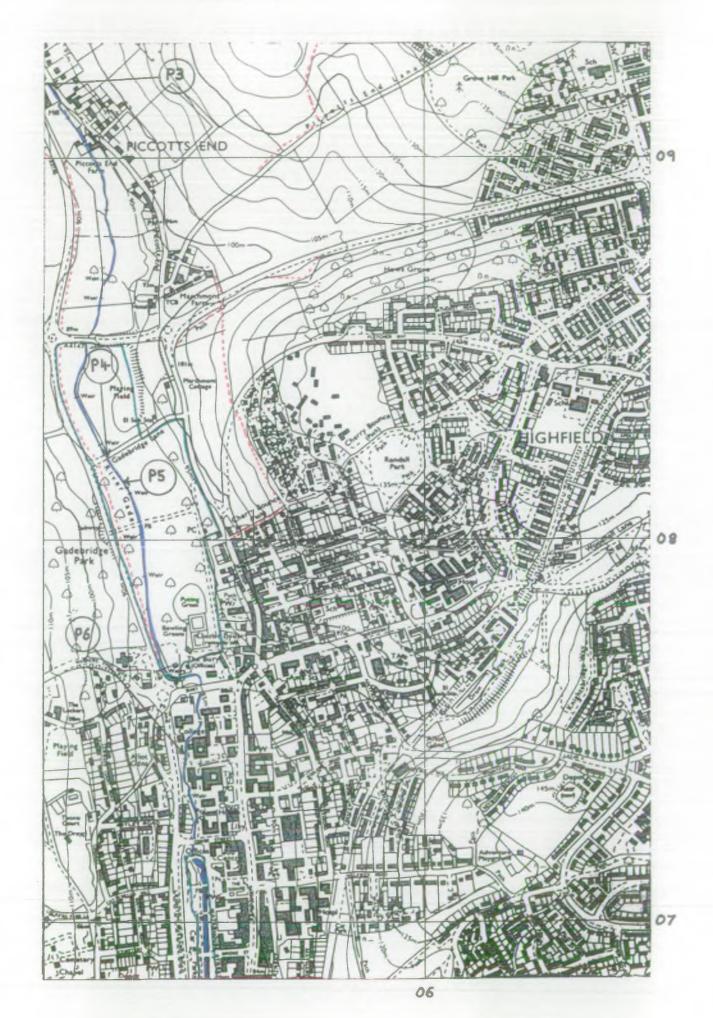
## 2.1 RIVER GADE TO CONFLUENCE WITH RIVER BULBOURNE

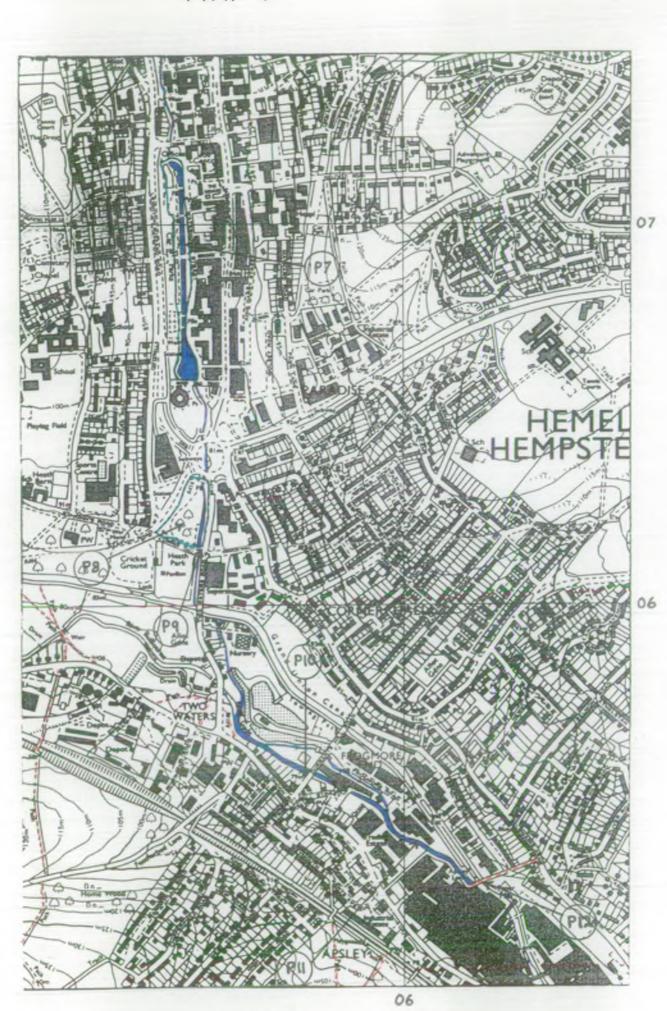




릘







-

PHOTO 1 - No water in river. Grid Ref. (0233,1260).



PHOTO 2 - National Trust land to right of river in picture. Grid Ref. (0401,1031).



PHOTO 3 - Tyres in river channel. Grid Ref. (0501,0920).



PHOTO 4 - Pond Dipping in Gadebridge Park. Grid Ref. (0517,0821).



PHOTO 5 - Litter in River Gade flowing through Gadebridge Park. Grid Ref. (0521,0815).



Ē

Ŧ

PHOTO 6 - Shopping trolleys in river and beside it. Grid Ref. (0537,0744).



PHOTO 7 - Public open space adjacent to Hemel Hempstead High Street. Grid Ref. (0543,0692).



PHOTO 8 - Parkland area sponsored by Kodak. Grid Ref. (0548,0619).



PHOTO 9 - Shopping trolley in river alongside park. Grid Ref. (0546,0615).



PHOTO 10 - River Gade adjacent to public house gardens. Grid Ref. (0574,0556).



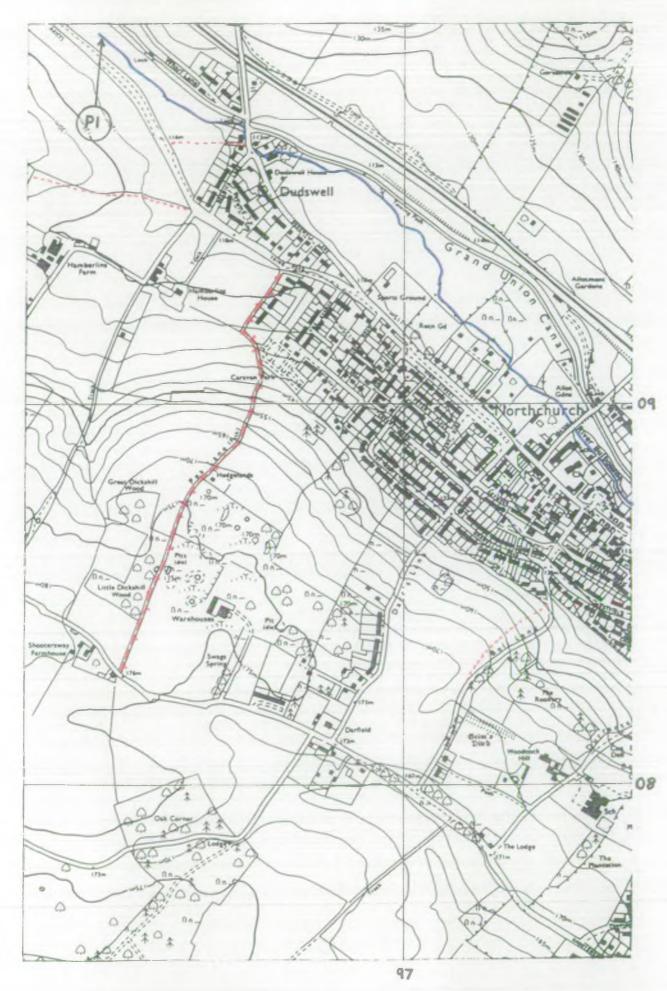


PHOTO 11 - Industrial trolley and bin in river. Grid Ref. (0604,0537).

PHOTO 12 - End of survey at confluence with Grand Union Canal. Grid Ref. (0619,0527).



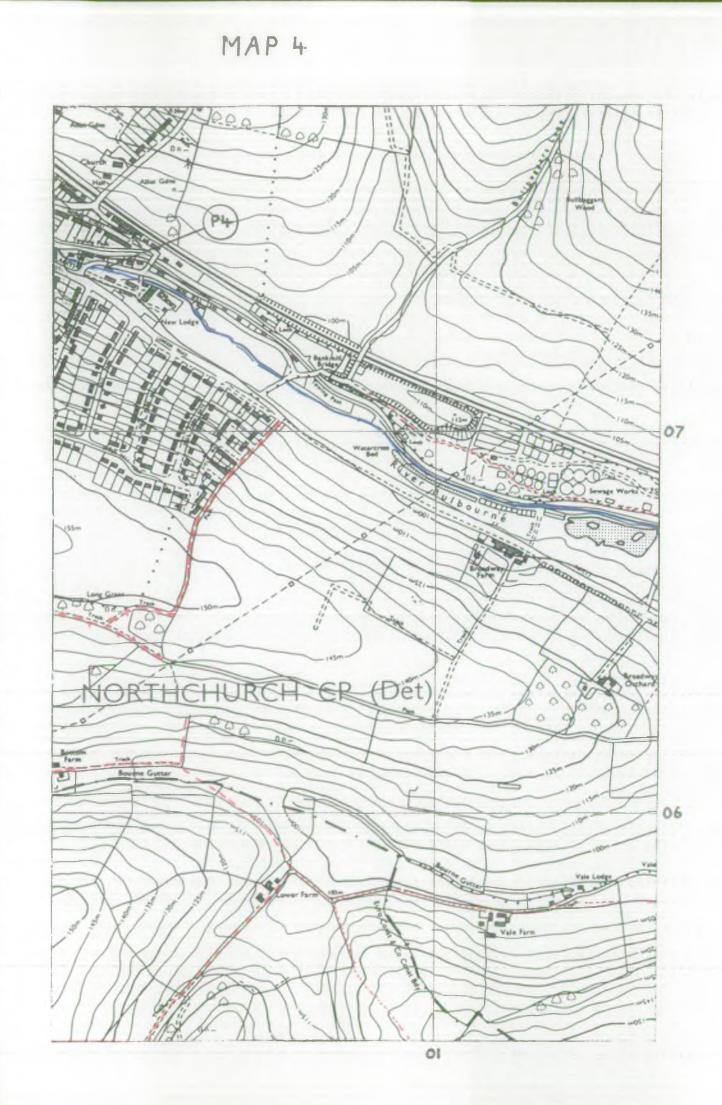
### 2.2 RIVER BULBOURNE TO CONFLUENCE WITH RIVER GADE

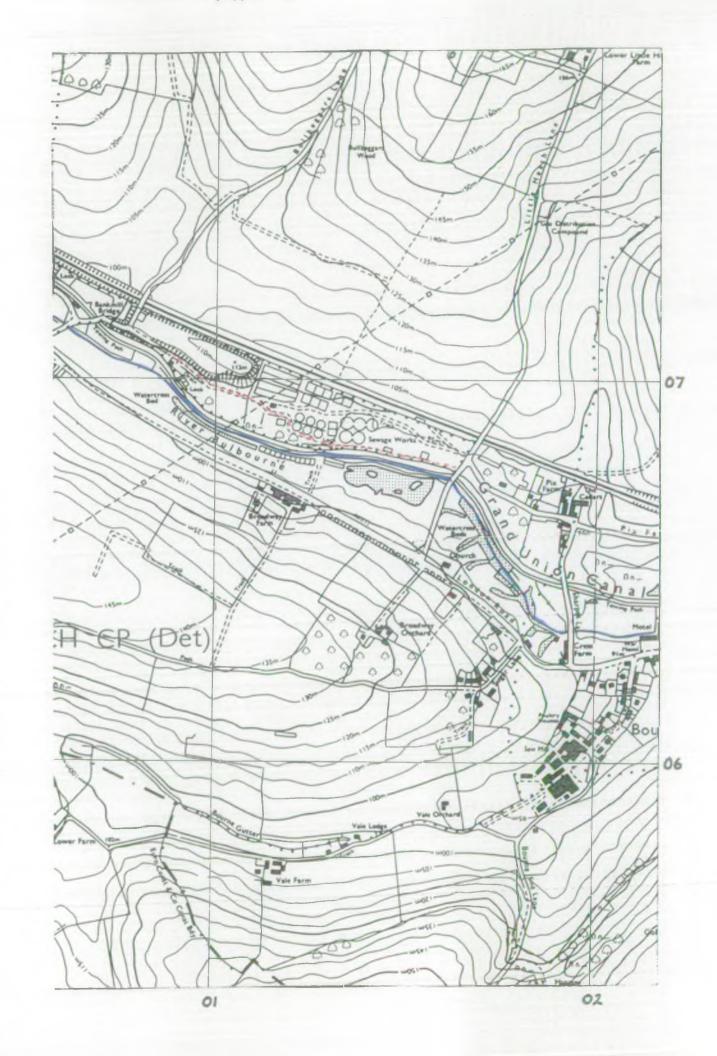


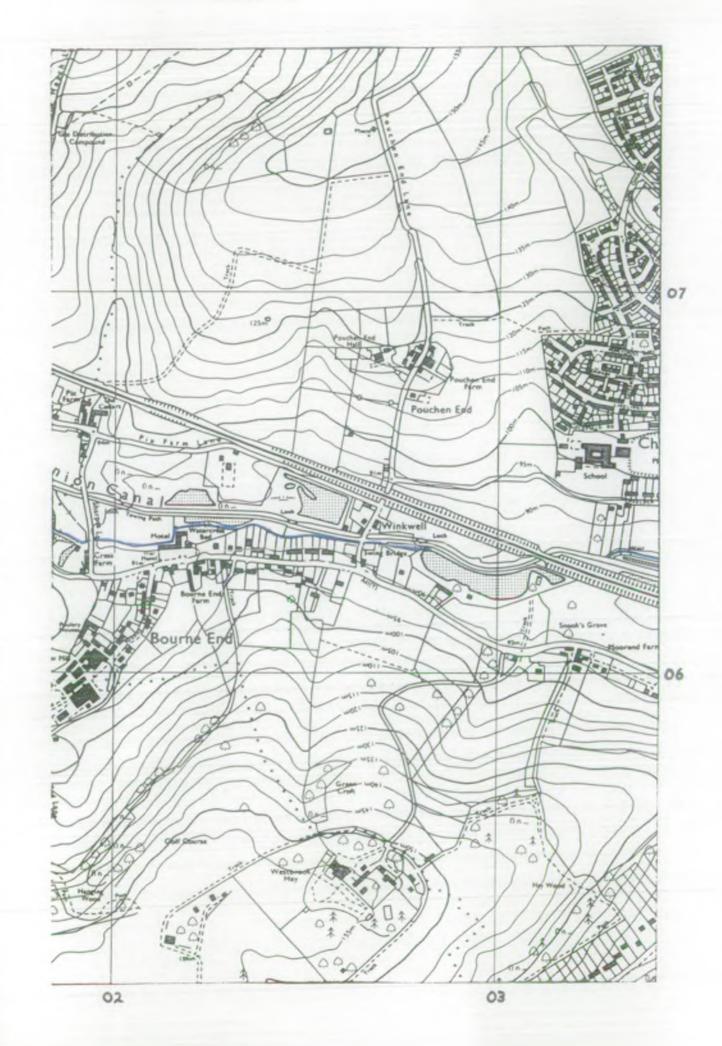


Ē



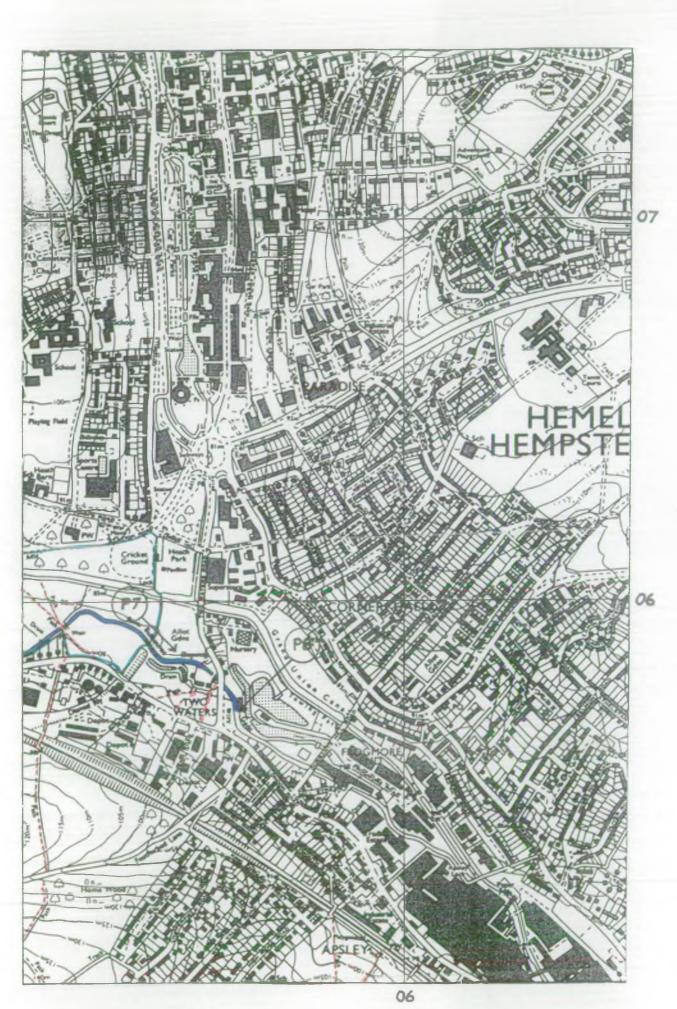












ł



PHOTO 1 - Source of River Bulbourne. Grid Ref. (9619,0997).

PHOTO 2 - Rotting vegetation and litter. Grid ref. (9891,0809).



PHOTO 3 - Traffic cone and litter. Grid Ref. (9898,0805).



PHOTO 4 - Garden refuse and litter. Grid ref. (0012,0742).



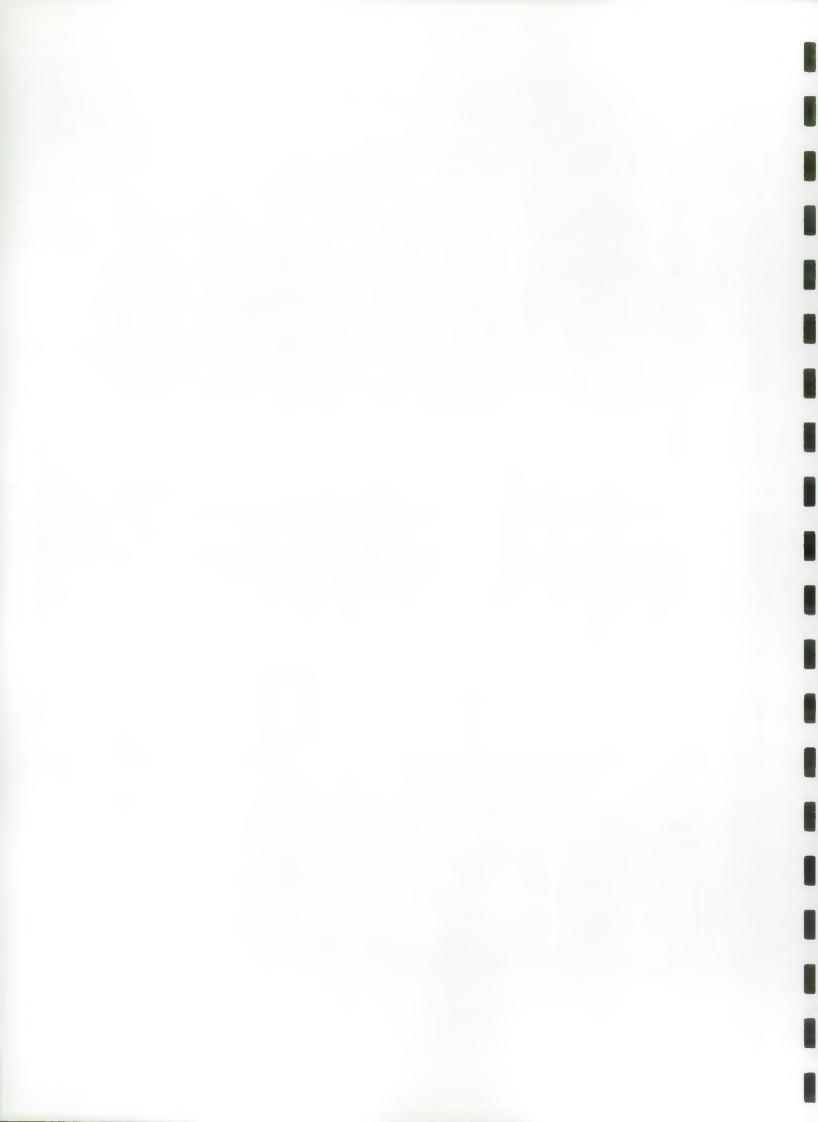


PHOTO 5 - Recreation ground beyond canal and river. Grid Ref. (0350,0627).



PHOTO 6 - River Bulbourne passing alongside public house carpark and gardens. Grid Ref. (0432,0617).





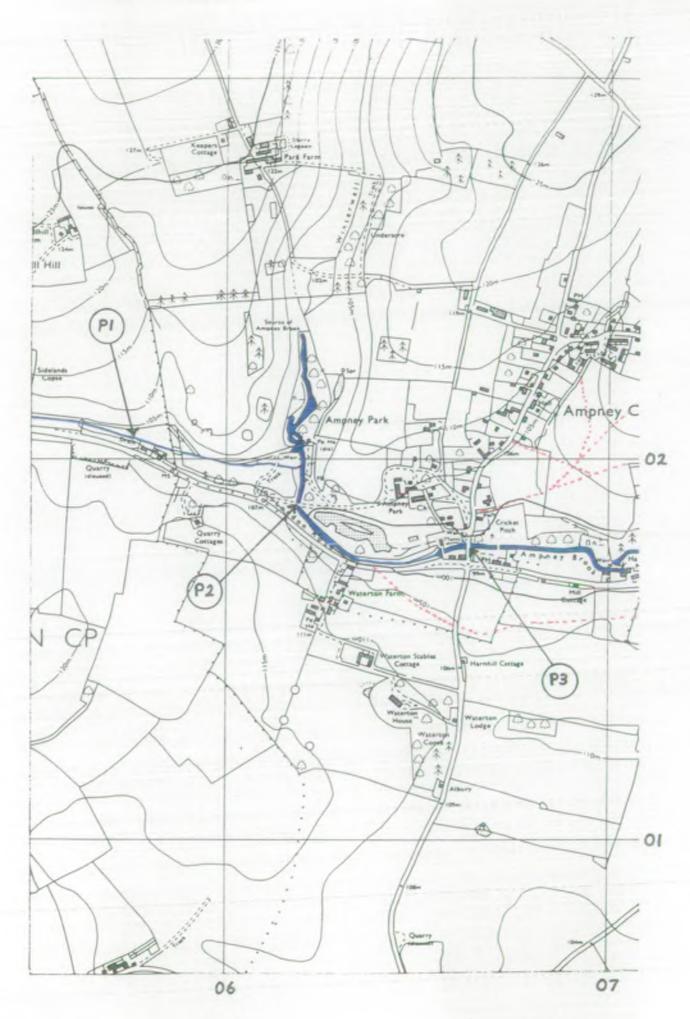
PHOTO 7 - River Bulbourne flowing through Boxmoor. Grid Ref. (0538,0588).

