

## 5. Annex

**COMPONENTS OF DEFENCE AREA 71**

**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.**

<b>UORN</b>	S0006150	<b>SITE TYPE</b>	PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
		<b>NGR</b>	SJ 34309 84161
<b>COUNTY</b>	Wirral		
<b>DISTRICT</b>	Bebington		
<b>PARISH</b>	New Chester Road (A41), on SE side of Bromborough Pool Bridge, Port Sunlight.		
<b>LOCATION</b>			
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>			
	TYPE	DATE	
	Air Photograph	1945/08/10	
	Pillbox plotted from air photograph.		
	TYPE	DATE	
	Document	1940/08/30	
	Pillbox. Cassini ref. 807055. Guarding roadblock. One of two at this position [see UORN 7371]. Completed with camouflage by 30.8.40.		
	TYPE	DATE	
	Map	1956/ __ / __	
	Hexagonal pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces SE down road.		
	TYPE	DATE	
	Field Visit	1999/05/10	
	Type 24 pillbox at S end of bridge over a Mersey inlet.		
	TYPE	DATE	
	Field Visit	1995/07/16	
	Type 24 pillbox, situated on E side of road covering S access to bridge which crosses Bromborough pool.		
	TYPE	DATE	
	Field Visit	2003/05/19	
	Variant on a type 24 pillbox situated on the E side of the road at the S end of the bridge. The pillbox faces S, with doorway on its NE side.		
	Rifle embrasure to left of doorway, with a larger stepped LMG embrasure to the right. Both these embrasures are open. The embrasure in the W face is blocked, and the one in the SW face has been blocked but is now open. The other embrasures cannot be seen as a thick hedge is now growing against this side of the pillbox. Concrete-faced: the concrete is well matrixed with stone. Interior access possible. There is surprising little vandal damage despite the position of the pillbox in an urban environment at a point where there is considerably dereliction on the under side of the bridge.		
	TYPE	DATE	
	Information from recorder	1998/02/21	
	Pillbox on road bridge over river.		
<b>CONDITION</b>	Good		

**THREATS**

The pillbox is partly overgrown.

**ADJACENT****SITES****PART OF****CONSTRUCTION****DATE**

1940/08/30      \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**REFERENCE**

	106G/UK/626 (fr.4128) Works Report	Aerial photographs 284 Field Company RE War Diary
Wills, Henry	Pillboxes: A Study of UK Defences	
Hubberstey, N.J. (Maj.)	Exercise Welsh Barrier	2 Military Intelligence Company
Lane, Mark	Defensive Installations on Wirral	Loopholes No.12
Taylor, D.F.	Defences in the Wirral, information from	

**DESIGNATION**

<b>UORN</b>	S0006164	<b>SITE TYPE</b>	PILLBOX (VARIANT)
		<b>NGR</b>	SJ 34358 83221

**COUNTY**

Wirral

**DISTRICT**

Bebington

**PARISH****LOCATION**

On the N side of Bromborough Road just N of its junction with Spital Road, Bebington.

**DESCRIPTION**

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Document	1940/08/30

Pillbox. Cassini ref. 807046. Guarding roadblock. Completed, less camouflage by 30.8.40.

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Map	1956/____/____

Polygonal shaped structure. Plotted from 1:2500 OS sheet.

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Field Visit	1999/11/____

Pillbox. Embrasures and entrance blocked.

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Field Visit	2003/05/19

Five-sided pillbox of a variant form situated under trees beneath a steep bank and by a waterway. All four embrasures and the entrance (on the NW side) are now blocked up. Faced SW across road.

**CONDITION**

Fair

**THREATS**

**ADJACENT**

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**CONSTRUCTION**

**DATE**

1940/08/30      \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

**REFERENCE**

Works Report

284 Field Company RE  
War Diary

**DESIGNATION**

<b>UORN</b>	S0007254	<b>SITE TYPE</b>	<b>PILLBOX (VARIANT)</b>
		<b>NGR</b>	
			SJ 3396 8334

**COUNTY** Wirral

**DISTRICT**

**PARISH** Bebington

**LOCATION** Inside former Lever Works, at top of embankment of disused mineral line sidings above public footpath and cycleway, off Bromborough Road.

**DESCRIPTION**

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Field Visit	2001/___/___

Square pillbox, concrete-faced, with four embrasures. Entrance at one corner. Now covered with spray-can graffiti.

