

Area M

Features/contexts requiring dating evidence sections:

Period II

Ditch 25081 (15527, 15897, 24070, 24429, 24430, 24442, 24445)

15527	Samian Other pottery fabrics GROG TN(M) GRS
15897	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS BSW
24070	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW GRS
24430	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS
24445	Samian Other pottery fabrics BSW GRS

The pottery recovered from these ditch sections consists mainly of bodysherds in both grog-tempered and Roman fabrics. There is a large quantity of later material, including coins. Dating evidence is inconclusive, although an early Roman date is indicated.

(But see appendix for alternatives)

Gully 25082 (15526, 15992, 24428)

15526	Samian Amphoras Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery bowl <i>Cam</i> 51 (TN(M)), fabrics TR NGWF GROG
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Most of the pottery from this feature dates to the early to mid 1st century AD. The few sherds from section 15992 are mostly late Roman and probably intrusive.

(And see appendix)

Pit 15530

15530	Amphoras Pascual 1 (ARCAT) Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAG) Other pottery bowl <i>Cam</i> 51 (TN(M)), jar G3 (GROG), beaker <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWF)
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Most of the pottery recovered provides an early to mid 1st century AD date. The amphora forms are both dated late 1st century BC to early-mid 1st century AD. Some intrusive late Roman sherds are also present.

Ditch 25088 (15471, 15799, 15909, 24176)

15471	Pottery jars G3 (GROG), beaker <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWFS), fabrics TN BSW
15909	Pottery jars <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH) \$ G3 (GROG), fabric NGWF
24175	Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 2 (TN), fabrics CGFCS GROG

The pottery recovered from these ditch sections consists of fabrics and forms dating to the early to mid 1st century AD.

[Context 15476 (15471) contained a jar in sandy greyware of a type dating from the 2nd to 4th centuries; the base is present, in pieces, and part of the jar rim, also in pieces - all fresh breaks. **Was this jar buried complete, with the backfill comprising the original ditch contents?** The top fill contained mostly 1st century fabrics and forms and can be dated to the early to mid 1st century AD, but the greyware jar appearing in the bottom fill is anomalous]

Cobbled surface 15034, 15048, 15176, 15202, 15203, 15279, 15481, 15558, 15937

15176	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW
15203	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW
15558	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAL AITAF)

The pottery associated with this cobbled surface consists mainly of bodysherds in Roman fabrics, although only three of the contexts contained pottery. Dating evidence is inconclusive. Context 15558 produced late 1st-century BC Dressel 1 amphora sherds, presumably these are residual.

Building 9 (24389, 24400, 24407, 24409)

24400	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW
24407	Pottery beaker <i>Cam</i> 102 (CGMIC), fabric GROG.

The contexts associated with this building contained mainly grog-tempered pottery. The Central Gaulish beaker provides an early 1st century AD date.

Building 10 (24159, 24167)

24167	Pottery fabric GROG
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A small amount of grog-tempered pottery was recovered, providing a Late Iron Age date.

Building 43 25083 (24201, 24209, 24275, 24277, 24285, 24287)

24275	Pottery fabrics GROG ESH
24277	Pottery fabrics BSW GROG
24285	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW

The contexts associated with this building contained mainly grog-tempered pottery. There are sherds present in Roman fabrics, these probably indicate a date towards the mid 1st century AD.

Building 44 (15437, 15519, 15521)

15437	Amphora Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other pottery jar G3 (BSW), fabrics COLB GROG
15521	Pottery fabric GROG

The pottery recovered from the gully 15437 provides the best dating evidence for this building. Both the jar and the amphora are mid to late 1st century AD forms.

Event pit 15417

15417*	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAB AITAC AITAD) Other pottery platters <i>Cam</i> 1 (TN(M)) <i>Cam</i> 2 <i>Cam</i> 5A <i>Cam</i> 5B (TR) \$ (PR), mortarium <i>Cam</i> 191 (IBUFM), jar <i>Cam</i> 255 (ESH), beakers cf. <i>Cam</i> 112 (TRCG) <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWF), flagon <i>Cam</i> 165 (CGFCS), fabrics GROG MICW
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This pit contained a large amount of pottery, most of which has been severely burnt and is considered to be a deliberate deposit, probably pyre-related. The amphora and other early fineware types present provide a date towards the end of the 1st century BC or beginning of the 1st century AD.

