

Area F

Features/contexts requiring dating evidence sections:

* denotes a fully-quantified group

Period I

Postholes 10675, 10736, 10760, 10774, 10784, 10790

10774	Pottery fabric GROG
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Only two postholes produced pottery. 10774 contained three sherds, two of which are prehistoric in date, plus one tiny (?intrusive) grog-tempered bodysherd. The single sherd from 10736 is also prehistoric.

Period II

Pits 10108, 10192, 10199

10108	Pottery fabrics GROG MICW
10192	Pottery jars \$ (GROG)
10199	Pottery fabric GROG

These features produced small amounts of grog-tempered pottery, and some forms are handmade. 10108 also contained sherds in sand-tempered fabric, including jar rims. A date early in the Late Iron Age sequence is indicated.

Posthole 10105

10105	Pottery fabrics MICW GROG Coin Potin (SF1507)
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This posthole contained bodysherds in both grog- and sand-tempered fabrics, indicating a date early in the Late Iron Age sequence. The coin provides a late 1st century BC to early 1st century AD date.

Road 1 10217, 10204, 10212, 10213, 10214, 10215, 10209, 10210, 10228, 10685, 10708

10213	Coin AE unit (SF2220)
10217	Pottery fabrics BSW GRS
10210	Pottery fabric GROG

Only two of these contexts contained pottery, consisting of a few bodysherds in both grog-tempered and Roman fabrics. The coin is an early continental type (attributed to the Remi) and may be residual. Dating evidence is inconclusive.

Ditch 25038 (10219, 10631)

10219	Amphoras Pascual 1 (ARCAT) Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other pottery jar G20 (GROG)
10631	Samian Other pottery jar \$ (GROG)

Both ditch sections contained a quantity of grog-tempered pottery, with handmade forms present in 10631. The early amphoras present in 10219 indicate a late 1st century BC to mid 1st century AD date, although there is also ?one sherd of samian, possibly intrusive.

Ditch 10546, 10582

10582	Samian Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 2 (TN), mortarium D1 (VRWM), beaker H1 (GRF), fabrics NGWF GROG CGFCS Coin Dupondius/As Vespasian (SF5218) 69-79
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Only one ditch segment produced pottery. There are grog-tempered forms, imported finewares and 1st-century Roman types all present in some quantity, especially in the upper fills. The ditch was probably open in the Late Iron Age and then deliberately infilled in the mid to late 1st century AD. This is supported by the coin evidence.

Postholes 10677, 10679, 10681, 10738, 10740, 10753, 10755

10677	Pottery fabric GROG
10681	Pottery fabric GROG
10738	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW

Most of the pottery recovered from these postholes is grog-tempered, providing a Late Iron Age date, although the sherd from 10740 is prehistoric.

Slot 10549, 10684

10549	Pottery fabric GROG
10684	Pottery fabric GROG

The few grog-tempered bodysherds recovered indicate a Late Iron Age date.

Ditch 25039 (8230, 8250, 9712, 9859, 10239, 10241, 10243, 10247, 10257, 10269, 10277, 10536)

8230	Pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 255 (ESH), fabrics MICW GROG
9712	Pottery jars <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH) G19 (GROG) G23 (STOR), fabrics MICW GRS BSW
10239	Samian Other pottery jar \$ (MICW), fabric GROG

10241	Pottery jars G5.5 (GRS) <i>Cam 254</i> \$ (GROG), fabrics ESH MICW BSW
10243	Pottery fabrics MICW GROG
10257	Pottery jar \$ (GROG), fabric MICW
10269	Pottery jars <i>Cam 254</i> (ESH) \$ (GROG)
10277	Pottery jar \$ (MICW), fabrics GROG ESH
10536	Pottery fabrics MICW GROG

Most of the pottery recovered from this feature is either grog- or sand-tempered, with many handmade forms present. Some contexts also contained prehistoric (?MIA) pottery. There are Roman fabrics and forms in small quantities, including samian, but these are likely to be intrusive. A late 1st century BC to mid 1st century AD date is indicated by the bulk of the pottery present.

Curving Gully 25110 (10223)

10223	Pottery fabrics GROG STOR
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The pottery recovered consists of bodysherds in both grog-tempered and Roman fabrics. Dating evidence is inconclusive.