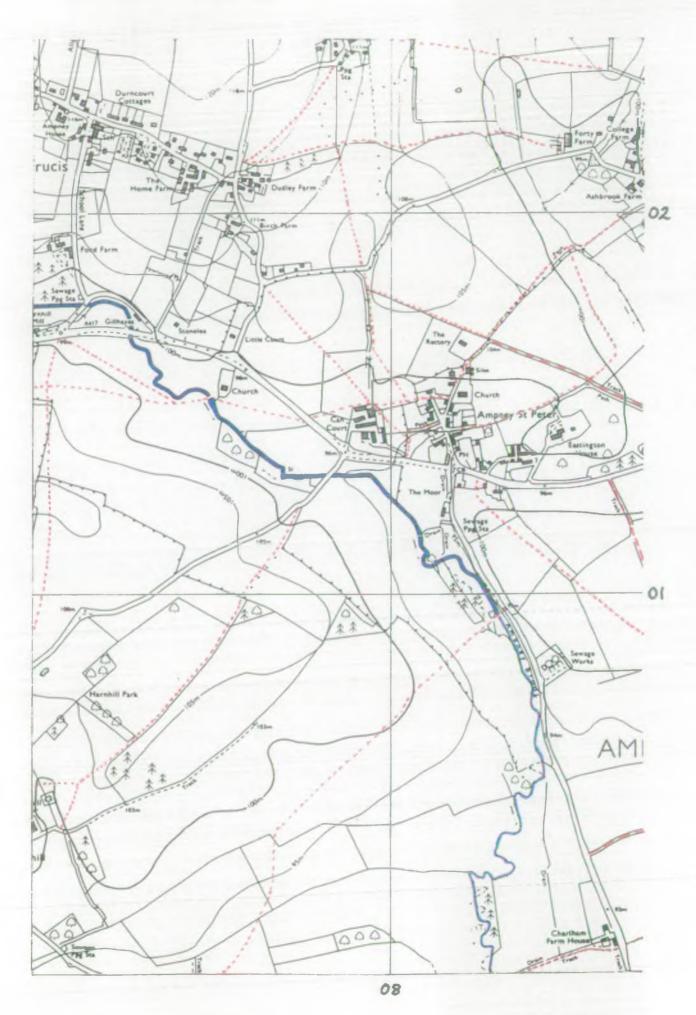


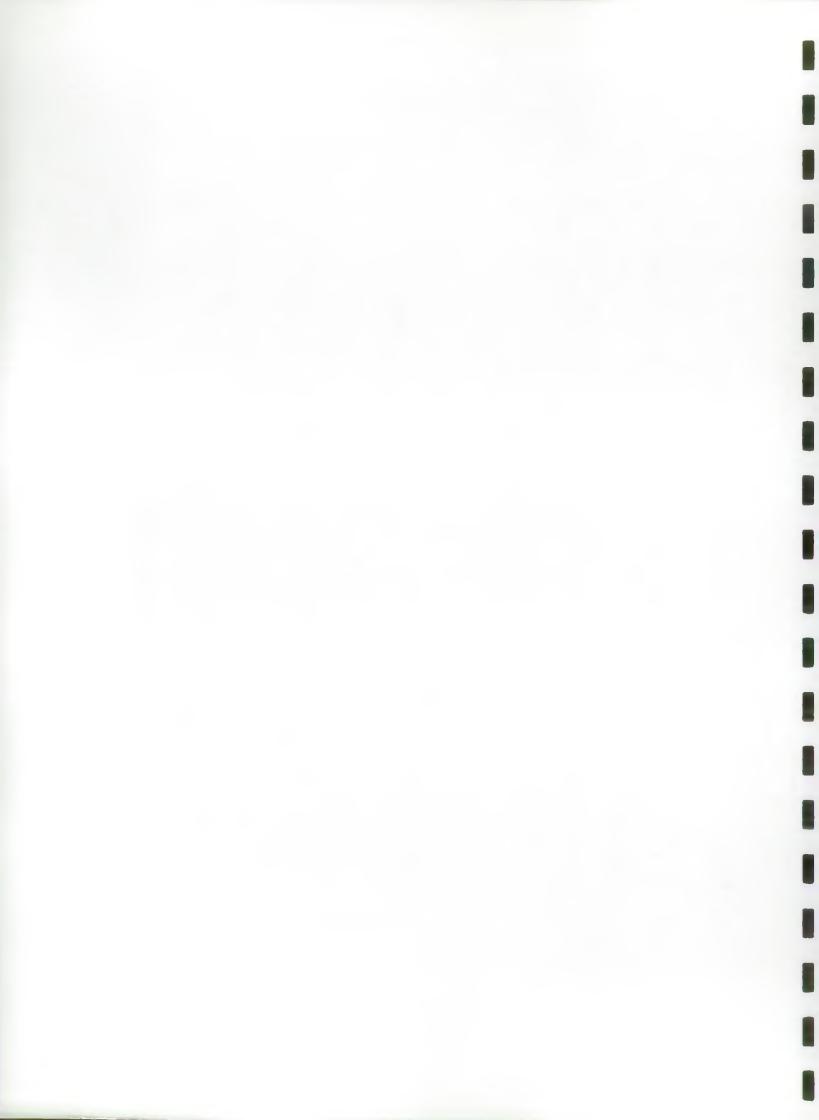
PHOTO 8 - Confluence of River Bulbourne and River Gade showing garden refuse in river. Grid Ref. (0557,0572).

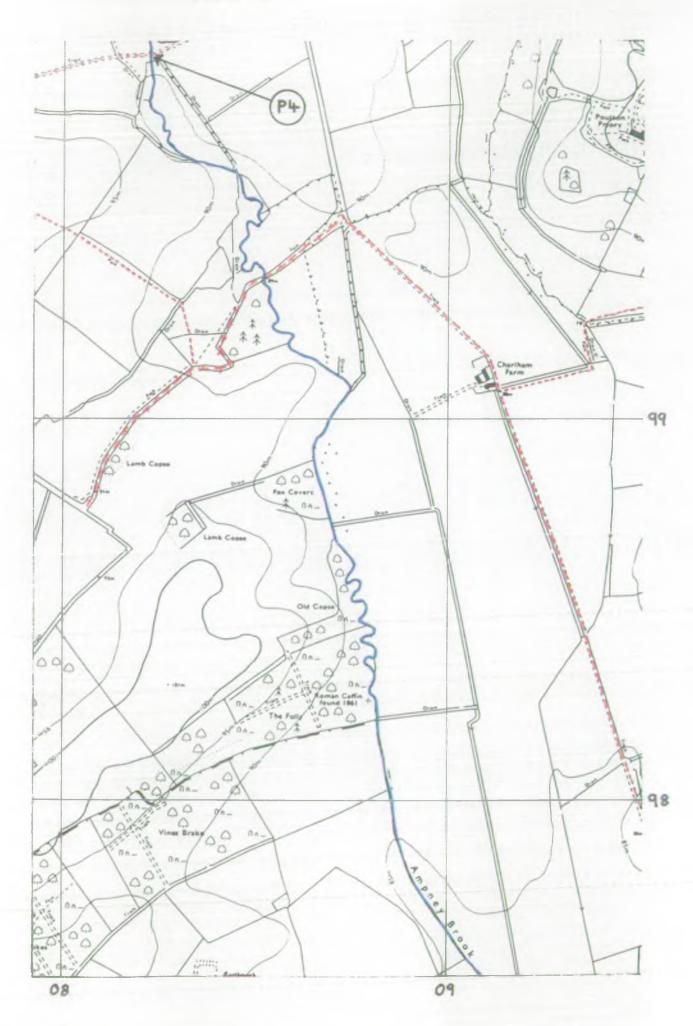


# 2.3 AMPNEY BROOK FROM AMPNEY PARK TO CONFLUENCE WITH THAMES

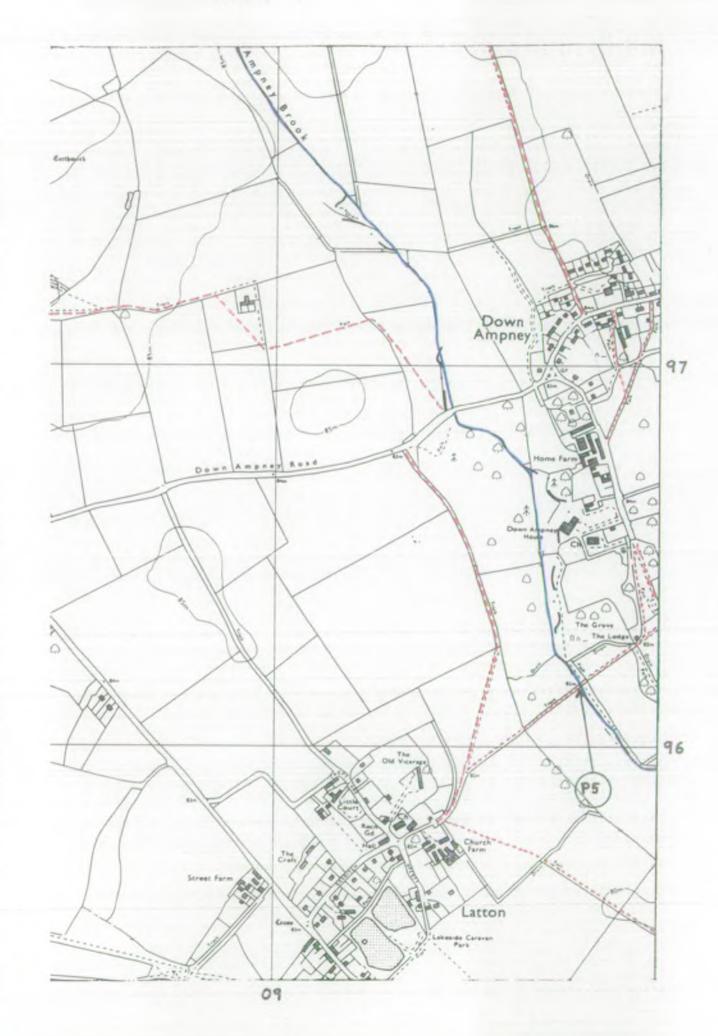


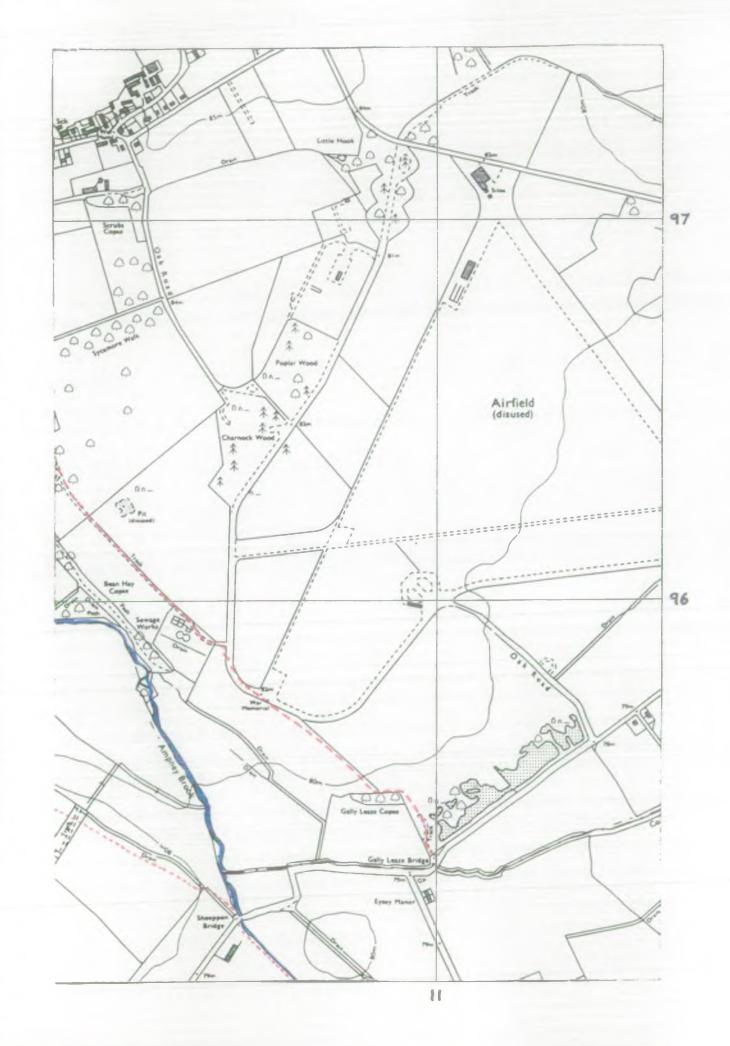












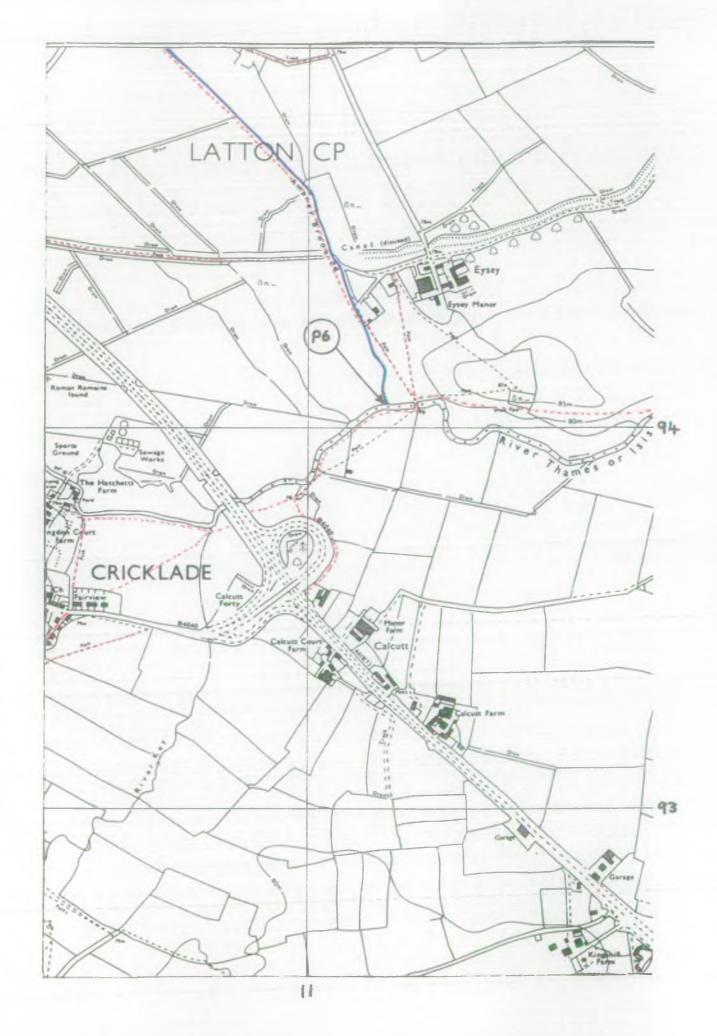


PHOTO 1 - No water in drain into Ampney Brook. Grid Ref. (0576,0205).



PHOTO 2 - View upstream from bridge in Ampney Park. Grid Ref. (0618,0188).



PHOTO 3 - Ampney Brook adjacent to the public house gardens. Grid Ref. (0664,0177).



PHOTO 4 - Downstream view from public footpath. Grid Ref. (0822,9995).



PHOTO 5 - Downstream view from footpath bridge. Grid Ref. (0980,9616).



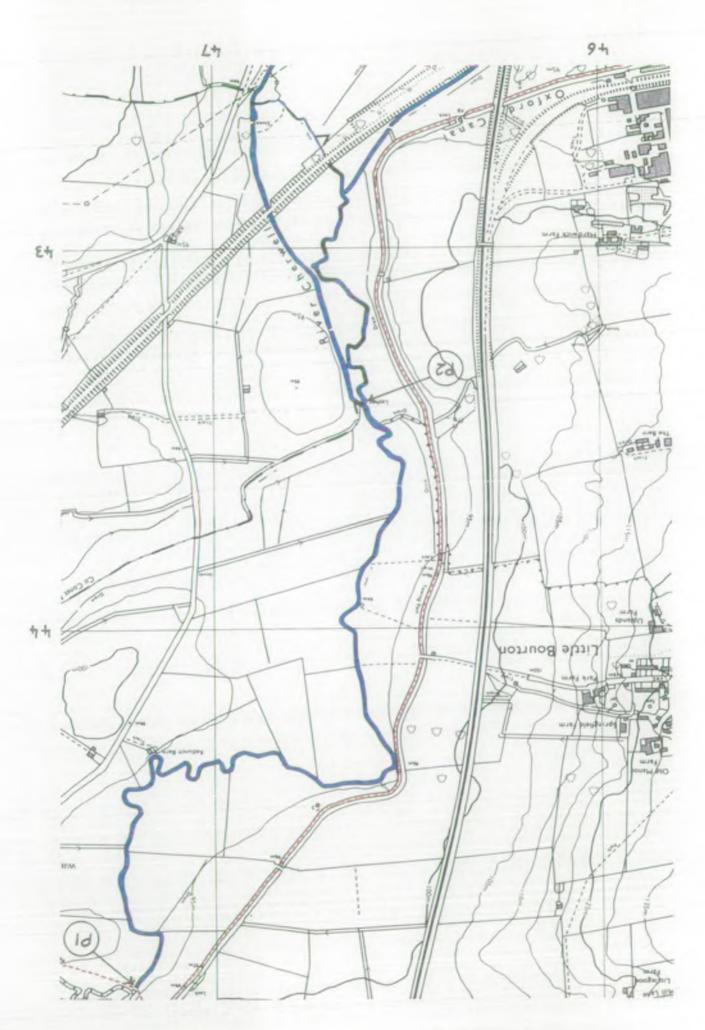
PHOTO 6 - Confluence of Ampney Brook and River Thames. Grid Ref. (1120,9406).

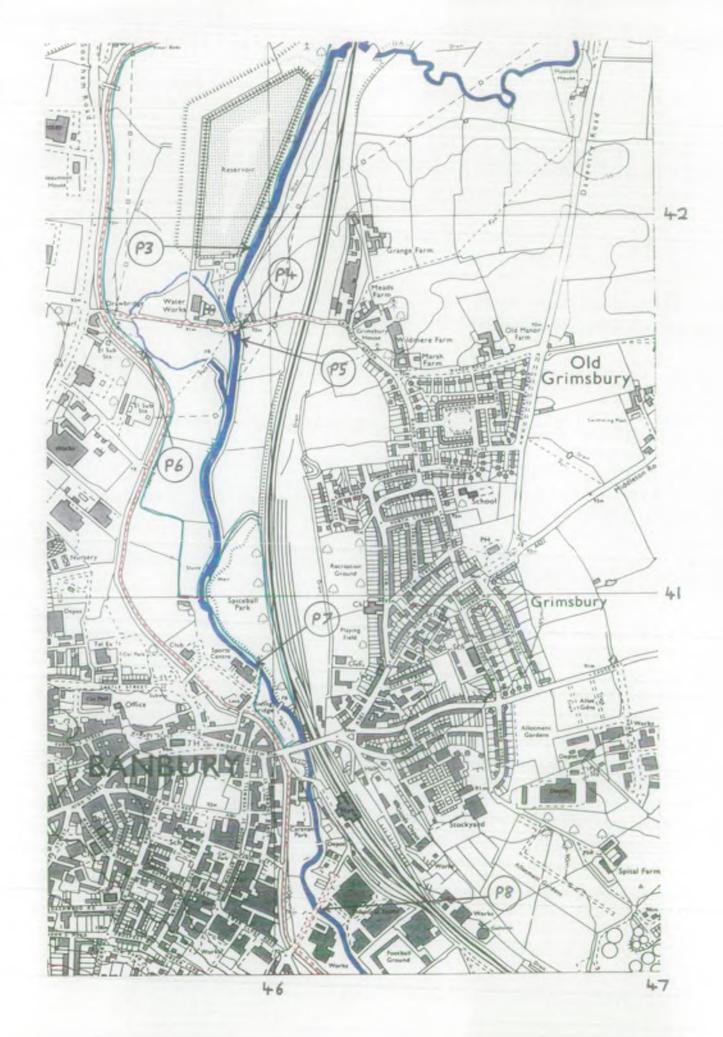




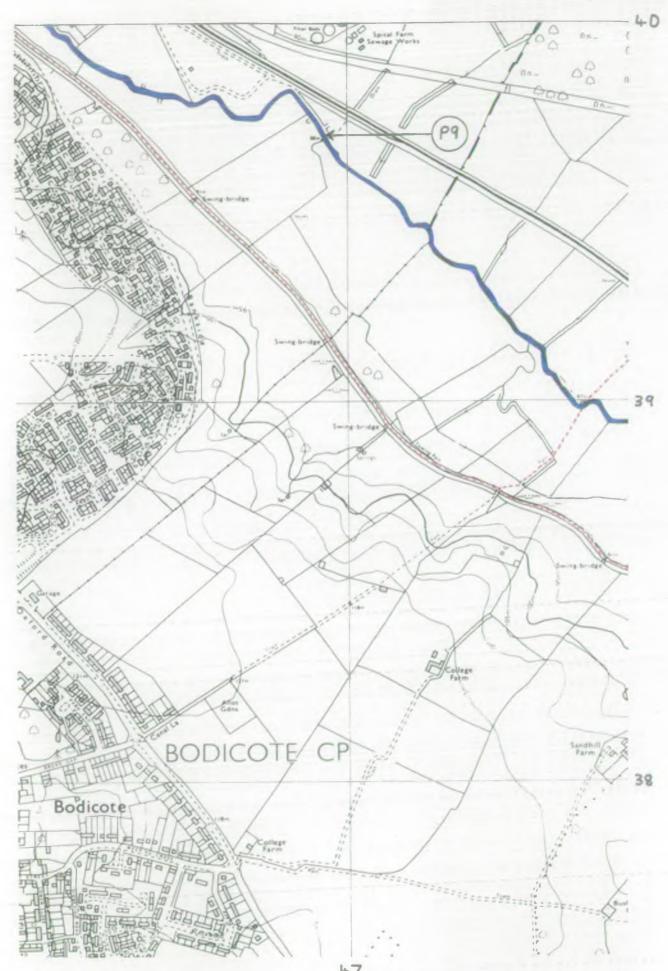
## 2.4 RIVER CHERWELL FROM GRIMSBURY INTAKE TO BANBURY SW OUTFALL











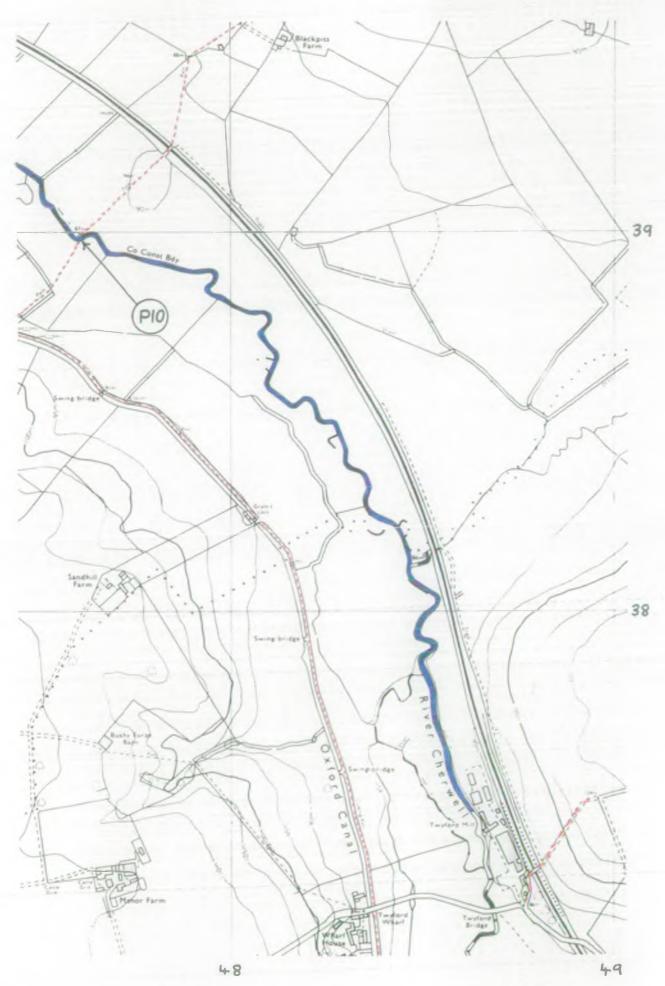


PHOTO 1 - Downstream view from start of survey of Cherwell from footbridge. Grid Ref. (4721,4494).



PHOTO 2 - View of small amount of foam. Grid Ref. (4661,4341).



PHOTO 3 - Grimsbury Reservoir part of Grimsbury Reservoir Park. Grid Ref. (4595,4192).



PHOTO 4 - View of refuse and light oil on water's surface downstream of water works. Grid Ref. (4592,4170).



PHOTO 5 - Low water flow and building material in stream. Grid Ref. (4592,4167).



PHOTO 6 - Trolley, traffic cone and tyre in branch of Cherwell next to towing path. Grid Ref. (4569,4164).



PHOTO 7 - Shopping trolleys and refuse in channel adjacent to the park. Grid Ref. (4596,4083).



PHOTO 8 - Stream narrowed by vegetation and with refuse. Grid Ref. (4612,4016).



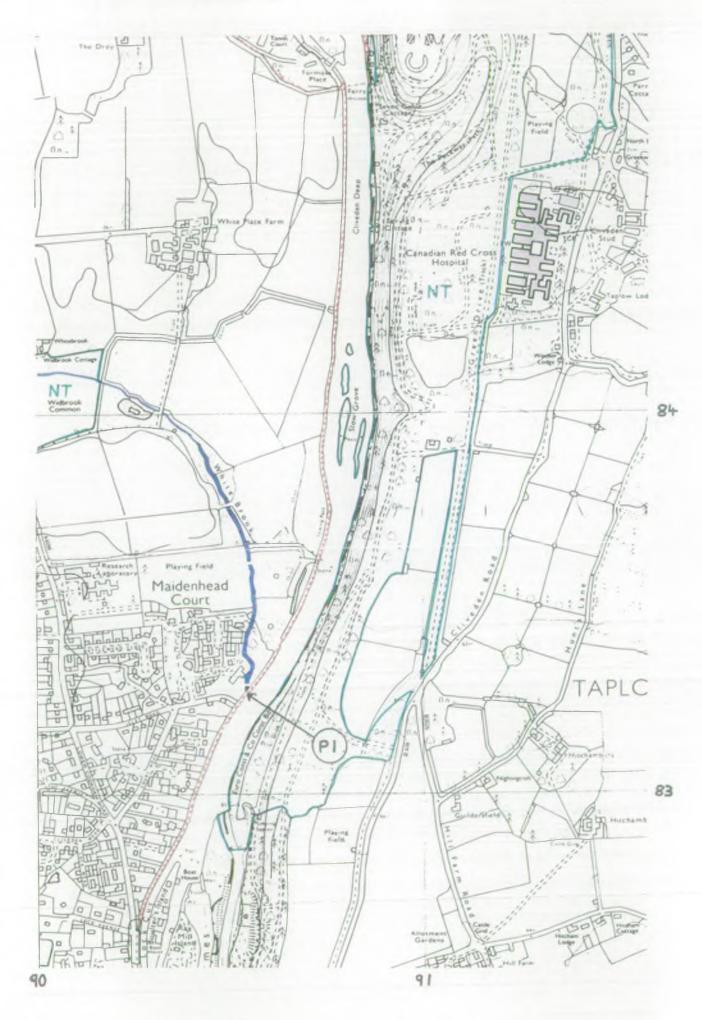
PHOTO 9 - View of outfall of nearby sewage works. Grid Ref. (4695,3970).



PHOTO 10 - Downstream view from footbridge showing water discoloured brown. Grid Ref. (4762,3898).



