Elms Farm, Heybridge

Additional processed volumes for the extra sample material sent to AM for analysis purposes – Nov 1999. Taken from processing sheets dated 5th to 29th January 1998. Blanks are simply not on these sheets and I cannot think of any possible source for this information. Most probably there was no additional volume involved?

Sample	Additional volume processed (L)
306	10
396	6
403	8 8
406	8
410	
417	8
499	
537	10
602	
607	
629	
630	79
631	79 10
632	8
641	
647	15
655	57
670	8
678	10
681	20
704	22
714	22
719	
721	15
722	
727	22
729	
730	
730 749 752 755	12
752	17
755	22
758	17 22 30
760	34

Sample	Additional volume processed (L)	Sample	Additional volume processed (L)
761	42	1090	
762	16	1091	
766	27	1096	69
768	10	1103	20
773		1109	6
775	49	1213	10
781	54	1216	10
782	49	1223	10
785		1503	8
786	8	1534	15
788	15	1540	12
791		1607	20
794	15	1612	27
805		1642	
901	8	1655	
909	34	1657	
913	8	1675	
914	20	1818	15
915	16	1905	
919	27	1906	8
923		1922	37
925	12	2138	8
938		2186	
965	17	2187	15
1014	20	2192	
1017	12	2409	
1020	20	2411	
1035	24	2433	
1057	40	2434	
1059	19	2440	
1069	27	2441	
1088	8	2450	10

Confirming Phasing

Sample **306** Context 9053 Bit of a cock-up I'm afraid. If this is from 9053, it was part of an unphased group, but the context itself is early-mid first century AD, so it would be Period II.

However, 9053's context sheet does not mention this sample, and the samples register has been altered (to 9053; alteration made by area supervisor in the field). Context 9046 claims to have sample 306. The text description on the sample record sheet matches 9046, not 9053, and is by the same person as 9046's context record. Still, it's not as simple as just making it come from 9046, as 9053 definitely was the origin of sample 355, which is also not mentioned on its context sheet! 9046 directly overlay 9053, so it's from somewhere around there! 9046 is also Period II. If we were to be trusting, we might be able to claim that it was Period II whichever context it came from? I'd be tempted to accept the supervisor's correction and stick with it being from 9053. But it could never be regarded as 100% secure. Pity.

1091 Context 18240 Early Roman (III A)

2441 Context 17229 Hopeless

Phasing for the 'good' samples from Area W

Sample	Feature	Period	Note
140	2338	IV	Corn drier
154	2513	Р	Cremation
162	2647	IV	Corn drier
165	3013	IV	Corn drier
182	2647	IV	Corn drier
189	3013	IV	Corn drier
216	2734	Р	Pit
217	2734	Р	Pit
235	2853	Р	Post hole
241	3026	IV	Corn drier
274	3042	IV	Corn drier

Something of a pattern there!

A list of all samples from pot hearths is appended. We've decided to call these 'Storage Jar Ovens' now—a bit cumbersome, but more specific. I've been quite precise in defining which hearths belong to this category, as you asked for them specifically, but I've also attached a list of samples from other hearthy-type things, which includes anything vaguely related to food processing and heat, just in case. This includes things like drying floors, (unless already listed above) but also any little patch of burnt clay that looked deliberate... feel free to ignore these!

I hope this helps.

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Samples from Pot Hearth conte 394 395 398 399 400 406 946 966 984 992 1023 1026 1518	exts 1519 1520 1526 1532 1536 2105 2108 2109 2110 2111 2112 2113 2114	2116 2117 2118 2119 2120 2141 2147 2151 2154 2158 2162 2192
Samples from other hearths 49 50 51 58 63 64 68 80 81 139 141 159 160 213	524 525 526 527 528 529 530 600 611 612 622 622 623 626 627	700 701 702 713 757 769 790 793 800 802 804 822 824 1662
222 225 230 234 269 513	628 672 682 683 684 685	1672 1914 1916 1917 1919 1920