# HYEF93/94 Stone Archive Report 

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Methodolgy<br>Saddle querns<br>Rotary querns<br>Puddingstone<br>Lava<br>Millstone grit<br>Other stone<br>Whetstones and sharpening stones<br>Rubbers<br>Other objects<br>Weight?<br>Blocks and slabs<br>Unidentified<br>Unworked stone<br>Bibliography

Numbers in bold after the context details are the drawing numbers.

## Methodology and factual data

## Methodology

Most of the stone was catalogued at the assessment stage, with a small amount of stone (from the bulk tile, soil samples, etc.) added subsequently. The types of stone commonly occurring in Essex were identified by the author; where this was not possible, identifications were provided by Dr. G.K. Lott, British Geological Survey.

## Discard policy

Identifiable unworked stone was discarded, except for samples of the stone types present. Unidentifiable unworked stone was kept, with a view to identification of samples, particularly of the coarse building stone. The writer suggests that there is little point in keeping all the lava, since most is in very poor condition (none has been discarded at the time of writing). This will have to be discussed with the recipient museum.

Summary of the material

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| Saddle querns | - | 10 | 10 |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Rotary querns: | Puddingsto <br> ne <br> Lava | 31 | 27 |
|  | Millstone <br> grit | N/A | 139 |
|  | Other stone | 14 | 84 |
| Architectural stone | - | 2 | 14 |
| Whetstones and <br> sharpening stones <br> Other objects | - | 29 | 2 |
|  |  | 22 | 29 |

Unworked stone (principally coarse building rubble) came from 379 contexts.

## Querns

The assemblage from Elms Farm is one of the largest from Essex, with many pieces from good stratified contexts, and thus of great importance. To date, only the site at Mucking has produced a larger assemblage, which remains unpublished. The general range of Roman quern types from Essex is well known (see, for example, Buckley and Major 1983). There remain, however, a number of areas in which work remains to be done, principally concerned with dating. The number of querns from stratified contexts on this site has added to our knowledge of, for example, the circumstances of the introduction of puddingstone querns to the area. Similarly, it is thought that the use of Millstone Grit may be principally a later Roman phenomenon in the area, and the chronological distribution of this stone will be examined to determine whether the Elms Farm assemblage supports this theory.

The site produced no Iron Age type querns apart from those in Puddingstone, and possibly one in sandstone. Two of the puddingstone querns are from Iron Age contexts, and are therefore of some importance, as they are the first examples from Iron Age (as opposed to Roman) contexts from Essex.

The writer noted in the original project design that an unusual form of surface dressing was found on lava querns from nearby sites on the Blackwater estuary, with random pecking rather than the standard grooved dressing. This form of dressing also occurs at Elms Farm, in addition to the more normal grooves. However, the lava from the site was generally in such poor condition, that few pieces had any surface surviving, and it is impossible to say how common this form of dressing was on the site. Pecked grinding surfaces also occur in some quantity at Mucking, so the practice is not necessarily localised.

Analysis of organic traces on the surfaces of lava querns was suggested in the original project design, but it has been decided that this study would not be worthwhile in isolation, and in view of the generally poor condition of the lava querns.

None of the Iron Age and Roman querns are of local origin. The sources of the main stone types used are well known, but identification of the unidentified stone types from the site will potentially tell us something about trade from other areas of Britain.

Over half of the Millstone Grit (mostly definitely derived from quernstones) from the site has been reused in some way, mainly as sharpening stones. This may be related to the ironworking on the site, as one can imagine that if edged tools were being made, there would be a considerable demand for sharpening stones. It is even conceivable that the Millstone Grit querns were not actually used as querns on the site, but that broken pieces were being brought to the site specifically to be used as sharpening stones. The distribution of the reused Millstone Grit will be examined in relation to ironworking waste, iron edged tools, and other industrial tools (SO49(ii)).

## Saddle querns

Ten pieces of stone were identified as being definitely or possibly from saddle querns, one from HYEF93 and nine from HYEF 94. Small fragments of saddle quern may be difficult to spot, particularly as the stones used for saddle querns in Essex seem to have been predominantly local erratic boulders, and those from Elms Farm are no exception. The only possible saddle quern fragment in a definitely non-local stone may be Greensand, from the Hastings Beds (below). This is also the only saddle quern from a potential pre-Roman context. Greensand is the most common non-local stone used for saddle querns in Essex, with at least twenty-six other examples known. They occur in late Bronze Age and later contexts, principally in coastal locations, including one from a late Bronze Age context at Heybridge Basin (Major 1988).

While saddle querns are a prehistoric form pre-dating rotary querns, their use continued throughout most of the Iron Age, alongside rotary querns. At Danebury, for example, although rotary querns first appear in contexts dating to the 5th century BC, saddle querns remain the more common type until perhaps the 1st century BC. It is therefore difficult to say whether the possible Period II Greensand quern is residual, or contemporary with its context, which is dated to the mid 1st century AD.

The other possible saddle quern fragments may be residual from the earlier occupation of the site, or may been brought to the site during the Roman period for use as building stone, although only one piece formed part of a structure at the time of excavation. This was a piece from a Period VI oven (20137), from which nearly 30 kg of stone was recovered in a variety of types, mostly unworked.

Traces of reuse can be difficult to see on saddle querns, since their surfaces may not be as regular as that of a rotary quern in the first place, and secondary abrasion may not be very obvious. However, at least one example from a Roman context (below) was definitely used as a knife sharpening stone.

The distribution of the saddle querns appears to be of no particular significance. The largest number of fragments from one area was three from H (Table 1). Although this is $30 \%$ of the total number, it seems presumptuous to describe this as a concentration.

| Area | No. | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| H | 3 | 30 |
| I | 1 | 10 |
| K | 1 | 10 |
| L | 2 | 10 |
| N | 2 | 20 |
| W | 1 | 10 |
| Total | 10 |  |

Table 1 Distribution of Saddle Querns by Area

## Illustrated:-

Fine grained sandstone, well cemented. Saddle quern fragment, made on a natural boulder, with the full width probably present. The original boulder surface remains on one side, although the rest of the surviving edge has been deliberately shaped. The underside has been crudely split, giving a variable thickness to the stone. The grinding surface is flat and well finished, with areas of polish round the edge. Wt. 1350g. SF180, Fill 3743, Post-hole 3744, Area W, unphased 28

Sarsen? Saddle quern fragment with a flat, smooth grinding surface. Wt. 2950g. Layer 6316, Area H, Period IV 29

Possible edge of a saddle quern, re-used as a sharpening stone. It has one smooth, slightly dished surface. The underside is partly irregular, though smooth, and the edge partly smoothed. One broken edge has a possible knife sharpening groove on it (though this might be modern damage). Identification (G.K.L.): pale pink, very fine grained, porous, non-calcareous sandstone. Possibly Triassic; Triassic sandstones outcrop extensively in the western portion of the UK from the Dorset coast, through the Midlands into Cumberland. T. c 35mm, c $75 \times 70 \mathrm{~mm}$, Wt. 248g. Fill 11414, Slot 11415, Area N, Period III

Quartzitic sandstone. Probably the corner from a small, well finished, saddle quern made on an erratic pebble, with a smooth grinding surface and a rounded edge. The surfaces are well finished. The original width was perhaps c. 110mm. Wt. 368g. Surface 13045, Area H, Period III. 50

A saddle quern fragment worked on a natural boulder, with a smooth grinding surface and a roughly shaped edge. The bottom has been left in its natural state. Wt. 4250 g . Identification (G.K.L.): Quartzose sandstone, possibly Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures. Fill 16253, Post-hole 16254, Area H, Period IV

Shaped fragment, probably the edge of a saddle quern (cf North Shoebury), but possibly a plaque. The edge is nicely shaped, the bottom eroded. The grinding surface is smooth, but not polished. Surviving L. c 185 mm , surviving T. 72 mm . Identification (G.K.L.): Bioclastic sandstone, possible source in the Upper Jurassic,

Purbeck sandstone or Lower Greensand (Hastings Beds). Wt. 1485g. Fill 4767, Pit 4779, Area K, Period II 22

## Not illustrated:-

Quartzitic sandstone. Fragment from the rounded end of a saddle quern, worked on a natural boulder. The edges have been crudely shaped, the underside is natural. The grinding surface is smooth and slightly dished. c 150x100mm, max. T. 79mm. Wt. 1575g. Layer 5494, Area I, Period III B

Pebble fragment, medium grained sandstone. Scorched. Possibly the edge of a saddle quern or rubber. Wt. 58g. Fill 4142, Pit 4141, Area K, unphased

Quartzitic sandstone. An edge fragment from a waterworn, rather flat, natural pebble. One face may have slight polish, perhaps from use as a rubber, or possibly a saddle quern. c 85x80x60mm. Wt. 710g. Fill 20093, Oven 20137, Area L, Period VI

Quartzitic sandstone. A fragment, probably part of a saddle quern; definitely used as a rubber, at the very least. The 'edge' is natural, the adjoining surface smooth and slightly dished. Wt. 605g. Fill 23010, Pit 23012, Area N, Period IV

## Rotary querns

Rotary querns occured in three main stone types; Hertfordshire Puddingstone, Rhenish lava, and Millstone Grit. There were also a few querns in other stone types. The range of stones present is standard for the county, although the number of querns in other stone types is higher than usual.

## Puddingstone

Thirty-one quern fragments of possible or definite querns came from twenty-seven contexts, forming the largest excavated group of puddingstone querns from the county. Four pieces had no surviving finished surfaces, and may not have derived from querns. In particular, the single piece of puddingstone from HYEF93 was partly weathered, and may have been a natural erratic. As is usually the case, there were more upper stones than lower stones present; the numbers of each are shown in table 0.00 . The ratio of definite upper stones to definite lower stones known from the county was 89:11 (data recorded in 2000, a total of 118 stones), while the ratio at Elms Farm is $93: 7$. Why there should be such a strong bias towards upper stones is unknown, although it is certainly easier to recognise a small fragment from an upper stone, particularly if part of the hopper is present.