Pits 15004, 15289, 15306, 15309, 15385, 15588, 15591, 15593, 15594, 15596, 15641, 15815, 15818, 15842, 15850, 15882, 15968, 24115, 24134, 24151, 24153, 24181, 24184, 24186

15004*	Pottery jar \$ (GROG), fabrics GRS ESH
15289	Pottery fabric GROG
15306	Pottery fabric GROG
15309	Pottery jar \$ (GROG)
15385	Pottery fabric GROG
15588	Samian Other pottery beaker <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWF), fabrics IMIC ESH GRS BSW GROG
15591	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW
15593	Samian Amphora Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other pottery fabric GROG
15594	Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 2 (TN), mortarium D1.3 (BUFM), jars G17 G16 (GROG), beakers <i>Cam</i> 91 (TR) <i>Cam</i> 119 (TR), fabrics NGWF CAMF BSW GRS COLB Brooches Plate (SF 7410), Hod Hill (SF 7421)
15596	Amphora Dr.2-4 (AWINC) Other pottery jar G16 (GROG), flagon <i>Cam</i> 154 (NGWF)
15641	Samian Other pottery platters <i>Cam</i> 16 (TN) A2 (BSW), bowl C1 (BUF), jars G3 (BSW) G20 (GROG), beaker <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWF), fabrics TR ESH COLB VRW
15815	Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 5 (TN), cup <i>Cam</i> 57 (GROG), jars \$ (MICW) G3 \$ (GROG), fabrics NGWFS ESH GRS
15818	Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 5 (TN), jars \$ G20 (GROG), beaker <i>Cam</i> 102 (CGMIC), fabric NGWF
15842	Pottery fabric GROG
15850	Samian Other pottery jar G19 (GROG)
15882	Pottery jar \$ (GROG), fabric ESH
15968*	Amphoras Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Dr.2-4 (AITAL) <i>salazon</i> (ASALA) Other pottery fabrics NGWF GROG MICW CGMIC TR
24115	Amphora Pascual 1 (ARCAT) Other pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 2 (TN), jars G19 G20 (GROG), fabric GRS Coin As copy (SF 7828), 41-64 Brooch Colchester BB (SF 7817)
24134	Samian Amphoras Beltran 1 (ASALA) Dr.1 (AITAL) Pascual 1 (ARCAT) Other pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 2 (TN), jars G20 \$ (GROG) G3 (GRS), beaker \$ (SILT), fabrics CGFCS ESH
24151	Amphoras Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other pottery fabrics GROG MICW
24153	Amphora Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other pottery jar \$ (GROG)
24181*	Amphora Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Other pottery jars <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), G19 (GROG) Brooch Langton Down (SF 7820)
24184	Pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), fabrics GROG GRS
24186	Pottery bowl <i>Cam</i> 52B (TN(M)), jar \$ (GROG)

The pottery recovered from these pits ranges in date from the late 1st century BC to the late 1st century AD, although the majority can be dated to the early to mid 1st century AD. This date is supported by the brooches and the coin. There are sherds in Roman fabrics present and the samian, as yet undated, may confirm the date range.

Pits 15004, 15289, 15306, 15309, 15385, 15588, 15591, 15593, 15594, 15596, 15641, 15815, 15818, 15842, 15850, 15882, 15968, 24115, 24134, 24151, 24153, 24181, 24184, 24186

LIA pits

15004*	Pottery jar \$ (GROG), fabrics GRS ESH
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15289	Pottery fabric GROG
15306	Pottery fabric GROG
15309	Pottery jar \$ (GROG)
15385	Pottery fabric GROG
15593	Samian Amphora Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other pottery fabric GROG
15842	Pottery fabric GROG
15850	Samian Other pottery jar G19 (GROG)
15882	Pottery jar \$ (GROG), fabric ESH
24184	Pottery jar Cam 254 (ESH), fabrics GROG GRS