## 2.5 WHITE BROOK AND MAIDENHEAD DITCH



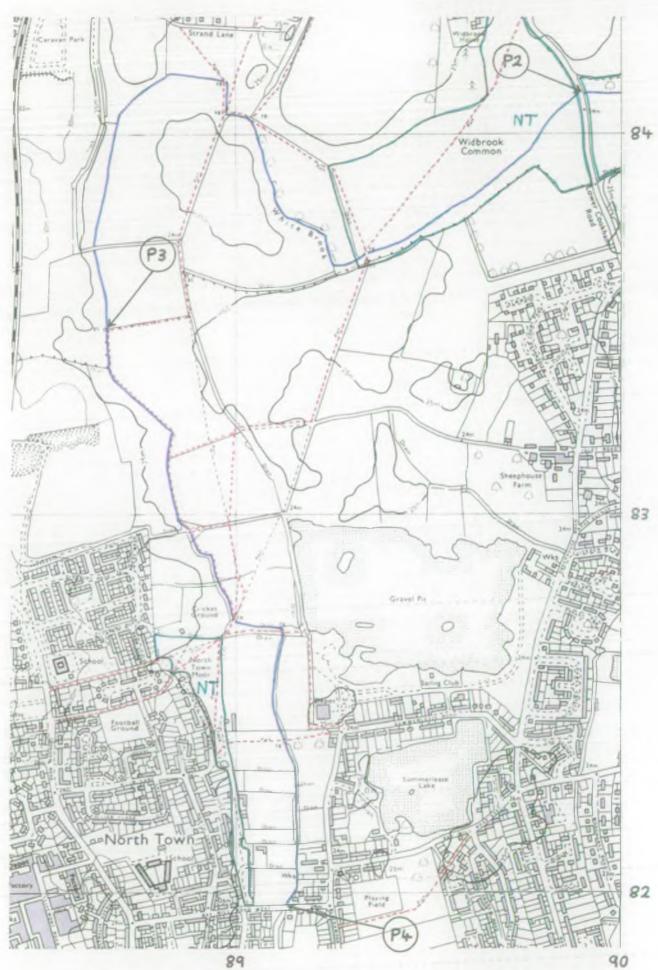


PHOTO 1 - Start of White Brook at outlet from River Thames. Grid Ref. (9054,8327).



inlet?

PHOTO 2 - Stream to the west of Lower Cookham Road as it passes through Widbrook Common. Grid Ref. (8990,8410).



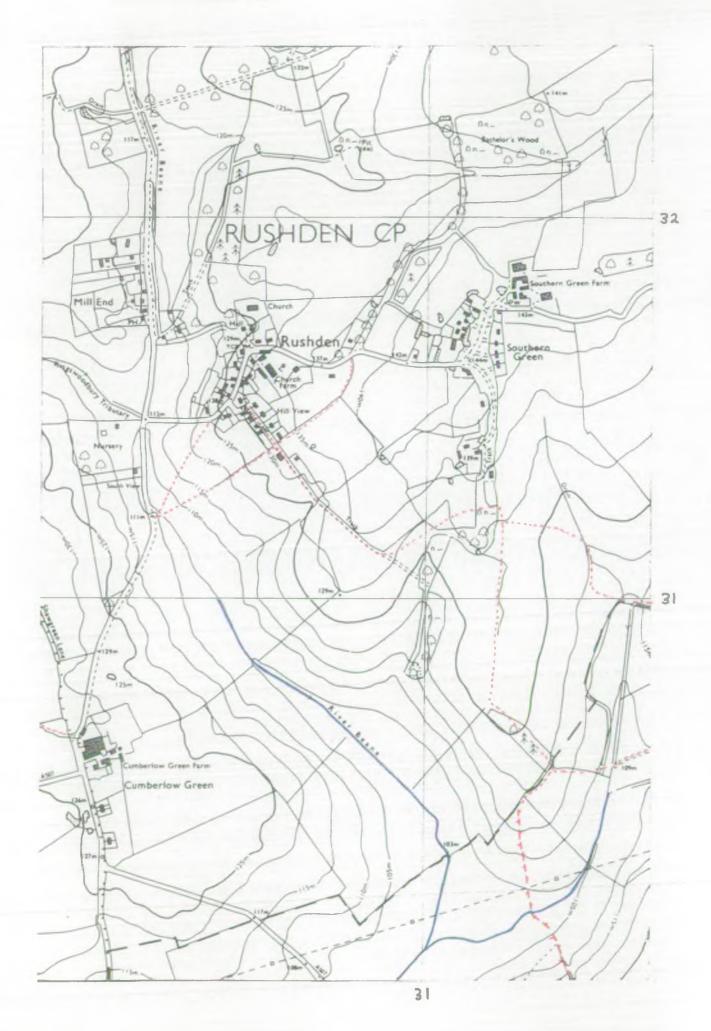
PHOTO 3 - Downstream southerly view from farmers access bridge. Grid Ref. (8867,8349).

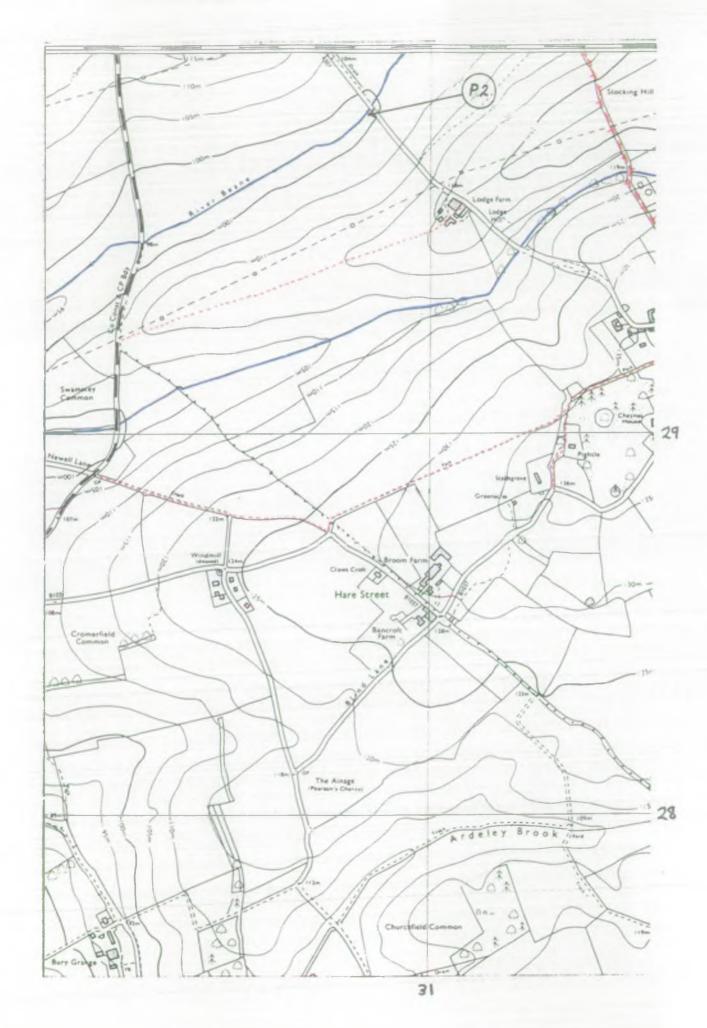


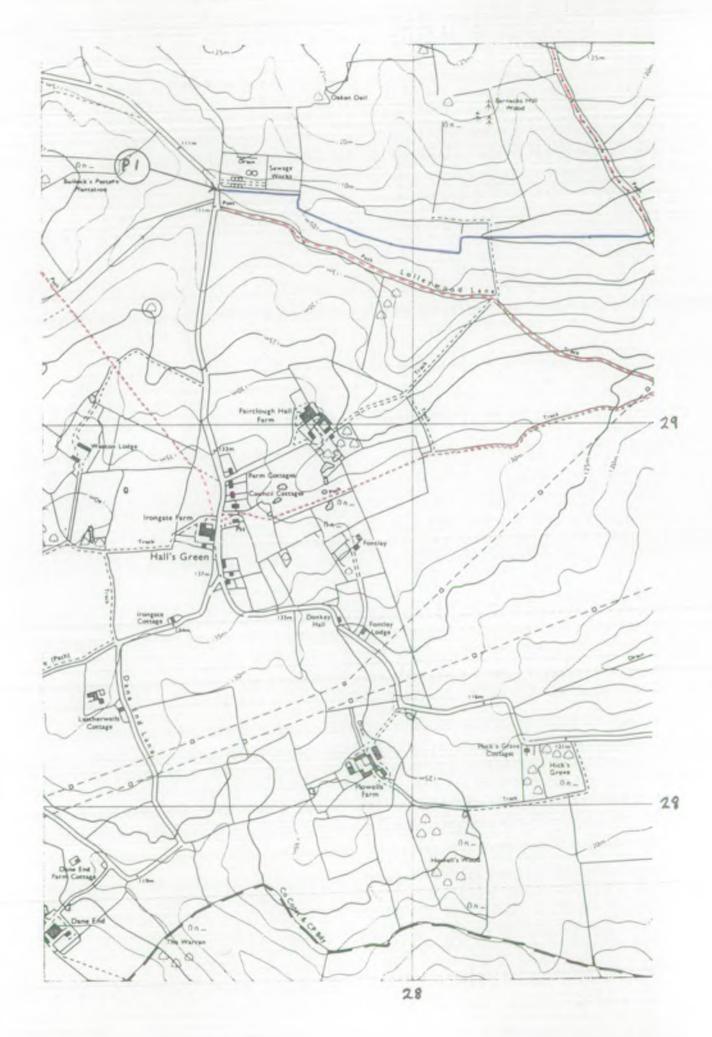
PHOTO 4 - Maidenhead Ditch, looking north from the bridge on Ray Mill Road West. Grid Ref. (8912,8197).

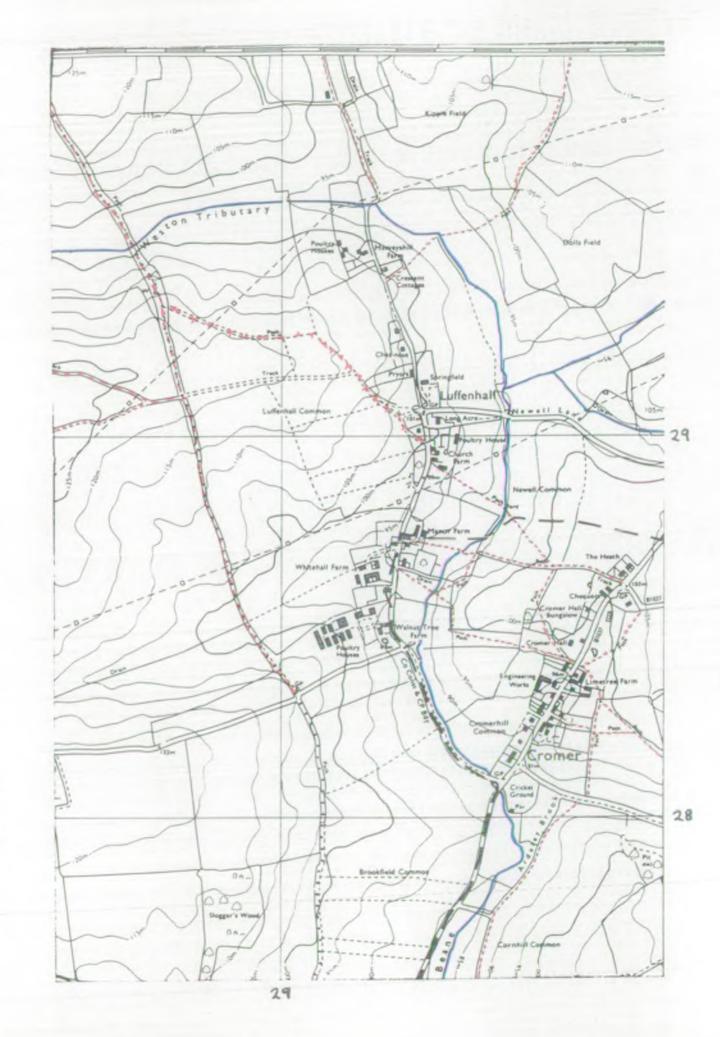


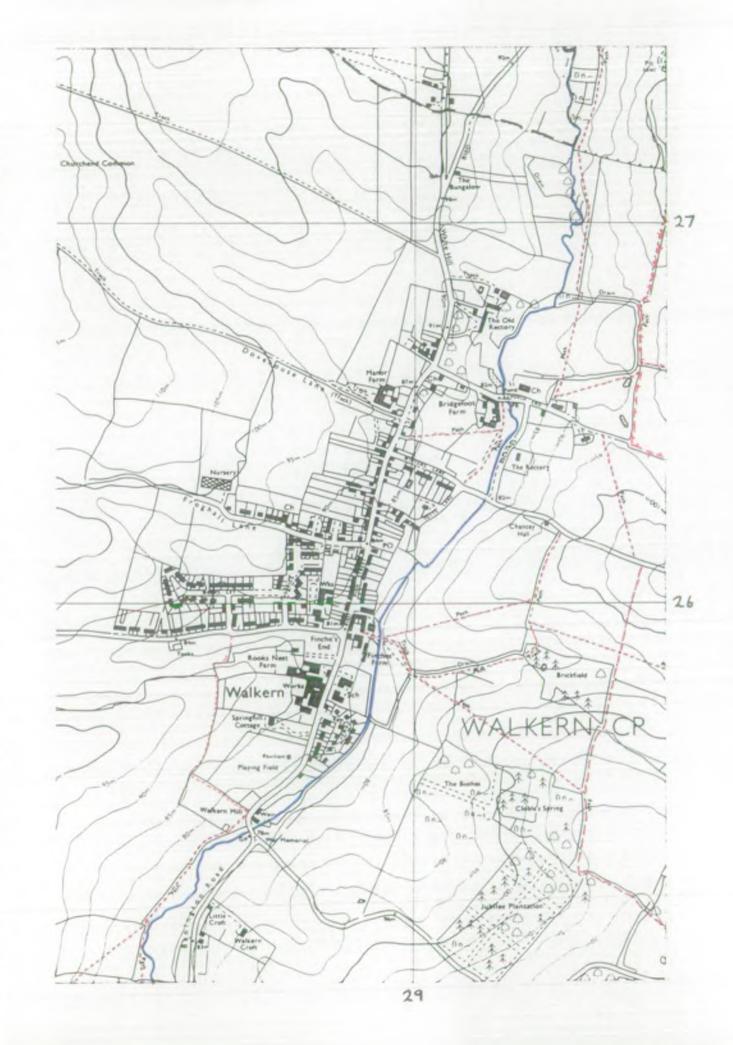
## 2.6 RIVER BEANE

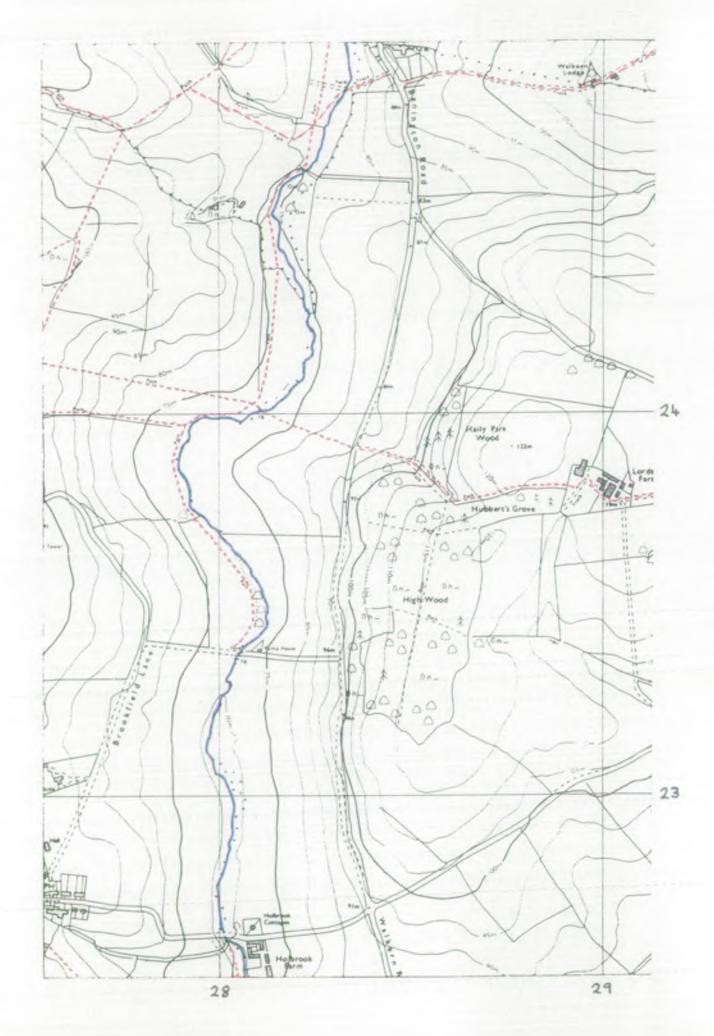




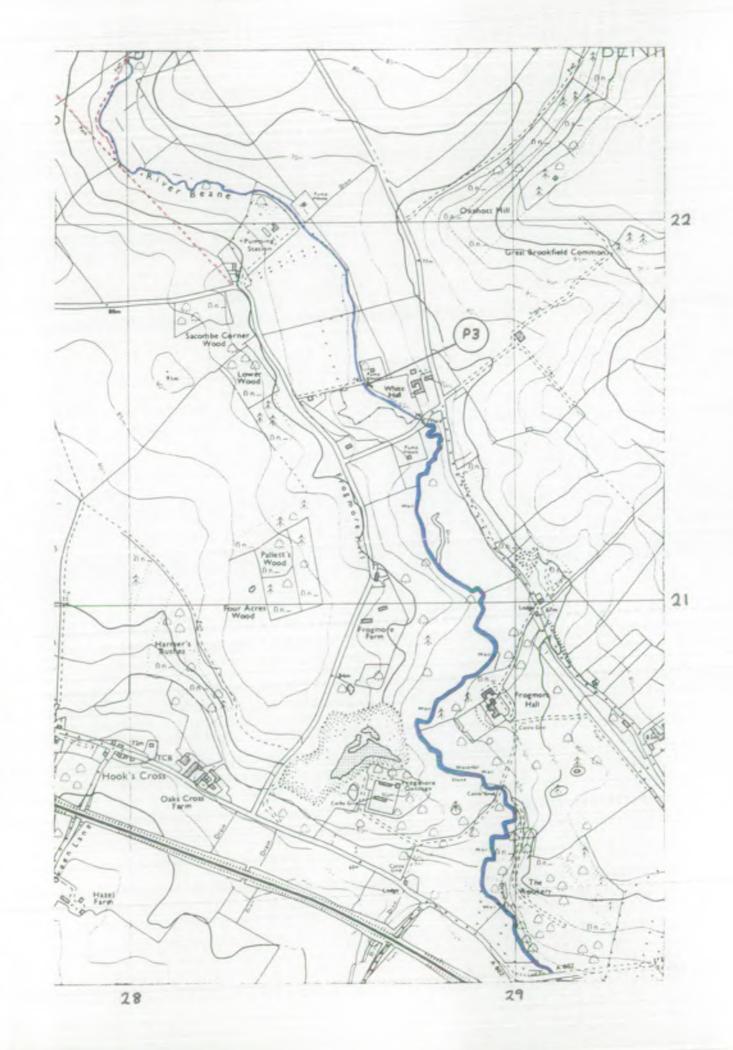


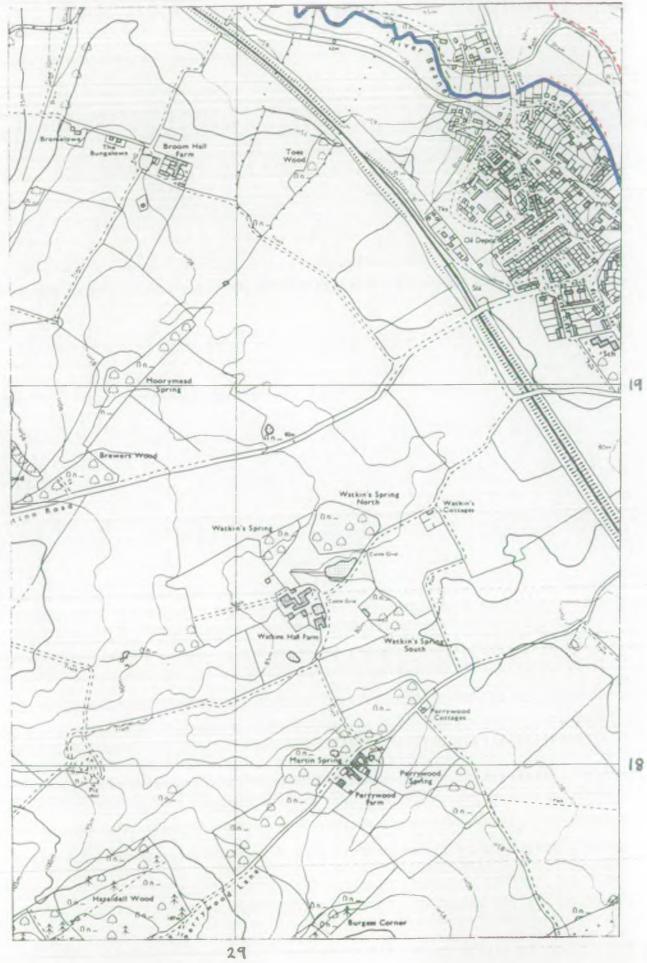


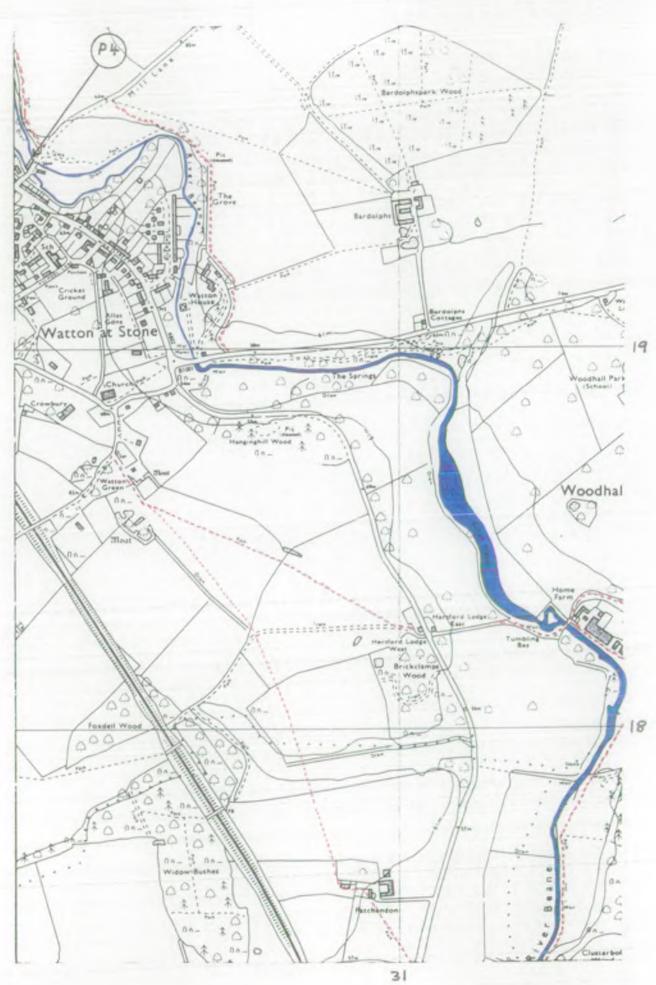




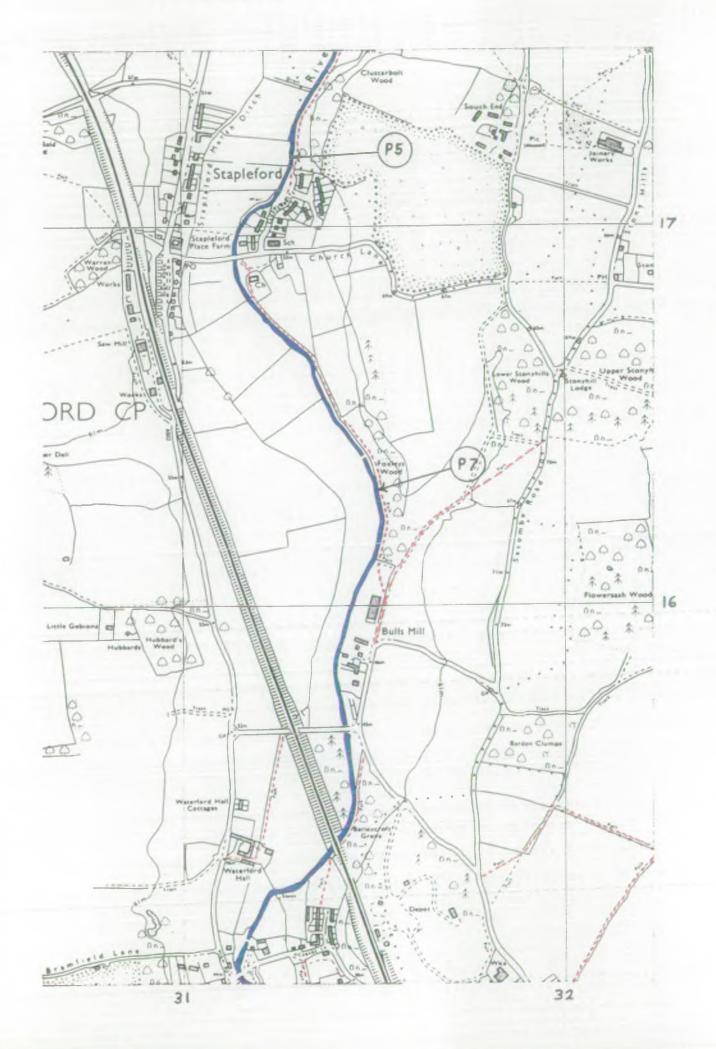








\_





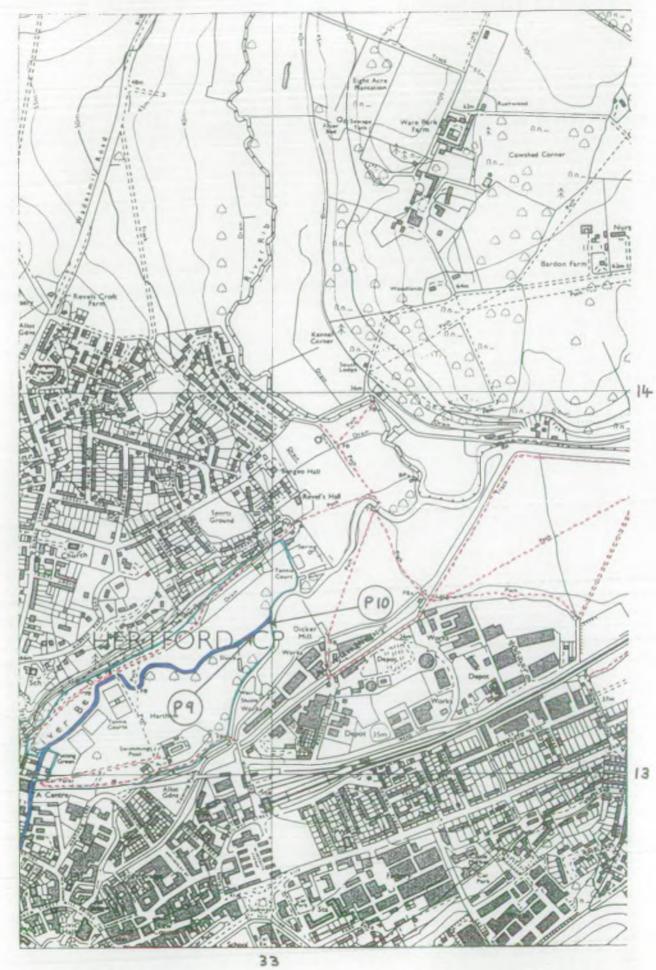


PHOTO 1 - No water at start of survey. Grid Ref. (2749,2962).



