

WI-207
Old Methodist Episcopal Church Parsonage
Whitehaven
Private

c. 1890

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: DANIEL J. ELLIOTT HOUSE

MHT Inventory Number: WI-207

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Development Period(s):
INDUSTRIAL/URBAN DOMINANCE
1870-1930
- 4) Resource Type(s): Single-family dwelling

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. WI-207

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic DANIEL J. ELLIOTT HOUSE

and/or common METHODIST EPISCOPAL PARSONAGE

2. Location

street & number 2709 Church Street not for publication

city, town Whitehaven vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Wicomico

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Jefferson Boyer

street & number 2709 Church Street telephone no.:

city, town Whitehaven state and zip code MD 21856

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court liber 1395 Map65

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 333 P. 27

city, town Salisbury state MD 21801

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The old Methodist Episcopal Church parsonage, also known as the Daniel J. Elliott house or commonly the Bunting house, stands at 2709 Church Street in Whitehaven, Wicomico County, Maryland. The two-story, three-bay frame dwelling faces west with the gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Dated to around 1890, the two-story, three-bay, center hall frame house rests on a minimal brick foundation, and the exterior is clad with asbestos shingles. The low pitched gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Attached to the back of the single-pile main block is a two-story ell service wing.

The west (main) facade is a symmetrical three-bay elevation with a center entrance and flanking two-over-two sash windows. The heavily molded four-panel front door is framed by sidelights and most of the first floor is sheltered by a hip roofed front porch. Lighting the second floor are five two-over-two sash windows. The base to the roof is finished with a boxed cornice which is visually supported by plain pilasters that define the corners of the house.

An exterior, single-flue concrete block chimney rises against the gable end, which is finished with extended eaves and short returns at the base of the roof.

Extending to the back is a two-story service wing with two-over-two sash windows lighting the first and second floors. A centrally located brick chimney rises through the low pitched gable roof.

The interior was not seen.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or

Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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This house falls into Category C, which identifies dwellings where alterations should be considered carefully, since it is a structure located near a property that has been classified in the A or B category and whose impact on the historic district must be reviewed.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references.

A
 Zone Easting Northing

B
 Zone Easting Northing

C

D

E

F

G

H

Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

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DANIEL J. ELLIOTT HOUSE
2709 Church Street
Whitehaven, Maryland
Chain of title

1395/330	Alice M. Bunting
	to
6/8/1994	Jefferson Boyer
JWTS 705/526	Margaret H. Fields, widow
	to
3/16/1970	Bernard T. Bunting Alice M. Bunting
JWTS 705/524	Bernard T. Bunting Alice M. Bunting
	to
3/ /1970	Margaret H. Fields, widow
JWTS 500/410	James R. White Sara M. White
	to
6/30/1960	Bernard T. Bunting Alice M. Bunting
JWTS 317/189	Boyd M. Dolbey
	to
5/5/1950	James R. White Sarah M. White

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DANIEL J. ELLIOTT HOUSE
2709 Church Street
Whitehaven, Maryland
Chain of title continued

IDT 176/42 William H. Dolbey, et al. Trustees of the
 White Haven Methodist Episcopal Church

 to

7/20/1932 Boyd M. Dolbey

JCK 113/237 Samuel Irwin Austin
 Lillie E. Austin

 to

5/17/1919 William H. Dolbey
 Jehu D. Dolbey
 C. Wesley Raynor,
 Trustees of the White Haven Methodist
 Episcopal Church
 Property to be used as a parsonage