Early/mid 1st century pits

15596	Amphora Dr.2-4 (AWINC) Other pottery jar G16 (GROG), flagon Cam 154 (NGWF)
15815	Pottery platter Cam 5 (TN), cup Cam 58 (GROG), jars \$ (MICW) G3 \$ (GROG), fabrics NGWFS ESH GRS
15818	Pottery platter Cam 5 (TN), jars \$ G20 (GROG), beaker Cam 102 (CGMIC), fabric NGWF
15968*	Amphoras Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Dr.2-4 (AITAL) salazon (ASALA) Other pottery fabrics NGWF GROG MICW CGMIC TR
24115	Amphora Pascual 1 (ARCAT) Other pottery platter Cam 2 (TN), jars G19 G20 (GROG), fabric GRS Coin As copy (SF 7828), 41-64 Brooch Colchester BB (SF 7827)
24134	Samian Amphoras Beltran 1 (ASALA) Dr.1 (AITAL) Pascual 1 (ARCAT) Other pottery platter Cam 2 (TN), jars G20 \$ (GROG) G3 (GRS), beaker \$ (SILT), fabrics CGFCS ESH
24151	Amphoras Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other pottery fabrics GROG MICW
24153	Amphora Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other pottery jar \$ (GROG)
24181*	Amphora Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Other pottery jars Cam 254 (ESH), G19 (GROG) Brooch Langton Down (SF 7820)
24186	Pottery bowl Cam 52B (TN(M)), jar \$ (GROG)

Mid/late 1st century pits

15588	Samian Other pottery beaker Cam 113 (NGWF), fabrics IMIC ESH GRS BSW GROG
15591	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW
15594	Pottery platter Cam 2 (TN), mortarium D1.3 (BUFM), jars G17 G16 (GROG), beakers Cam 91 (TR) Cam 119 (TR), fabrics NGWF CAMF BSW GRS COLB Brooches Plate (SF 7410), Hod Hill (SF 7421)
15641	Samian Other pottery platters Cam 16 (TN) A2 (BSW), bowl C1 (BUF), jars G3 (BSW) G20 (GROG), beaker Cam 113 (NGWF), fabrics TR ESH COLB VRW

Period III

Pit 15605

15605	Pottery dish B4 (GRF), jar G5 (GRS), fabric BSW
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The pottery recovered dates this feature to the mid 2nd to mid 3rd centuries. There is residual pottery also present.

Ditch 25157 (15045)

15045	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS BSW
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The pottery recovered from this ditch section consists mainly of undiagnostic bodysherds. A probable early Roman date is indicated.

Ditch 25158 (15183)

15183	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW Coin AE unit, Cunobelin (SF 6647)
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The pottery dating evidence is inconclusive, but the coin provides an early to mid 1st century AD date.

Gully 25084 (24139, 24307)

24139	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW GRS
24307	Pottery fabrics VRW GRS

The pottery recovered from this ditch section consists of bodysherds, mainly in early fabrics. A probable early Roman date is indicated.

Gully 25086 (24143, 24147)

24147	Pottery fabric GRS
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This gully produced very little pottery. Dating evidence is inconclusive.

Gully 25085 (24215, 24217, 24218)

24217	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW
24218	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS BSW

The pottery recovered from this ditch section consists of bodysherds, mainly in early fabrics, although there was one intrusive late Roman sherd present. A probable early Roman date is indicated.

Building 30 (15466, 15690, 15729, 15752, 15788, 24007, 24011, 24061, 24063, 24065, 24083, 24117, 24203, 24205, 24239, 24261, 24263, 24269, 24279, 24285)

15466	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW
15752	Pottery fabric GRS
24011	Pottery fabric GROG
24061	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW
24063	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW
24117	Pottery dish B1 (BSW), fabrics GRS GROG VRW
24239	Pottery fabric GROG
24261	Pottery fabric GROG
24285	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW

The dating evidence recovered from the contexts associated with this building is inconclusive, although an early Roman date is suggested by the fabrics present. The 4th century coin in posthole 24205 must be out of place.

Building 78 (15472, 15623, 15625, 15627, 15629, 15642, 15644, 15646, 15648, 15650, 15674, 15676, 15679, 24294)

15472	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW
15625	Pottery fabric GROG
15642	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW
15644	Pottery fabric GROG
15646	Pottery fabric GROG

The dating evidence recovered from the contexts associated with this building is inconclusive, although an early Roman date is suggested by the fabrics present.

Cremations 15017, 15040

15017	Pottery jar G23 (GRS), fabrics BSW BB1
15040	Samian Other pottery dish B1 (BSW), jar G24 (BSW), fabric GRS

Most of the vessels recovered are fragmentary and form identification is uncertain. Dating evidence is inconclusive, but the pottery present probably indicates an early Roman date.

