



# Drift Filled Hollows: a case study at St. James's Square

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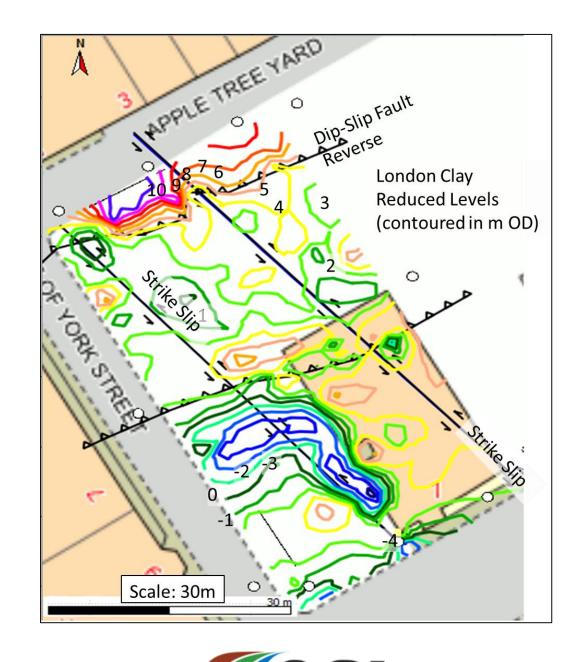
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#### Introduction

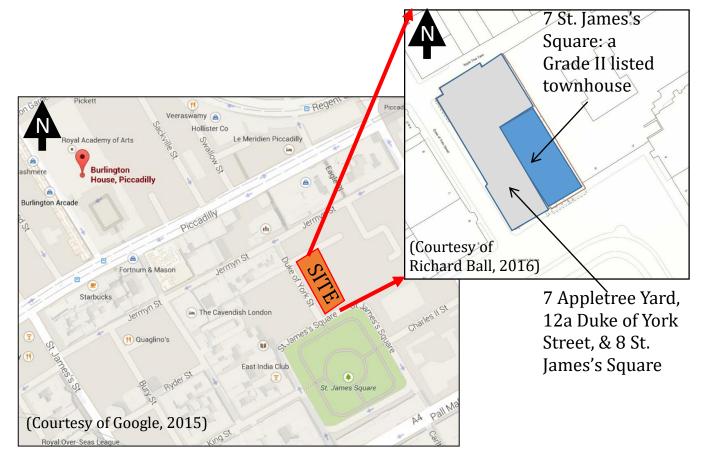
3D models of data indicated the following:

- Scour features (associated with fluvial action).
- Faulting Evidence

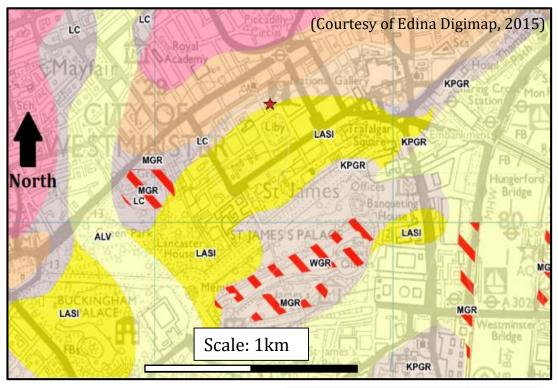
Furthermore the faults interpreted onsite corroborate the compartmentalisation within the London Basin.







## Site Location and Geology

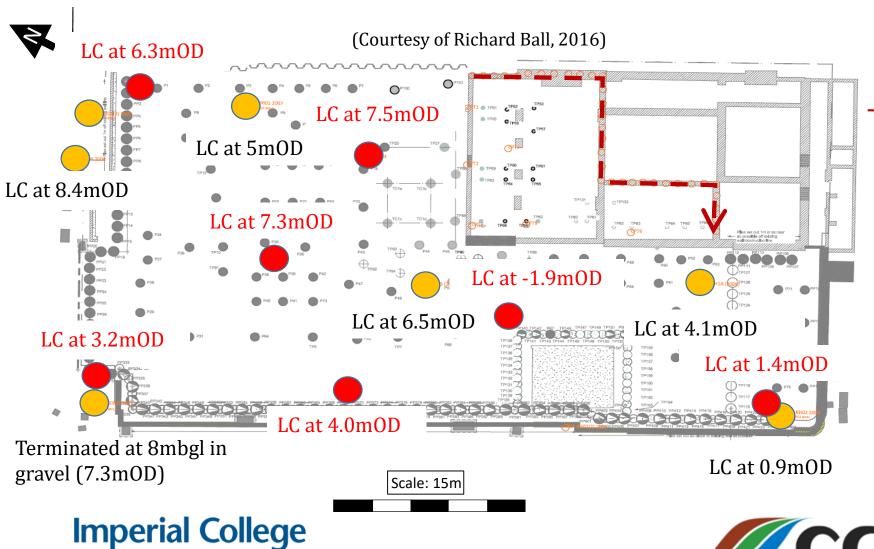


Alluvium (ALV)		Interglacial Lacustrine Deposits (IGLD)	
Boyn Hill Gravel Member (BHT)		Kempton Park Gravel Formation (KPGR)	
Finsbury Gravel Member (FIGR)		Langley Silt Member (LASI)	
Hackney Gravel Member (HAGR)		Lynch Hill Gravel Member (LHGR) Peat (PEAT)	
Head (HEAD)			
		Taplow Gravel Formation (TPGR)	





