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APPLIED GEOLOGICAL MAPPING SOUTHAMPTON AREA



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Cover photograph

We see Southampton city centre from the air, looking northwards over the Royal Pier and Mayflower Park (where a Boat show is taking place) in the foreground. The low-lying area in the left centre, occupied mainly by industrial buildings, is formed of reclaimed land over Estuarine Alluvium deposits. Most of the rest of the city is built on River Terrace Deposits overlying formations of the Bracklesham Group.

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SOUTHAMPTON AREA**

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SU32, SU40, SU41, SU42, SU50, SU51 and SU52

VOLUME 3: MAPS OF DRIFT GEOLOGY

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**MAPS OF
DRIFT GEOLOGY
(B1-B6)**

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Notes to the user

There is considerable variation in the quality and reliability of the source data used to compile this report and the accompanying set of applied geology maps, as well as a great disparity in the density of site investigation data within the study area. Therefore, the accuracy and reliability of the interpreted information reflects that of the source data. However, emphasis has been placed throughout on the most reliable data, particularly those derived from authoritative sources such as geotechnical engineers and geologists.

Thus the report and maps are to be regarded as the *best interpretation of the information available at the time of compilation. They should be used for preliminary studies only and are not intended as a substitute for on-site investigations or detailed local searches.* The responsibility for assuring that geological, geotechnical and mineral and water resource data for any given site are as indicated in the maps and in the figures and text of this report must remain solely that of the user.

The possible occurrence of undetected anomalous site conditions should always be anticipated. The indicated occurrences of mineral deposits do not necessarily imply an economic resource. The possible presence of unmapped variable thicknesses of superficial deposits and Made Ground, particularly within the urban area of Southampton, should also be taken into account in any planning procedures.

There is no substitute for the knowledge provided by a detailed site investigation that takes into consideration the extent, nature and location of a proposed development. Therefore the report and maps are intended a) to give guidance on when to seek specialist advice and b) to aid developers in formulating effective investigations.

No information made available after the end of 1986 has been taken into account in this report.

All National Grid references in the report lie within the 100km square SU. Grid references are given to either eight figures (accurate to within 10m), or six figures for more extensive locations.

Data used in preparing this report and associated maps is lodged at the Exeter office of the British Geological Survey. Any enquiries concerning these documents should be directed to that office. Enquiries concerning the computer techniques or methodology should be directed to the Edinburgh or Keyworth office of the Survey. Enquiries about purchase of the report or maps should be

directed to the National Geosciences Data Centre, British Geological Survey, Keyworth, Nottingham NG12 5GG.

DESCRIPTION OF THE APPLIED GEOLOGY MAPS

Drift geology (Maps B1-B6)

This set of maps consist of six sheets at the 1:25 000 scale showing the distribution of the drift deposits (Quaternary and Recent) and Made Ground that overlie the solid formations of the study area.

The maps are derived directly from 1:10 000 scale geological maps produced during the most recent (1973-80) survey of the area, by digitising the drift lines and transferring them, with the appropriate scale-change, onto 1:25 000 base maps.

Description of the drift deposits shown on the map are given in the Appendix.

DRIFT GEOLOGY

EXPLANATION

	Unworked ground
	Made ground
	Landslip
	Head gravel
	Alluvium
	Terrace deposits 1 to 2, as numbered
	Terrace deposits undifferentiated
	Older river gravels levels 1 to 2 as numbered
	Drift absent or below water

Based on geological survey at 1:10 000 scale by
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THEMATIC GEOLOGY MAP
SOUTHAMPTON
(SU 41/51)

DRIFT GEOLOGY

EXPLANATION

	Vored ground
	Bide ground
	Head
	Head gravel
	Alluvium
	Estuarine alluvium
	Caeaceous tufa
	Clay and loam associated with terrace deposits
	Terrace deposits 1 to 11, as numbered
	Terrace deposits undifferentiated
	Drift absent or below water