Pits 15465, 15573, 15641, 15687, 15744, 15757, 15773, 15880, 15902, 15917, 15918, 15922, 15993, 24013, 24075, 24121, 24130, 24188, 24242, 24303, 24312

15465	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW
15573	Pottery dish B1.3 (BSW), fabric GRS
15641	Samian Other pottery platters <i>Cam</i> 16 (TN) A2 (BSW), dish B2/B4 (BSW), bowl C1 (BUF), jars G20 (GROG) G3 (BSW), beaker <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWF), fabrics VRW COLB GRS
15687	Samian Other pottery dish B2/B4 (BSW), jar G3 (BSW), fabrics COLB GRS
15744	Pottery dish B1 (GRS), fabric NVC
15757*	Samian Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery platters A4.5 (BSW) A2 (GRS), bowl C1 (BSW), jars G3 (STOR) G17 (GROG), fabrics COLB VRW
15773*	Samian Amphora salazon (ASALA) Other pottery platter A2 (GRS BSW), dishes B2.2 (GRS) B2/B4 (BSW), bowl C1 (BSW), mortarium D1.3 (VRWM), jars G5 G17 G18 G23 (GRS), beakers H20.2 (COLC) H4 (BB1), flagon J3 (RED), fabrics MIC NKG COLB Coin Dupondius, Domitian (SF 7934), 95-96
15880*	Pottery platter A2 (GROG), bowl C20 (BSW), jar G18 (BSW), beaker H1 (GRF)
15902	Pottery fabric BSW Brooch Aucissa (SF 6425)
15917	Samian Amphora Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Other pottery dishes B1 (BSW) B2/B4 (GRF), bowl C1 (GRF)
15918	Pottery dish B1 (BSW), fabric GRS
15922	Samian Other pottery fabrics VRW BSW
15993	Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery platter A2 (GRS), jars G19 (GRF) G23 (GRS), flagon J3.2 (COLB), fabric BSW
24013*	Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery platters A2 (GRS) A4 (BSW), dish B8 (BSW), mortarium D1 (VRWM), jars G20 (GRF) G3 (GRS), beaker H1 (GRS), fabric COLB
24075	Samian Other pottery jar G3 (BSW), fabrics NKG VRW GRS
24121	Pottery platter A2 (GRS), dish B1 (BSW), jar G23 (GRS), fabrics VRW NGWF
24188	Samian Other pottery fabrics GRS BSW

24242	Samian Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET)
24303	Pottery fabric GRS
24312	Samian Other pottery dishes B2/B4 B7 (BSW), mortarium D1.6 (BUFM), jars G16 (BSW) G5 (GRS)

Most of the pottery recovered from these pits ranges in date from the mid 1st to the mid 2nd centuries, although the bulk can be dated to the late 1st to early 2nd centuries. There is residual material, mostly grog-tempered, present throughout, and late Roman sherds are also present in pit 15744. The pottery in 24130 is inconclusive for dating purposes.

Period IV

Building 82 15131, 15136, 15142, 15143, 15159, 15171, 15284, 15432, 15439, 15603, 15633

15131	Pottery bowl-jar E2 (BSW), fabrics GRS COLC
15136	Pottery fabric GRS
15142	Pottery fabrics BSW GRS NVC Coin Sestertius, Marcus Aurelius (SF 5922), 161-162
15143	Samian Other pottery dish B2/B4 (BSW HAB), fabrics NVC HAX
15159	Pottery dish B2.1 (GRS), beaker H28 (CGRHN), fabrics NVC BSW
15284	Pottery jar G5 (GRS), fabrics COLC BSW
15439	Pottery fabric BSW
15633	Pottery dish B1 (BSW), fabric GRS

Most of the pottery from these contexts generally dates to the mid 2nd to mid 3rd centuries. The coin provides a mid 2nd century date. The pottery from 15171 is wholly residual and that from 15136 and 15439 is inconclusive for dating purposes. A late Roman sherd is also present in 15131.

Slot 25087 (24145, 24391, 24403, 24434)

24145	Pottery fabric GROG
24391	Pottery dish B6.3 (BB2), fabrics GROG GRS
24403	Pottery fabric GROG

The pottery recovered is mainly grog-tempered, but there is a dish, and other Roman pottery, in section 24391 which provides a late 3rd century+ date. Most of the other pottery present is therefore residual.