Pits 10111, 10123, 10146, 10197, 10288, 10345, 10383, 10695, 10552

10111	Pottery fabrics MICW GROG
10123	Pottery fabrics NGWF GROG GRF BSW
10146	Pottery beaker \$ (GROG)
10197	Pottery beaker H1 (GROG), fabrics MICW GRS
10288*	Arretine platter <i>Conspectus 12</i> (ITSW) Other pottery fabrics GROG TN(M) CGFCS ESH MICW BSW
10345	Pottery fabric GROG
10383	Pottery fabrics MICW GROG
10695	Pottery fabric GROG
10552	Amphoras Dr.1 (AITAL) <i>salazon</i> (ASALA) Other pottery jars \$ G20 (GROG), fabrics BSW TR

These features produced mainly grog-tempered pottery, some in handmade forms. There are sand-tempered bodysherds present and a Dressel 1 amphora fragment; these indicate a date in the late 1st century BC. The presence of imported fineware and some Roman fabrics probably extends the date range into the mid 1st century AD.

Period III

Road 1 10180, 10203, 10210, 10227, 10574, 10592, 10598, 10626, 10556, 10543, 10544, 10557, 10590, 10508, 10511, 10309, 10394, 10395, 10495, 10408, 10521

10210	Pottery fabric GROG
10592	Pottery fabric GROG
10598	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW GRF
10556	Pottery fabric GROG
10543	Pottery fabric GROG
10544	Pottery fabric GROG
10557	Pottery jar \$ (GROG)
10309	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW
10394	Pottery fabric GROG
10495	Pottery fabrics GROG TR

The pottery recovered from these surfaces is mainly grog-tempered, providing a Late Iron Age date. The sherds in Roman fabrics are probably intrusive. (**Late Iron Age? to Period II?**)

Ditch 10565, 10392, 10529

10565	Samian Amphoras Gauloise 4 (AGAUL) Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery dish B7 (BSW), jars G8 (BSW) G17 G19 G23 (GRS), beaker H13 (NKG), flagon J3.2 (COLB), fabric VRW
10392	Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery jar G20 (GRS), beaker H1 (BSW), fabrics TR COLB
10529	Samian Other pottery jars G19 G23 (GRS), fabric LRC

These ditch sections produced pottery dating from the late 1st to early 2nd centuries, with residual grog-tempered sherds also present.

Ditch 10206, 10208

10206*	Pottery mortarium D1 (VRWM), fabrics GROG TN(M) NGWFS
10208*	Amphora <i>salazon</i> (ASALA) Other pottery beaker <i>Cam 102</i> (CGMIC), fabric GROG

These ditch sections contained mainly grog-tempered pottery in a variety of forms. An early to mid 1st century AD date is suggested by the presence of the imported fineware and amphora. The mortarium is a mid 1st century type.

Ditch 10189, 10522, 10159

10189	Samian Other pottery dish B4 (BSW), fabrics COLC GRS NKG
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10522	Pottery jar G19 (BSW), fabrics GROG GRS
10159*	Samian Other pottery platter A4 (NKG), dishes B2.3 B3.1 (BB2) B4 B7 B9 (BSW) B10.1 (GRF), bowls C16 (GRS) C23.3 (LESTA), jars G18 G20 G29 (GRS), beakers H6 (NKG) H20 (COLC), fabric VRWM

Two ditch sections produced a fairly large assemblage of uniform mid to late 2nd century date. Ditch section 10522 contained a small amount of earlier pottery, possibly residual.

Structural features 10132, 10174, 10501, 10350, 10358, 10798

10132	Pottery bowl C16 (BSW), fabrics GRF GRS
10174	Pottery fabric STOR
10501	Pottery jars <i>Cam</i> 258 (ESH) <i>Cam</i> 255 (GROG) G44 (STOR), fabrics GRS NKG BSW
10350	Pottery fabric GRS
10358	Pottery dish B8 (BSW), fabrics NKG GRS
10798	Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery platter A2.5 (BSW), dish B2/B4 (BSW), jar G44 (STOR), fabrics ESH GRS

These contexts produced pottery mainly dating from the late 1st to early 2nd centuries. There are residual grog- and sand-tempered sherds present throughout and small intrusive sherds present in some top fills. The storage jars used in the hearths are not closely datable, except for the *Cam* 258 shell-tempered jar which is a Monaghan (1987) class 3D4, dated to the second half of the 1st century AD.