Based on geological survey at 1:10 580 scale by C. Reid and
J. Whitaker from 1899 to 1908. Re-surveyed at 1:10 000 scale by
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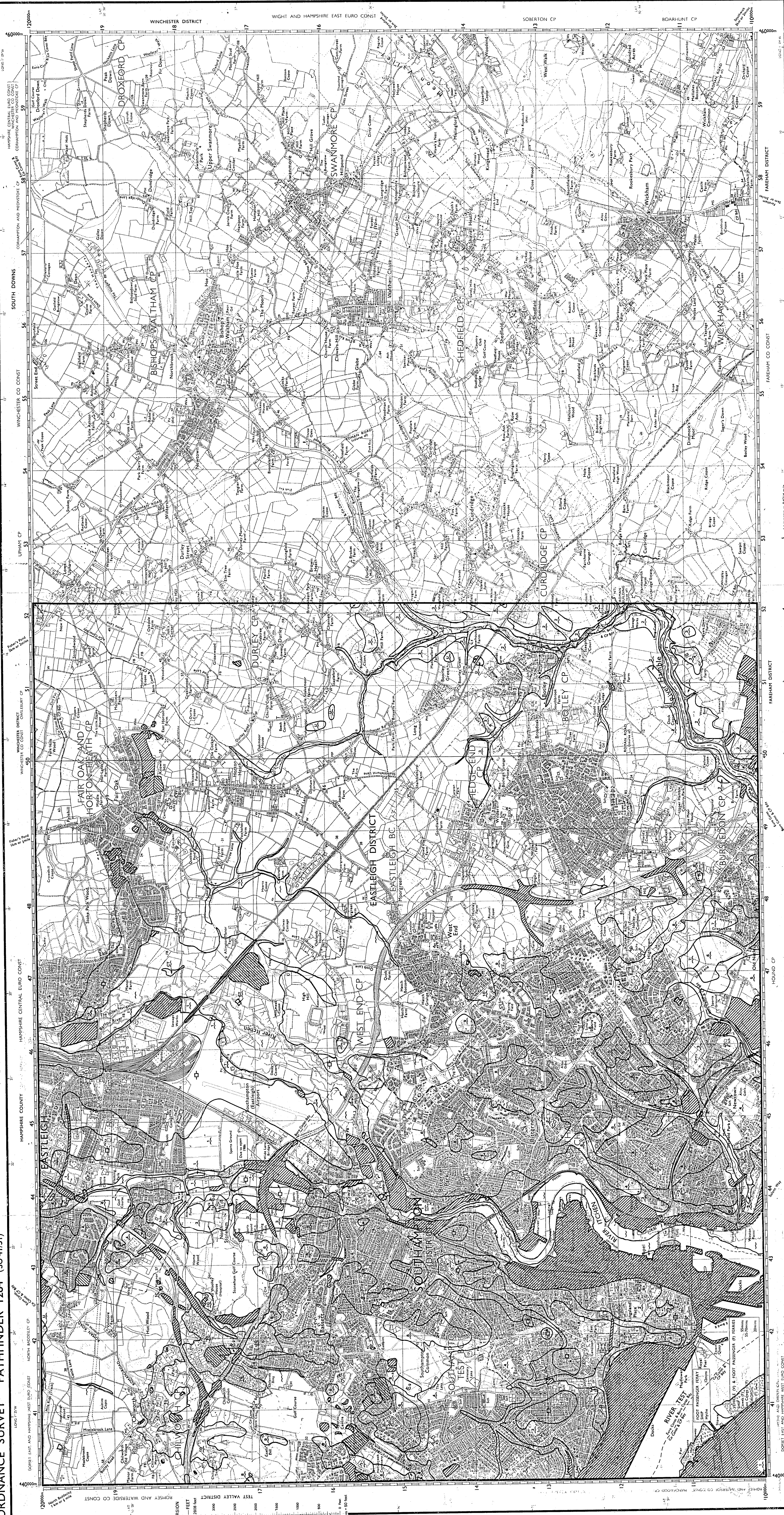
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SOUTHAMPTON

PATHFINDER 1284 (SU 41/51)

PATHFINDER 1284



Scale 1:25 000

PATHFINDER 1284 (SU 41/51)

THEMATIC GEOLOGY MAP
SOUTHAMPTON
(SU 21/31)

DRIFT GEOLOGY

EXPLANATION

	Volled ground
	Made ground
	Mixed gravel
	Peak
	Alluvium
	Estuarine alluvium
	Clay and loam associated with terrace deposits
	Terrace deposits 1 to 10, as numbered
	Terrace deposits undifferentiated
	Older river gravel beds 1 to 5, as numbered
	Drift absent or below water

