

5. Annex **COMPONENTS OF DEFENCE AREA 19**

Details of the defence works shown on Map 2 are given below. The listing is arranged in sequence of the unique database record numbers that are also given on the map.

UORN S0000289 **SITE TYPE** VICKERS MACHINE GUN EMPLACEMENT
NGR ST 28824 43105

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION Libbers Field, on summit of Pawlett Hill, facing N, N of Bridgwater.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE DATE
Field Visit 2003/01/15

Vickers emplacement in hedgerow forward (N) of line of road. Doorway and detached blast wall at W end. Totally overgrown.

TYPE DATE
Document 1940/ __/ __

Square emplacement (N.V.3) with detached external blast wall. Camouflaged as straw and haystacks.

TYPE DATE
Document 1940/ __/ __

Vickers emplacement. N.V.3. Cassini ref. 728644.

TYPE DATE
Map 1969/ __/ __

Square structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet.

TYPE DATE
Field Visit 1997/08/29

Emplacement for housing medium machine gun, with blast wall. Massive main embrasure, external dimensions 5ft x 2ft 2ins.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS

The emplacement is totally overgrown.

ADJACENT

Vickers pillbox at ST 289431; type 24 pillboxes at ST 289433 and ST 290431.

SITES

PART OF

Southern Command: Taunton Stop Line

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __ / __ 1941/ __ / __

REFERENCE

Green, M.	[copies of Royal Engineers drawings of camouflaged emplacements on the Taunton Stop Line] Taunton Stop Line: record map folios of Major F.B. Goodman R.E., D.C.R.E. Taunton Home Defence Progress Report: Taunton Line The Pawlett Strongpoint	Defence of Britain Project archive [original provenance unknown] Wills Collection Home Forces: Southern Command Loopholes No.12
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DESIGNATION

UORN	S0000306	SITE TYPE	PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
		NGR	ST 28914 43285

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION Levetts Field, summit of Pawlett Hill, N of Bridgwater.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE	DATE
Field Visit	2003/01/15
Hexagonal type 24 pillbox, concrete-faced, in centre of large open field on near summit of hill. No access. Faces N.	
TYPE	DATE
Document	1940/ __ / __
Type 24 pillbox (N.7) camouflaged as a square building with pitched roof. 'Blacksmith' painted on outside wall.	
TYPE	DATE
Document	1940/ __ / __
Bren gun emplacement. N.7.	
TYPE	DATE
Article	1995/06/ __
Pillbox type 24 modified. Reference N7. Roof 10ins thick. Vertical 4ins wide square shaft right through the roof. 2 steps down into entrance. Walls 42ins-43ins thick.	
TYPE	DATE
Map	1969/ __ / __
Hexagonal structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. It faces NNW.	
TYPE	DATE
Field Visit	1997/08/29

Type 24 pillbox.

CONDITION

Good

THREATS

ADJACENT

2 type 28 pillboxes at ST 290431 and ST 289431; and 1 type 24 at ST 290431.

SITES

PART OF

Southern Command: Taunton Stop Line

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/__/__

1941/__/__

REFERENCE

	[copies of Royal Engineers drawings of camouflaged emplacements on the Taunton Stop Line] Taunton Stop Line: record map folios of Major F.B. Goodman R.E., D.C.R.E. Taunton The Pawlett Strongpoint	Defence of Britain Project archive [original provenance unknown] Wills Collection
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DESIGNATION

UORN S0000307 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR ST 28994 43084

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION Libbers Field, summit of Pawlett Hill, N of Bridgwater.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE Field Visit	DATE 2003/01/15
Concrete-faced type 24 pillbox, with back to road. Faces N. Good clean condition, but entrance overgrown. At edge of field. Access possible.	
TYPE Document	DATE 1940/__/__
Pillbox (N.8) camouflaged as a haystack.	
TYPE Document	DATE 1940/__/__
Bren gun emplacement. N.8.	
TYPE Article	DATE 1995/06/__

Pillbox type 24 modified. Reference N8. Roof 9ins thick. 2 steps down into entrance. Walls 42ins-43ins thick.

TYPE DATE
Map 1969/ __/ __

Hexagonal structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet.

TYPE DATE
Field Visit 1997/08/29

Type 24 thick-walled.

CONDITION

Good

THREATS

ADJACENT

2 type 28 pillboxes at ST 290431 and ST 289431; and 1 type 24 at ST 289433.