Pits 10110, 10113, 10119, 10133, 10151, 10166, 10355, 10398, 10531, 10532, 10322, 10349, 10371, 10382

10110	Samian Other pottery dish B4 (BSW), jars G9 G23 (BSW)
10113	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW
10119	Pottery fabric GRS
10133	Pottery fabrics NKG GRS BSW
10151	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 B2/B4 (BSW), bowls C23.2 (LESTA) C16 (BSW), fabrics COLC GRS
10166	Pottery fabrics BSW GRS CGFCS GROG
10355	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW
10398	Samian Other pottery jars G18 (GRS) G20 (BSW), beaker H20 (LRC), flagon J3 (COLB), fabric COLC
10531	Pottery fabric GRS
10532	Pottery fabric GRS
10322	Samian Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery dish B1 (BSW), jar G5.5 (GRS)
10349	Samian Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery platters A2 (BSW) A4 (RED), dish B7 (BSW), jars G20 (BSW) G23 (GRS), fabrics LRC NKG
10371	Samian Other pottery bowl C2 (NKG), fabric BSW
10382	Samian Other pottery jar G19 (GRF), fabric BSW Brooch Aucissa (SF4015)

These features produced pottery mainly dating from the late 1st to early 2nd centuries, with some pieces extending the date range into the mid 2nd century. The brooch is a late 1st century type. Also present were quantities of residual material.

Ditch 25015 (Period IIIc-IV)

N.B. was included with later ditch 25027, until redated in Jan. 2002.

Segments 10491, 10599, 10602

10491	Pottery jar ?G42 (GRS), fabric BSW
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Little of the pottery present can be closely dated within the Roman period, although the jar is a later Roman type. Segments 10599 and 10602 contained no pottery.

Period IV

Road 1 10170, 10171, 10177, 10178, 10179, 10158, 10172, 10185, 10186, 10203, 10104, 10115, 10127, 10136, 10137, 10140, 10142, 10143, 10145, 10148, 10149, 10150, 10176, 10183, 10279, 10294, 10301, 10306, 10373, 10497, 10499, 10505, 10272, 10281, 10267, 10265, 10259, 10273

10170	Amphora Pascual 1 (ARCAT) Other pottery fabrics GROG GRS
10171	Samian Other pottery fabrics GRS GROG
10179	Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery fabrics CGFCS GRS GROG Brooch Hod Hill (SF2214)
10158	Pottery fabrics GRS GROG
10172	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS
10185	Pottery fabric GRS
10186	Pottery fabric GROG

The contexts representing this phase of the road provide a broad early Roman date. There were later sherds present, demonstrating that the road had continued usage, probably into the 3rd century.

10104	Samian Other pottery dishes B5.1 (GRS BSW) B2 B4 (GRF) B3.2 (BSW), mortaria D11.1 D11.2
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	(BUFM), bowl-jar E2 (BSW), jars G9 (GRF) G5 (BSW) G24 G36 (GRS), beakers H24.2 (NVC) H32 H35 (GRF BSW), lid K7 (NVC), fabrics EGRHN BB1 Coin Dupondius/As (SF2189) 69-199
10115	Pottery fabrics NVC GRS BSW Coin Denarius Caracalla (SF2199) 212-217
10127	Pottery dishes B1 (BB1) B2/B4 (BSW), bowl-jar E2 (GRS), fabric NVC
10143	Pottery fabric NVC
10176	Pottery fabrics STOR GROG
10183	Pottery fabric GROG
10279	Pottery dishes B1 B4 (BSW), jar G40 (GRF), fabric GRS
10294	Samian Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery jar G5 (GRS), fabrics NVC BB2
10301	Pottery mortarium D1 (REDM), jars G40 (GRF), fabrics NVC BSW
10373	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW
10499	Samian Other pottery dish B4 (BSW), jar G5 (GRS), beaker H32 (GRS), fabric NVC
10505	Samian Other pottery jar G5 (GRS), fabrics BSW CGRHN
10281	Pottery fabric GRS
10267	Samian Other pottery dish B2 (BSW), bowl-jar E2 (GRS), fabrics NVC
10265	Samian Other pottery jar G5 (GRS), fabric BSW
10259	Pottery fabrics BSW GRS
10273	Samian Amphora Dr 2-4 (AITAL)

The contexts associated with the later use of Road 1 produced pottery with a consistent 3rd century date, with some residual sherds. Some contexts only contained pottery which is not closely datable.