Table 2 Gross numbers of puddingstone lower and upper stones present

| Part | No. | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Lower | 1 | 3 |
| Lower? | 2 | 6 |
| Upper or lower | 9 | 29 |
| Upper | 14 | 45 |


| Upper? | 1 | 3 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Not definitely quern | 4 | 13 |
| Total | 31 |  |

The distribution of the fragments across the site is not very informative. No area had more than four fragments, and only areas E, P, and W had no puddingstone at all. They were virtually absent from the Hinterland Zone, with a single, dubious fragment from Area $W$, but the numbers from the other zones were almost identical, with seven from the Northern Zone, nine from the Central Zone, and ten from the Southern Zone. Three of those from the Central Zone (all area J) are from postPeriod III contexts, and may or may not be re-deposited from other areas. There is therefore no indication that the use (or at least the discard) of puddingstone querns was confined to a particular part of the settlement.


Fig. 1 Numbers of puddingstone querns by area (all periods)
Seventeen fragments came from dated contexts. Deposition of puddingstone on the site is strongly concentrated in Periods II and III (Fig. 1), with half the querns from closely date contexts coming from Period II alone. By the end of Period III, 75\% of the quern fragments in dated contexts had been deposited. There is no evidence for extensive re-use of puddingstone querns as building material; only one of the five pieces from post-Period III contexts came from a construction (Oven 15984).


Figure 2 Puddingstone Querns: Percentage of the total number of pieces from each period (discrete periods only)

Prior to this excavation, no puddingstone querns had been recovered from an Iron Age context in Essex, despite the bun-shaped form being essentially pre-Roman. Even outside Essex, there are very few examples from Iron Age contexts, mostly dubious. There is, for example, a fragment from West Stow (West 1990, 93). The writer has not seen this stone, and considers that some doubt must remain over it being part of a rotary quern, since puddingstone was also occasionally used for saddle querns, as with a probable example from Woodham Walter, Essex (Buckley and Hedges 1987, 16). King (1986, 74, no. 55) lists a 1st century BC quern from Leagrave. This was from a 19th century excavation, apparently from a sealed context.

Four of the pieces from Elms Farm are from Period II contexts (Late Iron Age and Roman transitional). Two are layers (9717 and 17201) with earliest Roman pottery present. The other two pieces are from pits, one of them the 'Event Pit', 15417. Although the main deposit in this pit dates to about AD 10 at the latest, the quern is from the top layer, which could be later. However, J. Compton is of the opinion that it was probably deposited by AD 25 . The quern shows little sign of wear, and was presumably fairly new when deposited. The second is from the single fill of pit 4203, which is less closely dated, and is early to mid 1st century AD. The handle hole of the latter quern is very close to the grinding surface, suggesting that it had worn considerably by the time of deposition. Neither of these pit fills is sealed, and while they could be intrusive, it seems likely from this evidence that puddingstone querns were in use by about AD 25 . The fact that the bulk of the fragments were discarded in Period III suggests that they continued in use into the early Roman period. Presumably, most would only have been discarded when they broke, or became too worn to work efficiently.

It is clear from looking at the illustrated examples that the querns are very variable in size and form. Their shape is possibly dependant on the shape of the boulder from which they were made, and is not due to changes in form through time. The method
of fixing the handle to the stone, however, might have changed through time. There were two methods used, both present on this site. Some of the upper stones have a shallow groove round the base which formed the seating for an iron band into which a vertical handle was inserted. Few stones still have the band in place, although some have iron staining. The only example from Essex with the band surviving was found in Colchester in about 1910 (Acc. no. 2081.10; the stone cannot now be identified in the museum). Alternatively, the handle was fixed into a hole in the side of the stone. Some stones have more than one handle hole, and some have both a handle hole and a groove for an iron band. At Elms Farm, six stones had handle bands, but only one had a surviving handle hole, the stone from Period II Pit 4203. This is a most unusual stone, in that the handle hole completely pierces the stone; typically the depth of the handle hole is less than half the radius of the stone. There are very few examples of perforating handle holes in puddingstone; Curwen (1941, 21) illustrates one from Hardham, Sussex, dated to AD 50-150. The only other one from Essex is an unprovenanced stone in Colchester Museum. This type of handle hole is, however, a feature of 'Hunsbury' type querns (Curwen 1941, 16-20), an Iron Age form widespread in the Midlands, and whose distribution spreads into Hertfordshire. They were made mainly from gritstones, though also occur in sandstones. There is only one example definitely from Essex, a stray find from Felsted (Major 1988), although there is an unprovenanced example in Saffron Walden Museum. The classic Hunsbury form, relatively tall in relation to its diameter, and with a truncated conical shape, does not occur in puddingstone in this country, although one in puddingstone is known from France (Rouen Museum, unprovenanced).

Curwen $(1941,21)$ suggests that puddingstone querns may be a derivative of the 'Hunsbury' type, despite the somewhat different shape, and the few examples with perforating handle holes would tend to support this assumption. The presence of a perforating handle hole on the stone from Pit 4203, one of the earliest dated puddingstone querns in the country, certainly indicates that this was an early feature typologically, and one possibly copied from a 'Hunsbury' quern. The form may have been quickly abandoned in favour of the far more common non-perforating handleholes. While it is tempting to see the use of a handle inserted into an iron band as a later introduction, it cannot have been a particularly late feature, as the stone from layer 9717 (earliest Roman) has a handle band.

## Illustrated (ordered by period):-

Upper, c $25 \%$. The edge is badly damaged. It has a large conical hopper with no feedpipe. There is little sign of wear on the grinding surface. Original diam. c 360 mm , ht. 110 mm . Hopper diam. max. c 130 mm , min. c 50 mm . Wt. 3250g. Fill 15490, Pit 15417, Area M, Period II 64

Upper stone, c 50\%. There is some damage to the surface and edge. The hopper is straight sided and slightly conical, with no feed pipe. There is a hole in the side of the hopper, where a pebble has come out. This probably occurred during manufacture, as the top edge of the hole is rounded. The handle hole perforates the hopper. The grinding surface is flat. Hopper diam. 42-50mm, stone diam. c 270 mm , ht. 120mm. Wt. 3950g. Fill 4168, Pit 4203, Area K, Period II 60

Upper, c 20\%. A small bun-shaped stone with a cupped hopper with a short feed pipe. There is a handle band. The edge is damaged. Ht. 88 mm . Wt. 1590 g . Layer 9717, Area D, Period II B 58
c 20\% of a small, flat upper stone with a small cupped hopper with no feed pipe. Ht. 59mm. Diam. c 290mm. Wt. 1005g. Fill 7152, Pit 7118, Area G, Period III 53

Upper, c 25\%. A rather flat stone with a damaged edge. The cupped hopper has no feedpipe. The grinding surface is flat. Ht. 82mm. Wt. 2325g. Post-hole 13443, Area I, Period III B 63

Upper edge fragment with well-made groove for the handle band. The grinding surface is very smooth. Max. surviving ht. 75mm. Wt. 925g. Fill 9796, Pit 9750, Area D, Period III C 59

Upper edge fragment with a pronounced flange as the seating for the handle band. Wt. 296g. Cleaning layer 5383, Area J, Period VI 23
c 40\% of a very flat upper, some damage to the surface. It has a small, cupped hopper with a short feedpipe. The grinding surface is polished. Max Ht. 60mm. Wt. 3625g. Machining layer 400052

Upper, c 40\%. A large stone with a well defined handle band. Cupped hopper with no feed pipe. The pebbles in the grinding surface stand slightly proud of the matrix, and show striations from use. There is some damage to the top. Hopper diam. c7050mm, D 380mm, ht. 136mm. Wt. 9500g. Machining layer 400061
c 40\% of an upper, edge damaged. A small part of a well defined handle band survives. The cupped hopper has no feed pipe. The matrix has some extremely large pebbles in it, some of the biggest that I have seen. Ht. 107 mm , diam. c 300 mm . Wt. 4875g. Cleaning layer 6515, Area H, not phased 54

Upper, c 50\%. Conical hopper with no feed pipe, handle band present, smooth grinding surface. There is damage to the edge. Diam. c 250 mm . Wt. 2675 g , Layer 9065, Area D, not phased 56

Upper, c 30\%. Edge damaged. A fairly small stone with an hour-glass shaped hopper. Ht. 70mm. Wt. 2825g. Layer 10310, Area F, not phased 62

Upper fragment, iron stained and probably burnt. It has a large conical hopper with no feed pipe. There is damage to the edge. Wt. 1815g. Machining layer 17000, Area Q 55

Lower, c 40\%. A small, flat quern with a nicely finished bottom. The hole perforates at a slight angle. Ht. 64mm, D. 240mm. Wt. 2575g. Machining layer 400057

## Rhenish Lava

130 contexts on HYEF94 contained lava, and eight from HYEF93. The lava from the site was generally in very poor condition, fragmented and without surviving surfaces, not an unusual state for Roman lava. The largest single piece was half an upper stone from 4000.

Eight Period II contexts (i.e. potentially Late Iron Age) contained lava. However, when the other finds from these contexts were scrutinised, it was found that all except one contained some Roman material. In particular, 6557 (Ditch 6558) contained 7 kg of tile, and was noted as a late Roman context on the database. Its designation as Period II A on the context list that I was given must be a mistake. The exception is 17140, a fill of Late Iron Age Well 17155. The context is interpreted as the fill between the wooden lining (which was removed in antiquity) and natural, and it is possible that the small fragment of lava (wt. 28 g ) from this context is intrusive.

A small chip of basalt from a Period IV context, which appears to be from a quern, is of some interest. It is visually different from the lava from which the other querns are made, although a source in the Rhineland is likely.

Where there are any features surviving, the stones exhibit the normal range of dressing techniques used in Roman querns. Grinding surfaces either have grooves, usually arranged in panels (harp dressing), or are pecked. The latter surface treatment is rare on lava querns from Essex, although it also occurs at Chigborough Farm, Little Totham, only a few kilometres from Elms Farm (Major 1998).

The chronological distribution of the lava querns is discussed below, together with the other stone types.