PHOTO 2 - No water at road bridge. Grid Ref. (3084,2983).





PHOTO 3 - No water as river passes through field. Grid Ref. (2862,2157).

PHOTO 4 - Rotting vegetation, seen from road bridge. Grid Ref. (3004,1950).



PHOTO 5 - Car battery in river. Grid Ref. (3129,1718).



PHOTO 6 - Oil drum and traffic cone. Grid Ref. (3177,1299).



PHOTO 7 - View of the River Beane from the Gravel Walk Nature Trail. Grid Ref. (3152,1631).



PHOTO 8 - Waterford Marsh and the River Beane. Grid Ref. (3136,1475).



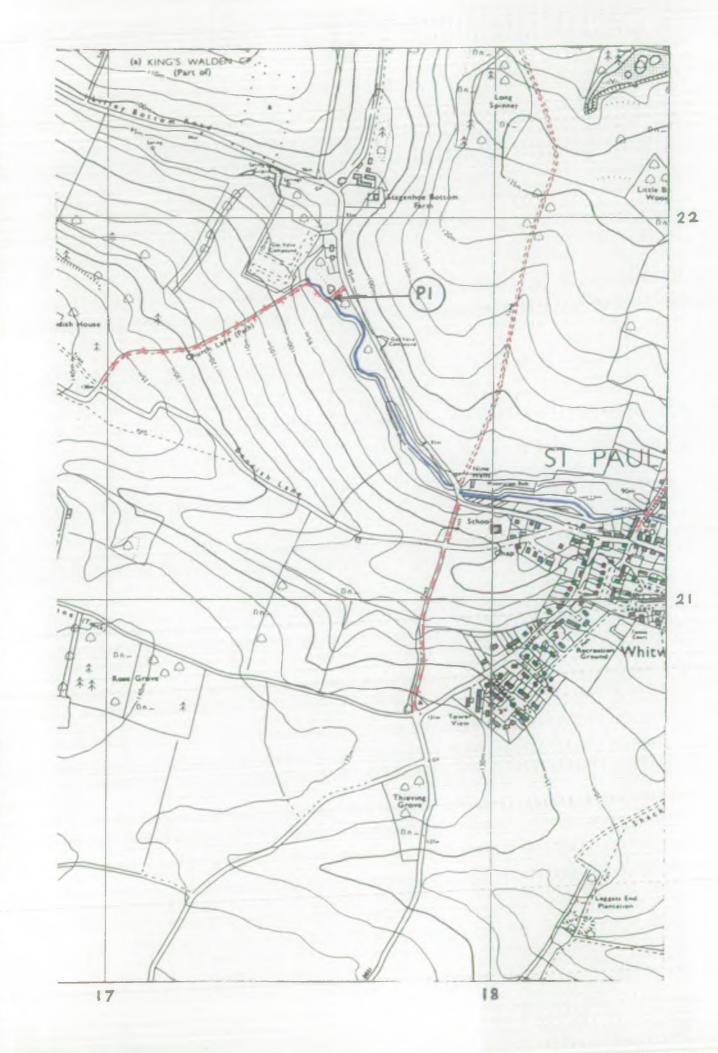
PHOTO 9 - Hartham Common viewed from the river bank. Grid Ref. (3295,1335).

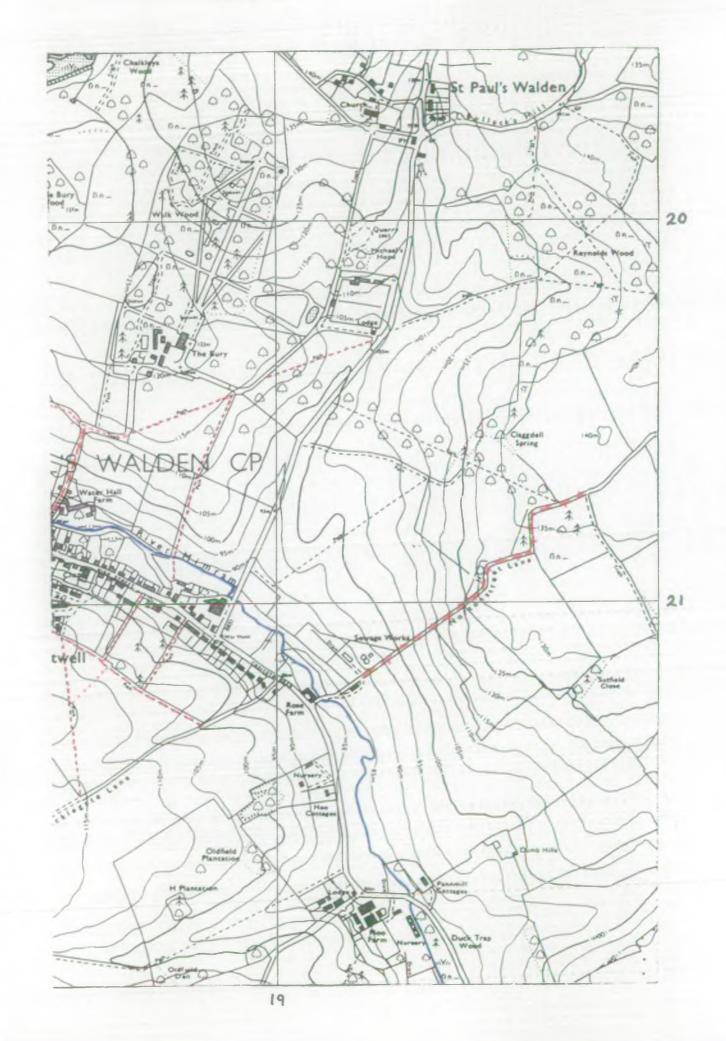


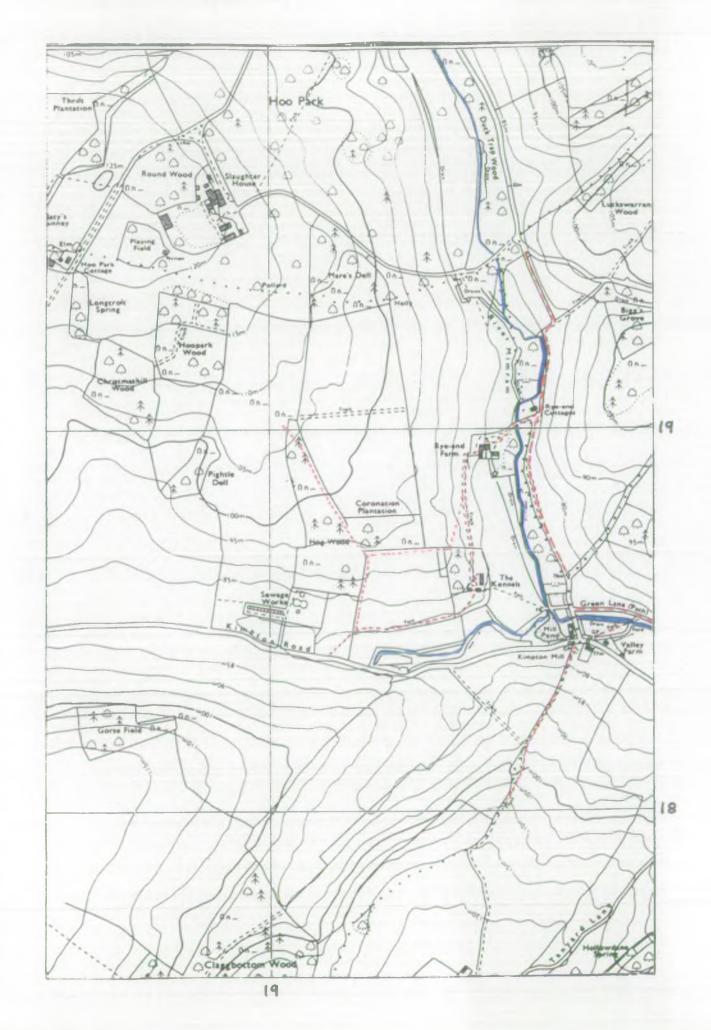
PHOTO 10 - Confluence of River Beane and River Lee. Crid Ref. (3300,1341).

