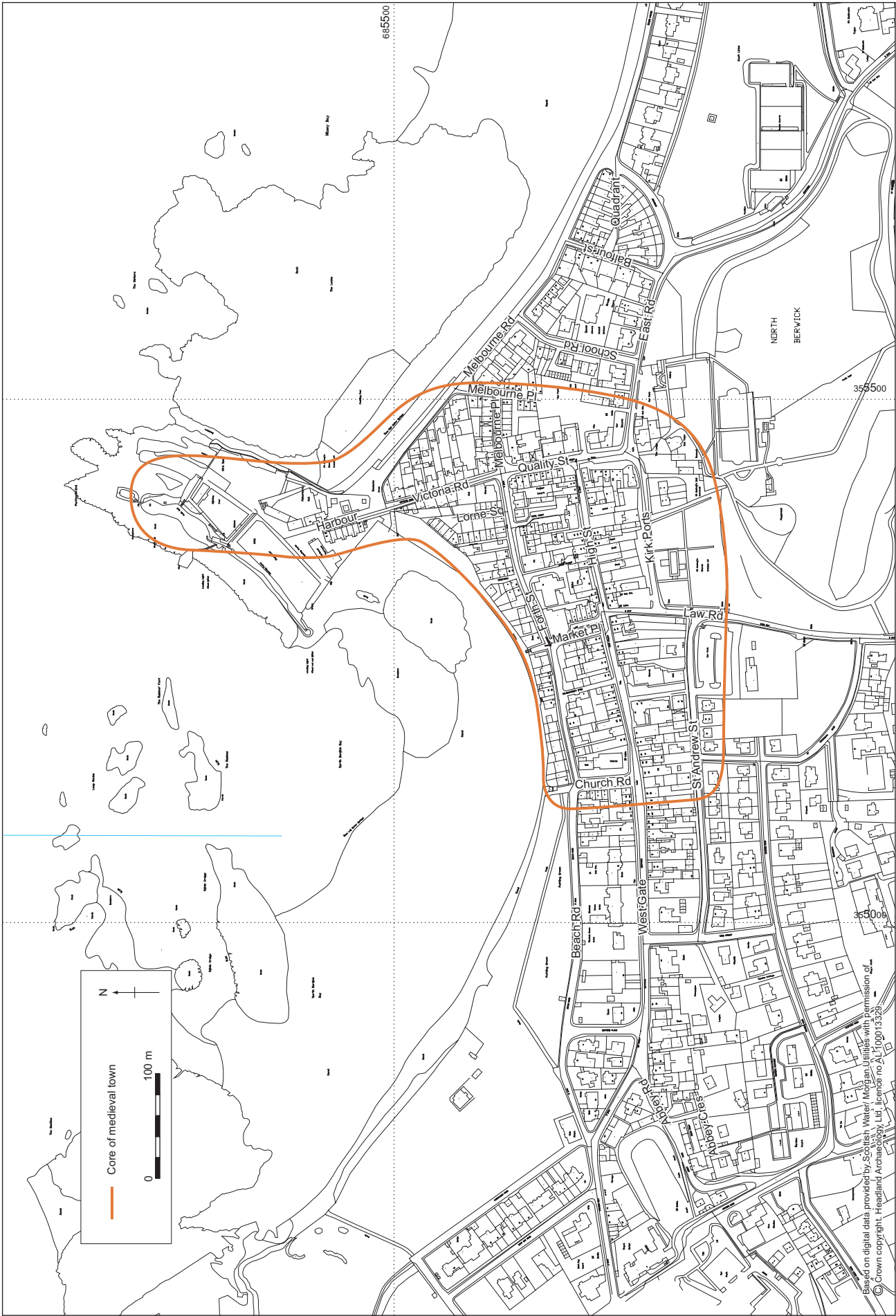


6 PRE-FIELDWORK POTENTIAL OF THE WATCHING BRIEF

Prior to the watching brief taking place, areas of sensitivity were identified, largely based around the medieval core of the town ([illus 6](#)). The areas monitored focused on the High Street/Westgate and Quality Street/Victoria Road axes, including the subordinate roads to the north and south of the High Street and the numerous smaller lanes linking these routes.

The potential of the watching brief to encounter in

situ remains was high, along with the possibility of resolving issues such as the existence of town walls, the location of the town market, and the primacy of either the High Street or Quality Street. A similar watching brief at Crail ([Lowe 2001](#), 93–109) revealed a broad range of deposits, artefacts and structures and there was the potential that the works at North Berwick could similarly throw light on the town's development.



Illus 6 Medieval core