SITES

PART OF

Southern Command: Taunton Stop Line

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __ 1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

	[copies of Royal Engineers drawings of camouflaged emplacements on the Taunton Stop Line]	Defence of Britain Project archive [original provenance unknown]
	Taunton Stop Line: record map folios of Major F.B. Goodman R.E., D.C.R.E. Taunton	Wills Collection
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DESIGNATION

UORN S0000309 **SITE TYPE** VICKERS MACHINE GUN EMPLACEMENT
NGR ST 28915 43086

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION Libbers Field, summit of Pawlett Hill, N of Bridgwater.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE DATE

Field Visit

2003/01/15

Vickers emplacement on summit of Pawlett Hill. Concrete-faced, and constructed with horizontal wooden planking as shuttering. Cut off corners, but not with a chamfered roof line. Large embrasure for medium machine gun - internal concrete table as weapon mount. Two rifle embrasures. Entrance, with detached blast wall, on W side. Faces N. At edge of field and access possible: internal access blocked by vegetation.

TYPE

DATE

Document

1940/ __/ __

Square emplacement (N.V.4). Camouflaged as a haystack.

TYPE

DATE

Document

1940/ __/ __

Vickers emplacement. N.V.4. Cassini ref. 728643.

TYPE

DATE

Map

1969/ __/ __

Square structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet.

TYPE

DATE

Field Visit

1997/08/29

Emplacement for housing Vickers medium machine gun. Massive main embrasure, external dimensions 5ft x 2ft 2ins. Facing NNW across Pawlett Hams. Largely overgrown and being used as a tip by farmer.

CONDITION

Good

THREATS

Farmer is using site as a tip.

ADJACENT

Type 28 pillbox at ST 290431 and 2 type 24 pillboxes at ST 289433 and ST 290431.

SITES

PART OF

Southern Command: Taunton Stop Line

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __

1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

	Home Defence Progress Report: Taunton Line [copies of Royal Engineers drawings of camouflaged emplacements on the Taunton Stop Line] Taunton Stop Line: record map folios of Major F.B. Goodman R.E., D.C.R.E. Taunton The Pawlett Strongpoint	Home Forces: Southern Command Defence of Britain Project archive [original provenance unknown] Wills Collection
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DESIGNATION

UORN S0003342 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR ST 2851 4287

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION At Pawlett just W of Gaunt's Farm, near the River Parrett.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE DATE
Field Visit 2003/01/15

Field work shows no sign of this pillbox. The area appears to have been developed recently as a horse paddock.

TYPE DATE
Air Photograph 1960/10/28

Hexagonal pillbox plotted from air photograph. Faces N.
TYPE DATE
Document 1940/___/___

Type 24 pillbox (N.1) camouflaged as a farm building.
TYPE DATE
Document 1940/___/___

Bren gun emplacement. N.1.
TYPE DATE
Article 1995/___/___

Pillbox type 24 modified, wood-shuttered. Reference N.1. Only a part of one wall remains.

CONDITION
Destroyed

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF Southern Command: Taunton Stop Line

CONSTRUCTION

DATE
1940/09/___ ___/___/___

REFERENCE
58/3880 (fr.109) Aerial photographs
58/3880 (fr.109) Aerial photographs

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DESIGNATION

UORN S0003343 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR ST 28330 43005

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION On W side of Ham Lane, Pawlett.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE	DATE
Field Visit	2003/01/15

Type 24 pillbox. Faces N. The W slopes of Pawlett Hill lie to its E. Heavily overgrown. No access - over dyke at edge of field.

TYPE	DATE
Document	1940/__/__

Hexagonal pillbox (N.2) camouflaged with willows and cullacopts.

TYPE	DATE
Air Photograph	1947/01/16

Pillbox structure plotted from air photograph.

TYPE	DATE
Document	1940/__/__

Bren gun emplacement. N.2.

TYPE	DATE
Map	1969/__/__

Hexagonal structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces N.

TYPE	DATE
Article	1995/__/__

Pillbox type 24 modified. Reference N2. Walls 42ins-43ins thick, and roof 8ins-11ins.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS

Pillbox is so overgrown it is inaccessible.

ADJACENT

SITES**PART OF**

Southern Command: Taunton Stop Line

CONSTRUCTION**DATE**

1940/09/___ ___/___/___

REFERENCE

	[copies of Royal Engineers drawings of camouflaged emplacements on the Taunton Stop Line] CPE/UK/1924 (fr.2009-2010) Taunton Stop Line: record map folios of Major F.B. Goodman R.E., D.C.R.E. Taunton	Defence of Britain Project archive [original provenance unknown] Aerial photographs
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		Loopholes No.12 20th Century Fortifications in England: Vol.2 Anti-Invasion Defences of WW2

DESIGNATION

UORN	S0003344	SITE TYPE	PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
		NGR	ST 28432 43370

COUNTY	Somerset
DISTRICT	Sedgemoor
PARISH	Pawlett
LOCATION	On W side of Ham Lane, W of Pawlett.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE	DATE
Field Visit	2003/01/15

Type 24 pillbox at edge of field by drain. Faces NNW.	
TYPE	DATE
Document	1940/___/___

Type 24 pillbox (N.3) camouflaged as a shed. [This camouflage was still in place in 1947 as the pitched roof can be seen on APs].