### Ground Investigation phases



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Previous Site Investigation Exploratory Positions (not

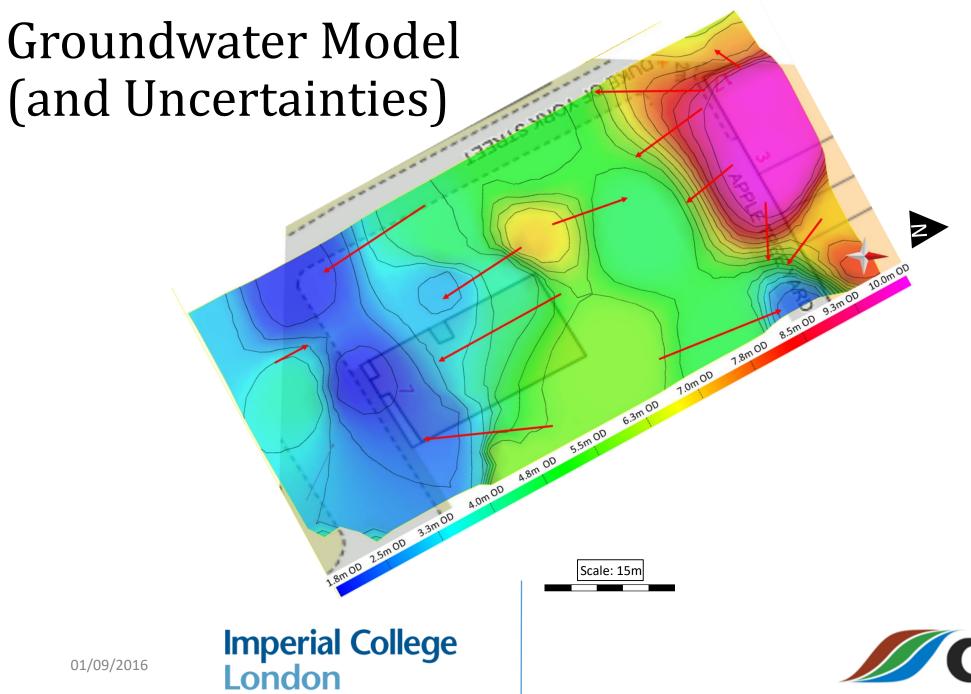
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**Exploratory Positions** 

Underpinning of 7 St

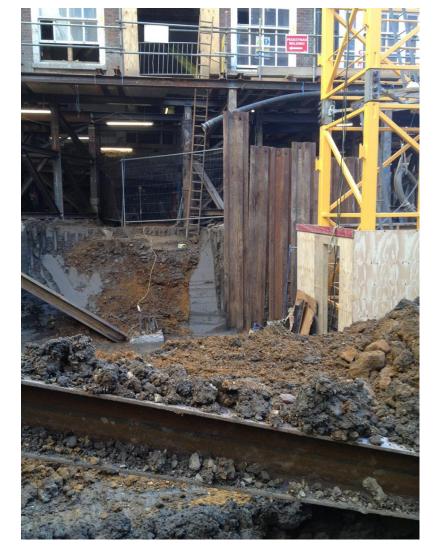
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#### Looking south-east