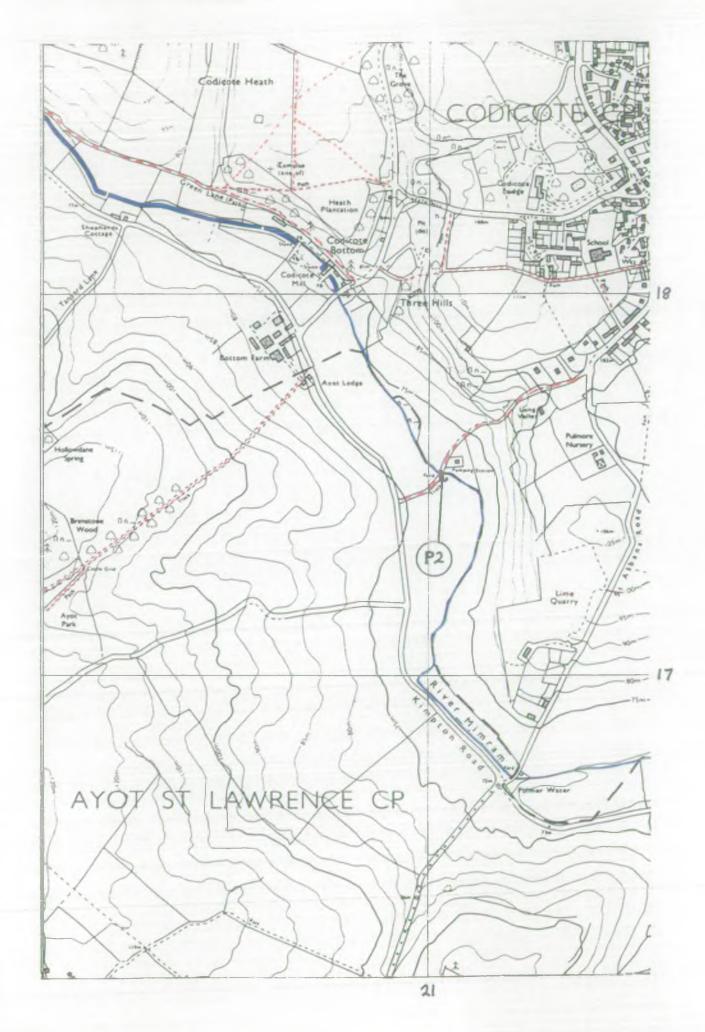


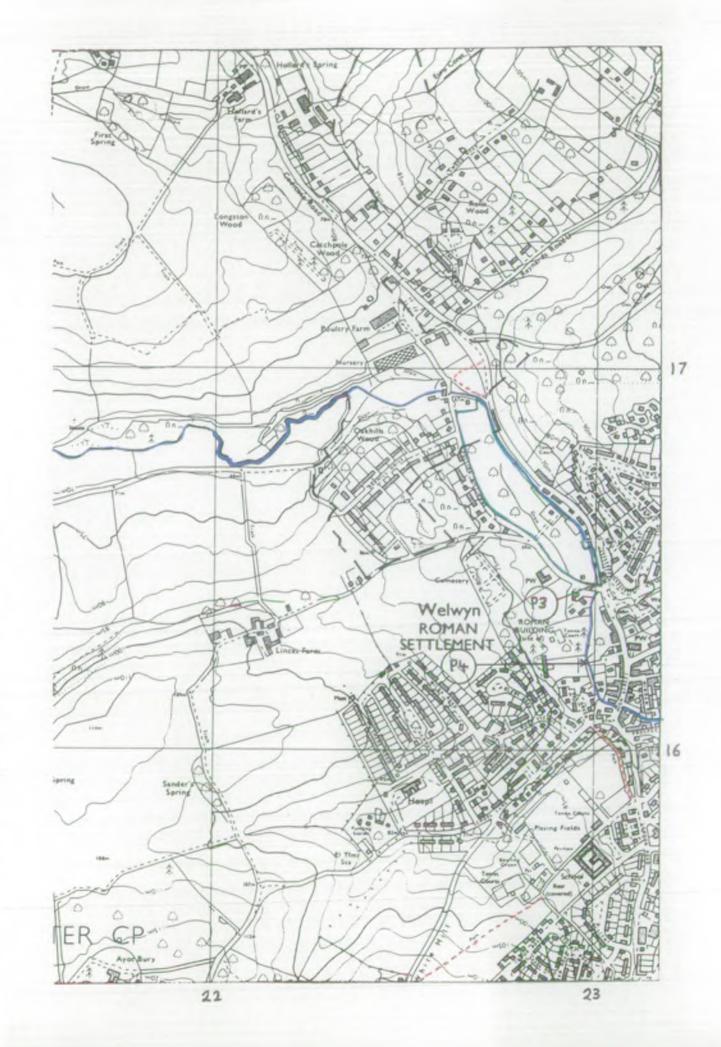
## 2.7 RIVER MIMRAM

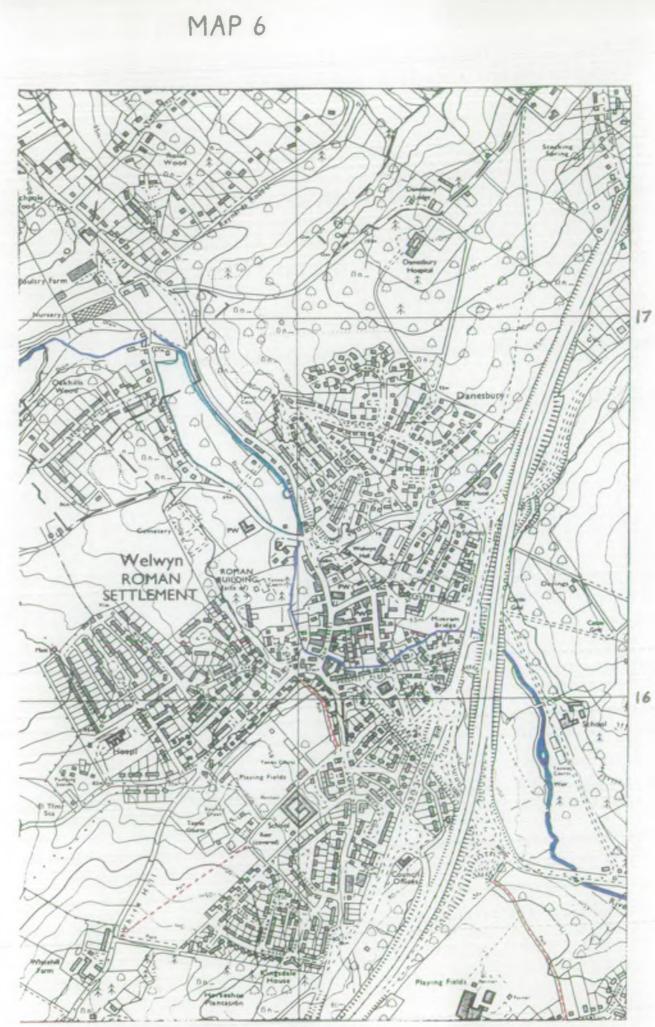




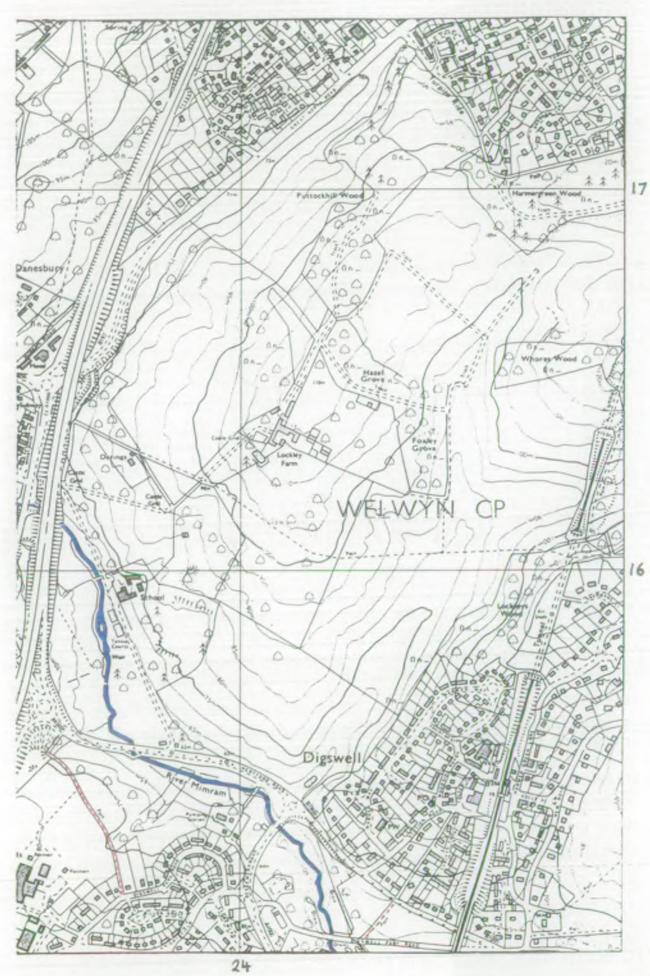


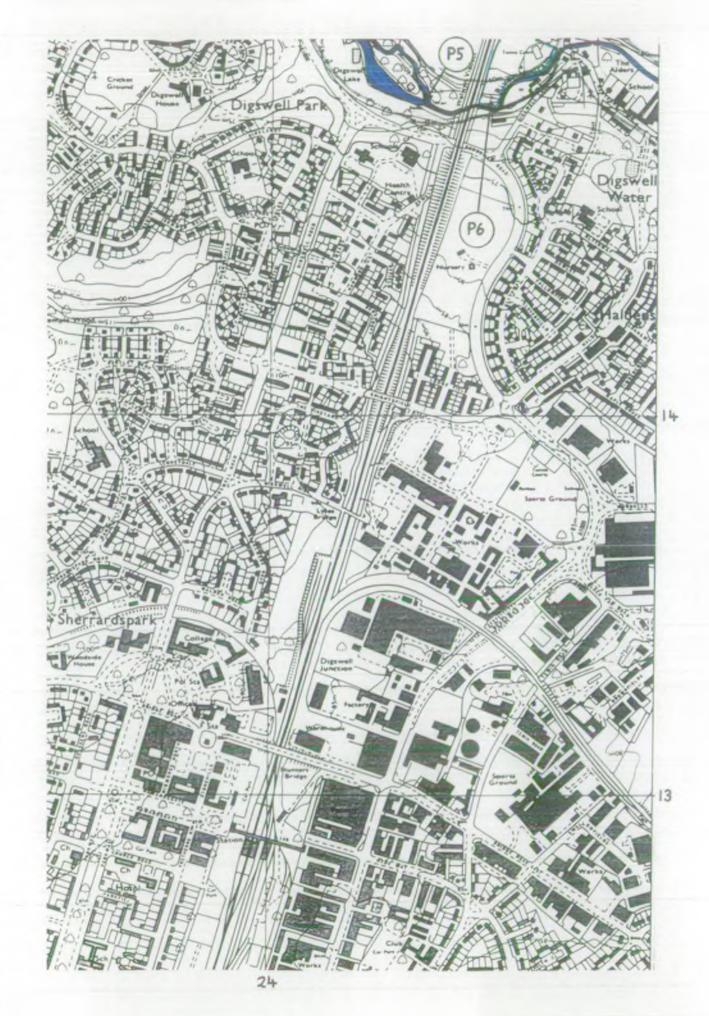


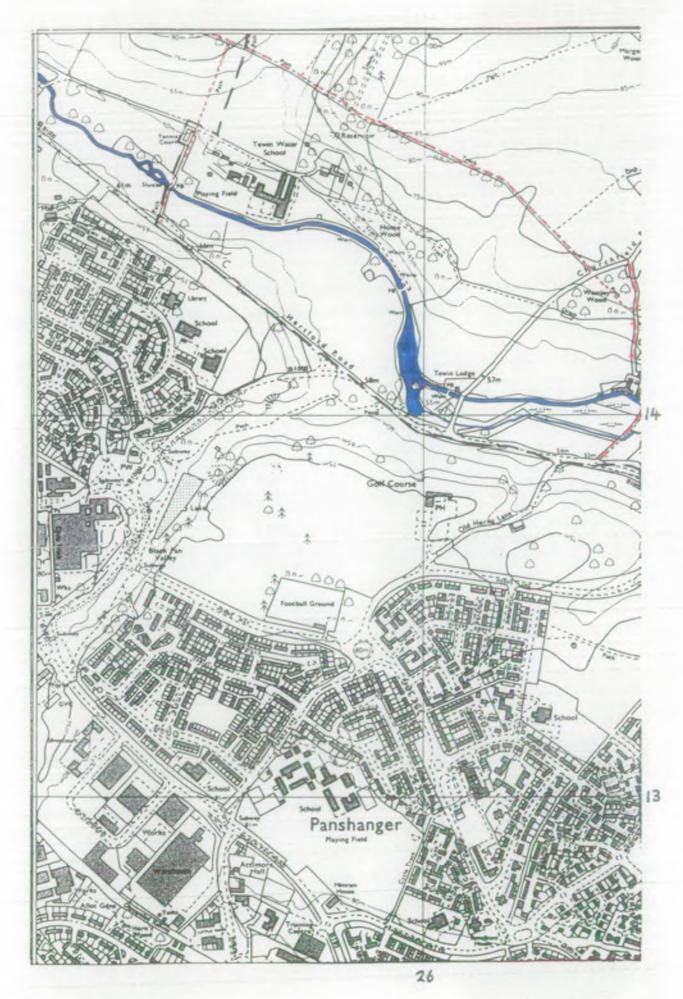


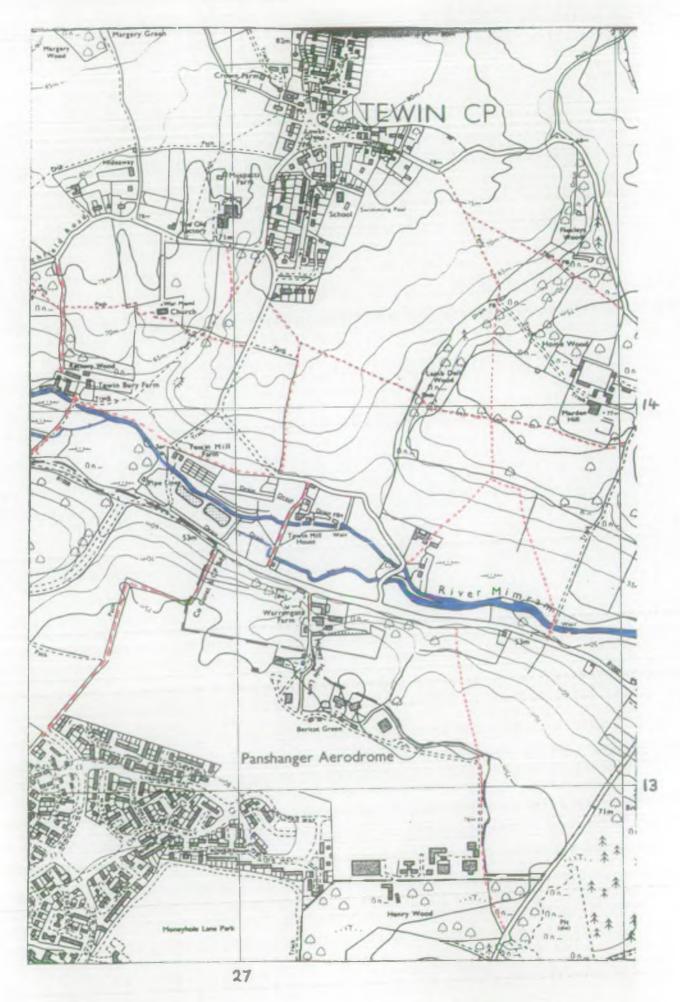


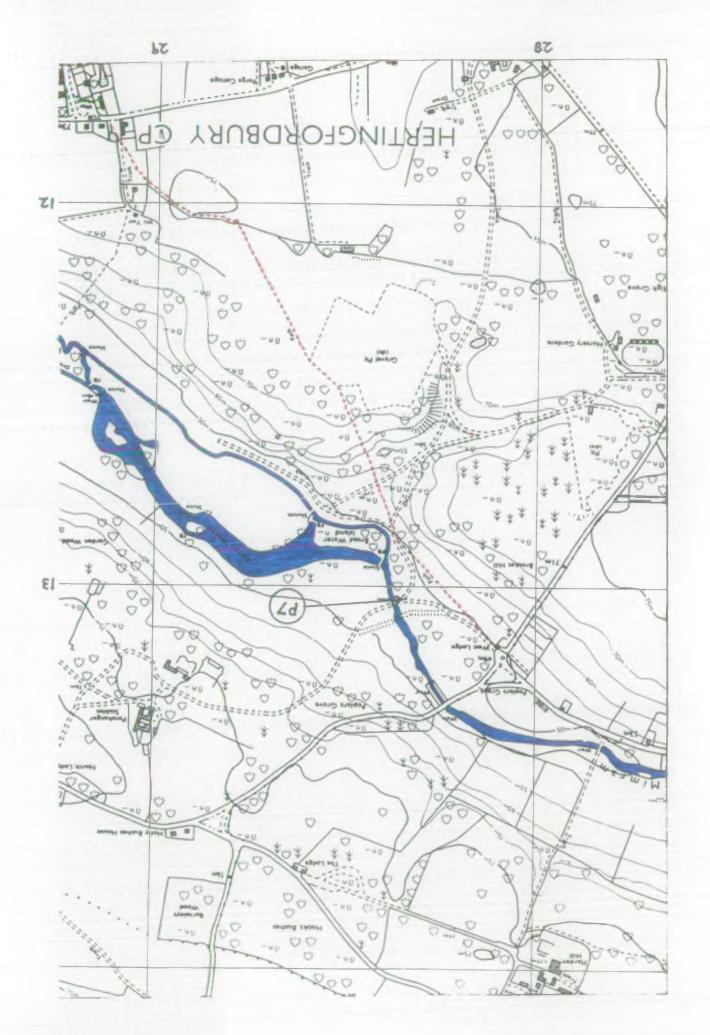




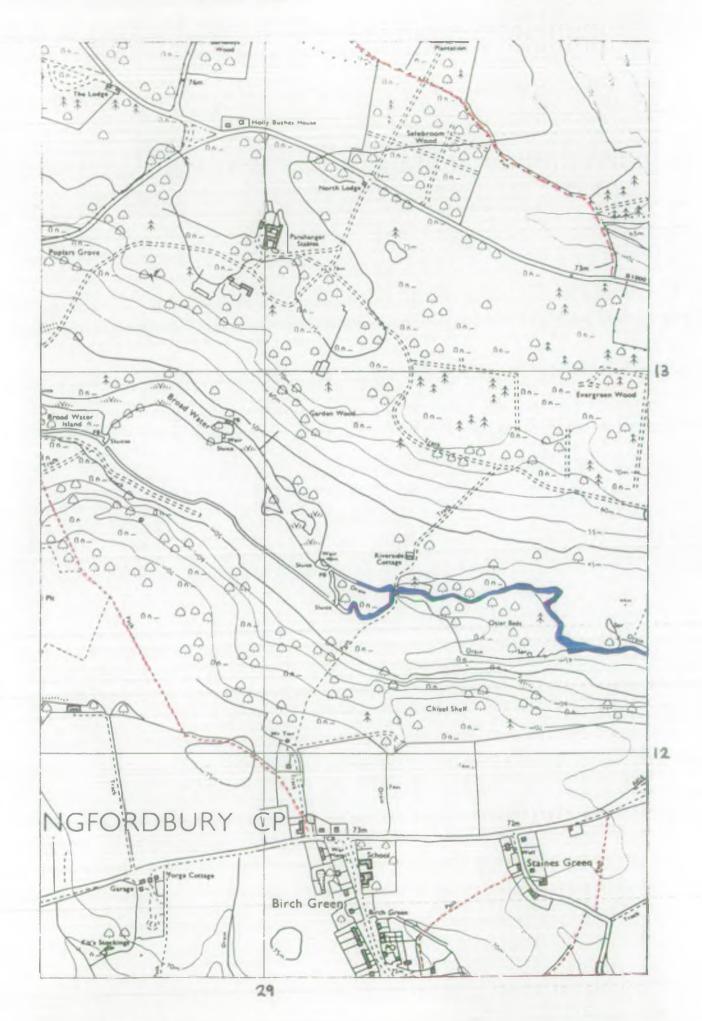


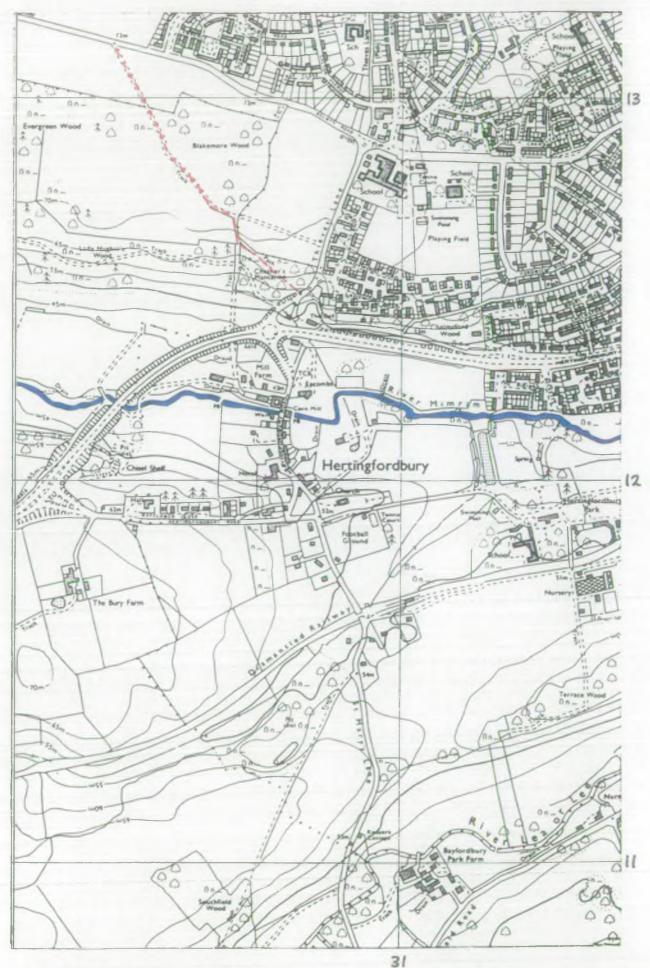












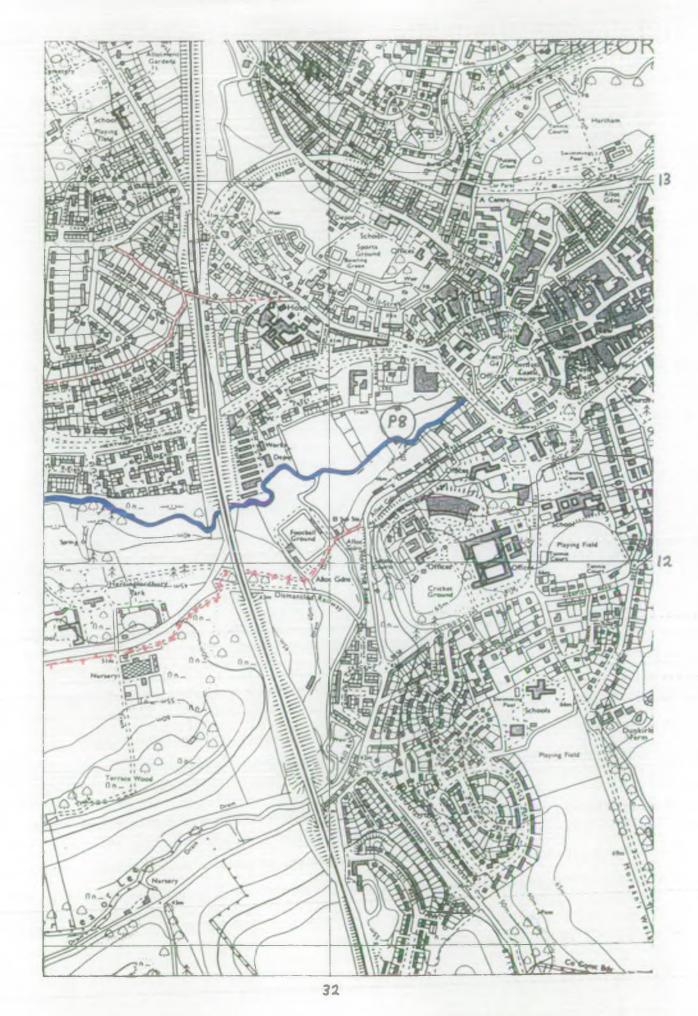


PHOTO 1 - River Mimram flowing over track. Grid Ref. (1758,2179).



PHOTO 2 - Shopping trolley in river below footbridge. Grid Ref. (2103,1753).



PHOTO 3 - View of River Mimram as it flows adjacent to public open space. Grid Ref. (2300,1643).



PHOTO 4 - River Mimram flowing alongside public house gardens. Grid Ref. (2299,1623).



PHOTO 5 - View of Digswell Lake. Grid Ref. (2439,1482).

i



PHOTO 6 - Seating in recreation ground overlooking river. Grid Ref. (2457,1482).



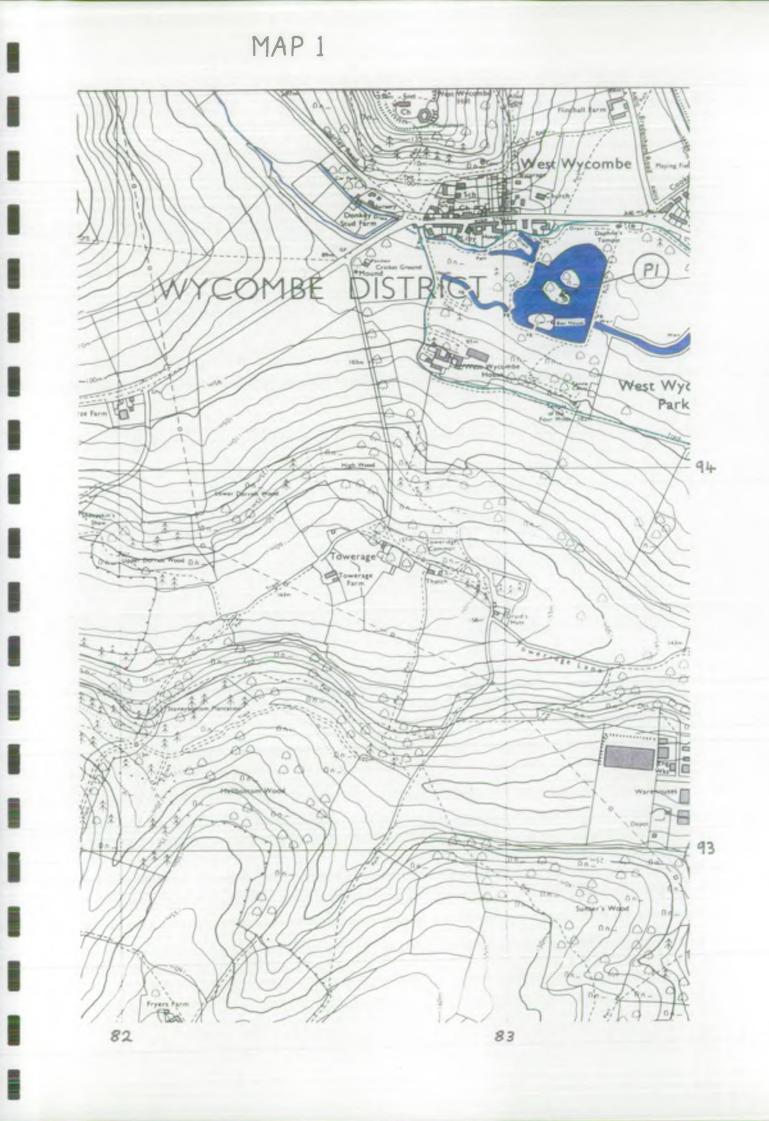




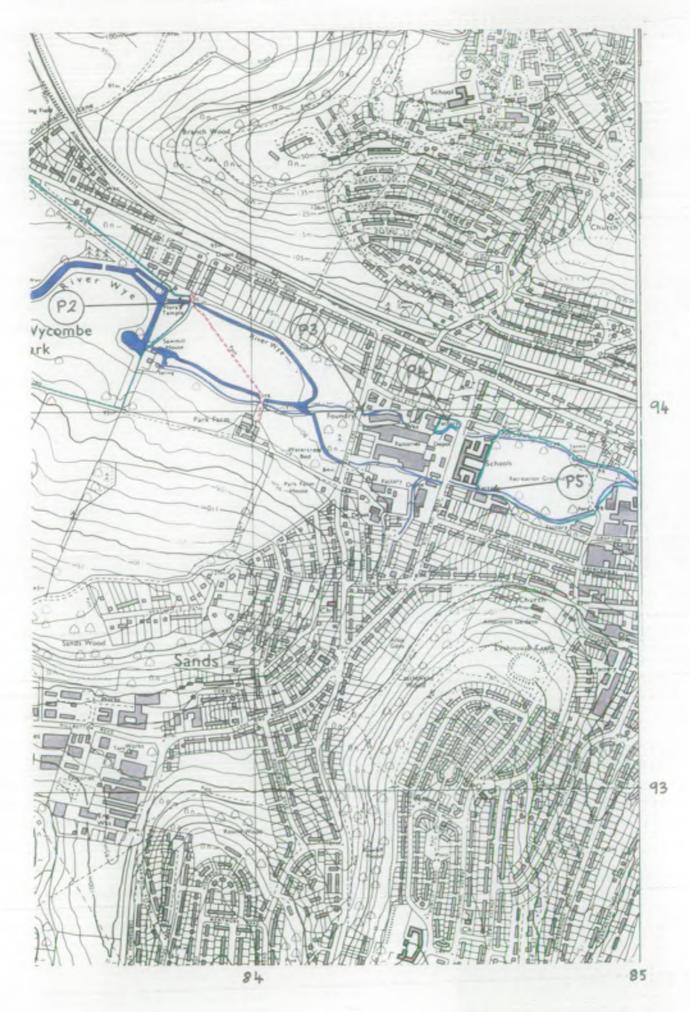
PHOTO 8 - View of River Mimram from A414 bridge. Grid Ref. (3235,1241).



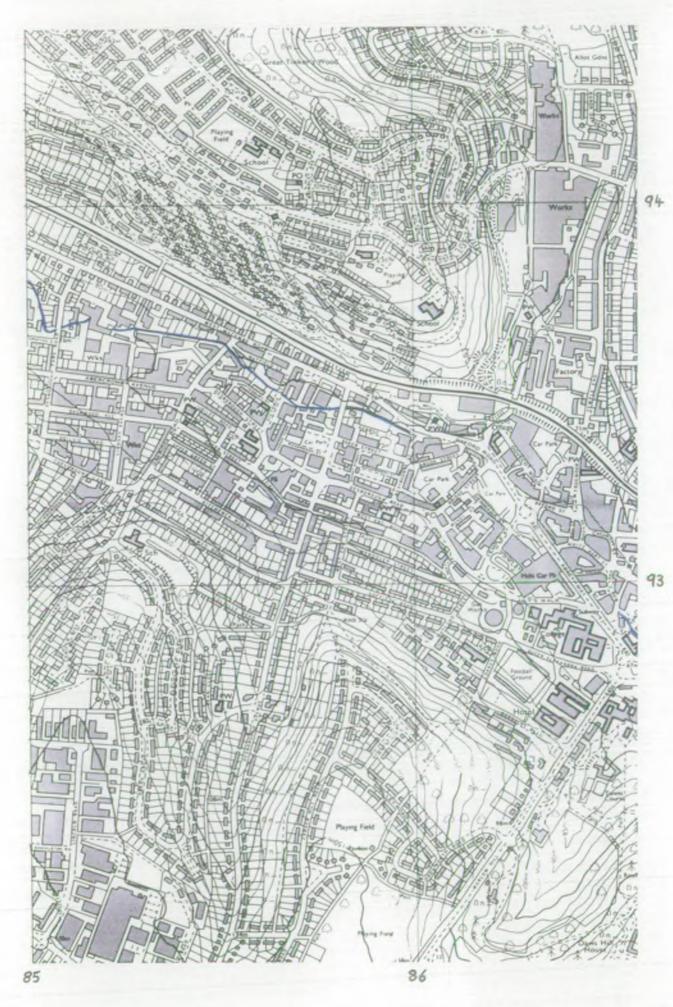
## 2.8 RIVER WYE ABOVE HIGH WYCOMBE SW

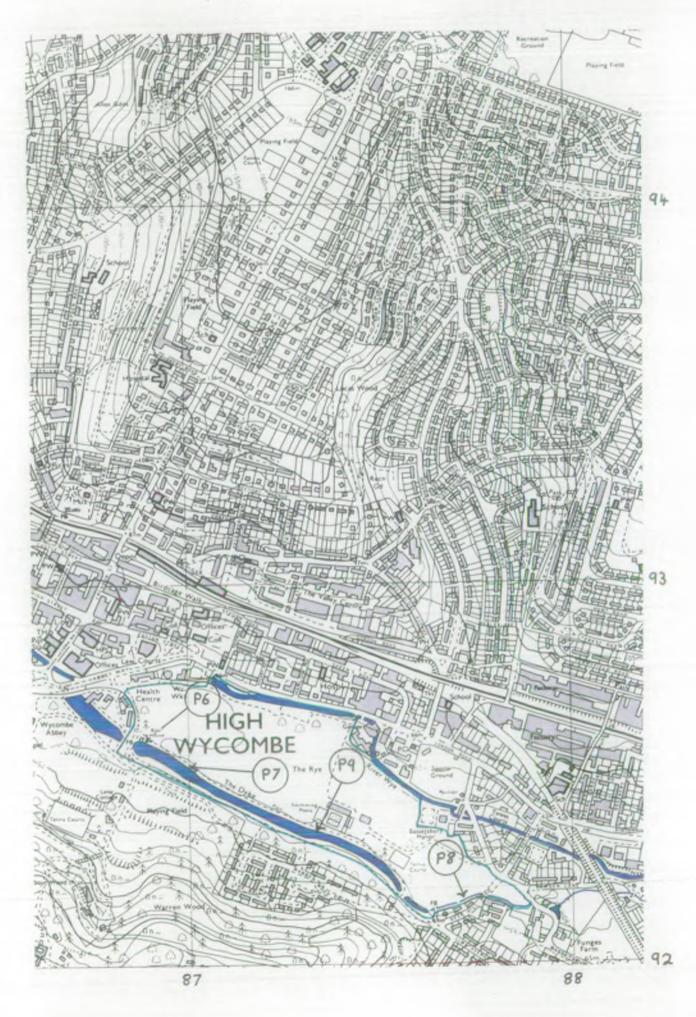


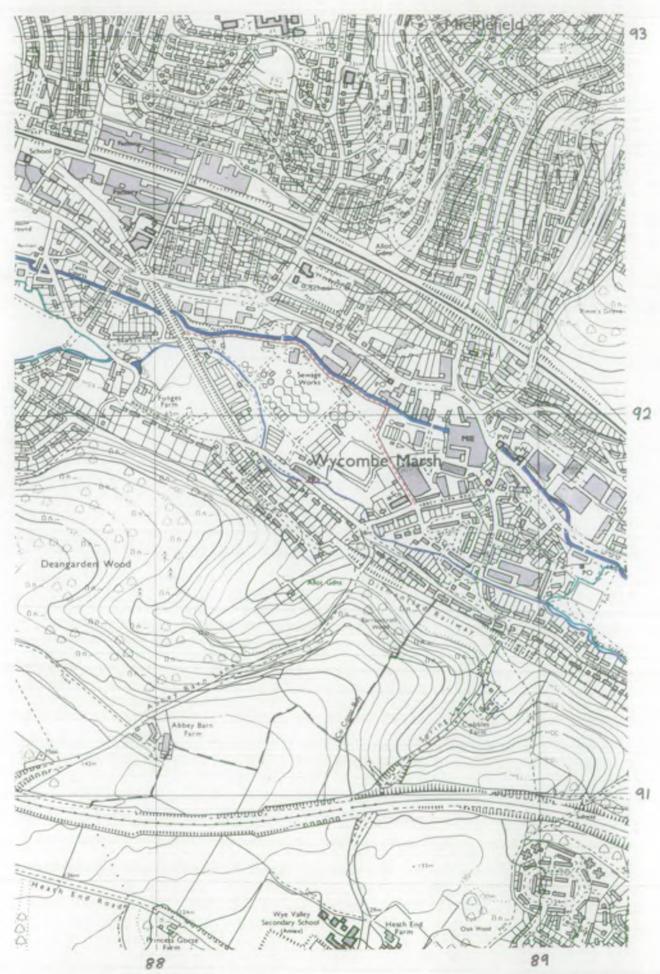


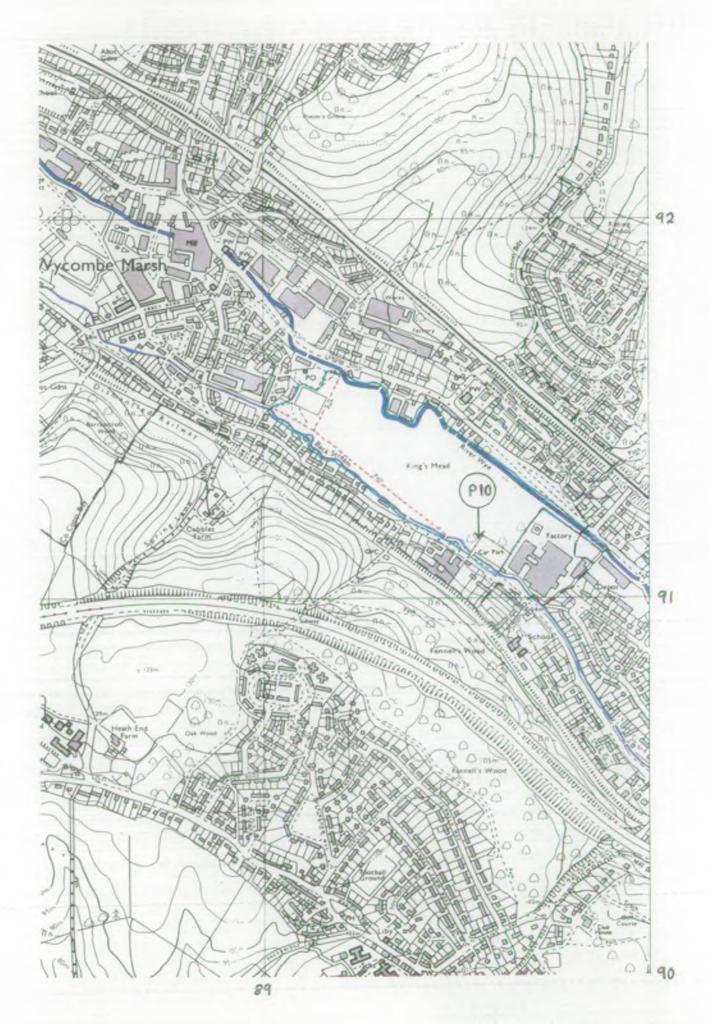












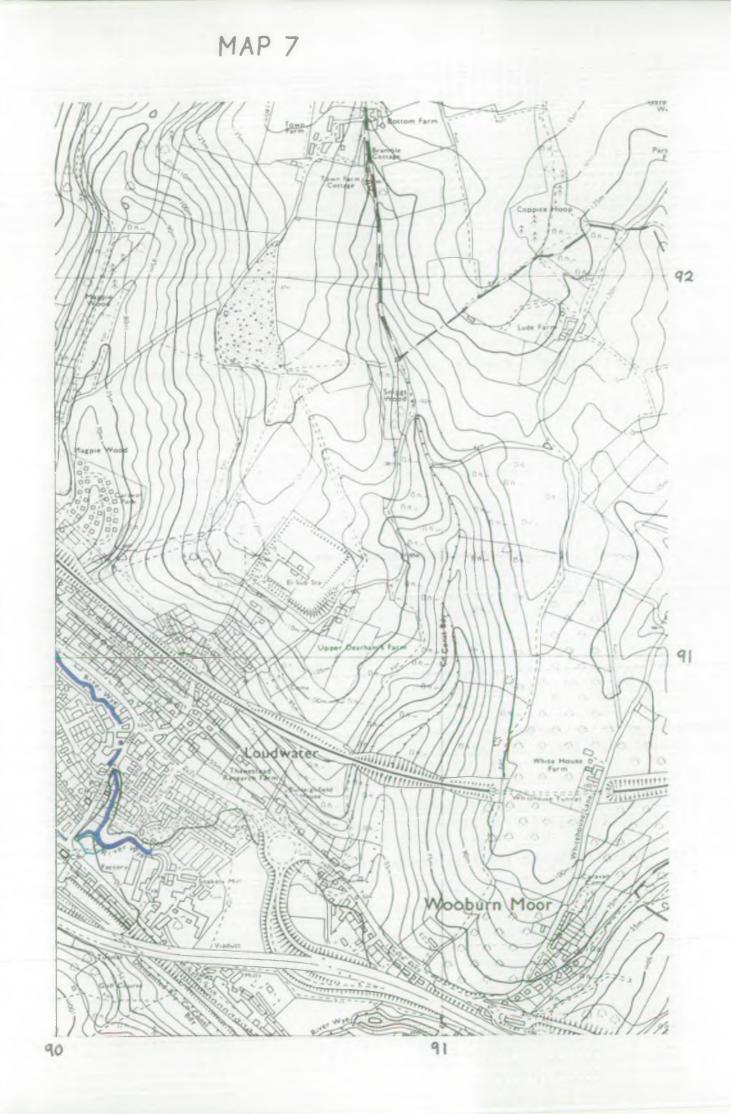


PHOTO 1 - West Wycombe Park and lake. Grid Ref. (8315,9445).



