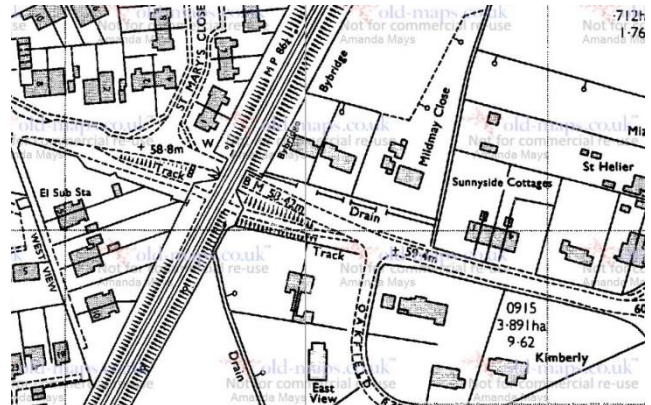


## Further research into history of Pound Hill Bacton in response to Network Rail Note on drainage at Pound Hill.

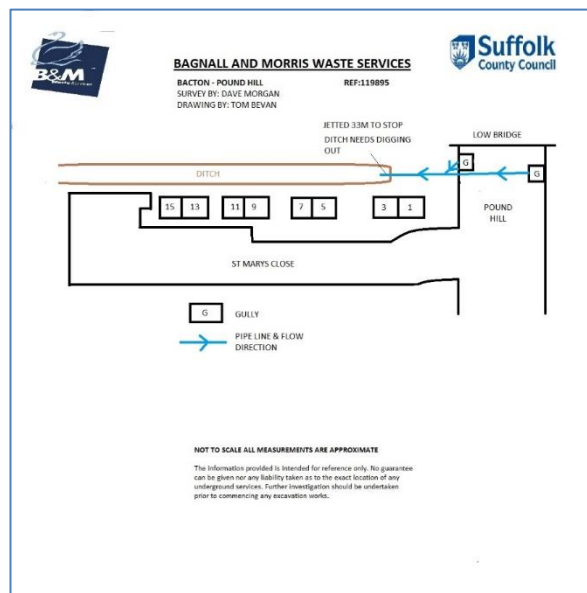
- 1) The Network Rail note suggests that the drainage from under the bridge is into the former open ditch to the east of the railway which now appears to have been culverted.
  - a) Suffolk Highways have found no evidence that the water flows into that ditch. The drainage contractors who have attended on several occasions have confirmed that the pipe from the chamber located on the west side of the rail way runs northwards from there along the toe of the embankment.

- b) This now culverted ditch is an ordinary watercourse, and on the boundary of the highway and the private properties so would be the responsibility of the land owners to maintain. The 1981 OS 1:2500 map to the left shows this open drain up to the rail embankment.



- 2) Network rail also mention the well which is within the Network Rail Boundary. Suffolk Highways do not consider this well to be connected to the drainage system or related to the flooding in anyway. Although as the pump head is still in place it is quite a good point of reference in photos and drawings.
- 3) During the further investigations, we found a report from a later visit to Pound Hill by Bagnall and Morris site visit 23/11/2015 (LA 119895) which illustrates what we know about the system better than the sketch initially submitted.

At that visit they jetted along a pipe running along the western toe of the rail embankment for 33m. They show that this runs into a ditch which they noted as in need digging out. It is likely that in the last 2 years since this visit the ditch has silted further, and water flow may be compromised even more than it was in 2015.



- 4) From the Boundary drawing supplied by Network Rail, the concrete chamber in the verge appears to be located within NR land.

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