Looking north-north-west



Scale: 15m

Looking south-west



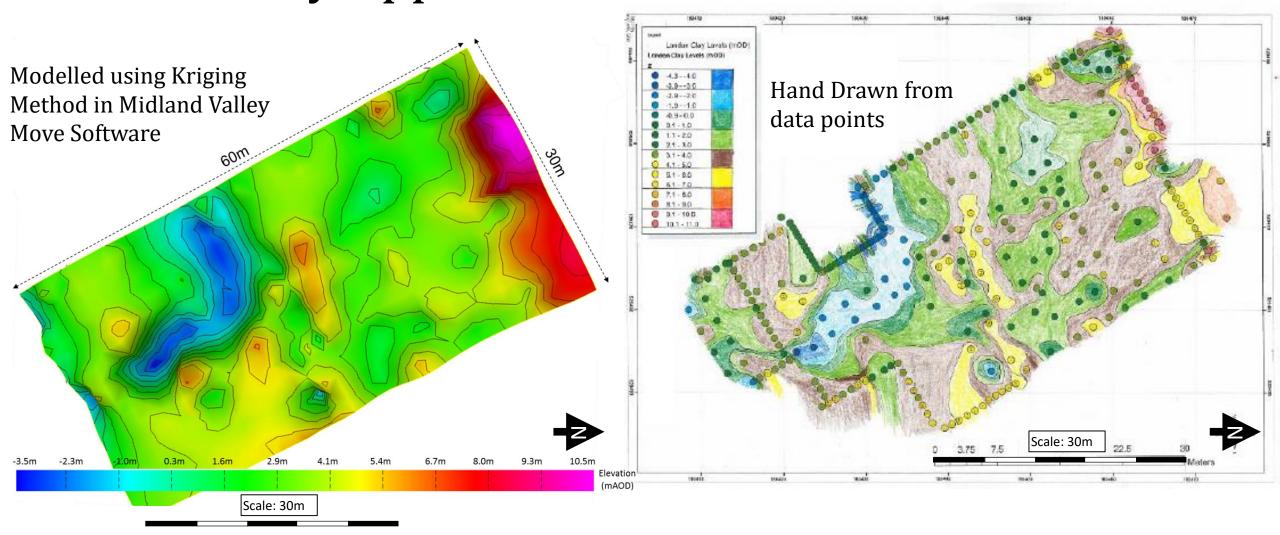
## **Excavation Photographs**

(Courtesy of Richard Ball, 2016)