PHOTO 2 - Vegetable matter upstream of bridge on West Wycombe Estate. Grid Ref. (8385,9429).



PHOTO 3 - Small quantity of foam visible from road bridge. Grid Ref. (8429,9399).



PHOTO 4 - Small landscaped park with seating. Grid Ref. (8452,9395).



PHOTO 5 - Refuse in stream adjacent to recreation ground. Grid Ref. (8462,9377).



PHOTO 6 - Rowing boats for hire on The Dyke. Grid Ref. (8688,9259).



PHOTO 7 - View of The Dyke, looking south eastwards. Grid Ref. (8700,9253).



PHOTO 8 - Refuse and litter alongside The Rye. Grid Ref. (8770,9216).



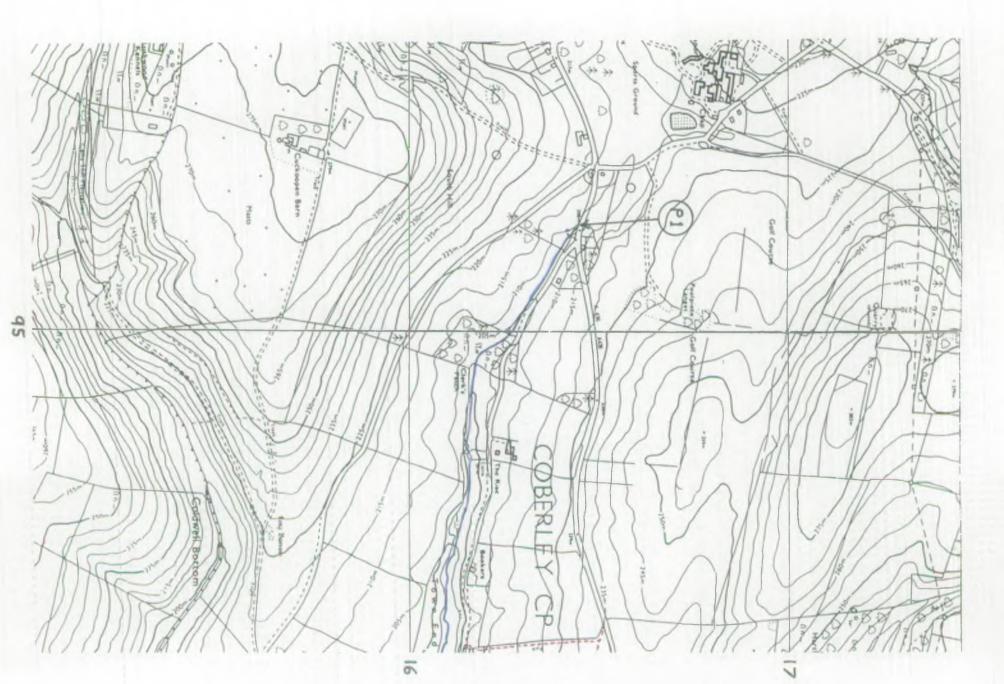
PHOTO 9 - The Rye area of open space, showing The Dyke, looking north westwards. Grid Ref. (8732,9234).

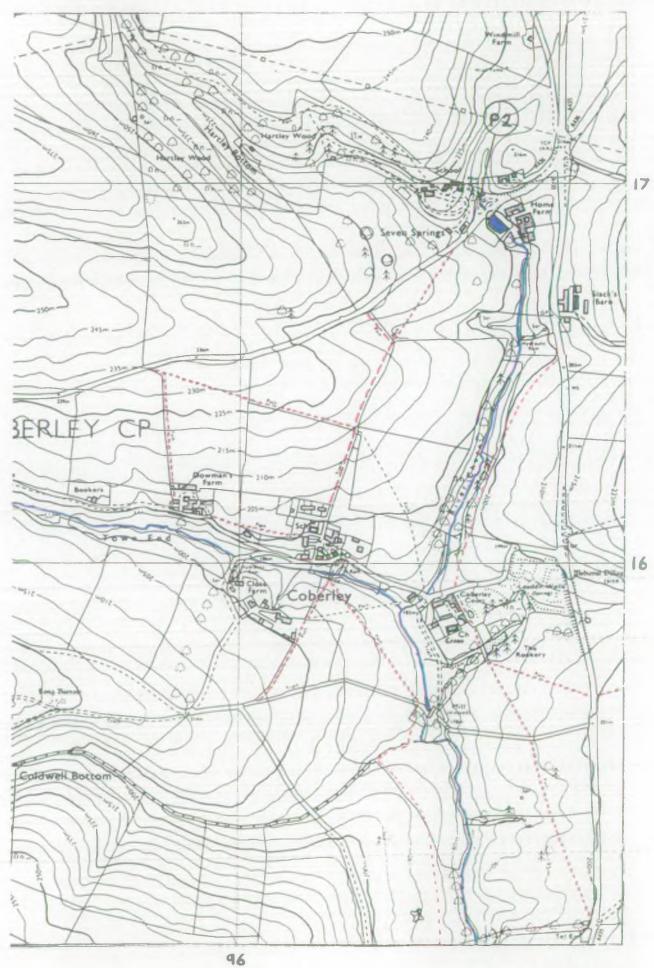


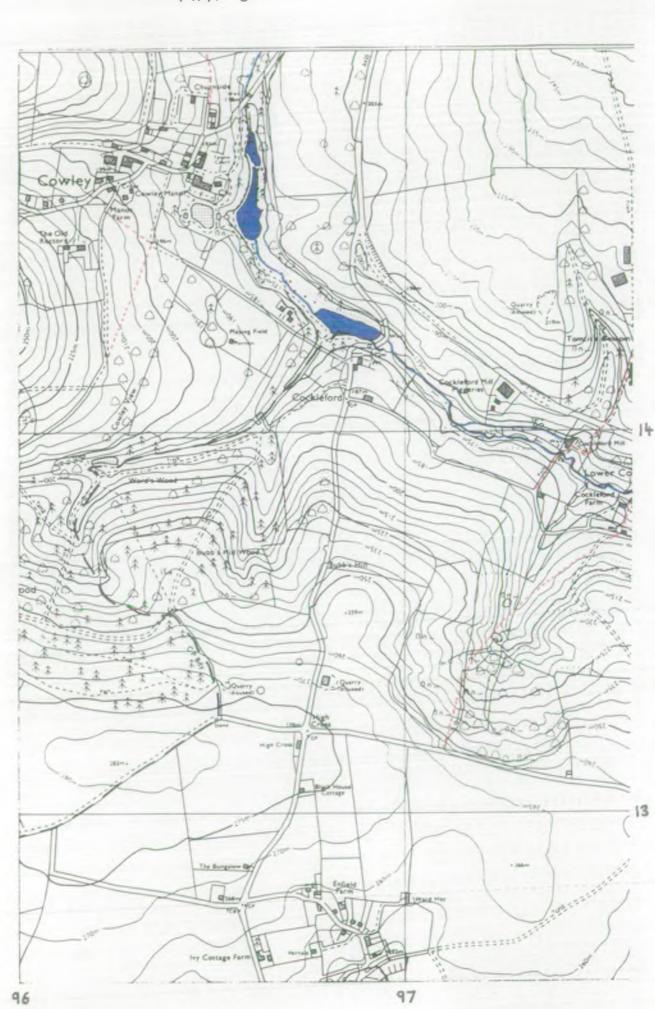
PHOTO 10 - View of Kings Mead. Grid Ref. (8955,9115).