Oven construction 15984

15984	Pottery dish B2 (BSW), beaker H27/28 (CGRHN), fabrics BB1 GRS
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The oven construction produced pottery which is dated to the late 2nd to early 3rd centuries.

Pits 15227=15271, 15368, 15514, 15731, 15811, 15826, 24072, 24197, 24213

15227	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 (BB1) B2/B4 (BSW) B3.2 (GRS) B6.2 (BSW GRS), mortaria D9.1 (OXWM) D13.2 (BUFM), jars G9 (BB1) G24 (GRS), fabrics RET HAX HAR EGRHN NVC COLC Coin Radiate, Carausius (SF 5937), 286-293
15271	Samian Other pottery dishes B1.3 B4.2 (BSW) B5.1 (GRS), jar G5.4 (GRS), fabrics BB1 NVC
15368	Pottery beaker H20.2 (COLC)
15514	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 (HAB) B4 (GRF), jars G5.5 (GRS) G42 (BSW), fabrics HAX NVC BB1 RET BB2
15731	Pottery dish B2/B4 (HAB)
15811	Pottery fabrics GRS NVC
24072	Samian Other pottery dishes B6 (BB1) B2/B4 (BSW), jars G9 (BSW) G5 (GRS) Coin Radiate, Gordian III (SF 7804), 238-244
24197	Samian Other pottery dishes B6.2 (GRF) B1 B3 (BSW), fabrics COLC NVC HAX

The pottery recovered from these pits has a broad date range of mid 2nd to mid/late 3rd century. There is residual material present to a varying degree, but the samian may not be. Late Roman pottery is present in the top fills of pits 15227 and 15514, and pit 24213 contained two 4th-century coins only. The single fill of 24197 contained a few abraded, intrusive late Roman sherds.

Period V

Ditch 25079 (15010, 15055, 15098, 15145)

15010	Pottery bowls C18 (NVC) C7.2 (GRS), jar G40 (GRS), fabrics OXRC MEK LSH
15055*	Pottery dish B6.2 (BSW GRS), bowl-jar E5.4 (GRF), jar G27.2 (LSH), fabrics OXW OXRC BB1 Coin AE3, House of Constantine (SF 5895), 330-335
15098	Pottery dish B6 (GRS GRF), fabrics OXRC NVC LSH Coin AE2 (SF5909), 3rd/4th century

Three of these ditch sections contained varying amounts of late 4th-century+ forms and fabrics, and there is one 4th-century coin and one which is late Roman. There is residual material present. Ditch section 15145 contained pottery which is inconclusive for dating purposes.

Pits 15068, 15206, 15227, 15229, 15231, 15241, 15738, 15755, 15856, 15868, 24004, 24094

15068	Pottery dish B1.3 (BSW), fabrics NVC RET
15206	Pottery dishes B1.4 (BB1) B6.2 (GRS), jar G9 (BSW BB1), fabrics HAX RET NVC
15227	Pottery dishes B1 (BB1) B6.2 (BSW GRF), bowl C8 (OXRC), mortarium D9.1 (OXWM), jars G9 (BB1) G24.2 (RET), fabrics HAX LSH NVC Coins Radiate, Carausius (SF 5937), 286-293
15229	Pottery dishes B1.3 (HAB) B6.2 (GRF), jar G40 (BSW), beaker H39 (BSW), fabrics OXRC NVC
15231	Pottery dishes B1 (HAB) B5.1 (BSW) B6 (GRF), fabrics OXRC NVC
15738	Pottery bowl C8 (NVC), mortarium D14 (NVM)
15755	Pottery dishes B5.2 B6.3 (BB1), beaker H39 (GRF), fabrics RET NVC
15856	Pottery dish B5 (GRF BSW), fabric NVC
15868	Pottery dishes B1 (BB1) B6.2 (BSW HAB), fabric NVC
24004	Pottery jar G40 (GRF) Coins AE3, Constantine II Caesar (SF 7797), 330-335, AE3 (SF 7800), 330-340

The pottery recovered from these pits dates mainly from the mid 3rd to the mid 4th centuries. This date is supported by the coin evidence. Some pits contained late 4th century+ sherds, which may extend the date range. There is much residual material and pit 24094 contained pottery which is wholly residual.