Illustrated:-
Five joining fragments forming c 25\% of a lower stone with a perforating central hole. The grinding surface is pecked, and there are grooves on the edge. The underside is irregular, and probably eroded. The central hole perforates, diam. c 15 mm . T. at edge c 42 mm , T. at centre 53 mm , Diam. 396 mm . Wt. 4135 g . (Note pieces of same stone from 23007) 23008, Hearth 23157, Area N, Period III

Upper stone, c 50\%. Standard form, with a kerb 45 mm wide. The top has grooved panels, and the edge has vertical grooves. The grinding surface is partly eroded, and may have been pecked. The stone has broken across the handle hole through the kerb. The surface of the hole, and an adjacent area on the inside of the kerb are very smooth, probably wear caused by the handle. The hopper edge is very thin, with a large diameter, giving a grinding surface that is only $13-14 \mathrm{~cm}$ wide around the hopper. Max. T at edge 68mm. Wt. 5500g. Diam. 4000, Machining 65

Upper, c 10\%. Grinding surface has worn harp dressing. The top is grooved, with vertical grooves on the edge. The kerb is very low, barely present, but delineated on its inner edge by a groove. Kerb 60 mm wide, T . at edge 37 mm , Diam. 340mm. Wt. 730 g . L20093, Oven Structure 20137, Period VI

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Not illustrated:-

A small chip with a flat, worn face, probably with worn grooves. Identification (G.K.L.): Basalt. Basaltic rock fragments are not common in the glacial drift, and a source in mainland Europe is likely, such as the Rhineland area. Wt. 20g. Fill 17037, Pit 17038, Area Q, Period IV

## Millstone Grit

Millstone grit was recovered from 72 contexts on HYEF94 and seven contexts on HYEF93. Some pieces show no sign of original use as querns, and it is possible that some of the millstone grit did not derive from querns originally, but was brought onto the site as unworked stone. One fragment from 11000, for example, may be part of a door pivot stone, and shows no sign of use as a quern. Forty-five pieces show signs of reuse, mainly as knife sharpening stones. A piece from 4692 has traces of a red substance on its surface, possibly just iron staining.

Four querns have kerbs round the edge, a feature more usually found in lava, and undoubtedly an imitation of that form. Kerbed millstone grit querns are relatively rare but fairly widespread. Other examples from Essex come from Chelmsford (Major in prep), Chignall St. James (Major and Buckley 1998), Harlow (in Harlow Museum), and Stebbing Green, near Dunmow (Major 1999).

A number of pieces reused as sharpening stones appear to have been deliberately reshaped into a triangle.

## Illustrated:-

Pink millstone grit. Three joining fragments from an upper stone edge, with a low kerb 40 mm wide. The grinding surface is smooth and slightly dished. The edge is pecked and the top fairly well finished. The edge of the grinding surface has little nicks at intervals, possibly from reuse. T at edge 49 mm , min. T. 24 mm . D. 414 mm . Wt. 1105g. Machining layer 400016

Fragment of upper stone. The grinding surface is eroded. The top has a low kerb $c$ 56 mm wide, with traces of a concentric groove inside this. T at edge 40 mm , min. T 32 mm . Wt. 840g. Machining layer 9000, Area D 17

Upper stone edge fragment, with worn grinding surface, probably originally grooved. The edge and top are well finished, and there is a very slight kerb round the top, $c$ 33 mm wide. The edge of the central hole is probably present. T at edge 70 mm , min. T 21 mm . Diam. 400 mm . Wt. 1620g. Cleaning layer 6000, Area H, not phased 18

Well cemented millstone grit. Lower fragment with a perforating central hole, narrower at the top. The grinding surface is grooved and the underside irregular. The edge is a regular curve, but may have been cut down from a larger stone, as it is rather unevenly chipped. The grinding surface has been reused as a knife sharpening stone, with a dished area, and point sharpening grooves. There is also a groove along part of the edge, which may have been a seating for a clamp rather than a sharpening groove. Hole diam. c $40 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~T} .55 \mathrm{~mm}$. Wt. 5500 g . Machining layer 15000, Area M. 19

Lower fragment, edge not present. Perforating central hole, diam. c 55mm. Grinding surface smooth, underside slightly irregular. It has been reused as a sharpening stone, with grooves on the grinding surface and nicks on the edge, and the edge of the hole. The grinding surface has been used as a whetstone, causing undulations in the surface. Two of the broken edges have been used for knife sharpening, and possibly the underside as well. The piece is now roughly rectangular, c 310x180mm. Original diam. >400mm, min T 30mm, max T 50mm. Wt. 3625g. Fill 9376, Pit 9366, Area D, Period III C 20

Lower stone fragment, with worn grooves on the grinding surface, and irregular underside. There is a slight lip round the edge, which would normally be taken to mean that it had been used with a smaller top stone. However, the grooves continue across the lip, which is polished, so the lip formed part of the grinding surface. Diam. c 490mm. Max. T at edge 28mm. Wt. 900g. Layer 6316, Area H, Period IV 25

Two pieces of lower stone, forming c 60\% of the stone. The larger piece is nearly half the stone, and is in good condition. The second fragment is undoubtedly part of the same stone, but is in poor condition, very crumbly where it is freshly broken, and the base has eroded off, leaving it much thinner than the main piece. It does not appear to join. The grinding surface is harp dressed, and partly worn smooth. The edge is pecked and the underside partly smooth. Diam. 476mm. Wt. 10350g. Cleaning layer 20007, Area L, Period V-VI 30

## Other stone types

Roman querns in stones other than puddingstone, lava, or millstone grit are rare in Essex; the only site with a substantial number of non-standard stone types is Mucking, which has thirty-seven non-standard fragments. Apart from the latter site, the writer knows of only twelve other examples from the county; five are greensand, four are other sandstones, one ragstone, one fossiliferous limestone and one 'Surrey marble'. The scarcity of greensand querns in Essex is curious, given the extensive use of greensand as a coarse building stone, although there are a number of examples from Mucking, five definitely greensand, and one possible. Overall, though, saddle querns in greensand are more common than rotary querns.

The Elms Farm assemblage includes ten definite querns and one dubious example in non-standard stone. The stone types represented are gneiss (possibly erratic), greensand, pebbly sandstone, possibly the Sherwood Sandstone Group, grit (possibly millstone grit series, and an unsourced sandstone. It is difficult comparing the range of stone types at Elms Farm with that at Mucking, as few of the querns from the latter site were sourced; however, the Mucking querns certainly include stone types not found at Elms Farm, such as sarsen, a possible Silurian sandstone, and a possible granite quern.

The shape of the Elms Farm stones is the normal Roman flat quern, apart from one of the sandstone fragments, which has a large hopper with a flat rim, a Southern British form rare in Essex, and another sandstone fragment, damaged by reuse, but possibly a low bun-shape.

The Purbeck Marble 'quern' ( 0.00 below) is something of a curiosity, as this highly decorative stone must have been relatively expensive. The surfaces are very eroded, with no definite signs of use as a quernstone, though the shape is that of a quern. Despite the central hole, which seems deliberately made, it is possible that this may have been a table top rather than a quern, or even a table top that was subsequently made into a quern. Liversidge (1955) notes that all the tables depicted on RomanoBritish sculptural reliefs have round tops and three legs, suggesting that this was by far the most common form of small table found in the province. There are numerous examples of shale tables of this form.

It is clear that the trade in querns in stones other than lava and millstone into the Essex area was very sporadic in Roman times. Few sites have more than a single example, and on the two sites with the highest number, Mucking and Elms Farm, there are a number of different stone types present. Greensand querns were arriving in higher numbers than other stone types, though apparently not in any quantity.

## Illustrated:-

Quern fragment? Lower stone? The grinding angle would have been steep. One face is smooth, with faint striations, possibly caused by grinding, the other was fairly well finished. T. 55-78mm. Identification (G.K.L.): weathered metamorphic gneiss, probably a glacial erratic. Wt. 760g. Fill 4239, Pit 4128, Area K, Period VI 51

Upper fragment, large hopper with flat rim. Sussex form? Grinding surface grooved and worn, well finished top and edge. T. at edge 66 mm , min. T. 33mm. Identification (G.K.L.): Gneiss, possibly a glacial erratic. Wt. 510g. Machining layer 12346, Area B 45

Reused quern fragment. Possibly part of a low bun-shaped upper; the only surviving feature is the perforating conical hole, probably the hopper. One face is rather irregular, the other (the original grinding surface?) has been reused as a sharpening stone, and is partly smooth but irregular. Hole diam. c 20-42mm. Identification (G.K.L.): Glauconitic sandstone, Lower Greensand (Hythe or Folkestone Beds). Wt. 536g. SF3211, Cleaning layer 5723, Area J, not phased 43

Quern fragment with grooved grinding surface, other face eroded. Stone crumbly. Max. T. 48mm. Identification (G.K.L.): Glauconitic sandstone, probably Lower Greensand (Folkestone Beds). Wt. 505g. Fill 6640, Well 6641, Area H, Period V 44

A massive fragment, which is surely from a millstone. The grinding surface has worn grooves, the other face is irregular. The edge appears to have been reshaped - it is roughly chamfered top and bottom, and crudely finished. T. 95mm. Identification (G.K.L.): Glauconitic sandstone, probably Lower Greensand (Folkestone Beds). Wt. 2550g. Fill 20034, Well 14984, Area L, Period IV-V 67

A quern fragment, probably an upper, with a grooved grinding surface. The other surface is fairly roughly finished, but may have part of a kerb. Max. T. 45mm. Identification (G.K.L.): Pebbly sandstone, possibly the Sherwood Sandstone Group (formerly known as the Bunter Pebble Beds). These pebbly units outcrop extensively in the West Midlands, and extend down into South West England. Wt. 494g. Fill 15087, Pit 15078, Area M, Period VI 42

Pebbly conglomerate, as 15087. Two joining pieces forming c 60\% of a lower. The central hole perforates, and has a slight hourglass shape. The grinding surface has worn harp dressing, and the underside is roughly flat. A very small area of the rounded edge survives. The rest of the edge may have been deliberately chipped away. T. at edge 48mm, T. at centre 95 mm , diam. 480 mm . Wt. 15500g. SF1558, Layer 9425, Area D, not phased 40

Pebbly quartzitic sandstone, as 15087. Fragment from the centre of an ?upper stone. Pecked grinding surface, other surface fairly well finished. There is a hint of a very shallow hopper, forming a band $c 25 \mathrm{~mm}$ wide round the hole, which has a rounded edge. Max T 32mm, T at edge of hole 24 mm . Wt. 348g. Machining layer 1100046

Four joining pieces of upper stone. The surfaces are eroded and irregular, and the edge is probably missing. The central hole is almost straight sided, and there may have been a slight collar round it (this may simply be a product of erosion). Hole diam. 48 mm , T. at centre 38 mm , max. surviving diam. c 390 mm . Could this be a table top rather than a quern? Identification (G.K.L.): Purbeck marble. Wt. 2160g. SF3473, Fill 10296, Ditch 10406, Area F, Period V-VI 41

## Not illustrated

Well cemented gritstone, probably millstone grit series. A quern fragment, probably an upper stone. The grinding surface has worn grooves, the other surface is grooved but unworn. T $34-48 \mathrm{~mm}$. Wt. 272g. Cleaning layer 8000, Area E

Greensand. Fragment, possibly from the lower stone of a quern with concentric grooves. Flat, worn surface, damaged, with a groove running parallel to the edge, 25 mm in, and traces of others further in. The edge is slightly chamfered, and the other surface rather irregular. Max. T 38mm, T at edge 24mm. Draw? Wt. 328g. Fill 8196, Well 8188, Area E, Period III.