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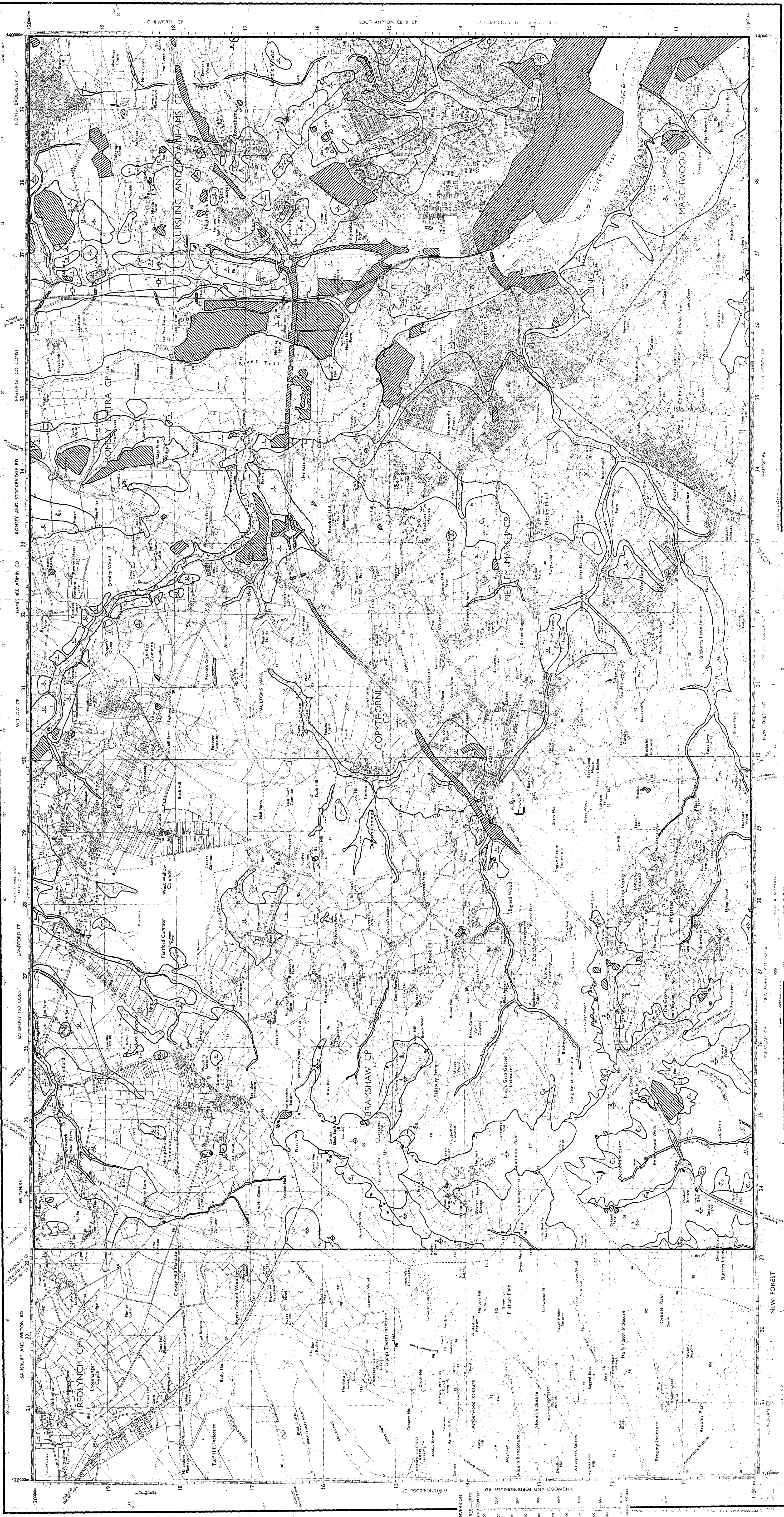
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THE MATRIC GEOLOGY MAP
SOUTHAMPTON
(SU 42/52)
DRIFT GEOLOGY

EXPLANATION

	Worked ground
	Made ground
	Head
	Alluvium
	Calcareous tufa
	Clay and loam associated with terrace deposits
	Terrace deposits 1 to 4, as numbered
	Terrace deposits undifferentiated
	Clay with flints
	Drift absent or below water