Period VI

Ditch 25078 (15049, 15102, 15107, 15223)

15049	Pottery dishes B1.3 (BSW) B6.2 (GRF), jar G42 (GRF) Saxon Coins AE2 (SF 4947), AE3 (SF 4948), 3rd/4th century
15102	Pottery dishes B6 (GRF GRS), jar G42 (GRS), fabrics OXSWM OXRC Coin AE3, Valens (SF 5898), 364-367
15107	Pottery Dish B6 (BSW), bowl C8 (OXRC), jar G27.2 (LSH), fabric OXWM
15223*	Pottery dishes B6.1 (GRS) B6.2 (GRF GRS), mortaria D12.2 (OXRCM) D12.3 (HAXM), jars G42 (GRS) G40 (GRF)

This feature contained pottery dating to the late 4th century+, and one ditch section produced a Saxon sherd. There is one 4th century coin and two which are late Roman. There is much residual material.

Pits 15005, 15042, 15078, 15094, 15100, 15225, 15232, 15245, 15354, 15356, 15421, 15423, 15664, 15966, 24456

15005	Pottery fabrics OXRC ALH
15042	Pottery dish B6 (NVC), bowl-jar E6 (HAX), jar G27 (LSH), fabric OXRC Coins AE3, House of Valentinian (SF 4950), 367-378, AE3 (SF 5893), 3rd/4th century
15078	Pottery bowl C8 (NVC), jar G27.1 (LSH) Coin AE3, Gratian (SF 5887), 367-375
15094	Pottery jar G27 (LSH), fabric OXRC
15100	Pottery fabric LSH Coin AE3, House of Valentinian (SF 7436), 364-378
15225	Pottery bowl-jar E6.1 (HAX), fabric OXRC
15232*	Pottery fabrics LSH OXRC
15245	Pottery dishes B1 (LSH) B1.2 (NVC), bowl C25 (HAX), bowl-jar E4 (GRS), jar G27.2 (LSH), fabrics OXRC OXSWM
15354	Pottery fabrics OXSW LSH OXRC Saxon
15356	Pottery fabric OXWM
15421	Pottery fabric LSH
15664	Pottery fabric OXP
15966	Pottery fabric LSH
24456	Pottery Saxon

These pits contained late 4th century+ pottery to a varying degree. There are late coins and Saxon sherds also present. Pit 24456 contained a quantity of Saxon pottery rendering all the accompanying Roman pottery residual. Pit 15423 contained wholly residual pottery, although the Saxon pottery once recorded for its fill appears to be no longer extant.

(Although, if the Saxon is no more, perhaps this pit is 3rd century after all?)

Ditch 25159 (15196, 15215)

15196	Pottery dish B1.3 (GRF), bowl C7 (NVC), mortarium D12.1 (OXRCM), bowl-jar E4.2 (OXRC), fabric LSH
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The pottery recovered dates mainly to the late 4th century+. There is some residual material.

Ditch 15688

15688	Saxon
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This ditch segment contained a complete, hand-made, miniature Saxon vessel. The fragmentary Roman pottery also in the feature is therefore residual.

Building 74 15269, 15273, 15250, 15247, 15234, 15236, 15052, 15126, 15066, 15116, 15138, 15122, 15063, 15060, 15219

15250	Pottery fabric GRS
15234	Pottery fabric OXRC
15116	Pottery fabrics GRS RET
15060	Pottery dish B1 (BSW), fabric GRS

The contexts associated with this building produced small amounts of pottery, some of which is inconclusive for dating purposes. There are some late Roman sherds present, including Oxford red colour-coat which provides a late 4th century+ date.

APPENDIX: Alternatives for Ditch 25081 and Gully 25082

For Ditch 25081, I've provided early and late options and said why I think they fit the evidence. The mid Roman option has many identifiable forms, and two coins. There must be an early feature at the southern end somewhere; there is plenty of early pottery, and joining sherds between 15526, 15527 and 15530. Which of these features is the early one is debatable. The later pottery also gives bad vibes - these are all small sherds - couldn't this late pottery just be the result of the later general infilling/levelling of hollows? I think that the pottery, and two of the coins, are telling me Ditch 25081 is mid Roman.

Gully 25082 has an early and a late component too. I'm not sure whether 15526 is the original early feature but there is **no** late pottery in here. (Of course if the excavation at the southern end was messed up, this won't mean anything).