Medium grained sandstone. Fragment with two smooth faces, possibly from a quern. T 21-32mm. Wt. 124g. Fill 20537, Post-hole 20536, Area L, Period IV-V

## Chronological distribution of the querns

Certain difficulties are present in comparing the different stone types. Use of the gross number of pieces is problematic for the lava querns, as they are often (but not always) very fragmented. It was therefore decided that the number of contexts containing each stone type would provide a better measurement for comparative purposes. The data is shown graphically in Fig. 3.


Fig. 3 Relative chronological distribution of the querns by stone type (discrete Periods only, by number of contexts)

As might be expected, most dated puddingstone querns were from Period II-III. Querns in stone types other than lava and millstone grit occur in small quantities throughout the Roman period.

The peak of lava quern deposition occurs in Period III (c. AD 40-160), falling off towards the later Roman period, whereas the deposition of millstone grit peaks in Period V-VI. It can therefore be said that on this site, lava querns predominated in the early Roman period, and millstone grit in the later Roman. It is not possible to date the lava querns intrinsically, so it is impossible to say what proportion of the later Roman lava is residual. However, given that there are almost as many Period V-VI contexts with lava as there are with millstone grit, the use of lava querns probably continued to the end of the Roman Period, though at a reduced level. The occurrence of lava in Period II contexts has been noted above, and in most cases the contexts can be shown to be transitional rather than purely Iron Age. This suggests that the introduction of lava querns occurred very early in the process of Romanisation of the site. The first lava querns arrived in Britain with the Legions, but the rapid development of trade to civilian settlements is attested by finds of lava from pre-Boudiccan London (Philp 1977, 64) and Colchester (Buckley and Major 1983). The dissemination of lava querns to lesser settlements such as Elms Farm appears to have been almost as swift, the ease of use of the flat form, and the relative lightness of the stone contributing to the demise of the more cumbersome puddingstone quern.

It can be seen from Fig. 00 that deposition of millstone grit increases through time. Deposition begins in Period III; unlike lava querns, there are none from the transitional contexts of Period II, suggesting that the use of flat querns made from millstone grit begins later than those made from lava. This is supported by closer
examination of the dating of the contexts with millstone grit. While some could be as early as late 1st century (though possibly 2nd century), most are early to mid 2nd century. There is slight evidence for earlier use of millstone grit in Essex, comprising a possible millstone fragment from a 1st century context at the villa at Chignall St. James (Major and Buckley 1998, 93). There is however, no conclusive evidence for millstone grit occurring earlier than the beginning of the 2nd century at Elms Farm. The millstone grit querns with kerbs could be 1st century; there is an example from Castleford from a context dated early-mid 70s (Buckley and Major 1998, 247), but the form may be later in Essex. The kerbed quern from Stebbing Green, for example, is probably the same date as the associated building, 2nd to early 3rd century (Major 1999).

The number of Period III contexts with millstone grit is only slightly lower than in Period IV, which is somewhat surprising since it has been postulated that the trade in millstone grit querns to Southern Britain was predominantly a 3rd and 4th century phenomenon (e.g. in Milne 1985, 122). This would now appear to be a rather simplistic view; at Elms Farm deposition of millstone grit actually drops in Period V (mid 3rd century-mid 4th century), though this may be due partly to other factors. The overall number of excavated contexts of that period is less than half the number of excavated Period IV contexts, for example. However, other evidence suggests that there may be a genuine drop in activity at the site as a whole at this period, and the decrease in the deposition of querns may reflect this.

## Other worked stone

## Architectural stone

Three pieces from the site may be carved architectural stone (as opposed to coarse building rubble, which is essentially unworked).

Illustrated:-
Joining fragments from three contexts in the same pit, forming a slabby piece with shaped edges. One face is smooth, the other broken. The shape is roughly a right angled triangle, with the hypotenuse forming a concave curve. The top face is chamfered on one edge, and there is a groove across the face, from this edge, running below the curved edge. Possibly architectural. Max. surviving T. 67mm. Identification (G.K.L.): Lithic sandstone, Upper Carboniferous (Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures). Wt. 1537g. Fills 5832/5841/5864, Pit 3805, Area J, Period VI 27

A slab fragment, with the edge probably reused as a sharpening stone. The shape is possibly a segment of a circle, and it is possible that this was a decorative stone, possibly used in a building (probably not a quern). One face is very smooth, the other is smooth in patches. T. $25-31 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Quartzose sandstone, possibly Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures. Wt. 350g. Layer 16187, Area H, Period V-VI 7

Millstone grit. A quarter circle, with the curved edge well finished, the other edges broken. One face is well finished. The diameter is far too small for this to be the
original quern edge, but it could be part of a door pivot stone. Max. T. 45mm. Wt. 266 g . Machining layer 110009

## Whetstones and sharpening stones

The term 'whetstone' is used here for purpose made sharpening stones; other pieces of stone (e.g. quern fragments) re-used for sharpening are termed 'sharpening stones'.

There were twelve whetstones from the site. Five are made from natural pebbles, probably of local origin. The remainder are in sandstones from various sources. Two are probably lower Greensand from the Hythe Beds, four are probably Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures, and one is an unsourced micaceous sandstone/coarse siltstone.

Some of the whetstones are neatly squared, and two retain traces of steps along the edges which are a result of the method of manufacture as evinced by a very large group of over one hundred Roman whetstones from Canvey Island, Essex (examined by the writer, courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Lewin, of Canvey), many of which were unused. Examination of this group showed that the bar whetstones were manufactured by splitting the stone into slabs of suitable thickness, then chiselling grooves along them at intervals, on both sides. The bar whetstones were then snapped off, like segments of a 'Kit-kat' bar, and the sides smoothed; however, some trace of the chiselled grooves generally remained. One of the Canvey whetstones has broken unevenly, and has part of the neighbouring whetstone still attached. The unused whetstones usually have one well finished end, and one rather roughly broken end. Although they appear to be incomplete, this was evidently their original length, and it may be surmised that the slabs from which they were formed were twice the length of the finished whetstones, each bar being broken in half after it was detached from the slab. Thus it is probable that at least three of the Elms Farm whetstones (SF7250, SF1949 and SF7529) are complete, despite having one broken end.

The non-local whetstones from Elms Farm are all from later/latest Roman contexts, bar one from a mid-Roman context.

Unlike querns, there has been no synthetic study of whetstones in Essex. Indeed, Roman whetstones as a whole are a neglected area despite their ability to tell us something about trading patterns. This is partly due to the fact that the main stone types employed for querns are easily identified by a non-specialist, whereas the identification of the source of whetstones really needs to be done by a geologist. This tends to be neglected, since the whetstones normally form such a minor component of a site assemblage. One exception is the group of nineteen from the 1971-79 Colchester excavations (Crummy 1983, 111-3), which may largely derive from the Hythe Beds of Kent, but which include two exotics, one in pennant sandstone from the Forest of Dean, and one from the south-west peninsula. The sourcing of the whetstones from Elms Farm is therefore of some importance for the study of whetstones in the county.

Illustrated:-

## Non-local stone

No full thickness, rectangular section. One end is broken, but has a groove across it which may be deliberate, and contains possible mineralised material, which may be wood or bone. A green stain on the broken face is probably due to contact with copper alloy, although there are no copper alloy objects or coins from the context. L. 78 mm , W. $25-27 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Calcareous sandstone, Lower Greensand (Hythe Beds?). Wt. 61g. SF7520, Fill 20320, Pit 20318, Area L, Period IV 37

Rectangular section, with traces of 'manufacturing grooves' on one side, mostly worn away. One end finished, other broken. One face has a point sharpening groove, and the edges are slightly bowed through use. $68 \times 24 \times 15 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Glauconitic sandstone. Potential sources include Kentish Ragstone (Hythe Beds, Lower Greensand). Wt. 52g. SF1949, Fill 4690, Slot 4695, Area K, not phased 31

Fragment in medium grained sandstone. Broken both ends, rectangular section. It has 'manufacturing grooves' top and bottom on one edge, and probable point sharpening grooves. There is slight dishing on one face. It has been used, but the corners are still sharp. $47 \times 19 \times 15 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Lithic sandstone, Upper Carboniferous (Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures). Wt. 33g. SF1816, Spread 5148, Area J, Period V-VI 32

Fragment with no complete thickness, broken both ends. Section probably subrectangular. L. 47 mm , W. 32 mm . Identification (G.K.L.): Lithic sandstone, Upper Palaeozoic, probably Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures. Wt. 24g. SF7018, Fill 10498, Ditch 10520, Area F, Period V-VI 34

