

Area P

Features/contexts requiring dating evidence sections:

Period I

Pit 8786

8786*	Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 1 (TN(M)), jar \$ (GROG MICW), beaker <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWFS), fabric CGFCS
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The many handmade forms present are likely to be early in the late Iron Age sequence, probably middle/late Iron Age transitional, but the presence of imported fineware indicates a date range of mid to late 1st century BC.

Period II A

Gully 25097 (8663, 8735, 8772)

8663	Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 5 (TR), beaker <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWF), flagon <i>Cam</i> 165 (CGFCS), fabrics MICW GROG
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Pottery was recovered from only one section of this feature. The latest piece present is the North Gaulish beaker, which provides an early to mid 1st century AD date, supported by the *terra rubra* platter and the Central Gaulish flagon.

Ditch 25174 (8508, 8516)

8508*	Pottery fabrics GROG MICW
8516*	Pottery jar \$ (MICW GROG)

Both ditch segments contained small quantities of grog-tempered pottery, some of which is handmade. The presence also of handmade, sand-tempered forms may indicate a mid to late 1st century BC date.

Ditch 25094 (19115, 19144)

19115*	Pottery jars \$ (MICW), fabric GROG
19144*	Pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), fabrics MICW GROG

Both ditch segments contained small quantities of grog-tempered pottery, some of which is handmade. The presence also of a variety of handmade, sand-tempered forms may indicate a mid to late 1st century BC date.

Pits 8525, 8547, 8586, 8748, 8755, 8889, 19023, 19092, 19097, 19103, 19104, 19159, 19162

8525*	Amphoras Dr.1 (AITAF) Dr.2-4 (AWINC) Other Pottery jar \$ (MICW), fabrics TN TR GROG
8586	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAL) Other Pottery fabrics GROG ESH
8748	Samian Other Pottery fabric GROG
8755	Amphora Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Other Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 1 (TN(M)), beaker <i>Cam</i> 112 (TR), fabrics ESH CGFCS NGWFS GROG
8889*	Pottery flagon <i>Cam</i> 165 (CGFCS), fabrics TN(M) NGWFS MICW GROG
19023	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAL) Other Pottery fabric GROG
19092	Pottery fabrics TN(M) GROG
19104*	Amphora Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 1 (TN(M)), beaker <i>Cam</i> 112 (TR), fabrics GROG CGFCS NGWFS MICW
19159*	Pottery fabric GROG
19162	Pottery beaker <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWF), fabrics ESH GROG

These pit fills contained Dressel 1 and Dressel 2-4 amphora sherds, grog- and sand-tempered pottery and a variety of handmade forms indicating a date in the late 1st century BC. The presence of Gaulish imports extends the date range into the early 1st century AD.

Period II B

Ditch 25178 (8704, 8763, 8839, 8881, 19155)

8839	Amphoras Dr.1 (AITAB) Dr.2-4 (AWINC), <i>salazon</i> (ASALA) Other Pottery beaker <i>Cam</i> 102 (CGMIC), fabrics TR NGWFS GROG
8881	Pottery fabric GROG

Pottery was recovered from two ditch segments and the types present indicate a late 1st century BC to early 1st century AD date. The beaker is an early Central Gaulish import and there is a Dressel I amphora handle. The other amphora types present continue into the late 1st century AD.

Ditch 25095 (8610, 8659)

8610	Pottery fabric GROG
8659	Pottery fabric GROG

A small quantity of grog-tempered pottery was recovered from this feature, providing a Late Iron Age date.

Building 12 25173 (8677, 8678, 19095, 19151, 19153, 19164), 8553, 8568, 8572, 8579, 8583, 8592, 8600, 8603, 8629, 8690, 8702, 8932, 8958, 8964, 19017, 19051, 19061, 19090, 19119, 19121

8677	Pottery fabric GROG
8932	Samian

Very little dating evidence was recovered from the contexts associated with the construction of the building. The samian is a bodysherd (as yet undated), but the grog-tempered pottery provides a Late Iron Age date.

Building 12 8509, 8722, 8746, 8994, 19096

8509	Pottery fabric BSW
8722	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW
8746	Pottery fabrics TR GROG NGWFS
8994	Pottery fabrics STOR BSW

The contexts associated with the occupation of the building yielded small amounts of pottery. The presence of imported fineware and sherds in Roman fabric provide an early to mid 1st century AD date.