Ditch 25081

The Early Option:

Ditch 25081 (15527, 15897, 24070, 24429, 24430, 24442, 24445)

15527	Samian Other pottery fabrics GROG TN(M) GRS
15897	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS BSW
24070	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW GRS
24430	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS
24445	Samian Other pottery fabrics BSW GRS

The pottery recovered from these ditch sections consists mainly of bodysherds in both grog-tempered and Roman fabrics. There is a large quantity of later material, including coins. Dating evidence is inconclusive.

[Most of the dating evidence is provided by bodysherds. Any recognisable forms, and the coins, have been removed.]

The Late Option:

Ditch 25081 (15527, 15897, 24070, 24429, 24430, 24442, 24445)

15897	Pottery fabric OXSWM Saxon
24070	Pottery fabrics LSH NVC HAX OXRC Coin AE2, Constans (SF 7796), 348-350
24445	Pottery fabrics LSH NVC OXRC HAX

This feature is dated by the presence of late 4th century+ pottery, although this only occurs as bodysherds. The date is supported by the coin found in ditch section 24070. Saxon pottery occurs in section 15897. There is a large quantity of residual material, mostly dishes, and the finds in section 15527 are wholly residual. Ditch section 24430 contained pottery which is inconclusive for dating purposes.

[Again, the date is provided by bodysherds, plus one coin. Two contexts disappear altogether.]

The Mid Roman Option:

Ditch 25081 (15527, 15897, 24070, 24429, 24430, 24442, 24445)

15527	Samian Other pottery fabrics BSW GRS Coin Radiate, Tetricus II (SF 6661), 273-274
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15897	Pottery dish B2/B4 (BSW), jars G7 (GRS) G9 (BSW) Coin Radiate, Postumus (SF 7426), 260-268
24070	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 B2/B4 (BSW), jar G21 (GRS), fabrics NVC HAX
24430	Pottery fabric GRS
24445	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 B3.2 (BSW) B4 (GRS), jars G5 (GRS BSW) G9 (BSW), fabrics NVC HAX

Most of the pottery recovered dates to the early to mid 3rd century. There are dishes present and the jar forms continue into the 3rd century. The date is supported by the coin evidence. Residual pottery is present, but the samian may not be. Intrusive sherds and a 4th century coin are also present. Ditch section 24430 contained pottery which is inconclusive for dating purposes.

[All the recognisable forms and two of the coins are here, and the samian dates are probably going to fit, too.]

Gully 25082 (with nothing removed)

15526	Samian Amphoras Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery bowl <i>Cam</i> 51 (TN(M)), jars <i>Cam</i> 256 (GROG) G (GRS), fabrics TR NGWF BSW
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This section of gully dates to the early/mid 1st century AD.

15992	Pottery jar G (GRS), fabrics LSH OXRC NVC GRF
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And this section dates to the late 4th century+. (Bodysherds again, except for broken off jar rim)

(But note that the sherd of GRF is a dish base! – mid Roman)

And, just for information:

Pit 15530

15530	Amphoras Pascual 1 (ARCAT) Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAG) Other pottery bowl <i>Cam</i> 51 (TN(M)), jar G3 (GROG), beaker <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWF)
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Most of the pottery recovered provides an early to mid 1st century AD date. The amphora forms are both dated late 1st century BC to early-mid 1st century AD. Some intrusive late Roman sherds are also present.

Below, I've provided the uncut versions of all the above sections, for reference. I've highlighted in red the bits in the tables which are late (and included the coins and Saxon too). And, I've highlighted in blue the dates in the text.

Ditch 25081

Gully 15527 (45 sherds, 408g)

context 15529	<i>Misc. pottery</i> : Bowl <i>Cam</i> 51 (TN(M)); jar G110 (GROG); fabrics STOR, GROGC, BSW & GRS.
context 15639	<i>Samian. Misc. pottery</i> : Fabrics STOR & GRS Coin : Radiate, Tetricus II (SF 6661), 273-274

This segment of gully had two fills. Context 15529 contained pottery dating to the **early to mid 1st century AD**. There is a small amount of imported pottery present plus bodysherds in Roman fabrics. The base sherd in micaceous *terra nigra* joins with that in gully section 15526. Context 15639 contained just a few sherds in Roman fabrics.