Postholes 10384, 10518, 10585, 10745

10384	Pottery fabrics RET BB2 BB1
10518	Pottery dishes B4 (GRS) B6 (BSW), jar G24 (RET), fabrics NVC HAX LSH HAB
10585	Pottery dish B6 (GRS), beaker H41 (NVC), fabrics LSH HAX OXRC RET
10745	Samian Other pottery dish B6.2 (BSW), fabrics RET GRS

These postholes contained pottery of a general 3rd century date, but late 4th century fabrics and forms were present in some top fills. This later pottery may be intrusive as it probably derives from late Roman ditch (25027), which cuts the postholes.

Mid/late Roman features 10156, 10341, 10369, 10641, 10637, 10648, 10554, 10537, 10564, 10365, 10375

10156	Samian Other pottery dish B2/B4 (BSW GRS), fabrics NKG
10369	Pottery jar G5.5 (BSW)
10641	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 B2/B4 (BSW), jar G5.5 (GRS), beaker H34/35 (GRF), fabric NVC
10637	Pottery fabrics NVC GRS BSW
10648	Samian Other pottery dish B4 (GRS), mortarium D11.1 (BUFM), jar G24 (GRS), fabrics EGRHN NVC BB2 RET Coin Radiate Postumus (SF5241) 262
10537	Samian Other pottery fabrics GRS BSW BB1
10365	Samian Other pottery dish B3.2 (BSW), fabrics GRS NVC

These features produced pottery which provides an early to mid 3rd century date, with varying amounts of residual material also present. The pottery from 10375 is wholly residual.

Pits 10086, 10089, 10091, 10094, 10162, 10164, 10168, 10195, 10216, 10221, 10271, 10321, 10353, 10515, 10580, 10622

10086	Pottery beaker H34 (GRF), fabrics HAX NVC BSW
10089	Pottery dish B2 (BSW), jar G5.4 (BSW), fabric GRS
10094	Samian Other pottery dishes B3.2 (BSW) B1.4 B2.3 (BB2), jars G9 G23 (BSW), beakers H5 H6 (NKG) H20 (COLC), flagon J3.5 (MWSRS), fabric GRS
10162	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 (BSW) B2 (GRF), jars G5 G9 (GRS), beakers H24 (COLC) H6.3 (GRF), fabric HAX
10164	Pottery dishes B1 B2/B4 (BSW), jar G5.2 (GRS), fabric COLC
10168	Samian Other pottery jar G5.5 (GRS), fabrics COLC BSW
10195	Samian Other pottery mortarium D1 (BUFM), jar G9 (BSW), beakers H34 H35 (BSW), fabric COLC
10216	Samian Other pottery jars G24 (GRS) G23 G9 (BSW), fabric COLC
10221	Pottery bowl C18 (NVC), fabrics GRS BSW
10271	Samian Other pottery dish B1 (BSW), bowl-jar E2 (GRS), jar G5.5 (BSW GRS), beaker H27 (NVC), fabrics MIC COLC HAX
10321	Samian Other pottery dishes B5.1 (BB1) B1 B3 (BSW) B2/B4 (GRF BSW), mortarium D6 (OXWM), beaker H32 (NVC), fabrics HAX

	Coin Radiate (SF3972) 230-270
10353	Pottery mortarium D11 (COLBM), fabrics BSW GRS
10515	Samian Other pottery dishes B1.4 B2/B4 (BSW), jar G5.5 (BSW), fabrics NVC GRS
10580	Samian Other pottery dishes B4 B5.1 (BSW), jars G9 (BB1) G24 (GRS), beakers H6 (NKG) H20 (COLC)
10622	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 B4 B3 (BSW), bowl-jar E2 (GRF), jars G24 (GRS) G9 (BSW), beakers H32 (NVC) H33 (BSW), fabric HAX

Most of these pits produced pottery which ranges in date from the mid 2nd to the mid 3rd centuries. All generally contained either dishes or folded beakers, with varying quantities of residual material, although some samian may not be. The pottery in 10091 is wholly residual. Also present in 10271 is a patera copy in mica-dusted fabric, in this fabric contemporary with the rest of the pottery.