Pits 8556, 8725, 8873, 8879, 19089, 19142

8556	Pottery fabrics NGWFS GROG
8725	Amphora Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other pottery bowl <i>Cam</i> 51B (TN), fabrics ESH GROG MICW TR CGFCS BSW GRS
8873	Pottery fabric GROG
8879	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW
19089	Samian Other Pottery platter A2 (GROG), fabric BSW
19142	Pottery cauldron L1 (STOR), fabrics GROG NGWF

The pottery recovered from these pit fills is in both grog-tempered and Roman fabrics, providing a uniform date in the first half of the 1st century AD.

Period II (not subphased)

Ditch/gully 25093 (8828, 19033, 19032)

19032	Pottery fabrics BSW GRS
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This pottery is not closely datable within the Roman period.

Pits 8528, 8542, 8594, 8841, 8907

8542	Pottery fabric GROG
8594*	Pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), fabrics GROG MICW
8841	Samian Amphora Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Other Pottery cup <i>Cam</i> 57 (GROG), fabric CGFCS
8907	Pottery fabric GROG

These pit fills produced mainly grog-tempered pottery, but the other types present indicate a mid 1st century AD date.

Period III

Pit 8540

8563	Pottery fabrics COLC BSW GRF
8570	Samian Other pottery fabrics COLC NKG BSW GRS
8646	Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other Pottery flagon J3.2 (COLB), fabrics GRS BSW

The pottery dates the construction of the timber lining of this this feature to the second half of the 1st century AD. Very little dating evidence was recovered from the fills, but the absence of later pottery suggests the pit was likely to have been infilled by the end of the 2nd century.

Building 31 (25175) (8653), 8673, 8682, 8684, 8686, 8695)

8653	Pottery fabrics BSW GROG
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Very little pottery was recovered from the contexts associated with this building and is only datable to the early Roman period.

Pits 8511, 8515, 8524, 8599, 8654, 8716, 8750, 8866, 8700, 19138, 19149

8511	Pottery dish B1 (BSW), jar G11 (BSW), fabric GRS
8515	Pottery dish B2 (GRF), fabrics GRS BSW
8524	Samian Amphora Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Other pottery platter A2.5 (BSW), dishes B4.2 (BB2) B7.1 (GRS), jars G5.2 (GRS) G19 (BSW GRS), fabrics VRW COLC HAR NKG
8599	Pottery fabric BSW
8654	Samian Other pottery dishes B2 B4 (GRS), fabrics GRF BSW
8716	Pottery fabric GRS
8750	Samian Other pottery dish B2/B4 (BB2), fabrics BSW GRS HAWO GRF
19149*	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 (MIC) B2/B4 (GRF) B5.1 (GRS), jar G34 (GRS)

These pits contained variable amounts of pottery, most dating to the mid 2nd century, or thereabouts. Pit 8524 is an exception; context and dating information is inconclusive and a 2nd century date is not reliable

25221 (8912, 19176, 19177)

8912	Pottery fabrics GROG NGWFS Brooch Colchester BB (SF 6305)
19176*	Samian Amphora Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Other pottery platters A2.4 A4.4 (BSW), dishes B1 B2 B4 B5 B7 B10.1 (BSW) B6 (GRS), bowl-jar E2 (GRS), jars G3 (BSW) G9 (GRS), beakers H1 (GRF) H7 (BSW), fabrics BB1 EGRHN
19177	Samian Other pottery fabrics GROG BSW

This is a very large feature and the pottery appears to show a chronological progression from the bottom upwards. The pottery from 8912 and 19177 is of a consistent Late Iron Age/early Roman date, and the brooch is dated 65-80 AD. The pottery from 19176 dates from the late 1st to the mid 2nd century with the top fills containing mid/late 3rd century pieces and much residual material. The feature would appear to date to the early Roman period, but carried on collecting rubbish for a lengthy period of time judging by the fragmentary and abraded nature of the pottery.

Well 8989 construction

8989	Samian Other pottery jars G19 G20 (GRS), fabrics NKG COLB BSW
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The construction phase of the well produced a small quantity of pottery dating to the late 1st to early 2nd centuries.

Period IV

Ditch 25177 (8692, 8696, 19157)

8692	Samian Other pottery mortarium D11.1 (COLBM), fabrics BSW GRS
8696	Pottery fabrics BSW GRS GRF

Very little diagnostic pottery was recovered from these ditch fills. The mortarium provides a date of late 2nd to early 3rd century. There were residual pieces present.