EAT 77/135 Frederick L. Denson
 Jetta M. Denson

 to

9/26/1911 Lillie E. Austin, wife of Samuel Irwin Austin
 \$1240.00

EAT 48/359 Hattie E. Elliott (Lottie in earlier deed)
 Daniel J. Elliott

 to

6/1/1904 Frederick L. Denson
 \$1200.00

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JTT 11/408

John W. Messick
Mary E. Messick

to

6/10/1893

Lottie E. Elliott
\$1050.00 all that house and lot of ground

JTT 9/161

Daniel J. Elliott

to

8/6/1892

John W. Messick
\$1100.00

FMS 5/267

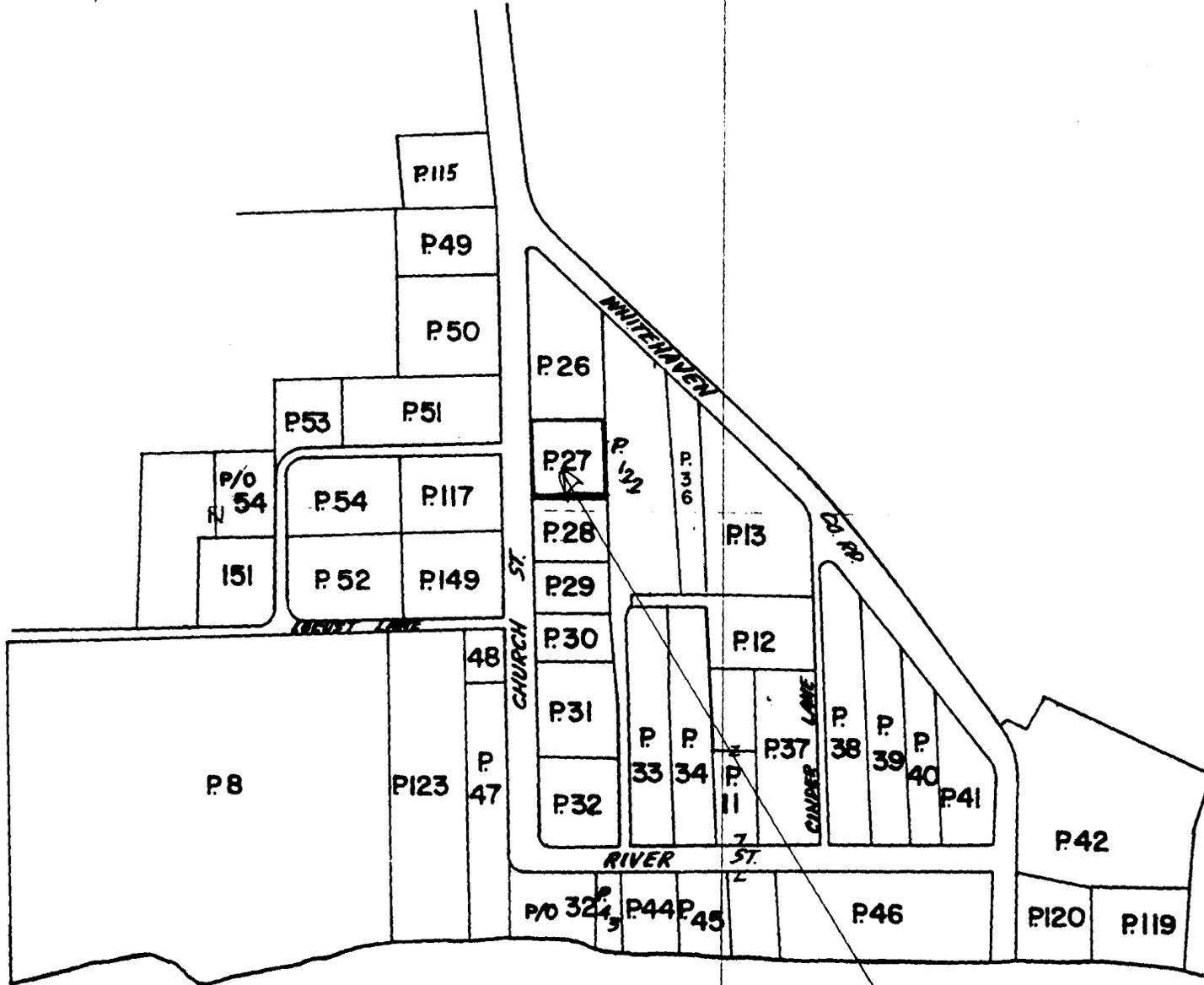
William K. Leatherbury
Lillian Leatherbury