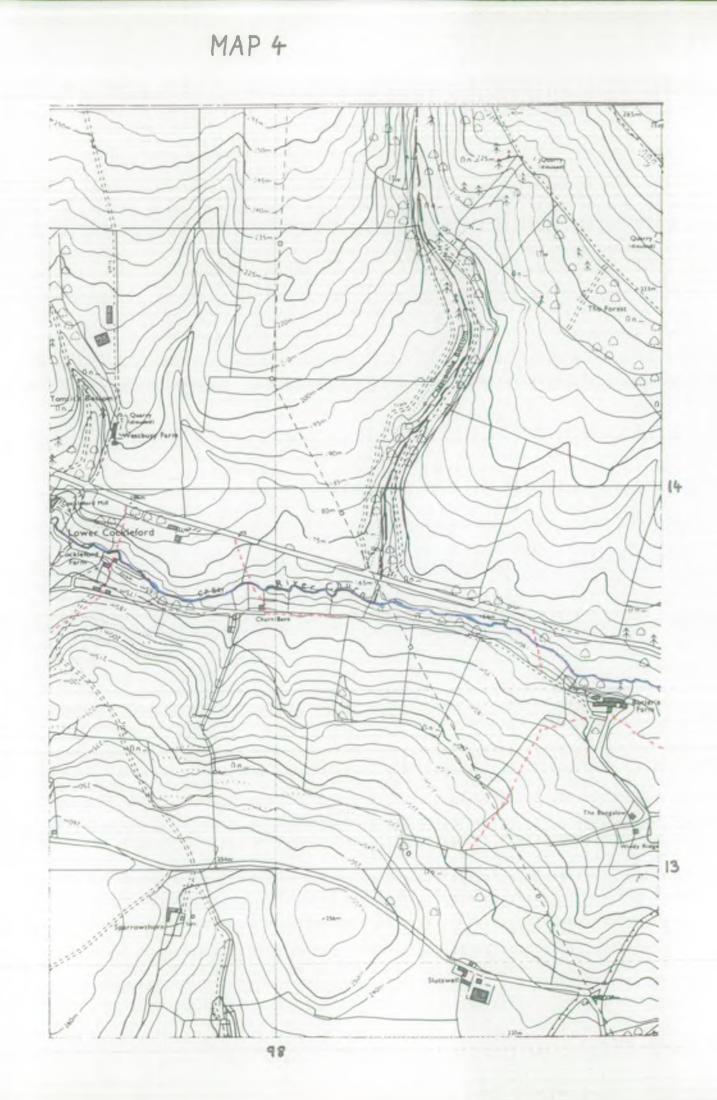


## 2.9 RIVER CHURN

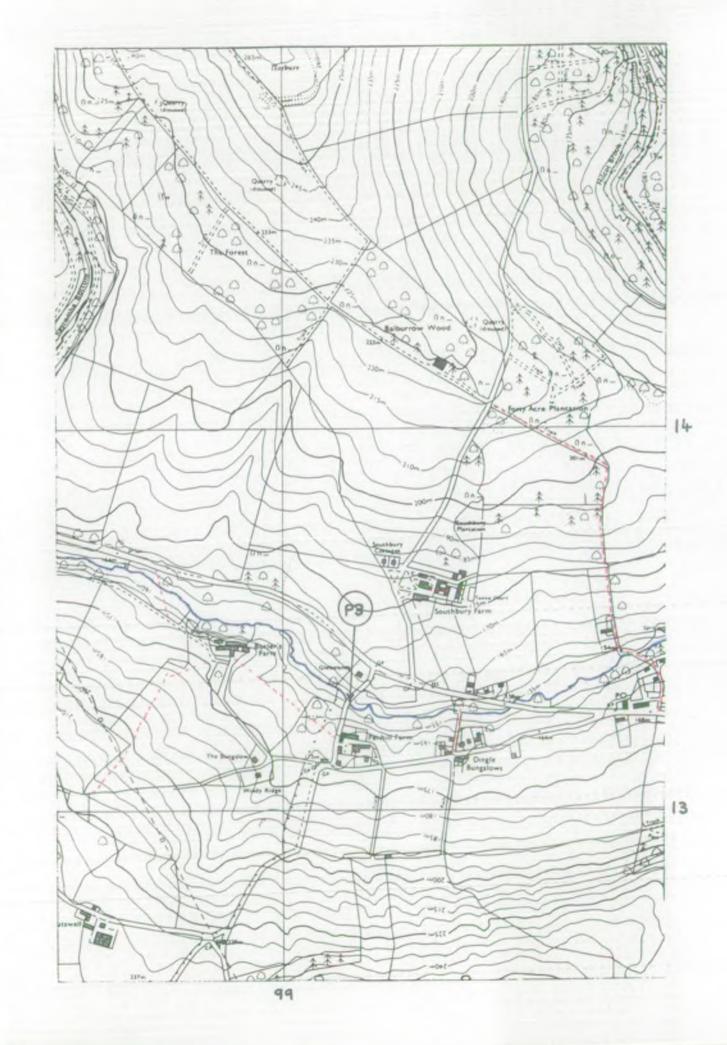


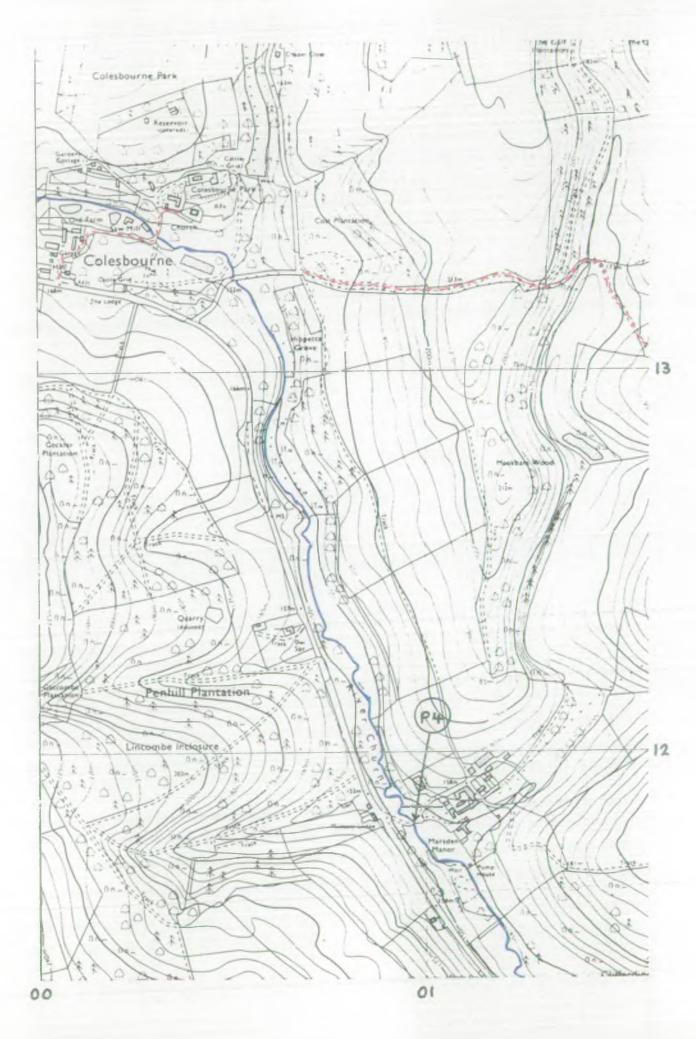


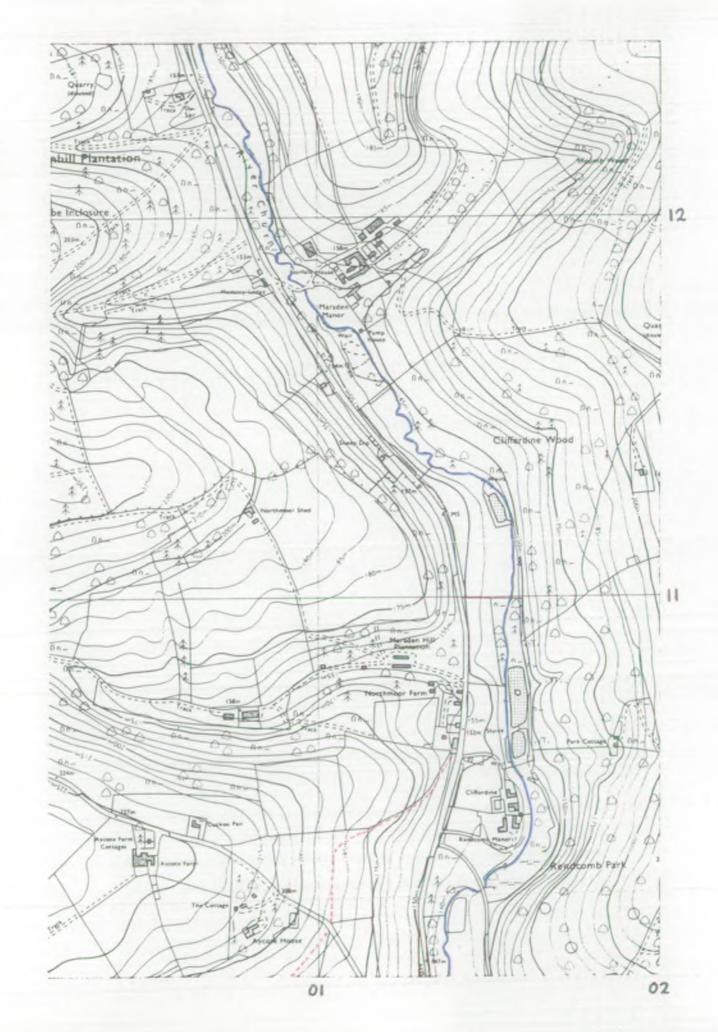




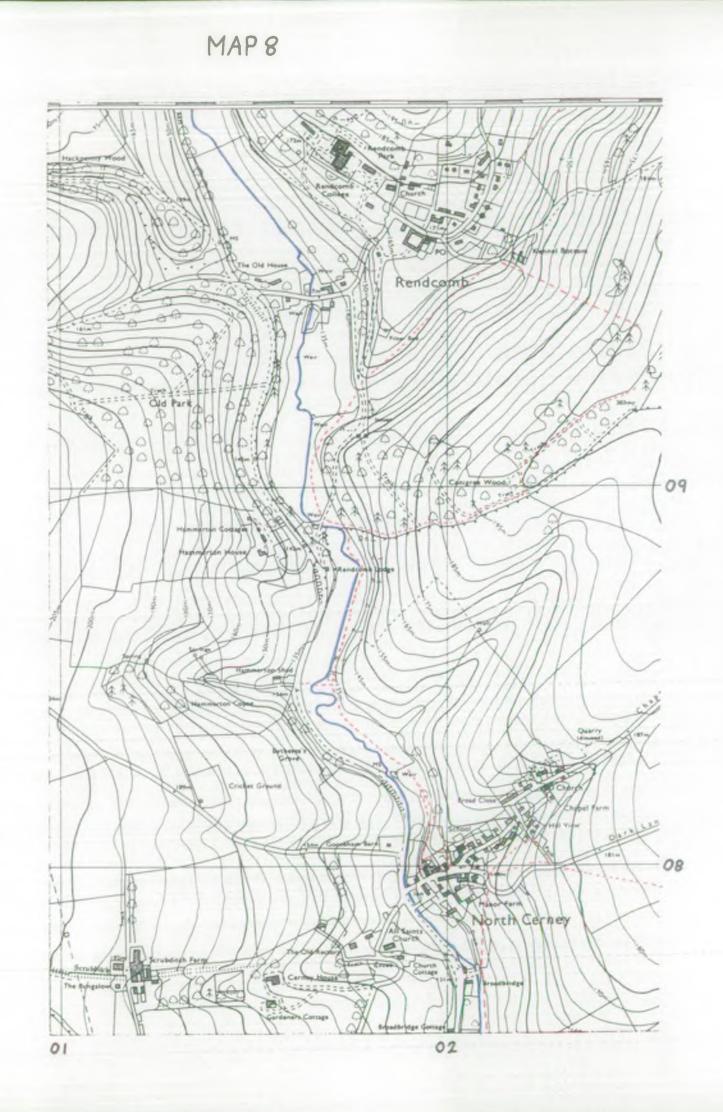
Ē



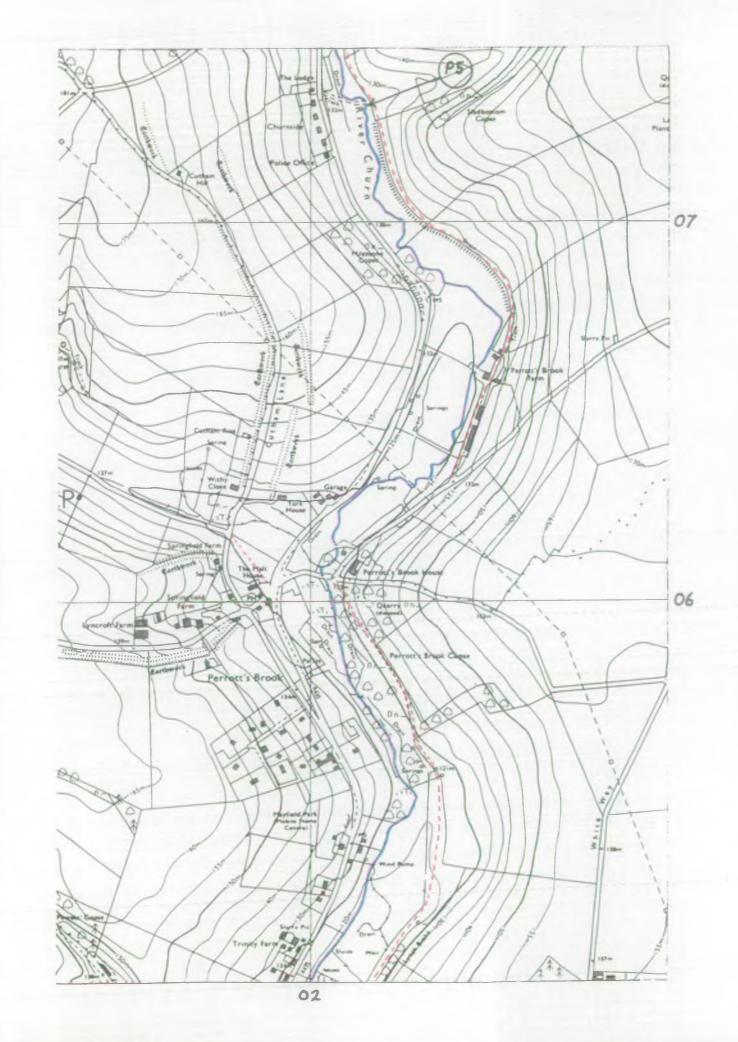


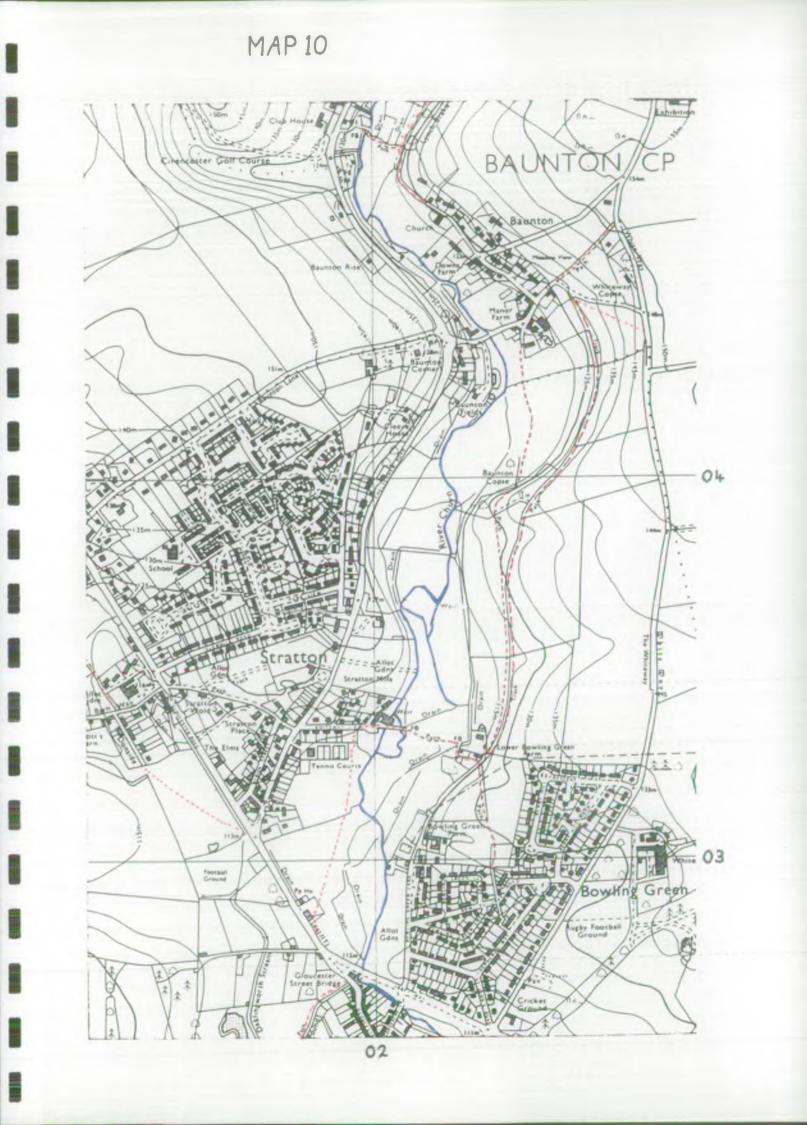


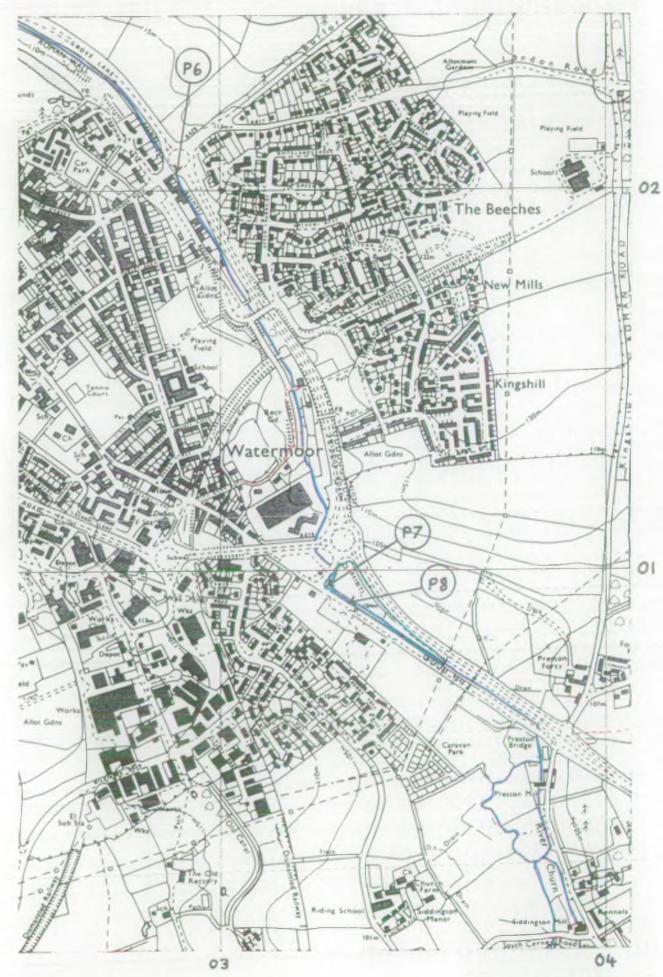


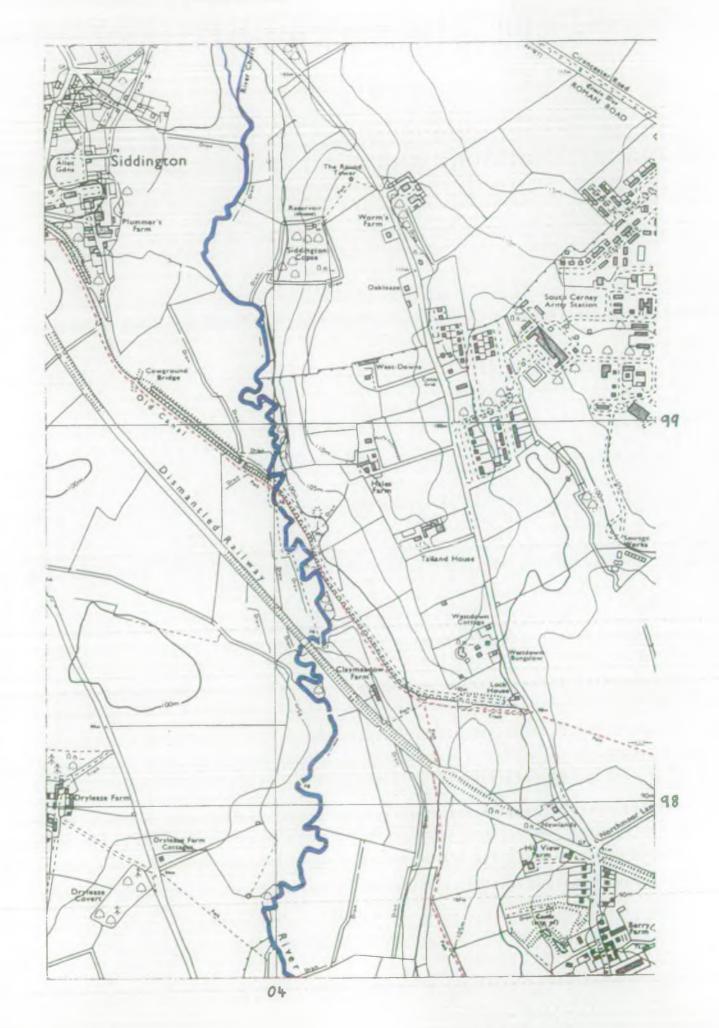


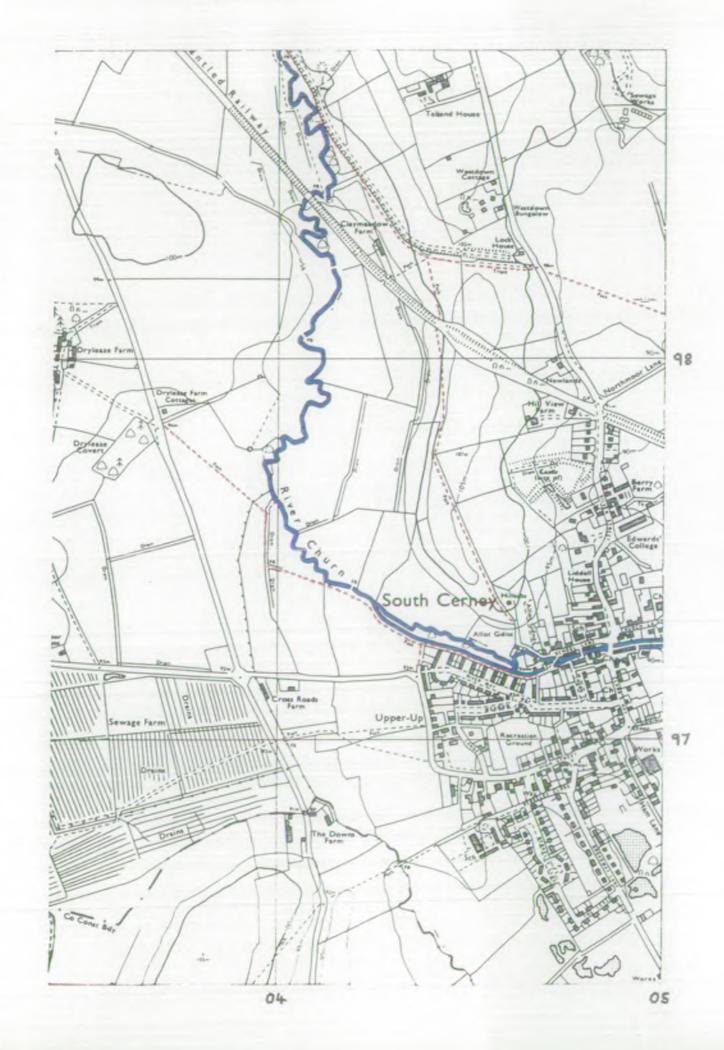


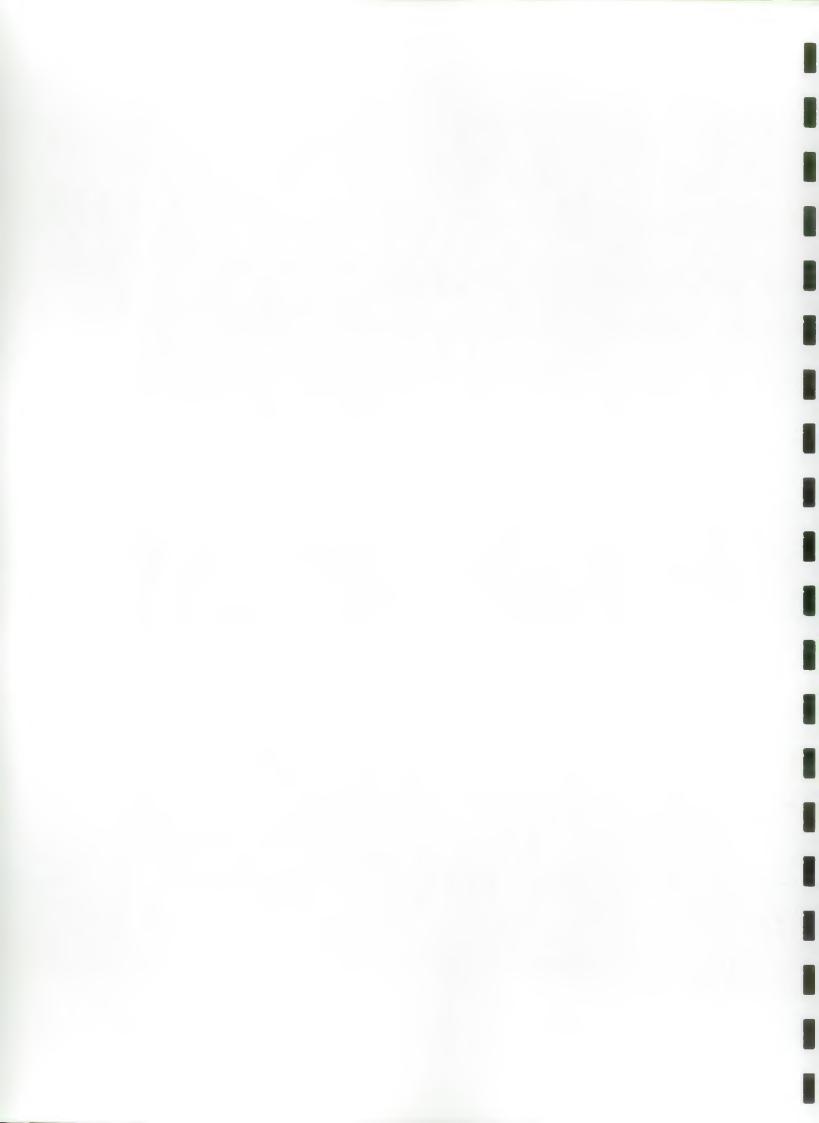


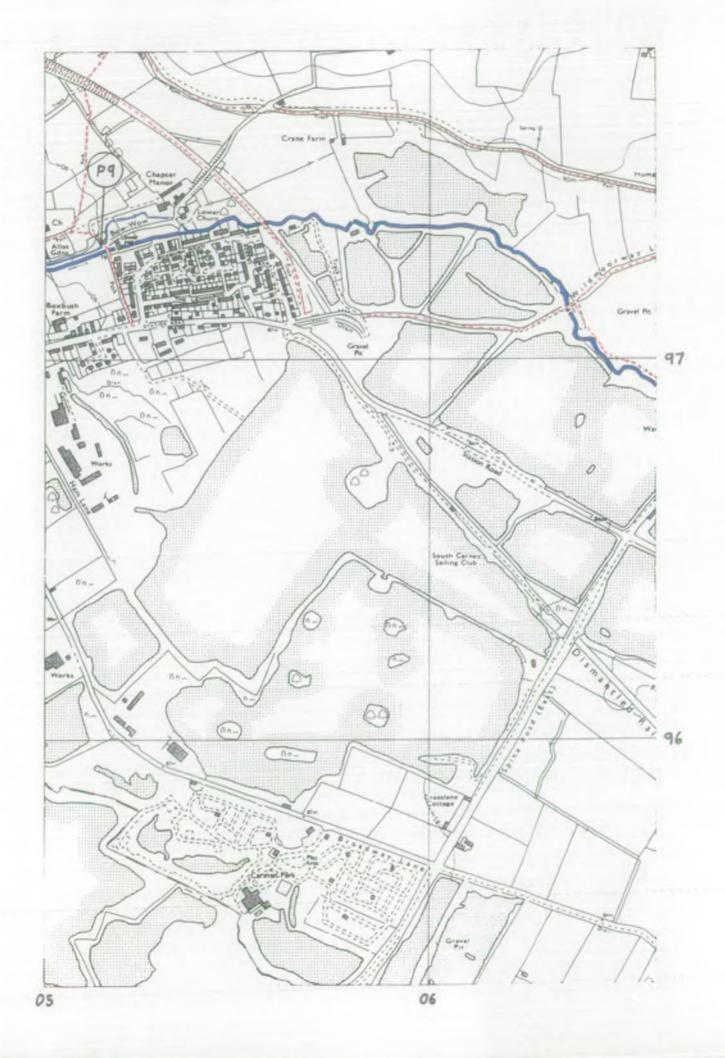


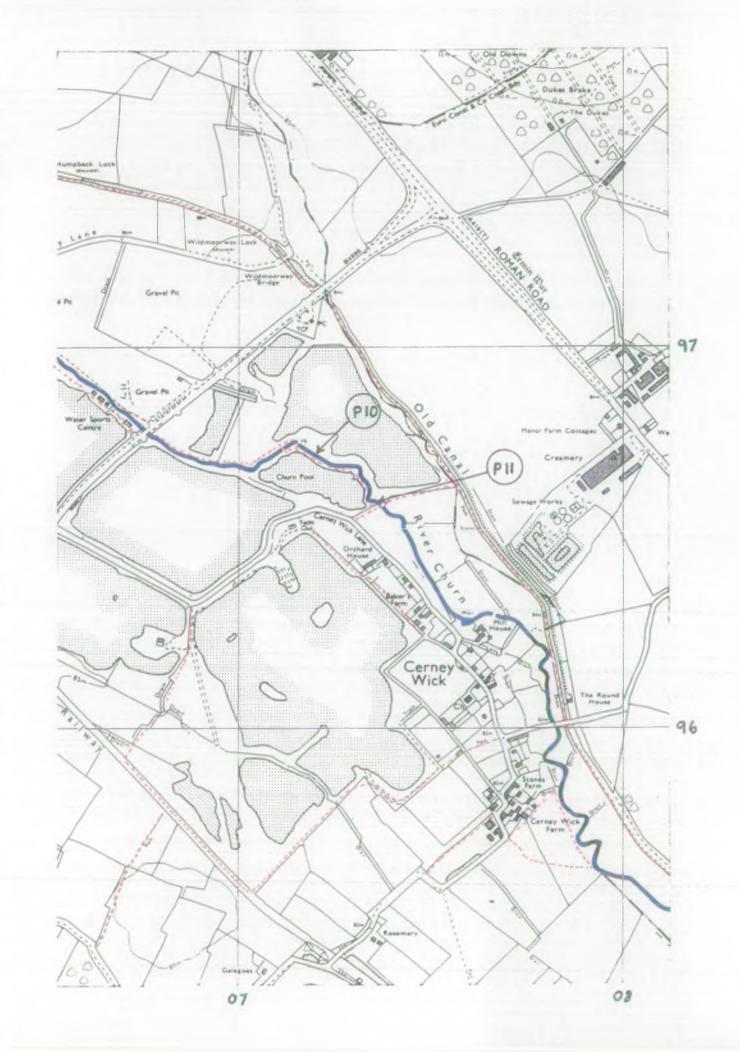


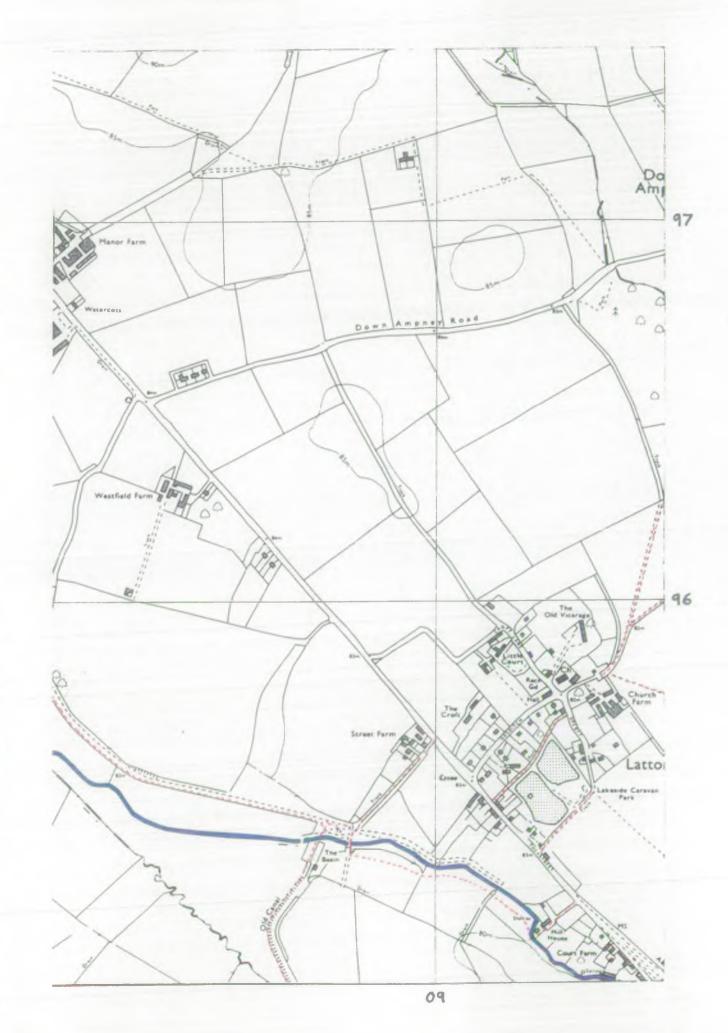


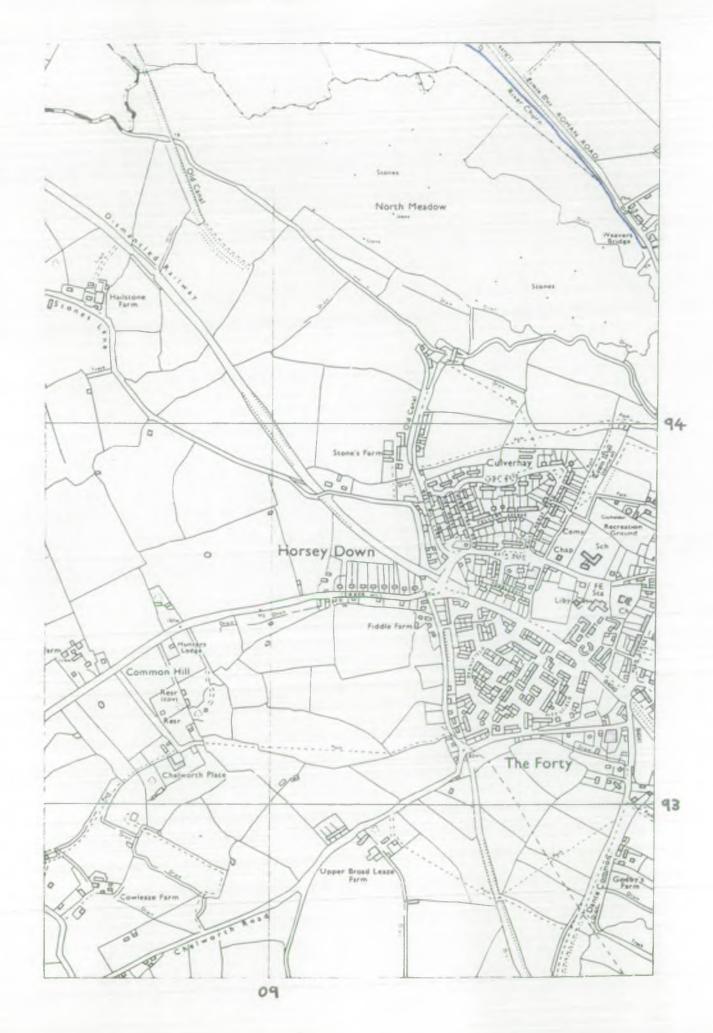














i

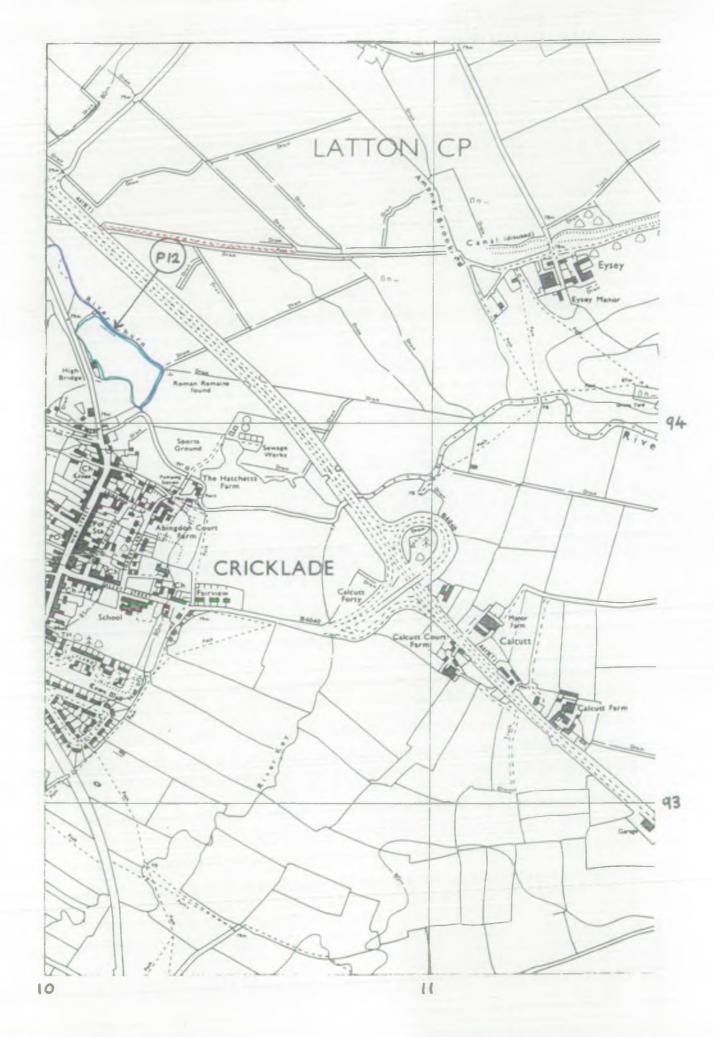


PHOTO 1 - Source of River Churn to west of Coberley. Grid Ref. (9472,1644).



PHOTO 2 - Source of River Churn to north of Coberley. Grid Ref. (9662,1695).

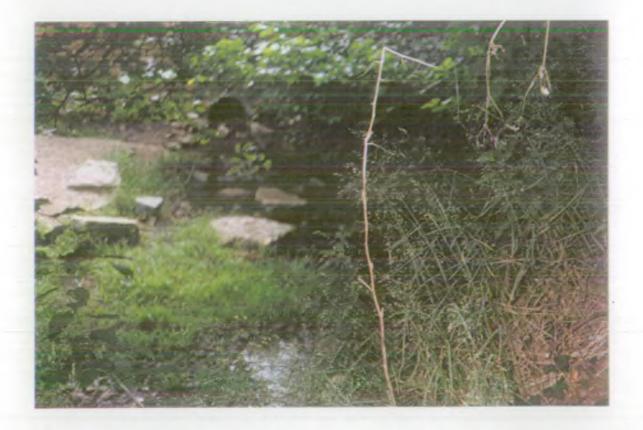


PHOTO 3 - View from road bridge. Grid Ref. (9917,1328).

.



PHOTO 4 - River Churn flowing through the grounds of Marsden Manor. Grid Ref. (0097,1181)



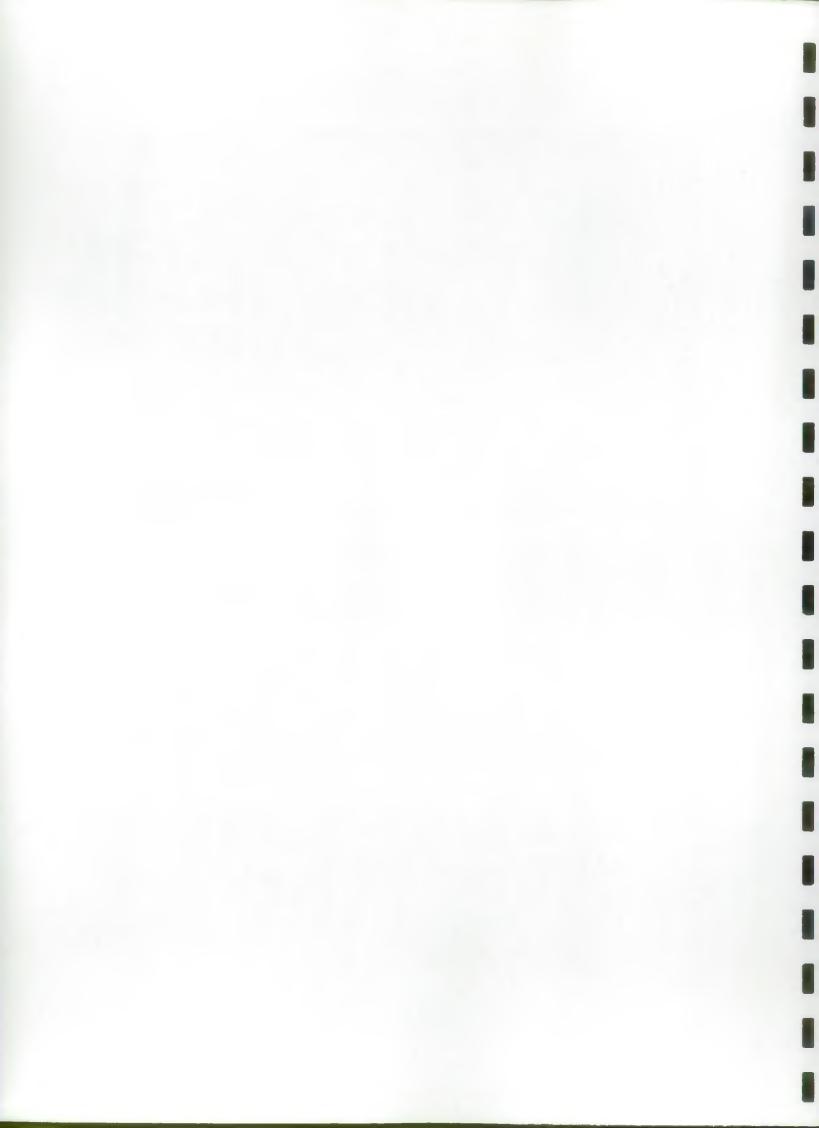


PHOTO 5 - Small quantity of foam. Grid Ref. (0214,0730).



PHOTO 6 - River Churn on the outskirts of Cirencester. Grid Ref. (0289,0204).



PHOTO 7 - River Churn near the road service area and new Tesco. Grid Ref. (0328,0096).



PHOTO 8 - View of public open space. Grid Ref. (0333,0092).