Well 8989 backfill

8989*	Samian Other Pottery dishes B1 (BB1) B6.3 (BB1) B5.1 B6.2 (GRF), mortarium D5 [cf. Young 1977, fig.20, type M10] (OXWM), bowl-jars E2.2 E5.4 (GRS), jars G28 (BSW) G9.3 G24 G34 G38 (GRS), beakers H32 H41 (NVC) H34 (BSW)
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The upper fills of the well contained fabrics and forms of consistent 3rd century date, although in fragmentary and abraded condition. The pottery forms from the overlying layer continue into the 4th century. The well was probably out of use by the late 3rd century. There was a large quantity of residual material (but some samian may not be).

Pits 8581, 8970, 19006

8581	Pottery dish B1 (BSW), fabric NVC
8970	Pottery dishes B4 (GRS) B5 (BSW), mortarium D11 (BUFM), bowl-jar E3.4 (GRF), fabrics NVC HAR
19006	Samian Other pottery dish B5.1 (GRS), jar G5.5 (GRS), beakers H34/5 (GRF), fabrics HAR HAX NVC

These pits contained variable amounts of pottery, but a date in the first half of the 3rd century is indicated. The samian (not yet identified) may not be residual.

Period V

Pits 8555, 8639, 8726, 8727, 8745, 8956, 8966, 8972, 19136

8555	Pottery dish B1 (HAB), jar G35 (GRF), fabrics NVC RET Coins AE3 Constans (SF 6021) 347-348, AE2 Licinius I (SF 6022) 321-324
8639	Pottery fabrics BSW GRS GRF
8745*	Pottery dishes B1 (BSW) B6 (BB1), bowl C8 (HAR), bowl-jar E5.4 (GRF), jar G9, as [Gillam 1976, no.13] (BB1), fabrics NVC HAWO HAX RET
8956*	Pottery dishes B1 (BB1) B6.2 (BSW) B6.3 (BB1), jar G24 (GRS), lid K7 (NVC)
8966*	Pottery dishes B1 (BB2 BB1) B5.1 (GRS) B6 (GRF) B6.3 (BB1), bowl-jar E2 (GRS GRF), jars G24 (GRS) G40 [Monaghan 1987, 77, class 3A3] (NKG), beakers H32 (NVC) H34 (BSW), fabrics HAWO HAR RET
19136	Pottery dishes B1 (BSW) B6 (GRS) B5/B6 (GRF) B6.3 (BB1), bowl-jar E2 (BSW), jars G24 G42 (GRS), fabrics NVC HAR

These pit fills have a date range of late 3rd to mid 4th century, and nine coins in 8555 have an early to mid 4th century date range. Late 4th century+ forms and fabrics are absent. There is a quantity of residual material.

Period VI

Pits 8513, 8633, 8635, 8637, 8736, 8788, 8801, 19047, 19172

8513*	Pottery dish B6.2 (BSW), bowl C [Young 1977 figs.61-4, type C73-9] (OXRC), jars G24 (RET) G27 (LSH) G35 (GRS), fabric NVC
8633	Pottery dishes B1 (NVC BB1) B6.2 (HAB), bowl C8.4 (OXRC), jar G27 (LSH)
8635	Pottery dishes B1 B6 (GRF), bowl-jar E3 (GRF), jar G42 (GRS), fabrics NVC OXRC LSH RET BB1 Coin AE2, Magnentius (SF 6290), 351-353
8637	Pottery dishes B1 (BSW GRF) B6.3 (BB1), bowl-jar E3 (HAB), fabrics LSH OXRC NVC
8736	Pottery dishes B1 (BB1) B5.3 (LSH) B6.1 (GRS) B6.3 (BB1), bowl C (OXRC), mortaria D12 (OXRCM) D6

	(OXWM), jars G24 (GRS) G27 (LSH), fabric ALH Saxon
8788	Pottery dish B6.1 (GRF), jar G27 (LSH), fabrics NVC OXWM OXRC Saxon
8801*	Pottery dish B1 (HAB GRS), mortarium D12 (OXRCM), fabric NVC
19047	Pottery dishes B1 (BSW) B1.4 (BB1), jar G32 (GRS), fabrics LSH ALH
19172	Pottery dishes B1 (BSW) B6 (GRS), fabrics PORD LSH RET

These pit fills contained pottery mainly dating to the late 4th century+, with much residual material.

Postholes 8566, 8567, 19015, 19027, 19041, 19053, 19058, 19064, 19068, 19122, 19124

8566	Pottery fabric GROGC
8567	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS Saxon
19015	Pottery fabric GRS Saxon
19027	Pottery Saxon
19068	Pottery fabrics NVC HAX BSW

These postholes are assigned a Saxon date although only three have Saxon pottery. The remaining pottery is not particularly late Roman either.