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Field Visit	1999/11/___

Square concrete-faced pillbox, well hidden amongst trees.

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Field Visit	1995/07/16

Type 26 pillbox situated on the E side of the road from Bromborough to Port Sunlight and the Lever Brothers soap factory.

TYPE  
Field Visit

DATE  
2003/05/19

Square pillbox (a variation on the standard type 26) with chamfered corners and an attached entrance porch. The pillbox is heavily covered with spray can graffiti, and the embrasure on the W face has been badly damaged. Concrete-faced inside and outside. Faces S towards road. Interior access possible although the doorway has been blocked for a quarter of its height from the ground.

**CONDITION**

Bad

**THREATS**

The pillbox is extensively graffiti-sprayed.

**ADJACENT**

Possible spigot mortar emplacement [UORN 12445].

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**REFERENCE**

Hubberstey, N.J. (Maj.)

Exercise Welsh Barrier

2 Military Intelligence  
Company

Lane, Mark

Defensive Installations on  
Wirral

Loopholes No.12

**DESIGNATION**

**UORN** S0007371 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)  
**NGR** SJ 34285 84150

**COUNTY** Wirral

**DISTRICT**

**PARISH**

**LOCATION**

Bebington

On SW side of Bromborough Pool Bridge on New Chester Road (A41) at Port Sunlight.

**DESCRIPTION**

TYPE  
Air Photograph

DATE  
1945/08/10

Pillbox plotted from air photograph.

TYPE  
Document

DATE  
1940/08/30

Pillbox. Cassini ref. 807055. Completed, with camouflage by 30.8.40. Guarding roadblock. One of two at this location [see UORN 6150].

TYPE

DATE

Map 1956/ \_\_/ \_\_

Hexagonal pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces E.

TYPE DATE  
Field Visit 1995/07/16

Type 24 pillbox, situated on W side of road covering S access to bridge which crosses Bromborough pool.

TYPE DATE  
Field Visit 1999/05/10

Type 24 pillbox at S end of bridge over a Mersey inlet.

TYPE DATE  
Field Visit 2003/05/19

Variant on a type 24 pillbox, built for its site at the SW end of the bridge. It faces E across the bridge rather than S, the direction of its companion on the other side of the road [UORN 6150].

The doorway is on the W side. Interior access is possible. Three embrasures are blocked; the rest are open. The embrasure to the right of the entrance is a splayed rifle port, that to the left a larger stepped one for LMG fire. The concrete facing is heavily matrixed with stone and shows evidence of having been shuttered with vertical wooden planking.

**CONDITION**

Good

**THREATS**

**ADJACENT**

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**DATE**

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**REFERENCE**

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**DESIGNATION**

**UORN** S0012445 **SITE TYPE** SPIGOT MORTAR EMPLACEMENT  
**NGR** SJ 34201 83281

**COUNTY** Wirral  
**DISTRICT**  
**PARISH** Bebington  
**LOCATION** Beneath bank of disused railway line by footpath inside what was once the Unilever Works, off Bromborough Road, Bebington.

**DESCRIPTION**

**TYPE** **DATE**  
Field Visit 2001/ \_\_/ \_\_

Probable spigot mortar pedestal, close to a pillbox [see UORN 7254]. The steel spigot has been removed. A modern pipe line raised on concrete blocks passes close by.

**TYPE** **DATE**  
Field Visit 1999/11/ \_\_

Possible spigot mortar base.

**TYPE** **DATE**  
Field Visit 2003/05/19

A possible pedestal of a spigot mortar emplacement, but hollow at the centre and without its steel spigot. Another similar pedestal lies close to the W [UORN 16616]. Their identification as spigot mortar pedestals may not be correct, although it is hard to know what their purpose would have been otherwise.

**CONDITION**

Fair

**THREATS**

**ADJACENT**  
Pillbox [UORN 7254].  
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**REFERENCE**

**DESIGNATION**

**UORN** S0015716 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)  
**NGR** SJ 34199 84401

**COUNTY** Wirral  
**DISTRICT**  
**PARISH** Bebington  
**LOCATION** At top of bank on small area of grass on E side of New Chester Road (A41), N of Bromborough Pool Bridge.

**DESCRIPTION**

TYPE DATE  
Air Photograph 1948/08/19

Pillbox plotted from air photograph.