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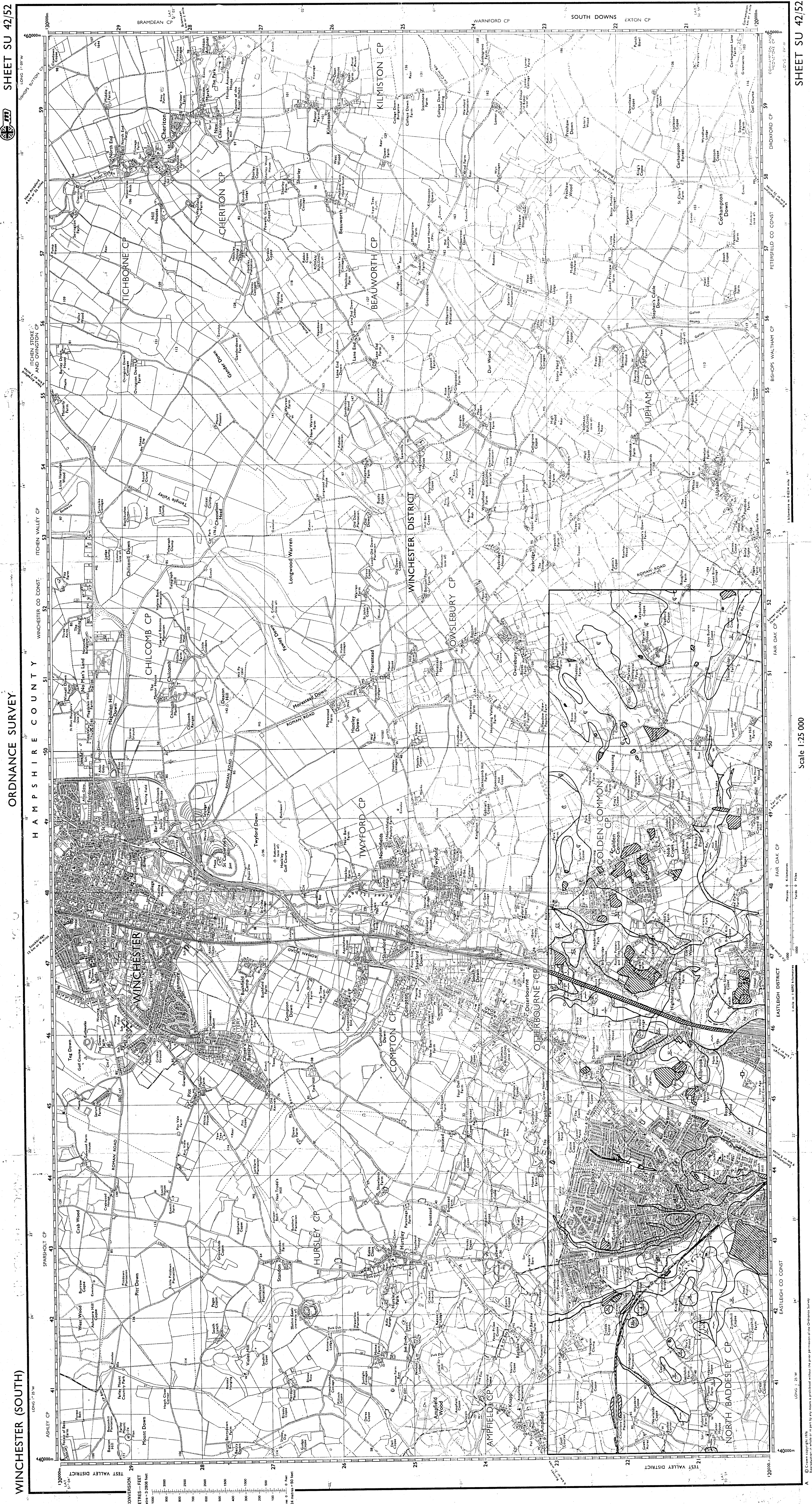
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






ORDNANCE SURVEY

WINCHESTER (SOUTH)

Scale 1:25 000

SHEET SU 42/52

EXPLANATION

									
Worked ground	Made ground	Landslip	Head gravel	Alluvium	Clay and loam at base	Terrace deposits	Terrace deposits	Terrace deposits	Drift absent or thin

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