BUT THE COIN IS 3RD CENTURY

Layer 15897 (21 sherds, 414g)

context 15897	<i>Misc. pottery</i> : Dish B2/B4 (BSW); jars G7 (GRS), G110 (GROGC), G9 (BSW), G (GROG); fabrics OXSWM & STOR Coin : Radiate, Postumus (SF 7426), 260-268 SAXON
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This context contained a small amount of fairly broken and abraded pottery in both grog-tempered and Roman fabrics. There is a sherd of Oxford mortarium present so a **late 4th century date+** can be given.

Ditch 24070 (57 sherds, 970g)

context 24071	<i>Samian. Misc. pottery</i> : Platter <i>Cam</i> 21 (GROG); dishes B1, B2/B4 (BSW); mortarium D (BUFM); jars G44 (STOR), G21 (GRS), G (GROGC, GRF & GRS); fabrics LSH, NVC, HAX & OXRC Coin : AE2, Constans (SF 7796), 348-350
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This ditch had a single fill, 24071, which seems to have been renumbered upon excavation (pre-excavation context number 24002). The pottery dates the context to the **late 4th century+**, a date supported by the coin evidence.

Gully 24430 (12 sherds, 140g)

context 15962	<i>Misc. pottery</i> : Fabrics STOR, GRF, GROG & GRS.
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This single fill contained a small amount of pottery, mainly bodysherds in Roman fabric, and is not closely datable within the **Roman** period.

Ditch 24445 (95 sherds, 772g)

context 15632	<i>Samian. Misc. pottery</i> : Dishes B1 (GRS & BSW), B2/B4, B3.2 (BSW), B4 (GRS); jars G5 (GRS & BSW), G9 (BSW), G (STOR, GRS & BSW); beaker H (GRF); fabrics LSH, NVC, OXRC &
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This single fill contained a moderate amount of pottery, most of which dates to the 3rd century. There is Oxford red colour-coat, Hadham and late shell-tempered ware present, albeit in small quantities. A [late 4th century+](#) date should

Gully 25082

Gully 15526 (63 sherds, 722g) (Amph: 2 sherds, 166g)

context 15528	<i>Samian: Amphoras:</i> Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Dr.20 (ABAET) <i>Misc. pottery:</i> Bowl <i>Cam</i> 51 (TN(M)); jars <i>Cam</i> 256 (GROGC), G (GRS); fabrics TR, NGWF, BSW & GROG.
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This section of gully had two fills but no pottery came from context 15965. Context 15528 contained a small amount of pottery, probably of [early to mid 1st century AD](#) date. There is imported fineware and amphora present, along with sherds in Roman fabrics. The *Cam* 51 bowl joins with sherds in gully section 15527 and in the top fill of pit 15530,

Gully 15992 (5 sherds, 108g)

context 15858	<i>Misc. pottery:</i> Jar G (GRS); fabrics LSH, OXRC, NVC & GRF.
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This single fill contained five sherds, all in different fabrics. There is late shell-tempered ware, a footring base in Oxford red colour-coat and Nene Valley colour-coat present along with a chamfered bodysherd, probably from a dish. A [late 4th century+](#) date can be given.

Pit 15530 (151 sherds, 2323g)

context 15531	<i>Amphoras:</i> Pascual 1 (ARCAT) Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAG) <i>Misc. pottery:</i> Bowl <i>Cam</i> 51 (TN(M)); jars G3, G110 (GROGC), G111, G (GROG); beaker <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWF); fabrics ALH, NVC & GRS.
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This pit had three fills but the pottery from the bottom, 15532, and secondary, 15533, fills was collected with that of the top fill, 15531. Most of the pottery is [early to mid 1st century AD](#) in date. There is a large quantity of grog-tempered pottery present, although much is broken and many of the rim forms are therefore not identifiable. [The amphora](#) forms are both dated [late 1st century BC to early-mid 1st century AD](#). A rim sherd from one of the *Cam* 51 bowls present joins with that in gully section 15526. Also present are [late Roman bodysherds](#); there is a sherd from the Alice Holt industry and another in Nene Valley colour-coated ware, plus sherds in sandy greyware. It is not yet clear whether these are intrusive or the grog-tempered pottery, and amphoras, are residual in a late feature. On balance it would seem that all three features (15526, 15527 and 15530) were open at the same time and this context can also be dated to the [early to mid 1st century AD](#).