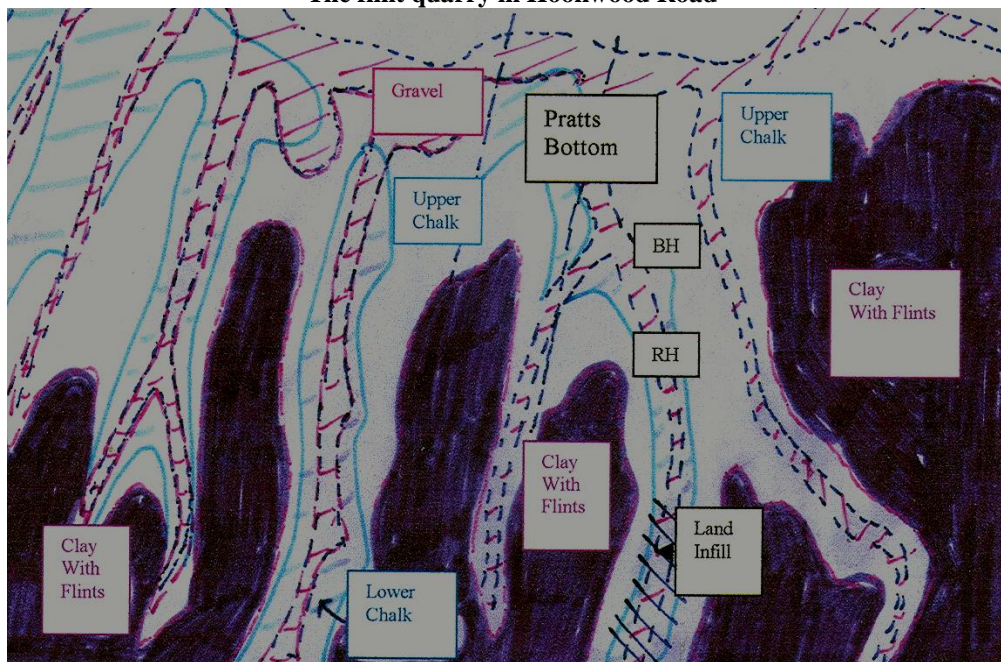


A GEOLOGICAL RECORD OF PRATTS BOTTOM
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The flint quarry in Hookwood Road



**Key: Solid brown=clay with flints; red striped= gravel; striped green=Lower Chalk;
Plain=Upper Chalk; RH=Rushmore Hill; BH="The Bull's Head"**



A view from the old gravel quarry at the bottom of Rushmore Hill-Ethel House can be seen on the high ground.

EXAMPLES OF FLINT WALLS IN PRATTS BOTTOM



(1) A section of the flint wall in the cellar of Pear Tree Cottage (2) A section of the external flint walls of Pear Tree Cottage.



The Bull's Head



The knapped flint walls of the Bull's Head



The flint walls of Mount Pleasant Cottages, Rushmore Hill



Chapel Cottages

The cottages were next to the Bull's Head and opposite the village green; they housed six families in rather difficult living conditions and were later demolished.

