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9–12 Bridewell Place, EC4
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Excavation recorded large-scale reclamation on the W bank of the Fleet in the medieval period; a revetment included part of a boat. The main findings were parallel brick foundations (including brick arches on pile-supported chalk piers, Fig*BRI). Documentary and cartographic evidence identifies these as the S half of the E range of the principal courtyard of Bridewell Palace (1515–23). The beginning of the S range, the base of a corner stair, and traces of the brick courtyard surface were also recorded; in the E of the site, later brick foundations perhaps associated with the chapel of the Bridewell Hospital.

This site is published with evidence from the watching brief at 1–3 Tudor Street (TUD78), which uncovered foundations of the gallery of the palace.

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