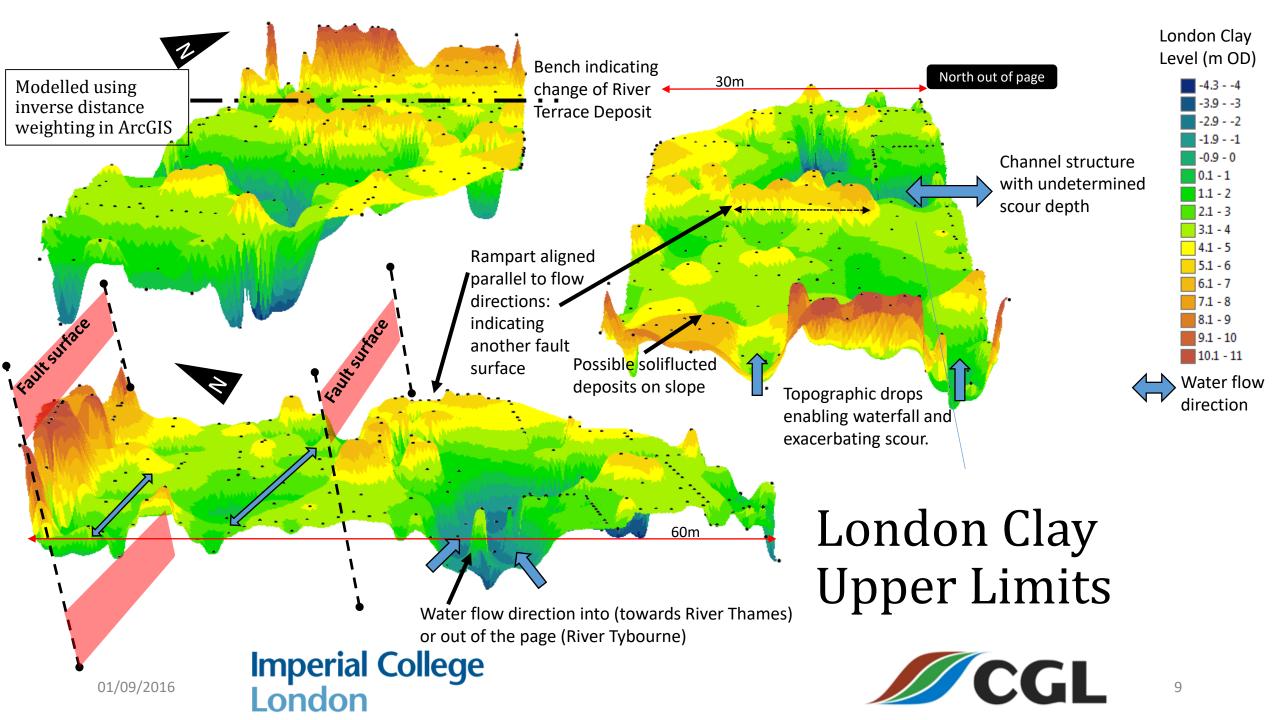




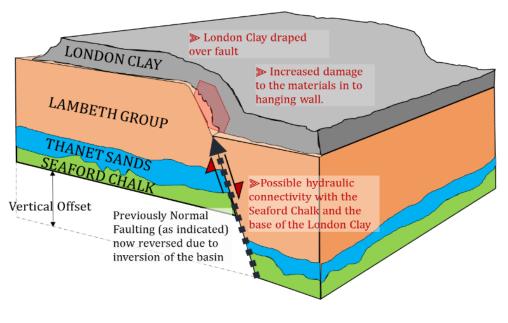
#### London Clay Upper Limits

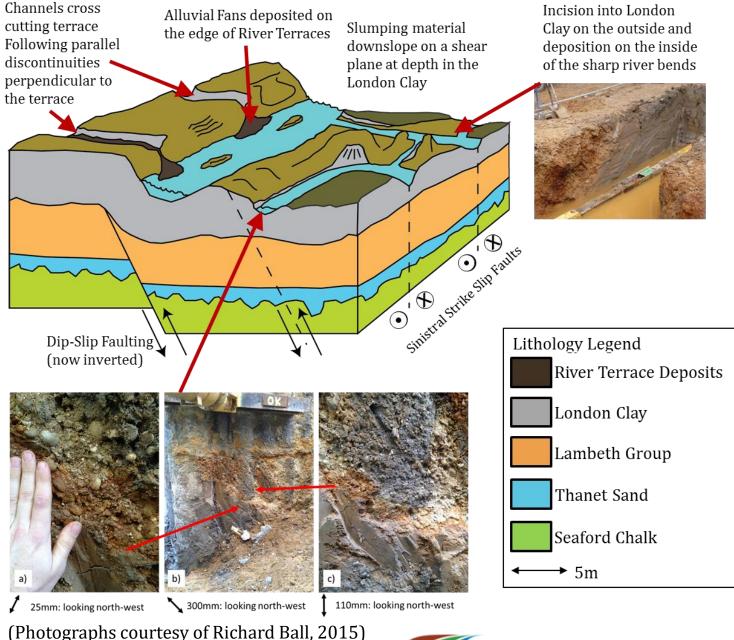






## Palaeogeomorphological Model

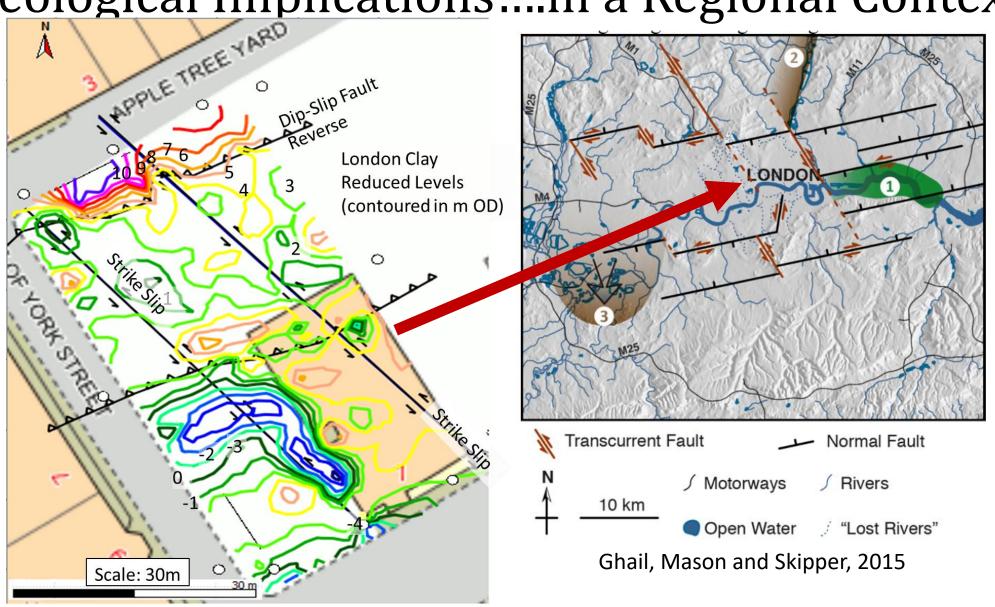




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#### Geological Implications....in a Regional Context







#### Conclusions...

- Scour features onsite are inferred to be associated with fluvial action.
- At least one fault, possibly more have been determined to be onsite based on the parallel channel features.
- Natural moisture contents from the London Clay indicate an offset between the site and St. James's Park.
- Cone Penetration Testing onsite delimits the offset to be between the rear of 7 St. James's Square and the north (perimeter wall) of the site.

#### ...and Uncertainties

- Groundwater data (unknown response zones or inclusion of bentonite seals)
- Natural Moisture Content from only one borehole
- No statistical analysis of the discrepancies between each data point and the digital surface produces
- London Clay Levels provided deemed accurate to within 0.5m
- Types of River Terrace Deposits onsite
- Faults: locations, movement (timing ), extent, zone or discrete locations.





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## **Questions?**