Periods V-VI

Ditch 10290, 10525

10290	Pottery dish B6.2 (NVC)
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The Nene Valley colour-coated dish dates this feature to the early to mid 4th century. Also present were residual bodysherds and a coin of Geta, 198-212, also residual.

Deposits 10248, 10255

10248	Pottery bowl-jars E2 (HAB BSW) E5.4 (GRF), jars G24 G42 (GRS), beaker H41 (NVC), fabrics HAX BB1
10255	Pottery bowl C8 (OXRC), bowl-jar E2 (BSW), fabrics NVC HAX

These contexts contained pottery dating from the late 3rd to 4th centuries, with much residual pottery. The Oxford red colour-coated ware in 10255 provides a date of late 4th century+.

Circular dump 10496, 10639, 10605, 10693

10496	Pottery dishes B6.1 (GRF), beaker H41 (NVC), fabrics BB1 BSW Coins AE3 House of Constantine (SF4640, SF5230) 347-348, AE4 (SF4648) 300-399
10639	Pottery fabrics LSH RET BSW
10693	Pottery fabrics MEK NVC BSW

Much of the pottery from this deposit is late Roman in date. The coins support a mid 4th century date, but the presence of late shell-tempered and Mayen ware bodysherds may indicate a date in the late 4th century+. There is residual material, mostly dishes, in some quantity.

Ditch 25027 10311, 10380, 10404, 10406, 10520, 10538, 10657, 10663

10380*	Pottery dishes B6.3 (BB1) B1 (NVC), bowls C25 (OXRC) C8 (NVC), mortarium D5 (OXWM), fabric HAX Coin AE4 House of Theodosius (SF4018) 383-402
10404*	Pottery dishes B1 (BB1) B6 (GRF), bowl-jar E2 (GRS), jar G24 (RET), beaker H41 (NVC), fabric NVM
10406	Pottery dishes B6 (NVC BB1 GRF) B6.1 (BSW GRS), bowls C [P32] (OX) C8 (OXRC), mortaria D14 (NVM) D7 (OXWM), bowl-jar E2 (GRF GRS), jars G27 (LSH) G24 (HAX) G42 (GRS), fabrics OXCRM OXSWM OXW Coins AE3 Valens (SF3974) 367-375, AE3 Valentinian I (SF4289), 367-375, AE3 House of Constantine (SF3482) 330-335
10520	Pottery dish B6 (GRS), jar G42 (GRS)
10538	Pottery dishes B6.1 B6.2 (GRS), bowl C8 (NVC), mortarium D6 (OXSWM), bowl-jars E2 (BSW) E5 (GRS), jars G26 (HAX) G35 (GRS) G27 (LSH), fabrics OXWM BB1 OXRC Coins AE3 Valens (SF4022) 364-378, AE3 House of Constantine (SF3987, SF3988, SF3992) 330-337
10657*	Pottery dishes B1.2 (NVC) B6 (GRF), bowl C (OXRC), mortarium D14 (NVM), bowl-jars E2 (BSW) E6.1 (GRS), jars G27 (PORD) G42 (GRS), flagons J11 (NVC), fabrics HAX, LSH Coins AE3 Constantine II Caesar (SF3998) 321-323, AE3 House of Constantine (SF4636) 330-337
10663*	Pottery dish B6.1 (GRS), mortarium D7 (OXWM), fabric HAX

Most of these ditch sections contained late 4th century+ pottery, although there is evidence to suggest that the feature began accumulating rubbish in the 3rd century with the greatest deposition occurring in the later 4th century. This date is supported by the coin evidence. There is much residual material present.

Pit 10763

10763*	Pottery dishes B1 (BB1) B6 (BSW), bowl-jar E5.4 (BSW GRS), jars G24 (GRS) G9 (GRF) G26 (RED), beakers H32 (NVC) H34 (BSW), fabrics OXSWM HAX Coin AE3 House of Constantine (SF5458) 330-337
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Most of the pottery recovered can be dated to the late 3rd to mid 4th centuries. The presence of the coin supports an early to mid 4th century date. There is earlier (residual) pottery present throughout.

Pits 10125, 10504

10125	Pottery fabrics LSH OXRC
10504	Pottery dishes B1 (LSH) B6 (GRF BSW), bowl C8 (OXRC), fabric BB1

These pits both produced pottery which dates to the late 4th century+, with lots of residual material.