to

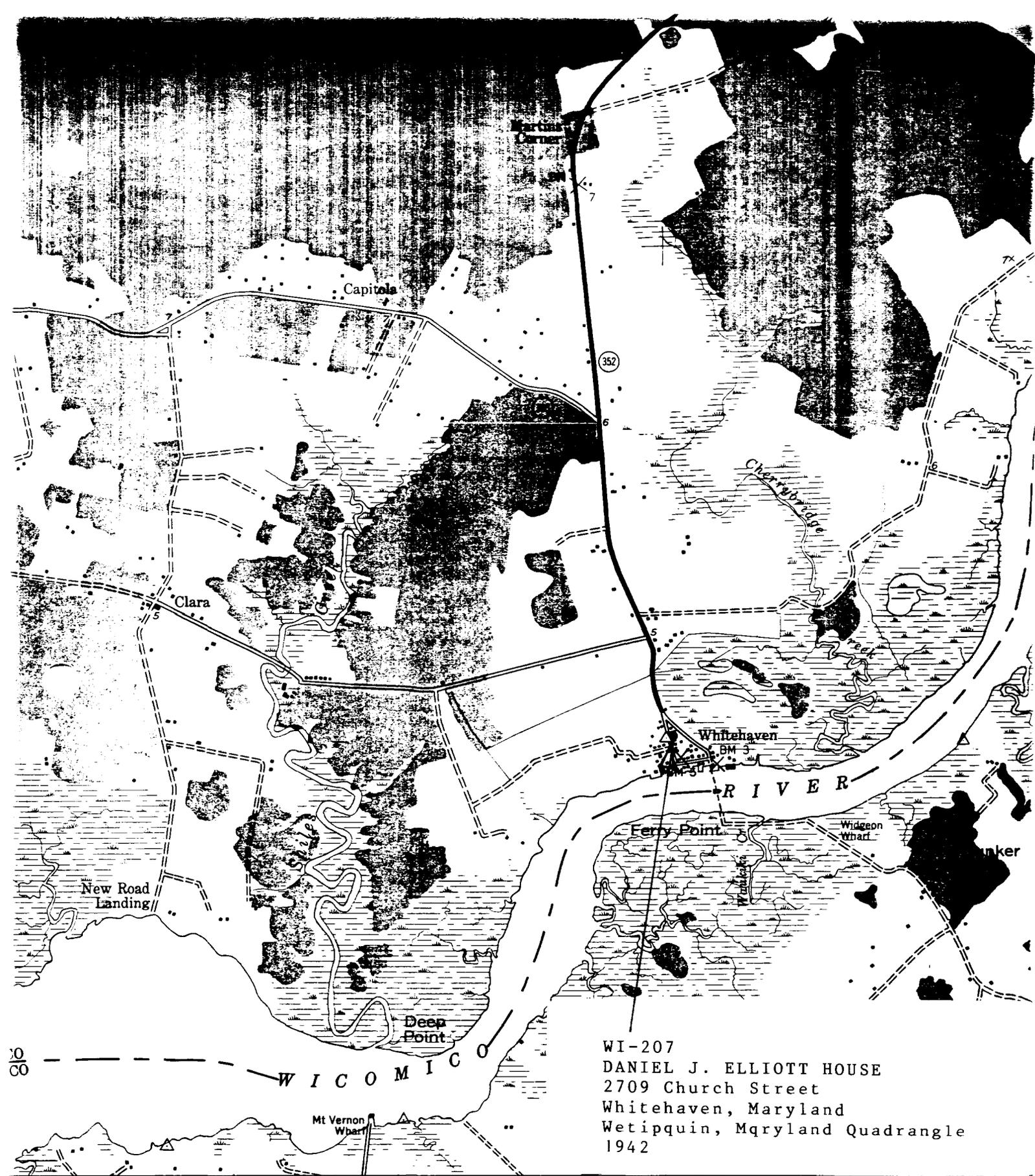
9/21/1889

Lottie E. Elliott
\$75.00 lot

WHITEHAVEN
SCALE 1"=200'



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DANIEL J. ELLIOTT HOUSE
2709 Church Street
Wicomico County Tax Map 65
Parcel 27



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 DANIEL J. ELLIOTT HOUSE
 2709 Church Street
 Whitehaven, Maryland
 Wetipquin, Maryland Quadrangle
 1942

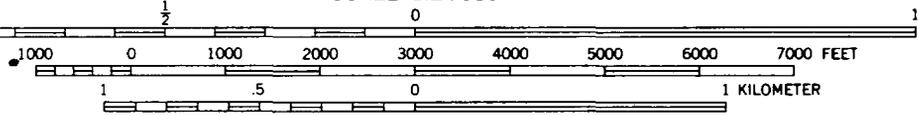
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47'30"

PRINCESS ANNE 6.3 M

SCALE 1:24 000

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