Whetstone or sharpening stone fragment. A slabby piece with only one smoothed edge. There are four short nicks along one edge. $42 \times 35 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~T} .9-12 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Micaceous very fine sandstone, Upper Palaeozoic, probably Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures. Wt. 40g. SF7609, Fill 10891, Pit 10910, Area N, Period V 13

Broken at both ends. One face and the edges are smooth, the other face is slightly rough, but has a groove along one edge. One edge has a manufacturing step on one side. L. $76 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~W} .24 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~T} .5 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Lithic sandstone, probably Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures. Wt. 42g. SF7529, Fill 20752, Ditch 20751, Area L, Period VI 38

Fragment, broken at both ends. Well made, with an oval section. $38 \times 22 \times 13 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Micaceous sandstone/coarse siltstone, possibly early Palaeozoic, possibly from South-west England, Wales or Scotland. Wt. 21g. SF1071, Layer 6008, Area H, Period V-VI 33

Whetstones made from pebbles

Fine grained sandstone. A large, complete, irregularly shaped whetstone with uniform patination. It was probably a local pebble which has been worked into a curiously twisted, almost symmetrical dumbbell shape, with partly smoothed cut lines present and other areas of wear. L. 168 mm , W. c 48 mm, T. c 26 mm . Wt. 286g. SF8056, Fill 24219, Gully 24217, Area M, Period III 8

Probably a natural pebble (stone type not identified), probably used as a whetstone. The ends are rounded and the section rectangular. The sides are slightly more polished than the faces. $43 \times 18 \times 13 \mathrm{~mm}$. Wt. 26 g . SF7161, Layer 15614, Area M, Period VI 35

Probable natural pebble, a thin bar with a rectangular section, possibly used as a whetstone. $53 \times 13 \times 13 \mathrm{~mm}$. Wt. 20g. SF6973, Machining layer 17000, Area Q 36

Hard sandstone. Probably a natural pebble, used as a whetstone. Rectangular section, both ends rounded. One edge is bowed. L66mm, W $28-30 \mathrm{~mm}$, T 16 mm . Wt. 68g. SF4154, Fill 4777, Pit 4776, Area K, Period II 12

Sarsen? Pebble fragment, probably deliberately trimmed to give a neat rectangular section. One end is natural, the other broken or cut. Both the 'natural' faces have probably been used as a whetstone; the edges are unused. $63 \times 23 \times 17 \mathrm{~mm}$. Wt. 57 g . SF1326, Cleaning layer 5305, Area J, Period V-VI 11

## Sharpening stones

Millstone grit. Sharpening stone; roughly rectangular, with all faces utilised. Five sides are roughly flat; the sixth is more irregular. There are knife sharpening grooves present. c $550 \times 680 \times 50 \mathrm{~mm}$. Possibly not originally part of a quern. Wt. 340g. Machining Layer 12000, Area R. 3

Not illustrated:-
Fragment, probably part of a whetstone with a sub-rectangular section, in a fine grained sandstone. No full thickness, W. 41mm. Wt. 34g. Fill 14540, Pit 14586, Area L, Period II C

## Rubbers

The term 'rubber' has been used in the catalogue for pieces with surfaces smoothed by indeterminate wear; this could be use as a rubbing stone, or as a knife sharpening stone, or as a crude mortar, for example. Nine rubbers were identified, none of them illustrated.
Five were natural sandstone or sarsen pebbles. Only one of these, from a prehistoric context, seems to have been shaped in any way prior to use. The other four rubbers were re-used fragments of millstone grit querns.

## Other objects

There were a number of block and slab fragments, in a variety of stone types. Some of the following slab fragments may be mixing palettes for cosmetics or medicines, but none have the bevelled edge typical of mixing palettes.

One piece of grit may be a broken or incomplete conical weight.
Oddities include a fragment of chalk with possible incised lines on the surface, although these may be simply a natural formation. Another fragment which appears to be carved may also be a natural formation. A very well polished amethyst pebble may be naturally polished.

A complete list may be found in the archive catalogue.

## Weight?

Grit, probably Millstone Grit. A truncated cone with a depression in the irregular top, perhaps an unfinished or broken weight. Diam. 26-42mm, Ht. 27mm. Wt. 47g. SF5540, Cleaning layer 14201, Area L, not phased. 14

## Blocks and slabs

Pink millstone grit. Probably originally a quern, but reshaped as a rectangular palette or rubber. Both surfaces and one edge are smooth. The profile is wedge-shaped. W. 90mm, surviving L 85mm, max. T. 40mm, min T. 19mm. Wt. 432g. Fill 10296, Ditch 10406, Area F, Period V-VI 2

Fine grained, soft, yellow sandstone. A slabby, squarish fragment, probably utilised, and possibly from a quern. One face has two possible grooves. c $95 x 80 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~T} .13-$ 41 mm . Wt. 466 g . Layer 10800, Area N, not phased. 5

Slab fragment, one possible straightish original edge. The top is smooth, with slight damage (or possible deliberate carving?), and very faint striations on the surface. The underside is slightly irregular. T 30mm. c 175x110mm. Identification (G.K.L.): Purbeck marble. Wt. 1005g. Fill 16230, Ditch 16231, Area H, Period VI 10

Fine grained stone; possibly siltstone (not identified). A slabby fragment with a well smoothed surface, back spalled. The face has two straight incised lines parallel to the edge, and there are also faint striations, parallel to each other, but at an angle to the incised lines. These scratches are ancient, and may be traces of tooling. $c$ $58 x 60 \mathrm{~mm}$, max. surviving th. 14 mm . Wt. 70g. Fill 5135, Pit 5093, Area J, Period IV 1

## Unidentified

Chalk lump c $56 \times 40 \times 30 \mathrm{~mm}$. There is possibly a pattern of incised lines on one flat face, although this may be a natural formation. Wt. 98g. Fill 5964, Pit 13873, Area J, Period VI 4

Well polished, irregularly rounded, ?pebble. Translucent pale violet with a purple streak. Identification (G.K.L.): Purple amethyst/quartz ?pebble. It is difficult to assign a specific source for this sample. Amethyst is a common component of mineral veins around the UK and mainland Europe. The sample may even have come from the local glacial drift. Wt. 5g. SF6480, Fill 18352, Pit 18357, Area I, Period IV. 15

Fragment, possibly worked. It resembles a rim from a vessel, but may just be a natural stone broken along the bedding planes, as the edge would be rather straight for a vessel. The identification suggests that it may be a non-local stone, though it could be an erratic. Identification (G.K.L.): Schist, probably from Scotland. Wt. 252g. Layer 15982, Area M, Period IV 6

Tufa? A roughly rectangular slab, deliberately shaped, but with no other signs of use. Faces natural, sides more freshly broken. c 205x83x47mm. Wt. 1475g. Fill 24315, Post-hole 24314, Area M, not phased 47

Tufa? It appears to be a possible quern fragment with a central hole, but this is probably just an effect of the way that it has broken just be the way that it has broken. It has one straight edge. One surface is roughly flat, the other irregular. Max. T. 34mm. c 190x120mm. Wt. 635g. Fill 24315, Post-hole 24314, Area M, not phased 48

Crystalline shelly limestone? A slabby fragment, possibly with deliberate carving (although this might just be the effect of erosion). c $230 \times 130 \mathrm{~mm}$, Max. T. 43mm. Wt. 2140g. 20089, Oven construction 20137, Area L, Period VI 26

Pebble fragment, probably not utilised, though possibly used as a whetstone. Wt. 28g. SF7852, Fill 23427, Post-hole 23428, Area N, not phased. 39
Crystalline sandstone. A roughly semi-circular slice, with the curved surface pecked. Possibly part of an architectural element, but could be a fragment from e.g. a pestle. Wt. 82g. Cleaning layer 13316, Area I, not phased. Draw

Not illustrated. Fine grained grey-green stone with thin bedding planes. Fragment from the corner of a slab. The surfaces are eroded, but the original thickness was probably c 24 mm . 114x53mm. Wt. 222g. Cleaning layer 5597, Area I, not phased. Identification (G.K.L.): Siltstone, probably Kimmeridge Clay Formation.

Not illustrated. Piece of chalk with most of the surface surviving. It appears to have been crudely shaped, with possible cut marks visible. It is irregular, and does not appear to be a representational piece, so is presumably just a piece of building stone. c. $68 \times 75 \times 50 \mathrm{~mm}$. Wt. 266g. Fill 10877, Pit 10910, Area N, Period V

### 1.6 Unworked stone

Much of the 'unworked' stone collected from the site had been used as building rubble, and some may have been very crudely shaped. The stone collected was a sample only, and analysis by quantity is therefore unreliable. However, it is possible to make some general comments on spatial and chronological distribution.

Stone used as building rubble includes stone types which are not local to the site, in particular, Kentish greensand and septaria, the latter being the commonest building stone on the site (Table 3). Septaria is found in deposits along the north Essex and Suffolk coast, and was used extensively in Roman Essex. The greensand may have been arrived on site primarily as ballast in trading vessels, rather than being deliberately imported as a building stone; the tufa is probably also from Kent. Utilisation of stone for coarse building material would have been opportunistic, given the lack of good building stone in Essex.

With both septaria and greensand, it is difficult to tell whether it has been deliberately shaped: in the case of the septaria, because it tends to break naturally into irregular blocks, and in the case of the greensand, because the surface has usually eroded. Some of the tufa certainly seems to have been cut into rough blocks, and it is likely that this was true of the greensand as well. Septaria does not cut well, and was probably never neatly trimmed.

A possible alternative use for septaria is noted in passing. Morgan (1992) suggests that septaria could have been used as a source for hydraulic lime manufacture; analysis of samples of septaria from Colchester showed a lime content of about 48\%. It is impossible to determine whether septaria was used in this way at Elms Farm.