TYPE	DATE
Air Photograph	1947/01/16

Structure plotted from air photograph. The pillbox shape is hard to make out and it may retain its wartime camouflage.

TYPE	DATE
Document	1940/___/___

Bren gun emplacement. N.3.

TYPE
Article

DATE
1995/__/__

Pillbox type 24 modified. Reference N3. Walls 42ins-43ins thick, and roof 8ins-11ins. Two steps down to entrance. There is a half-inch diameter hole through the wall 11ins from the door, possibly for a field telephone wire, and a 4ins square shaft through the roof [perhaps to receive the pintle of an externally mounted AA gun].

TYPE
Map

DATE
1969/__/__

Hexagonal structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces WNW.

TYPE
Field Visit

DATE
1997/08/29

Type 24 pillbox facing NNW across Pawlett Hams.

CONDITION

Good

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

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DATE

1940/__/__

1941/__/__

REFERENCE

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DESIGNATION

Somerset SMR

11954

UORN S0003345 SITE TYPE PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR ST 29051 43452

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION S of Chapel Road near Hill Cottage, at junction with trackway, NW of Pawlett.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE DATE
Air Photograph 1960/10/28

Hexagonal type 24 pillbox plotted from air photograph. Faces W.

TYPE DATE
Document 1940/___/___

Type 24 pillbox (N.4) camouflaged as a shed with a pitched roof.

TYPE DATE
Document 1940/___/___

Bren emplacement. N.4.

TYPE DATE
Map 1969/___/___

Hexagonal structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces W.

TYPE DATE
Article 1995/___/___

Pillbox type 24 modified. Reference N4. Walls 42ins-43ins thick. Roof 10ins thick.
3 steps down into entrance. Drain in floor.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

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CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/___/___ 1941/___/___

REFERENCE

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Taunton Stop Line:
record map folios of
Major F.B. Goodman
R.E., D.C.R.E. Taunton
[copies of Royal
Engineers drawings of
camouflaged emplacements
on the Taunton Stop Line]

Aerial photographs
Wills Collection

Defence of Britain
Project archive
[original provenance
unknown]

DESIGNATION

UORN S0003346 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR ST 29250 43482

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION

At Mount View Terrace, NW of Pawlett.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE DATE
 Document 1940/ __/ __

Bren emplacement. N.5.

TYPE DATE
 Map 1969/ __/ __

Hexagonal structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces N.

TYPE DATE
 Article 1995/ __/ __

Pillbox type 24 modified. Reference N5. Walls 42ins-43ins thick. Roof 8ins thick, with vertical 4ins wide square shaft right through it. 2 steps down to entrance. Floor drain. No public access.

CONDITION

Fair

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REFERENCE

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DESIGNATION

UORN S0003347 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR ST 29310 43472

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION Mount View Terrace, NW of Pawlett.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE **DATE**
Document 1940/___/___

Bren emplacement. N.6.
TYPE **DATE**
Map 1969/___/___

Hexagonal structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces NNE.
TYPE **DATE**
Article 1995/___/___

Pillbox type 24 modified. Reference N6. 2 steps down to entrance. Floor drain.
Walls 42ins-43ins thick. No public access.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS**ADJACENT****SITES****PART OF**

Southern Command: Taunton Stop Line

CONSTRUCTION**DATE**

1940/___/___ 1941/___/___

REFERENCE

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DESIGNATION

UORN S0016330 **SITE TYPE** ANTI TANK OBSTACLE
NGR ST 27571 42813

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION

White House Road, Pawlett Hams, W of Pawlett.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE	DATE
Field Visit	2003/01/15

Surviving remnants of an anti-tank block, consisting of two concrete pyramids connected by brickwork.

TYPE	DATE
Article	1995/06/___

2 x pimples ('dragons' teeth') beside the road.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

Southern Command: Taunton Stop Line

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/___/___ 1941/___/___

REFERENCE

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DESIGNATION

UORN S0016333 **SITE TYPE** VICKERS MACHINE GUN EMPLACEMENT
NGR ST 2869 4305

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION On W side of Pawlett Hill Road, N of Gaunt's Farm.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE Document **DATE** 1940/ __/ __

Vickers emplacement (N.V.1) camouflaged as cottage with pitched roof, chimney, and surrounding garden.

