

## 5. Annex **COMPONENTS OF DEFENCE AREA 45**

**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** S0000475 **SITE TYPE** DEFENDED BUILDING  
**NGR** SU 16288 17474

**COUNTY** Hampshire  
**DISTRICT** New Forest  
**PARISH** Breamore  
**LOCATION** Constructed within a barn on the SE side of Breamore Mill, Woodgreen Road, Breamore.

### **DESCRIPTION**

**TYPE** DATE  
 Field Visit 2003/08/13

Pillbox constructed within a barn of Breamore Mill and occupying its southern and eastern sides. A brick and concrete wall, with an entrance, has been built within the barn, and its exterior (barn) face hung with wood planking. Concrete roof and walls inside. Two large embrasures in the SW and SE faces command the bridges over the

River Avon where there was a roadblock [see UORN 16657]. A further embrasure, now blocked, is in the N wall. On the SW face the brickwork of the barn appears to have been replaced during its conversion to a pillbox, and there is a concrete lintel for the embrasure. The brickwork of the SE face, however, appears to be the original, and the embrasure is simply cut through it without additional external support. On the inside, the embrasures are concrete and splayed. There is a complete wooden firing shelf beneath the SE embrasure. No access without permission - on private land owned by Breamore Mill.

**TYPE** DATE  
 SMR \_\_\_\_/\_\_/\_\_

Pillbox - type unclassified. Converted from a former carriage shed.

**TYPE** DATE  
 Field Visit 1996/05/\_\_

Pillbox [gun emplacement] constructed within a farm building at a point where a road bridge crosses the River Avon at Breamore Mill. Of double-brick thickness on 3 sides: 4th side is partially brick and partially wood (for camouflage). Built on a concrete base. Each wall has 1 embrasure made of cast concrete. The roof is of cast concrete, approx. 6ins thick. [for further details of construction see report attached to original record].

### **CONDITION**

Good

### **THREATS**

### **ADJACENT**

Pillboxes at SU 16221748 and SU16201758.

### **SITES**

### **PART OF**

Southern Command: Ringwood Stop Line

**CONSTRUCTION****DATE**

1940/\_\_/\_\_ 1941/\_\_/\_\_

**REFERENCE**Walker, Nigel  
Wills, Henry  
Breamore Mill  
Pillboxes: A Study of UK  
Defences  
Loopholes No.21**DESIGNATION**

Hampshire SMR SU11NE 54

<b>UORN</b>	S0000485	<b>SITE TYPE</b>	PILLBOX (VARIANT)
		<b>NGR</b>	SU 16193 17624

<b>COUNTY</b>	Hampshire
<b>DISTRICT</b>	New Forest
<b>PARISH</b>	Breamore
<b>LOCATION</b>	On the E bank of a branch of the River Avon N of Breamore Mill, abutting an outbuilding.

**DESCRIPTION**

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Field Visit	2003/08/13

Square, brick-faced pillbox built on a concrete base against the N side of an existing building likely to have been a pumping station but now refurbished as an outbuilding of the mill house. Small exterior blast wall protecting low entrance on the E side. Three multi-stepped embrasures, one in each of the walls other than the S, with the remains of interior wooden firing shelves. Some exterior brick shuttering is falling away. Grass on roof. Overgrown on W side. General very good condition. No access without permission - on private land owned by Breamore Mill.

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
SMR	____/____/____

Pillbox - Type 26. Built against an existing building, and designed to match.

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Field Visit	1996/05/____

Modified type 26 pillbox, built of concrete with brick shuttering facing. The base, which extends beyond the walls, and the roof are of concrete. The entrance is in the NE face protected by a detached blast wall. There is no evidence of a door. There are 3 embrasures, NW and SW, centrally placed; NE, off-centre. They have a concrete lintel and stepped splayed cast concrete embrasures. The remains of an internal fold down shelf below each embrasure exist. There is evidence that the external concrete has been grooved to simulate the pointing of bricks, and painted red. [additional information in report attached to original record].

**CONDITION**

Good

**THREATS**

The pillbox is overgrown on its W side.

**ADJACENT**

Pillboxes at SU 16221748 and SU16281745.

**SITES****PART OF**

Southern Command: Ringwood Stop Line

**CONSTRUCTION****DATE**

1940/\_\_/\_\_ 1941/\_\_/\_\_

**REFERENCE**

Walker, Nigel	Breamore Mill	Loopholes No.21
Wills, Henry	Pillboxes: A Study of UK Defences	

**DESIGNATION**

Hampshire SMR SU11NE 55

<b>UORN</b>	S0000488	<b>SITE TYPE</b>	PILLBOX (VARIANT)
		<b>NGR</b>	SU 16218 17494

**COUNTY  
DISTRICT  
PARISH  
LOCATION**

Hampshire  
New Forest  
Breamore  
Abutting the NW corner of Breamore Mill on the River Avon, Woodgreen Road, Breamore.

**DESCRIPTION**

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Field Visit	2003/08/13

Square, brick shuttered pillbox attached on its S side to the NW corner of the mill house and designed to blend with it. Three embrasures in the W, N, and E walls. The pointing of the exterior brick work is carried over the concrete embrasures as if once part of their camouflage. Flat concrete roof that was probably camouflaged with a pitched roof. On the E side (overgrown and now difficult of access) is the doorway protected by a low exterior blast wall. Remains of wooden firing shelves inside. Some of the exterior brickwork is spoiling. No access without permission - on private land owned by Breamore Mill.

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
SMR	____/____/____

Pillbox - Type 26. Built against a mill building, and designed to blend in.

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Field Visit	1996/05/____

Modified type 26 pillbox of square structure built of concrete with brick facing. Concrete base and roof. The entrance protected by a detached blast wall, on the NE face. There is no evidence of a door. 3 embrasures, NW and SW, centrally placed; NE, off-centre. There are the remains of an internal fold-down shelf below each embrasure.

**CONDITION**

Good

**THREATS**

**ADJACENT**

Pillboxes at SU 16201758 and SU16281745.

**SITES**

**PART OF**

Southern Command: Ringwood Stop Line

**CONSTRUCTION**

**DATE**

1940/\_\_/\_\_

1941/\_\_/\_\_

**REFERENCE**

Walker, Nigel  
Wills, Henry

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Loopholes No.21

**DESIGNATION**

Hampshire SMR

SU11NE 53

**UORN**

S0016657

**SITE TYPE**  
**NGR**

**ROADBLOCK**

SU 1630 1744

**COUNTY**

Hampshire

**DISTRICT**

New Forest

**PARISH**

Breamore

**LOCATION**

Breamore Bridge over River Avon.

**DESCRIPTION**

**TYPE**

Document

**DATE**

1941/08/03

Roadblock. Rails. Cassini ref. 600378 [The document gives 560378, but that is clearly an error - 600378 is the best interpretation if the block is to be at the Breamore bridges over the Avon].

**CONDITION**

Destroyed

**THREATS**

**ADJACENT**

**SITES**

**PART OF**

Southern Command: Ringwood Stop Line

**CONSTRUCTION**

**DATE**

1940/\_\_/\_\_

1941/\_\_/\_\_

**REFERENCE**

Operation Instruction  
No.19

Southampton Sub Area  
'HQ' War Diary

**DESIGNATION**