Other stone used as building rubble includes flint nodules, various sandstones (probably mostly derived from local erratics), tufa, shelly sandstone, quartzite and sarsen. Table 00 lists the number of contexts from which unworked stone of each type was collected; the list may include some non-building stone, such as the burnt flint nodules.

| Type of stone | No. of contexts |
| :--- | :---: |
| Septaria | 216 |
| Greensand | 85 |
| Burnt flint nodules | 74 |
| Sandstone | 71 |
| Natural pebbles | 42 |
| Chalk | 28 |
| Not identified | 23 |
| Flint nodules | 19 |
| Quartzite | 14 |
| Tufa | 12 |
| Sarsen | 11 |
| Limestone | 11 |
| Grit | 3 |
| Ferruginous sandstone | 2 |
| Ferruginous <br> conglomerate | 2 |
| Kentish Ragstone | 1 |
| Pumice | 1 |

Table 3 Types of unworked stone collected at Elms Farm

Table 4 lists the approximate number of contexts containing unworked stone of all types within each area (this includes burnt flint and burnt pebbles, which are unlikely to be building stone). It is clear that the majority of the unworked stone came from the vicinity of the temple (area J), with very little coming from the outlying parts of the site, areas $Q$ and $R$ in particular.

| Area | No of <br> contexts |
| :---: | :---: |
| D | 12 |
| E | 7 |
| F | 26 |
| G | 20 |
| H | 59 |
| J | 172 |
| K | 12 |
| L | 15 |
| M | 26 |
| N | 19 |
| P | 6 |
| Q | 1 |
| R | 4 |

Table 4 Unworked stone; approximate number of contexts per area
It was assumed in the assessment that much of this material had been used as coarse building rubble, and further postulated that different stone types may have been used at different periods. When the proportions of contexts by phase containing septaria and greensand are compared, however, the evidence suggests that, for these two types of stone at least, the deposition rates were remarkably similar (Table 5).

|  | Septaria |  | Unworked Greensand |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Period | No. | \% | No. | \% |
| II | 7 | 4 | 5 | 8 |
| III | 35 | 21 | 12 | 20 |
| IV | 25 | 15 | 13 | 22 |
| V | 23 | 14 | 7 | 12 |
| V-VI | 22 | 13 | 9 | 15 |
| VI | 44 | 27 | 14 | 23 |
| VII | 7 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 163 |  | 60 |  |

Table 5 Septaria and greensand: comparison of numbers of contexts and percentages of contexts by period (discrete periods only)

Both types of stone occur in small quantities in Period II contexts, and, apart from Period VII, show a fairly consistent pattern of deposition. For both, there is a drop-off
in deposition in Period V, though this is only slight for the septaria. All the Period VII septaria comes from the post-medieval fence-line in Areas H and J , and probably represents stone robbed from the precinct wall and used as packing in some of the post-holes.

The presence of septaria in seven Period II contexts initially suggested that it was already being brought onto the site before the Roman conquest. However, four of the contexts with septaria contain at least some Roman material. One Period II A context (Post-hole 18734 in area J) contained a substantial amount of septaria, over 78 kg , but it is probable that the context number was a mistake for 18739, which was a Period IV wall. The presence of greensand prior to the conquest is not unexpected, as there was an established trade in greensand querns into this part of the country from the Bronze Age onwards. Septaria, however, is a soft and brittle stone only suitable for use as coarse rubble, and its presence in such quantity in a late Iron Age context could be considered unusual.

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## Appendix 1

Elms Farm Puddingstone Querns

| Per | Con. | Wt. (g) |  | Diam. | Ht . | SF | Description | D. no. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2100 | 302 | ? |  |  |  | Partly weathered lump, with no sign of use as a quern. |  |
|  | 3830 | 645 | U/L |  |  | SF204 | Upper or lower edge fragment. <br> Burnt. (Tr. 5 U/S) |  |
|  | 4000 | 2575 | L | 240 | 64 |  | Lower, $\underline{\mathrm{c}} 40 \%$. A small, flat quern with a nicely finished bottom. The hole perforates at a slight angle. Ht. 64 mm , D. 240 mm . | 57 |
|  | 4000 | 3625 | U | 310 | 60 |  | c $40 \%$ of a very flat upper, some damage to the surface. It has a small, cupped hopper with a short feedpipe. The grinding surface is polished. Max Ht. 60 mm . | 52 |
|  | 4000 | 9500 | U | 380 | 136 |  | 5015/7970. Upper, ㄷ 40\%. A large stone with a well defined handle band. Cupped hopper with no feed pipe. The pebbles in the grinding surface stand slightly proud of the matrix, and show striations from use. There is some damage to the top. Hopper diam. $\underline{c} 70-50 \mathrm{~mm}$, D 380 mm , ht. 136 mm . Not boxed | 61 |
|  | 6515 | 4875 | U | 300 | 107 |  | c $40 \%$ of an upper, edge damaged. A small part of a well defined handle band survives. The cupped hopper has no feed pipe. The matrix has some extremely large pebbles in it, some of the biggest that I have seen. Ht. 107 mm , diam. © 300 mm . | 54 |
|  | 6609 | 1900 | L? |  |  |  | Fragment from bun shaped stone, possibly a lower. The edge is badly damaged, and the stone has been burnt. Max. surviving ht. 78 mm |  |
|  | 9065 | 2675 | U | 250 | 80 |  | Upper, $\underline{\text { c } 50 \% . ~ C o n i c a l ~ h o p p e r ~}$ with no feed pipe, handle band present, smooth grinding surface. There is damage to the edge. Diam. $\underline{c} 250 \mathrm{~mm}$ | 56 |
|  | 10310 | 2825 | U | 268 | 70 |  |  A fairly small stone with an hour- | 62 |


| Per | Con. | Wt. (g) |  | Diam. | Ht . | SF | Description | D. no. |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | glass shaped hopper. Ht. 70 mm |  |
|  | 11000 | 420 | U? |  |  |  | Edge fragment, probably upper stone. |  |
|  | 17000 | 1815 | U |  |  |  | Upper fragment, iron stained and probably burnt. It has a large conical hopper with no feed pipe. There is damage to the edge. | 55 |
|  | 17000 | 640 | U/L |  |  |  | Upper or lower fragment with part of the grinding surface and outer surface. Max surviving ht. 85 mm |  |
|  | 20334 | 248 | ? |  |  |  | Lump with no worked surfaces, but signs of weathering. This may be an erratic, rather than a piece of quern. |  |
|  | 23001 | 200 | U/L |  |  |  | Burnt fragment with part of the grinding surface and outer face. |  |
| 11 | 4168 | 3950 | U | 270 | 120 |  | Upper stone, $\underline{\underline{c}} 50 \%$. There is some damage to the surface and edge. The hopper is straight sided and slightly conical, with no feed pipe. There is a hole in the side of the hopper, where a pebble has come out. This probably occurred during manufacture, as the top edge of the hole is rounded. The handle hole perforates the hopper. The grinding surface is flat. Hopper diam. $42-50 \mathrm{~mm}$, stone diam. $\underline{\mathrm{c}}$ 270 mm , ht. 120 mm . | 60 |
| II | 15490 | 3250 | U | 360 | 110 |  | Upper, $\underline{c} 25 \%$. The edge is badly damaged. It has a large conical hopper with no feedpipe. There is little sign of wear on the grinding surface. Original diam. c 360 mm , ht. 110 mm . Hopper diam. max. $\underline{\text { c }} 130 \mathrm{~mm}$, min. $\underline{\text { c }}$ 50 mm . | 64 |
| II B | 9717 | 1590 | U | 244 | 88 |  | Upper, $\underline{\text { c } 20 \% \text {. A small bun- }}$ shaped stone with a cupped hopper with a short feed pipe. There is a handle band. The edge is damaged. Ht. 88 mm | 58 |
| II B | 17201 | 1200 | U/L |  |  |  | Chunk, and two joining chips of a burnt upper or lower stone. Part of the grinding surface survives, and possibly part of the outer surface. Max. |  |


| Per | Con. | Wt. (g) |  | Diam. | Ht. | SF | Description | D. no. |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | surviving ht. 82 m |  |
| III | 6337 6437 | 8 298 | $?$ |  |  |  | BS2151 Small chip, no surfaces. The breaks look recent. |  |
| III | 6437 | 298 | U/L |  |  |  | Fragment of upper or lower, with a very small area of grinding surface surviving; no other surfaces present. |  |
| III | 7152 | 1005 | U | 290 | 59 |  | c $20 \%$ of a small, flat upper stone with a small cupped hopper with no feed pipe. Ht. 59 mm . Diam. c 290 mm . | 53 |
| III | 20369 | 610 | U/L |  |  |  | Burnt fragment, with part of the grinding surface |  |
| III B | 13442 | 2325 | U | 320 | 82 |  | Upper, $\underline{\mathrm{c}} 25 \%$. A rather flat stone with a damaged edge. The cupped hopper has no feedpipe. The grinding surface is flat. Ht. 82 mm . | 63 |
| III B | 21615 | 76 | U/L |  |  |  | U/L. A small fragment with part of the grinding surface, and the very edge of the central hole, diameter not measurable. |  |
| III C | 9796 | 925 | U |  | 75 |  | Upper edge fragment with wellmade groove for the handle band. The grinding surface is very smooth. Max. surviving ht. 75 mm . | 59 |
| III C | 9796 | 1900 | U/L |  |  |  | Upper or lower fragment (not same stone as other piece from this context). Rather rough grinding surface, possibly reshaped for reuse as building material. Max surviving ht. 110 mm |  |
| IV | 5092 | 865 | U |  | 105 |  | Upper fragment, with part of the hopper and a very small area of grinding surface surviving. The edge is not present. Ht. $\underline{c}$ 105 mm . |  |
| IV | 5578 | 1280 | L? | 280 | 88 |  | Lower stone? fragment. The edge is nicely rounded where it survives. The edge of the central hole is present, and is probably a non perforating spindle hole rather than the edge of a hopper. Diam. $\underline{C}$ 280 mm , ht. 88 mm . |  |
| IV-V | 15796 | 730 | ? |  |  |  | Burnt fragment, with one smooth surface, other surfaces broken. This is presumably a quern fragment, but the surface |  |


| Per | Con. | Wt. (g) |  | Diam. | Ht . | SF | Description | D. no. |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | is slightly convex, which is unusual for a puddingstone quern. |  |
| VI | 5383 | 296 | U |  |  |  | Upper edge fragment with a pronounced flange as the seating for the handle band. | 23 |
| V-VI | 10296 | 348 | U/L |  |  |  | Edge fragment, upper or lower Smooth grinding surface with nicely rounded edge. Max. surviving ht. 40 mm |  |

## Appendix 2

## HYEF93/4 Worked Stone Catalogue Version 2

Listed by object type
Stone Type - abbreviations used
AMB Amber
B Basalt
CH Chalk
FL Flint
GN Gneiss
GS Greensand
GT Grit
KR Kentish Ragstone
L Lava
LS Limestone
MG Millstone grit
O Other stone type
PM Purbeck marble
PS Puddingstone
Q Quartzite
S Sandstone
SC Schist
SP Septaria
SS Siltstone
T Tufa
U Unidentified
The term 'rubber' has been used for pieces with surfaces smoothed by indeterminate wear; this could be use as a rubbing stone, or as a knife sharpening stone, or as a crude mortar, for example.