CHALK

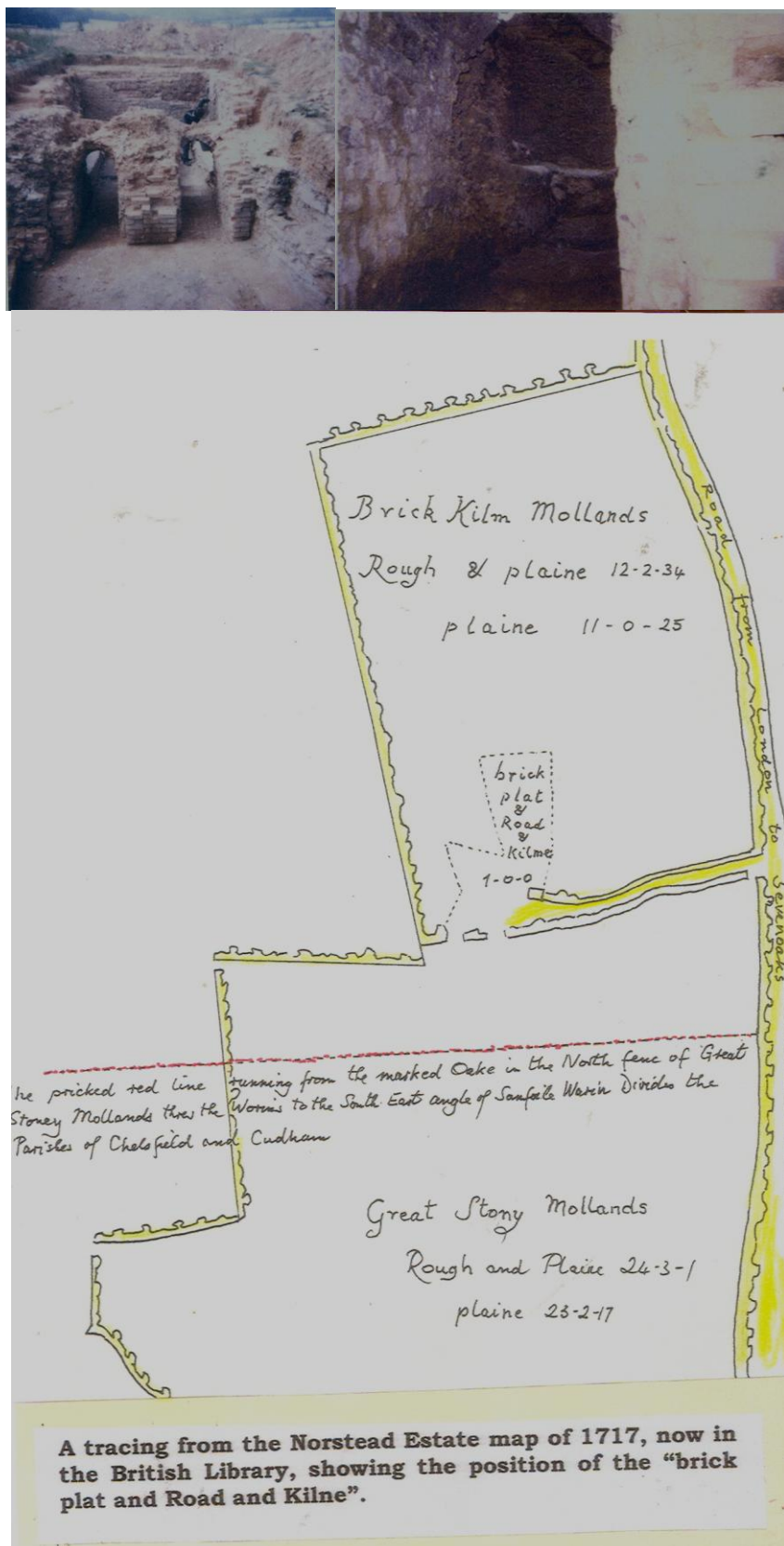


The chalk quarry was excavated and developed to create Foxwood Grove, Pratts Bottom. The various stages of development were documented by keen photographer, Gwen Coppin.



FOXWOOD GROVE, PRATTS BOTTOM

THE BRICK KILNS IN PRATTS BOTTOM



This map, by kind permission of Geoffrey Copus, shows the position of the brick kilns close to the London to Sevenoaks Road (the A21). The kilns were excavated by a local archaeological group then filled in.



(1) The brick kilns unearthed after excavation
(2) A local archaeological group excavated of the brick kilns in Pratts Bottom

THE PRATTS BOTTOM WOOLLY MAMMOTH TOOTH



This Woolly Mammoth tooth was discovered when digging holes for fence posts in a Pratts Bottom field.



The field where the mammoth tooth was found

For a more detailed description of the geological record of Pratts Bottom please refer to the chapter in

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If you have any photographs of Pratts Bottom flint walls or fossils that you have found (probably fossil sea urchins) and would like to include them in this chapter please contact me through this website.