

DUBLIN CITY ARCHAEOLOGICAL ARCHIVE

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Title ESB Substation, O'Connell Street Lower (03E433)

Creation Dates 2003

Level of Description Collection

Extent and Medium 1 Box , 1 Outsize Folder
Creators Margaret Gowen & Co. Ltd.

Administrative/Biographical

History

Margaret Gowen & Co. Ltd., Rath House, Ferndale Road, Rathmichael, Co. Dublin, is a professional archaeological company founded in the early 1980s. The company has carried out numbers of archaeological excavations and development-led investigations arising from the requirements of development control and planning process, in line with legal provisions of the Planning and Development Acts (2000) and the National Monuments Acts (1930-2004) and Amendments Acts.

The archaeological excavation on this site took place over a two week period commencing 31 March 2003. Preceding this two days of cleanback took place (27-28 March 2003). The excavation was directed by Christine Baker with a team of 5-6 archaeologists.

The excavation programme was undertaken on behalf of the Railway Procurement Agency as part of the Luas Development. It was located at the site of an ESB sub-station in the central median of O'Connell Street between the statues of William Smith O'Brien and Daniel O'Connell.

Structural remains were identified by Kevin Weldon of Margaret Gowen and Company Ltd., during ongoing monitoring (01E0733) of the removal of rubble overburden at the site. Following a site inspection by Edward Bourke, Senior Archaeologist, and Laura Claffey, Archaeologist of Duchas, on 25 March 2003 it was agreed that the site be preserved by record.

The excavation programme revealed a number of structural elements including a quay wall, and their surrounding archaeological deposits, which were indicative of late 17th and 18th century development in this area. Finds included clay pipe stems, 18th-19th century pottery and animal bone.

Archival History Transferred by Margaret Gowen & Co. Ltd. To Dublin City Archives, 25

September 2009

Scope and Content This collection contains archaeological excavation records from the site ESB

Substation, O'Connell Street Lower, by Christine Baker. Includes finds sheets, registers (plan, phot, timber, masonry, deeds), feature sheets, site notebooks, conservation records, administrative material (correspondence, method statements, copy excavation licences), photographs, plans and drawings

Appraisal destruction and scheduling information

Accruals



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Existence of copies/originals

Related Material DCAA

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Notes

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