TYPE Air Photograph **DATE** 1947/01/23

Square structure plotted from air photograph.

TYPE Document **DATE** 1940/ __/ __

Vickers emplacement. N.V.1. Cassini ref. 726643.

CONDITION

Destroyed

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

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Southern Command: Taunton Stop Line

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/09/ __ ____/ __/ __

REFERENCE

[copies of Royal Engineers drawings of camouflaged emplacements on the Taunton Stop Line] CPE/UK/1944 (frs.3186-3187) Taunton Stop Line: record map folios of Major F.B. Goodman R.E., D.C.R.E. Taunton Home Defence Progress Report: Taunton Line

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DESIGNATION

UORN S0016334 **SITE TYPE** VICKERS MACHINE GUN EMPLACEMENT
NGR ST 2873 4307

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION On W side of Pawlett Hill Road, N of Gaunt's Farm.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE **DATE**
Document 1940/___/___

Vickers emplacement (N.V.2) camouflaged as an agricultural building with pitched roof.

TYPE **DATE**
Air Photograph 1947/01/23

Square structure plotted from air photograph.

TYPE **DATE**
Document 1940/___/___

Vickers emplacement. N.V.2. Cassini ref. 726643.

CONDITION

Destroyed

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

Southern Command: Taunton Stop Line

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/09/___ ___/___/___

REFERENCE

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DESIGNATION

UORN S0016335 **SITE TYPE** VICKERS MACHINE GUN EMPLACEMENT
NGR ST 2877 4303

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION

On S side of Pawlett Hill Road, NE of Gaunt's Farm.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE **DATE**
 Air Photograph 1940/08/31

Structure possibly seen on air photographs.

TYPE **DATE**
 Document 1940/__/__

Vickers emplacement (N.V.5) camouflaged as chicken huts and run.

TYPE **DATE**
 Article 1995/06/__

Square medium machine gun emplacement. The position of this structure is problematic as it does not appear on 1940 or post war APs, but contemporary documentation is precise that it was built contrary to the view of the article cited below.

TYPE **DATE**
 Document 1940/__/__

Vickers emplacement. N.V.5. Cassini ref. 727642.

CONDITION

Destroyed

THREATS**ADJACENT****SITES****PART OF**

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CONSTRUCTION**DATE**

1940/__/__ 1941/__/__

REFERENCE

CPE/UK/1944

Aerial photographs

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Green, M.		

DESIGNATION

UORN S0016336 **SITE TYPE** VICKERS MACHINE GUN EMPLACEMENT
NGR ST 2881 4297

COUNTY Somerset
DISTRICT Sedgemoor
PARISH Pawlett
LOCATION

On S side of Pawlett Hill Road, NE of Gaunt's Farm.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE Air Photograph **DATE** 1940/08/31

Structure possibly seen on air photograph.

TYPE Document **DATE** 1940/ __/ __

Vickers emplacement (N.V.6) camouflaged as a bonfire and rubbish heap..

TYPE Article **DATE** 1995/06/ __

Square medium machine gun emplacement. The position of this structure is problematic as it does not appear on 1940 or post war APs, but contemporary documentation is precise that it was built contrary to the view of the article cited below.

TYPE Document **DATE** 1940/ __/ __

Vickers emplacement. N.V.6. Cassini ref. 727642.

CONDITION

Destroyed

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

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CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __ 1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

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	225A/UK/854/4 (fr.7)	Aerial photographs
	Home Defence Progress	Home Forces: Southern
	Report: Taunton Line	Command
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	[copies of Royal	Defence of Britain
	Engineers drawings of	Project archive
	camouflaged emplacements	[original provenance
	on the Taunton Stop Line]	unknown]
	Taunton Stop Line:	Wills Collection
	record map folios of	
	Major F.B. Goodman	
	R.E., D.C.R.E. Taunton	

DESIGNATION

UORN	S0016434	SITE TYPE	OBSERVATION POST
		NGR	
			ST 2892 4314

COUNTY	Somerset
DISTRICT	Sedgemoor
PARISH	Pawlett
LOCATION	Summit of Pawlett Hill.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE	DATE
Document	1940/12/ __

Two observation posts of No.1 Battery were established on Pawlett Hill (exact Cassini ref. not given).

CONDITION

Destroyed

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

Southern Command: Taunton Stop Line

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/12/___ ___/___/___

REFERENCE

Report on Taunton Stop
Line

Home Defence: Stop
Lines - Taunton

DESIGNATION