TYPE DATE  
Map 1956/ \_\_/ \_\_

Hexagonal pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces SW.

TYPE DATE  
Field Visit 2003/05/19

Hexagonal pillbox, a smallish version of a type 24. Concrete-faced, with brick anti-ricochet wall. Two embrasures, one each side of doorway, in rear face (E), and one embrasure in each of the forward faces. The embrasures are splayed to the inside. The pillbox faces slightly S of W enfilading the road. All the embrasures, other than those in the rear face, are bricked up. The doorway is open, but the pillbox entrance filled with palings and grass cuttings.

**CONDITION**

Fair

**THREATS**

**ADJACENT**

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**REFERENCE**

H.Q.T.T.C (fr.539)

Aerial photographs

**DESIGNATION**

**UORN** S0016509 **SITE TYPE** ROADBLOCK  
**NGR** SJ 3434 8407

**COUNTY** Wirral  
**DISTRICT**

**PARISH** Bebington  
**LOCATION** S of Bromborough Pool Bridge on New Chester Road, Port Sunlight.

**DESCRIPTION**

TYPE DATE  
Air Photograph 1945/08/10

Roadblock site plotted from air photograph. Four concrete anti-tank blocks stand on the E side of the road.

TYPE DATE  
Document 1940/08/30

Roadblock. A.I. Cassini ref. 807055.

**CONDITION**

Destroyed

**THREATS**

**ADJACENT**

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**CONSTRUCTION**

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**REFERENCE**

106G/UK/626 (fr.4128)      Aerial photographs  
Works Report      284 Field Company RE  
War Diary

**DESIGNATION**

**UORN**      S0016510      **SITE TYPE**      ROADBLOCK  
   **NGR**  
   SJ    3443    8313

**COUNTY**      Wirral  
**DISTRICT**  
**PARISH**      Bebington  
**LOCATION**      On Bromborough Road (B5137) just S of junction with Spital Road.

**DESCRIPTION**

TYPE DATE  
Air Photograph 1945/08/10

Roadblock site plotted from air photograph.

TYPE DATE  
Document 1940/08/30



Roadblock. A.2. Cassini ref. 808044.

**CONDITION**

Destroyed

**THREATS**

**ADJACENT**

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**CONSTRUCTION**

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**REFERENCE**

106G/UK/626 (fr.3130)  
Works Report

Aerial photographs  
284 Field Company RE  
War Diary

**DESIGNATION**

<b>UORN</b>	S0016511	<b>SITE TYPE</b>	ROADBLOCK		
		<b>NGR</b>	SJ	3435	8322

<b>COUNTY</b>	Wirral
<b>DISTRICT</b>	
<b>PARISH</b>	Bebington
<b>LOCATION</b>	On Bromborough Road NW of its junction with Spital Road.

**DESCRIPTION**

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Document	1940/08/30
Roadblock. Cassini ref. 807046.	

**CONDITION**

Destroyed

**THREATS**

**ADJACENT**

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**REFERENCE**

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War Diary

**DESIGNATION**

**UORN**     S0016616     **SITE TYPE**     SPIGOT MORTAR EMPLACEMENT  
**NGR**     SJ 34022 83320

**COUNTY**  
**DISTRICT**  
**PARISH**  
**LOCATION**

Wirral  
Bebington  
Beneath bank of disused railway line by footpath inside what was once the Unilever Works, off Bromborough Road, Bebington.

**DESCRIPTION**

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Field Visit	2003/05/19

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**CONDITION**

Fair

**THREATS**

**ADJACENT**

**SITES**

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**REFERENCE**

**DESIGNATION**

**UORN** S0016621 **SITE TYPE** **RAILBLOCK**  
**NGR** SJ 3389 8310

**COUNTY** Wirral  
**DISTRICT**  
**PARISH** Bebington  
**LOCATION** Railway line at Bromborough Station.

**DESCRIPTION**

**TYPE** **DATE**  
Document 1943/ \_\_/ \_\_

Railblock. Serial no. 57. Cassini ref. 808023. Manned by 'D' Coy 21 Cheshire Home Guard.

**CONDITION**

Unknown

**THREATS**

**ADJACENT**

**SITES**

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**CONSTRUCTION**

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

**REFERENCE**

Standing Operation  
Instruction, Annexure III,  
Appendix 'J'

West Lancashire District  
War Diary

**DESIGNATION**