

# STOKE QUAY GREAT WHIP STREET

## The Parish and Church of St Augustine's

By the time of the Domesday Book in 1086 there were perhaps a dozen churches and related in parishes in Ipswich. One of these - St Augustine's, had vanished by the time of the production of Speede's map in 1610. Documentary sources show the church was still active in the 15th century and its location has until recently been assumed to be at the end of Austin's Road.

Evaluation trenches on this site ahead of planning permission revealed several burials. It now seems likely that the cemetery on the site is that of the Church of St Augustine's. The church building itself may possibly have succumbed to Cardinal Thomas Wolsey's avarice during the dissolution and been dismantled piece by piece to be sold off as building material.

To-date some 200 burials have been exhumed from the site. These will be analysed and reburied. No trace of the Church itself has yet been found.



Above: Cardinal Wolsey