PHOTO 9 - Public Right of Way to the Cotswold Water Park, alongside the River Churn. Grid Ref. (0515,9730).



PHOTO 10 - Tyre in channel. Grid Ref. (0720,9672).



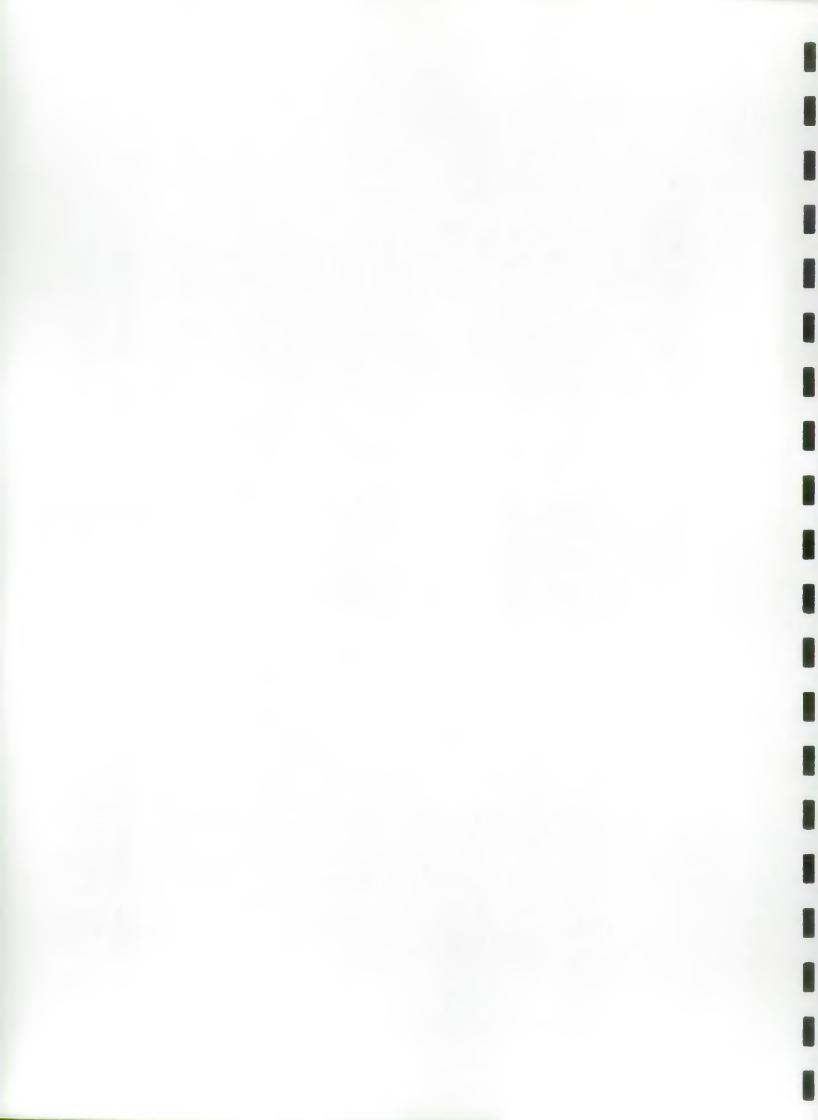
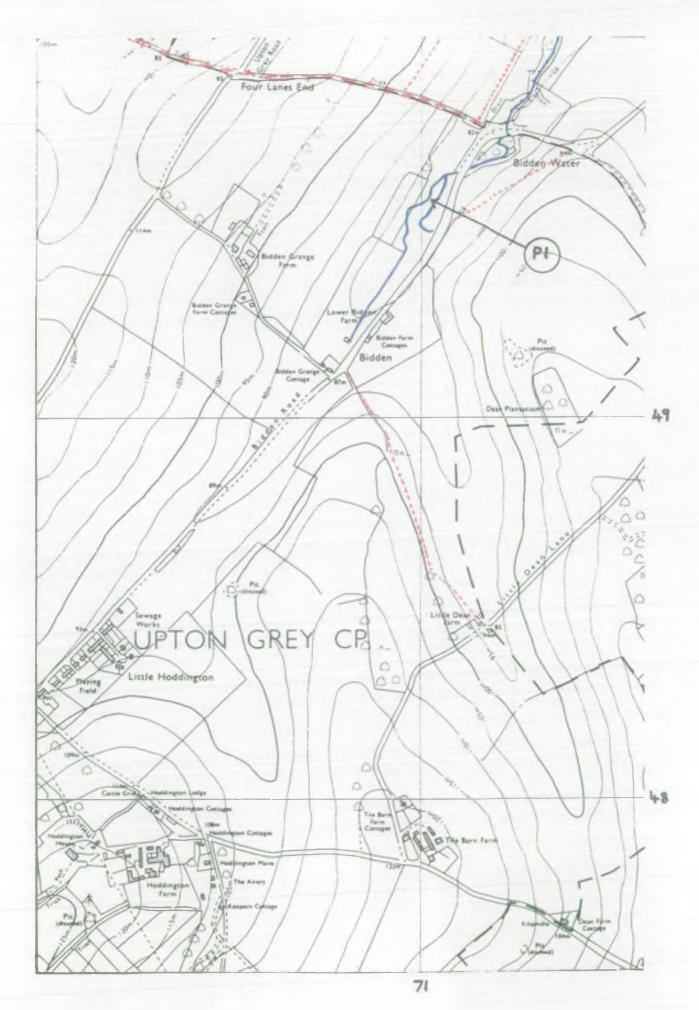


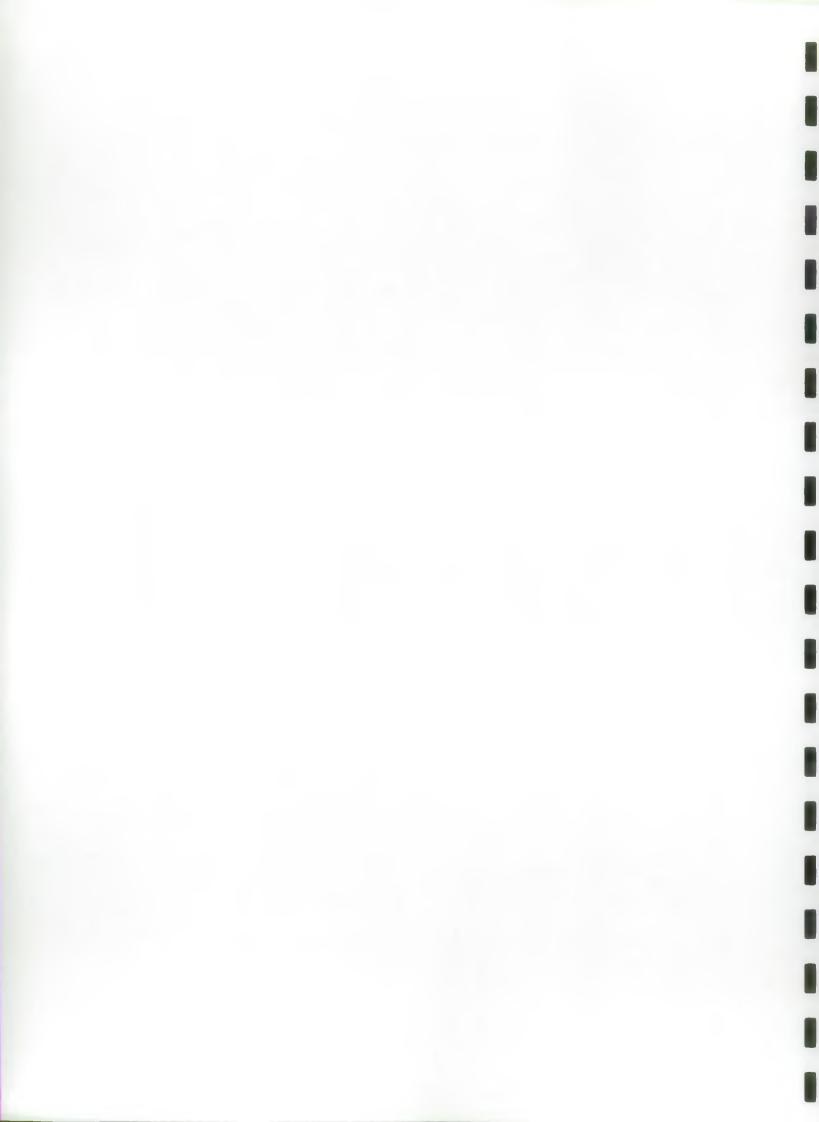


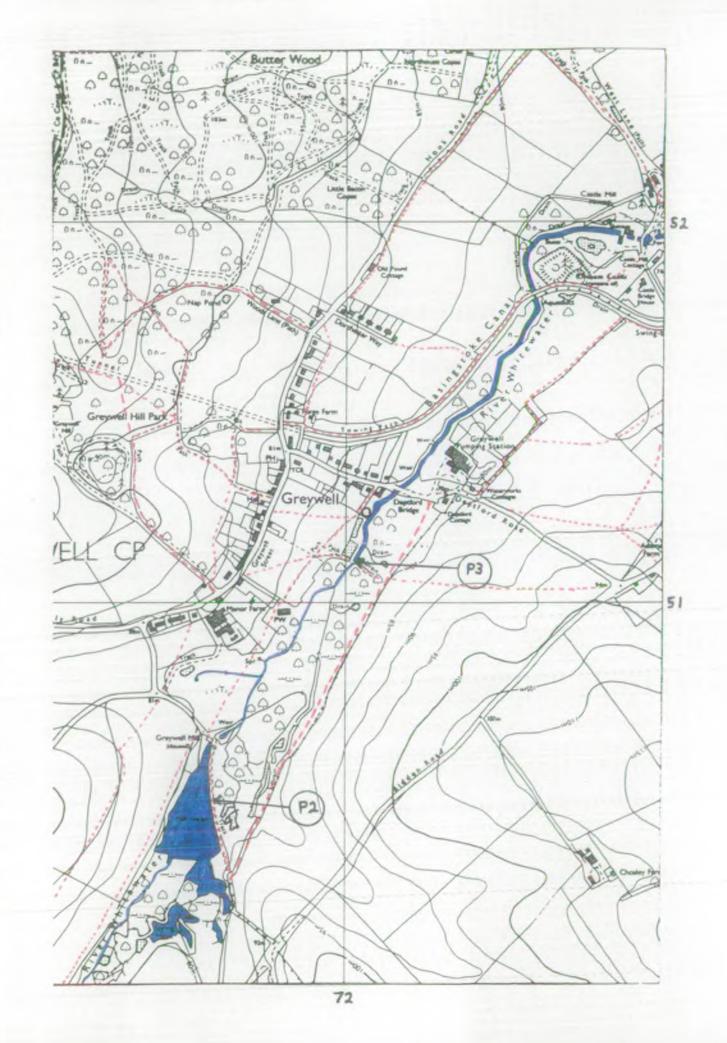
PHOTO 12 - Refrigerator on bank of Churn within Countryside Stewardship area. Grid Ref. (1017,9424).

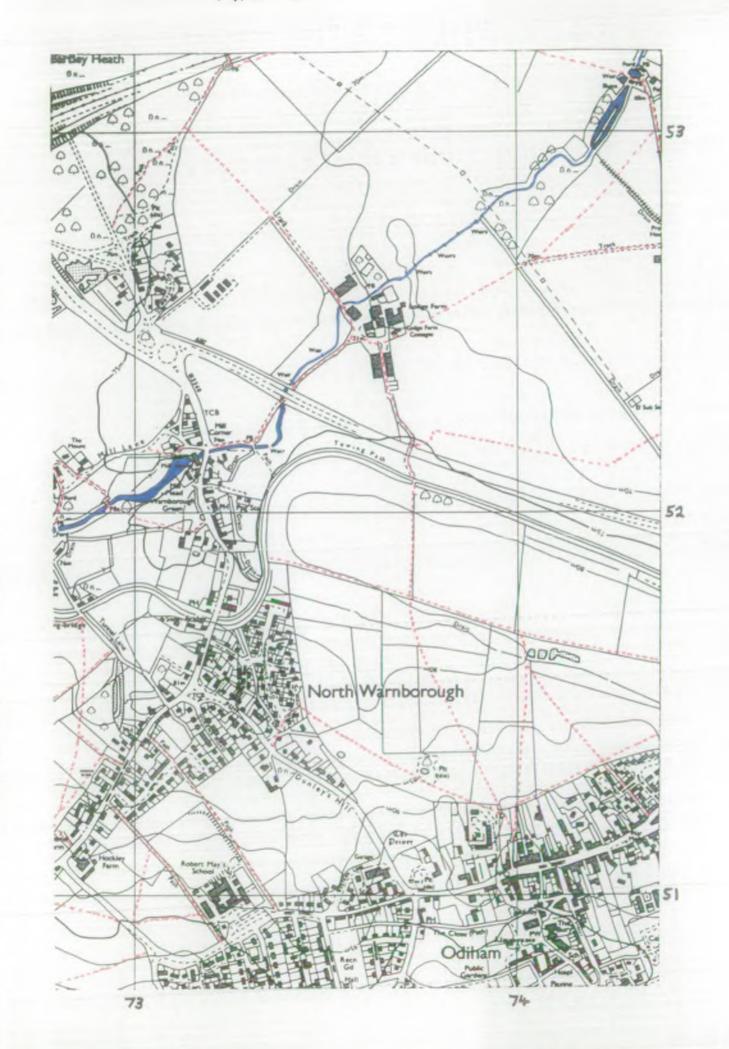


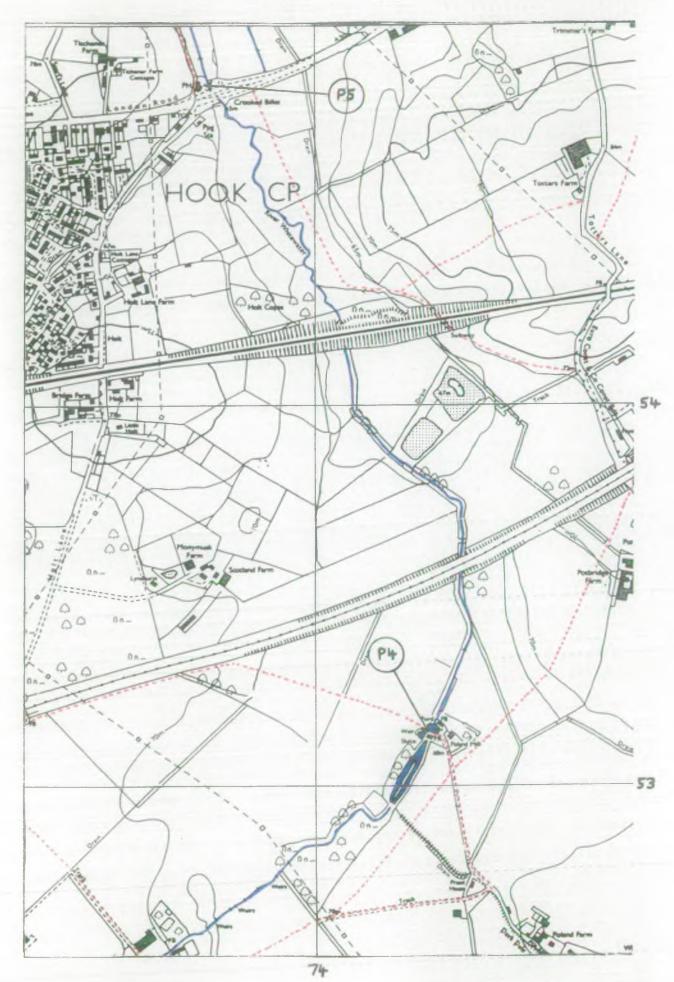
## 2.10 RIVER WHITEWATER

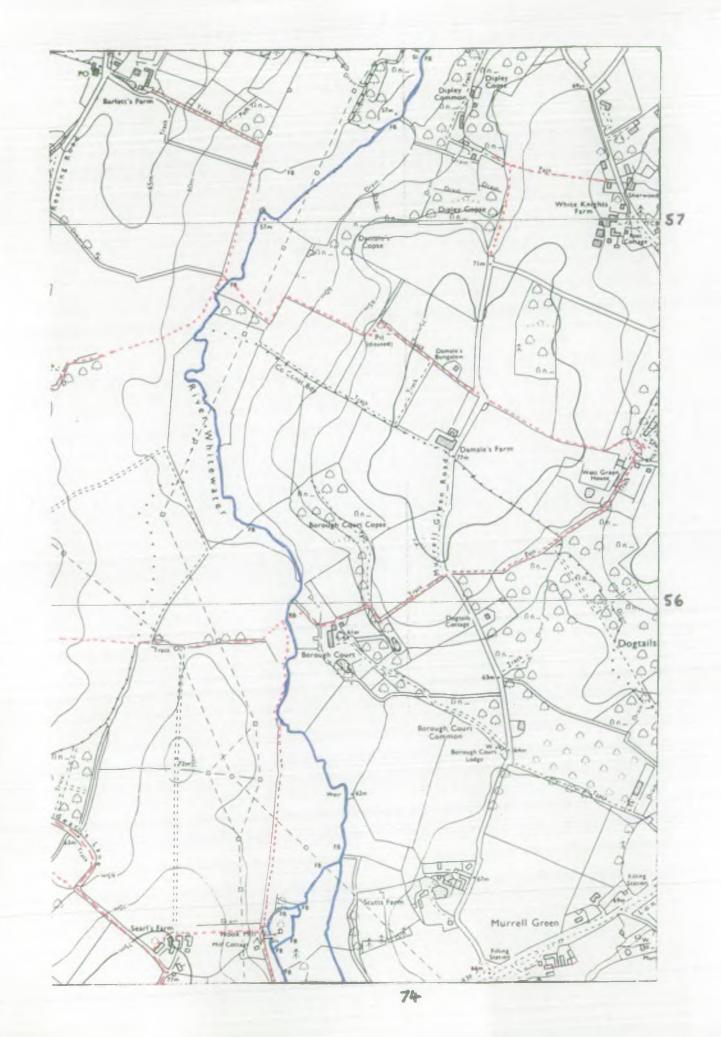


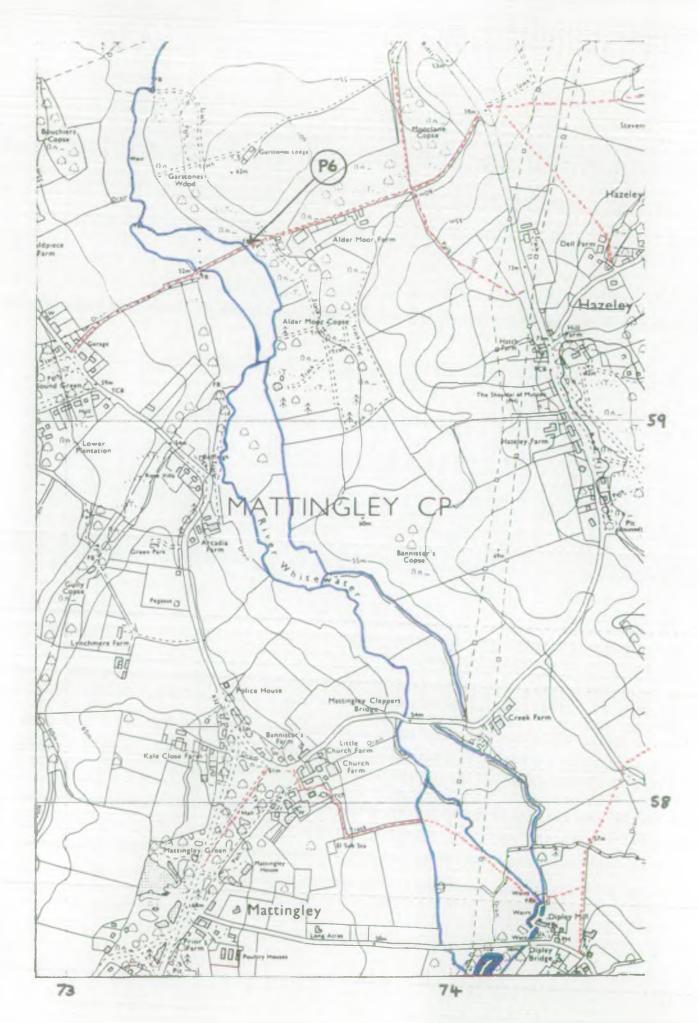


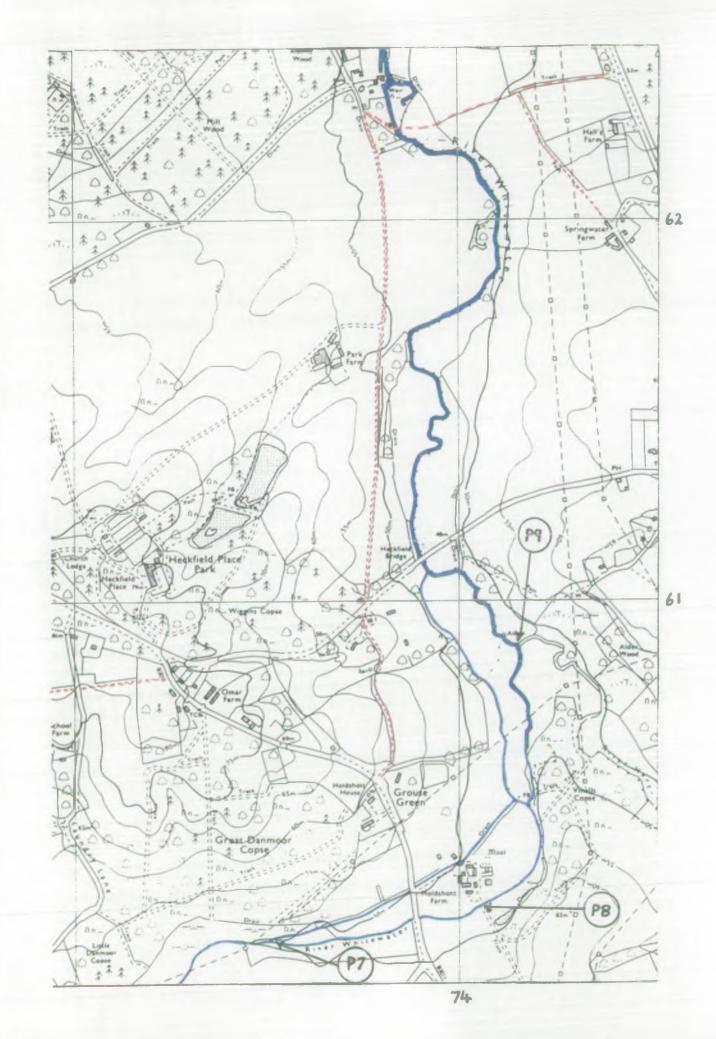












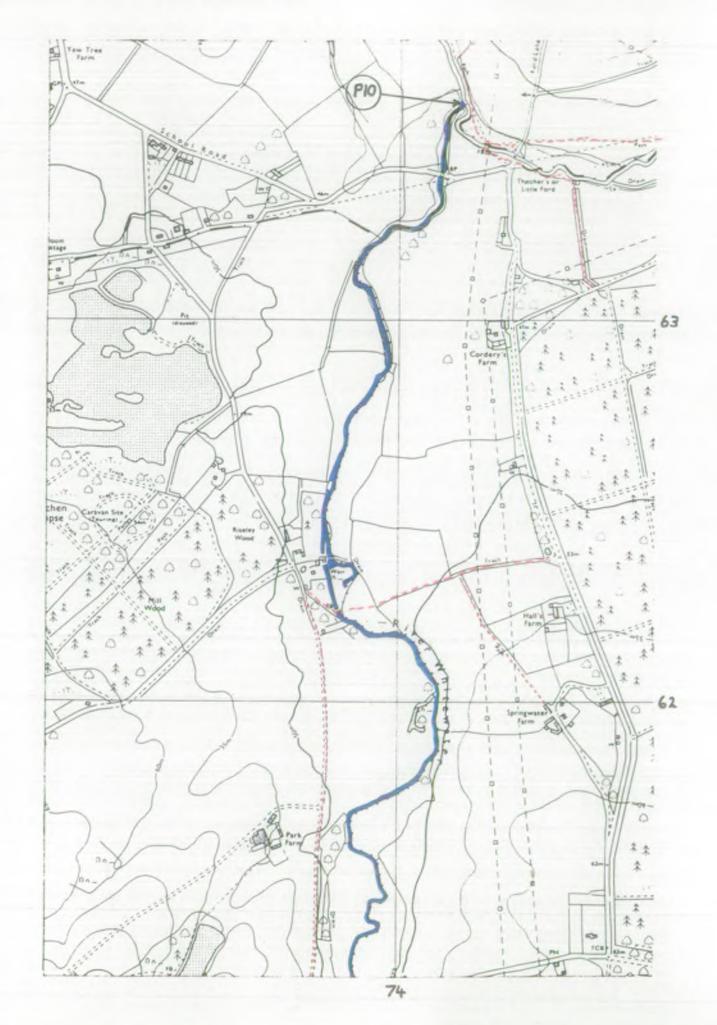


PHOTO 1 - Marshy area near the source of the River Whitewater. Grid Ref. (7102,4957).



PHOTO 2 - View of Greywell Mill Pond and footpath. Grid Ref. (7166,5048).



PHOTO 3 - View of river at Greywell Moors Nature Reserve. Grid Ref. (7202,5110).



PHOTO 4 - Oil at Poland Mill. Grid Ref. (7430,5315).



PHOTO 5 - River adjacent to public house garden. Grid Ref. (7372,5483).



PHOTO 6 - No water in tributary. Grid Ref. (7347,5945).





PHOTO 8 - View of trout angling area. Grid Ref. (7406,6020).



PHOTO 9 - Confluence of River Whitewater and River Hart. Grid Ref. (7415,6089).



PHOTO 10 - Confluence of River Whitewater and River Blackwater. Grid Ref. (7415,6357).