The lava has no surface surviving unless otherwise specified.
Where upper/lower stone has not been specified, the fragment could be either.
The list includes unworked stone which was boxed with the worked stone. See pro forma sheets for the rest of the unworked stone.

Identifications where noted by Dr. G.K. Lott, British Geological Survey.

## Saddle Querns

| Con. | Ston <br> e | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description | D. |
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| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. (g) | SF | Description | D. |
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|  |  |  |  | original boulder surface remains on one side, although the rest of the surviving edge has been deliberately shaped. The underside has been crudely split, giving a variable thickness to the stone. The grinding surface is flat and well finished, with areas of polish round the edge. The full width is probably present. W. ㄷ 145 mm , max. T. 62 mm , surviving L. 160 mm |  |
| 4142 | S | 58 |  | Pebble fragment, medium grained sandstone. Scorched. Possibly the edge of a saddle quern or rubber, although I am rather dubious about this. |  |
| 4767 | S | 1485 |  | Shaped fragment, probably the edge of a saddle quern (cf North Shoebury), but possibly a plaque. The edge is nicely shaped, the bottom eroded. The grinding surface is smooth, but not polished. Surviving L. ㄷ 185mm, surviving T. 72 mm . Identification (G.K.L.): Bioclastic sandstone, possible source in the Upper Jurassic, Purbeck sandstone or Lower Greensand (Hastings Beds). | 22 |
| 5494 | S | 1575 |  | Quartzitic sandstone. Fragment from the rounded end of a saddle quern, worked on a natural boulder. The edges have been crudely shaped, the underside is natural. The grinding surface is smooth and slightly dished. ㄷ $150 \times 100 \mathrm{~mm}$, max. T. 79 mm . |  |
| 6316 | S | 2950 |  | Sarsen? Saddle quern fragment with flat, smooth grinding surface. Max. surviving T 80 mm , max. surviving dimensions $165 \times 160 \mathrm{~mm}$. | 29 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1036 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | S | 400 |  | Millstone grit? Well cemented, rather fine grained. Fragment with one smooth, slightly irregular surface, other face natural. There is no indication of use as a rotary quern, but this could possibly be part of a saddle quern. Max. T 40mm. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1304 \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ | S | 368 |  | Quartzitic sandstone. Probably the corner from a small saddle quern made on an erratic pebble, with a smooth grinding surface and a rounded edge. The surfaces are well finished. The original width was perhaps $\underline{c} 110 \mathrm{~mm}$. Possibly a quern rubber rather than a quern. Max T 45mm. | 50 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1625 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | S | 4250 |  | A saddle quern fragment worked on a natural boulder. The grinding surface is smooth, with a roughly shaped edge. The bottom has been left natural. Surviving area $\underline{c} 190 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$, T. 105115 mm . Identification (G.K.L.): Quartzose | 21 |


| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description | $\begin{aligned} & \text { D. } \\ & \text { no } \end{aligned}$ |
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|  |  |  |  | sandstone, possibly Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2009 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | S | 710 |  | Quartzitic sandstone. An edge fragment from a waterworn, rather flat, natural pebble. One face may have slight polish, perhaps from use as a rubber, or possibly a saddle quern. © $85 \times 80 \times 60 \mathrm{~mm}$ |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2301 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | S | 605 |  | Quartzitic sandstone. A fragment, probably part of a saddle quern; definitely used as a rubber, at the very least. The 'edge' is natural, the adjoining surface smooth and slightly dished. |  |
| Puddingstone Querns Includes all puddingstone |  |  |  |  |  |
| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. (g) | SF | Description | $\begin{aligned} & \text { D } \\ & \text { no. } \end{aligned}$ |
| 2100 | PS | 302 |  | Partly weathered lump, with no sign of use as a quern. |  |
| 3830 | PS | 645 | SF204 | Upper or lower edge fragment. Burnt. (Tr. 5 U/S) |  |
| 4000 | PS | 3625 |  | c $40 \%$ of a very flat upper, some damage to the surface. It has a small, cupped hopper with a short feedpipe. The grinding surface is polished. Max Ht. 60mm. | 52 |
| 4000 | PS | 2575 |  | Lower, $\underline{\mathrm{c}} 40 \%$. A small, flat quern with a nicely finished bottom. The hole perforates at a slight angle. Ht. 64 mm , D. 240 mm . | 57 |
| 4000 | PS | 9500 |  | $5015 / 7970$. Upper, $\underline{\mathrm{c}} 40 \%$. A large stone with a well defined handle band. Cupped hopper with no feed pipe. The pebbles in the grinding surface stand slightly proud of the matrix, and show striations from use. There is some damage to the top. Hopper diam. $\underline{\underline{C}} 70-50 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{D}$ 380 mm , ht. 136 mm . Not boxed DRAW | 61 |
| 4168 | PS | 3950 |  | Upper stone, $\underline{\mathrm{c}} 50 \%$. There is some damage to the surface and edge. The hopper is straight sided and slightly conical, with no feed pipe. There is a hole in the side of the hopper, where a pebble has come out. This probably occurred during manufacture, as the top edge of the hole is rounded. The handle hole perforates the hopper. The grinding surface is flat. Hopper diam. $42-50 \mathrm{~mm}$, stone diam. $\underline{\mathrm{c}} 270 \mathrm{~mm}$, ht. 120 mm . | 60 |
| 5092 | PS | 865 |  | Upper fragment, with part of the hopper and a |  |



| 1549 | PS | 3250 |
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| 1579 | PS | 730 |
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| 1700 | PS | 640 |
| 0 |  |  |
| 1700 | PS | 1815 |
| 0 |  |  |
| 1720 | PS | 1200 |
| 1 |  |  |
| 2033 | PS | 248 |
| 4 |  |  |
| 2036 | PS | 610 |
| 9 |  | 76 |
| 2161 | PS |  |
| 5 |  | 200 |
| 2300 | PS |  |
| 1 |  |  |

damaged edge. The cupped hopper has no feedpipe. The grinding surface is flat. Ht. 82 mm .
Upper, $\underline{\mathrm{c}} 25 \%$. The edge is badly damaged. It
has a large conical hopper with no feedpipe.
There is little sign of wear on the grinding surface. Original diam. $\underline{c} 360 \mathrm{~mm}$, ht. 110 mm .
Hopper diam. max. c 130 mm , min. c 50 mm .
Burnt fragment, with one smooth surface, other surfaces broken. This is presumably a quern fragment, but the surface is slightly convex, which is unusual for a puddingstone quern. Upper or lower fragment with part of the grinding surface and outer surface. Max surviving ht. 85mm
Upper fragment, iron stained and probably burnt. 55
It has a large conical hopper with no feed pipe.
There is damage to the edge.
Chunk, and two joining chips of a burnt upper or lower stone. Part of the grinding surface survives, and possibly part of the outer surface. Max. surviving ht. 82 mm
Lump with no worked surfaces, but signs of weathering. This may be an erratic, rather than a piece of quern.
Burnt fragment, with part of the grinding surface
U/L. A small fragment with part of the grinding surface, and the very edge of the central hole, diameter not measurable.
Burnt fragment with part of the grinding surface and outer face.

## Lava Querns

| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 400 | L | 29 | SF214 | Lump |
| 408 | L | 52 |  | Nine scraps. |
| 524 | L | 29 |  | One scrap. |
| 550 | L | 2 |  | Three scraps. |
| 2246 | L | 12 | SF213 | Crumbs |
| 2286 | L | 14 | SF215 | Three small lumps |
| 2356 | L | 555 | SF115 | Upper stone fragment, plus crumbs. Surface has mostly flaked off. The grinding surface is grooved and worn. There is a shallow kerb, with a possible handle seating comprising a shallow hole in the top of the kerb, with the stone broken across a second hole 25 mm away. Hole depth $\underline{\mathrm{c}}$ |


| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description | $\begin{aligned} & \text { D. } \\ & \text { no } \end{aligned}$ |
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|  |  |  |  | 8 mm , diam. 8 mm . This might just be where inclusions have fallen out of the matrix. <br> Thickness |  |
| 2360 | L | 266 | SF209 | Six lumps and crumbs |  |
| 3631 | L | 548 | SF171 | Very fragmented, $\underline{c} 30$ lumps and crumbs. Worn grinding surface. T 30 mm |  |
| 3631 | L | 76 | SF171 | Three fragments. T 30mm |  |
| 3665 | L | 1600 | SF216 | c 10 fragments and lots of little bits. |  |
| 3766 | L | 180 |  | Ten lumps and crumbs |  |
| 3812 | L | 11 |  | One fragment |  |
| 4000 | L | 122 |  | Fragment, possibly from upper stone with kerb. T 50mm |  |
| 4000 | L | 5500 |  | Upper stone, ¢ 50\%. Standard form, with a kerb 45 mm wide. The top has grooved panels, and the edge has vertical grooves. The grinding surface is partly eroded, and may have been pecked. The stone has broken across the handle hole through the kerb. The surface of the hole, and an adjacent area on the inside of the kerb are very smooth, probably wear caused by the handle. The hopper edge is very thin, with a large diameter, giving a grinding surface that is only $13-14 \mathrm{~cm}$ wide around the hopper. Max. T at edge 68 mm . Diam. | 65 |
| 4005 | L | 228 |  | Two fragments. Max. T 32mm |  |
| 4007 | L | 530 |  | Edge fragment, upper stone with no kerb surviving (may have had a kerb originally, cf stone from 20093). Grinding surface grooved, other surfaces eroded. T at edge 34 mm , D 360 mm . |  |
| 4015 | L | 244 |  | Lower edge fragment, no surfaces. T 31mm |  |
| 4020 | L | 398 |  | 4 joining fragments, probably upper stone. Smooth grinding surface, other surface eroded. Max. T 44mm |  |
| 4315 | L | 84 |  | Lump |  |
| 4537 | L | 112 |  | Two lumps |  |
| 4758 | L | 90 |  | 2 scraps, eroded, no full thickness |  |
| 5146 | L | 236 |  | Nine fragments and crumbs |  |
| 5159 | L | 28 |  | Lump |  |
| 5228 | L | 66 |  | Five lumps, probably all one piece |  |
| 5427 | L | 950 |  | Upper fragment, surface eroded. There are traces of a low kerb 50 mm wide. T. at edge 50 mm |  |
| 5494 | L | 780 |  | Upper edge fragment, plus 2 chips, probably from the same stone. The surfaces are eroded, but it probably had a low, wide kerb. T. at edge 50 mm |  |


| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5543 | L | 680 |  | Upper stone edge fragment with a high kerb, 32 mm wide and $\underline{c} 26 \mathrm{~mm}$ high. Surfaces eroded. T at edge 68mm |
| 5597 | L | 214 |  | 4880/7980 Six lumps, probably all one piece. |
| 5601 | L | 14 |  | Lump |
| 5602 | L | 140 |  | Lump |
| 5603 | L | 34 |  | Lump |
| 5603 | L | 378 |  | Fragment, probably lower. Worn pecked grinding surface, other face irregular and eroded. Max T 32mm |
| 5607 | L | 14 |  | Lump |
| 5693 | L | 48 |  | Fragmented lump |
| 5761 | L | 414 |  | Eight lumps and crumbs. Max T 36mm |
| 5761 | L | 450 |  | Fragmented piece of upper stone, T 45mm |
| 5768 | L | 5 |  | Five scraps |
| 5804 | L | 780 |  | Lower edge fragment, no surfaces, parallel sided. Max T 21 mm . |
| 5804 | L | 40 |  | One fragment |
| 5841 | L | 12 |  | Seven scraps |
| 5843 | L | 268 |  | 5 fragments plus crumbs. Max. T. 21 mm . |
| 5877 | L | 74 |  | BS957. Six lumps and crumbs |
| 5948 | L | 700 |  | Ten fragments and crumbs from the edge of an upper stone, with a grooved edge and worn grooves on the grinding surface. The top is eroded. T. at edge 65 mm . |
| 5951 | L | 12 |  | 1 piece |
| 5981 | L | 1100 |  | Two fragments, probably from the same lower stone. The grinding surface is worn, and was probably pecked. The edge and underside are eroded. T at edge 30 mm |
| 6000 | L | 150 |  | Fragment. T 41 mm |
| 6048 | L | 92 |  | 10 scraps, eroded, no full thickness |
| 6117 | L | 30 |  | 7 scraps |
| 6153 | L | 82 |  | Fragment with grooved grinding surface. T 25mm |
| 6170 | L | 242 |  | Eleven fragments and crumbs, probably all one piece. The grinding surface is grooved. Max. T 38mm |
| 6172 | L | 124 |  | Fragment in poor condition. There are traces of grooves on the grinding surface. T 31mm |
| 6203 | L | 668 |  | In poor condition. 20 fragments, probably all from the same stone, probably a lower. Parallel faced, with a pecked grinding surface and a slightly irregular underside. T 32 mm |
| 6271 | L | 840 |  | Fragments, probably all from the same lower stone, with a harp dressed grinding surface. Max T 32 mm |


| Con. | Ston <br> e <br> type | Wt. (g) | SF | Description |
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| 6306 | L | 38 |  | BS 2109 Six lumps |
| 6367 | L | 621 |  | Joining fragments from a lower stone edge, with an angled grinding surface. There are traces of grooves on the grinding surface and edge. T at edge 30 mm , max. T 36 mm . Diam. $\underline{\mathrm{C}} 570 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| 6418 | L | 44 |  | Two lumps |
| 6557 | L | 554 |  | 16 eroded lumps, plus some crumbs. One piece has worn grooves. Period II A |
| 6584 | L | 208 |  | Joining fragments, probably from a lower stone. T 21 mm |
| 6655 | L | 246 |  | Fourteen fragments and crumbs. |
| 6742 | L | 14 |  | Lump |
| 6742 | L | 146 |  | Six fragments |
| 6790 | L | 234 |  | Ten fragments and crumbs |
| 7031 | L | 5 |  | One fragment |
| 7071 | L | 93 |  | Twelve scraps. |
| 7086 | L | 48 |  | Four lumps |
| 7086 | L | 3450 |  | Very fragmented, probably one stone. 26 fragments and crumbs, including an upper edge. T at edge 61 mm |
| 7098 | L | 14 |  | 1 fragment |
| 7103 | L | 92 |  | Lump |
| 7123 | L | 34 |  | Lump |
| 7131 | L | 444 |  | Upper edge, 3 fragments and crumbs. Grooved grinding surface and edge. $T$ at edge 61 mm . |
| 7448 | L | 142 |  | Four lumps plus crumbs |
| 7453 | L | 7 |  | Two scraps |
| 7598 | L | 194 |  | 21 fragments. Worn grinding surface, no full thickness |
| 7681 | L | 408 |  | Upper edge, fragmentary. There does not appear to be a kerb. The grinding surface is angled, and there are grooves on both faces and the edge. $T$ at edge 46 mm |
| 8000 | L | 156 |  | Three lumps |
| 8000 | L | 805 |  | Upper edge fragment with low kerb 40 mm wide. Surfaces eroded. T at edge 59mm, min. T 18 mm . Diam. $\underline{C} 350 \mathrm{~mm}$. |
| 8093 | L | 20 |  | One fragment |
| 8094 | L | 52 |  | Two lumps |
| 9004 | L | 270 |  | Very eroded lump and small fragments, possibly an upper edge. Max T 45mm |
| 9004 | L | 33 |  | 4 scraps |
| 9298 | L | 72 |  | 2 lumps |
| 9388 | L | 238 |  | Fragment of parallel sided stone, surface obscured. T 26 mm . Period II B |
| 9427 | L | 340 |  | Six fragments of decayed stone, with no surfaces surviving. Includes a probable lower |


| Con. | Ston <br> e | Wt. <br> (g) | SF |
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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3830 | MG | 625 |  | Edge fragment, probably from upper stone. Fairly smooth grinding stone, probably pecked. Top and edge pecked. Max. T 37mm (Tr. 5 U/S) |  |
| 4000 | MG | 1745 |  | Lower fragment. The grinding surface is worn, but not very smooth. It may have had concentric grooves originally. The underside is irregular. Max. T 50mm |  |
| 4464 | MG | 560 |  | Fragment, probably lower stone. Grinding surface smooth, other face irregular. T 4552 mm |  |
| 4881 | MG | 655 |  | Upper? Edge fragment. Grooved, worn, grinding surface, edge fairly well finished, other face smooth. T 43mm |  |
| 5148 | MG | 294 |  | Fragment with worn grooved grinding surface, smooth other surface. T 58 mm |  |
| 5159 | MG | 56 |  | Small fragment with one smooth surface. T 27 mm |  |
| 5266 | MG | 466 |  | Quern fragment, one face smooth, the other irregular, probably due to damage. T 39 mm |  |
| 5543 | MG | 665 |  | Two joining pieces, upper or lower. Smooth grinding surface. The other face is partly smooth, but damaged. T 37 mm |  |
| 5597 | MG | 960 |  | Fragment with one rather roughly pecked surface, one slightly irregular surface. T 73mm |  |
| 6000 | MG | 1620 |  | Upper stone edge fragment, with worn grinding surface, probably originally grooved. The edge and top are well finished, and there is a very slight kerb round the top, $\underline{\underline{c}} 33 \mathrm{~mm}$ wide. The edge of the central hole is probably present. T at edge 70 mm , min. T 21 mm . Diam. 400 mm . | 18 |
| 6316 | MG | 900 |  | Lower stone fragment, with worn grooves on the grinding surface, and irregular underside. There is a slight lip round the edge, which would normally be taken to mean that it had been used with a smaller top stone. However, the grooves continue across the lip, which is polished, so the | 25 |



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| 4 |  |  |  | Smooth grinding surface, with the edge and top well finished. T 40 mm . |
| 1510 3 | MG | 120 |  | Quern fragment, with one groove surviving on the grinding surface. T 27 mm |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1515 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 94 |  | Quern fragment with traces of grooves on the grinding surface, other face fairly smooth. There is part of a piece of iron corroded on, probably a nail shaft. |
| $1515$ | MG | 86 |  | Fragment, grinding surface probably grooved, other face irregular. T 20 mm |
| 1535 3 | MG | 118 |  | Quern fragment, smooth grinding surface and fairly well finished underside. T $24-28 \mathrm{~mm}$. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1556 \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 1685 |  | Burnt, fragmented and rather crumbly. Five fragments, probably from the same stone, edges eroded. The grinding surface was either pecked or has worn grooves. The other face is eroded. Max. T 58mm |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1608 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 346 |  | Lower stone fragment with edge of the central hole. The grinding surface has worn broad grooves, the underside is fairly well finished. T at centre 39 mm . JOINS a piece from 16213 (q.v.) |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1608 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 810 |  | Lower, $\underline{c} 5 \%$. Wedge shaped profile, with a smooth grinding surface and underside. The edge is less well finished. T at edge 27 mm , max. T 45 mm . Diam. $>340 \mathrm{~mm}$. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1608 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 630 |  | Lower stone fragment, eroded. Edge possibly present. The grinding surface has pronounced grooves, possibly concentric. The underside is fairly well finished. Min T 31mm, max T 42mm. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1618 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 422 |  | Upper edge, grinding surface smooth, edge damaged, very low, rounded kerb 35 mm wide. T at edge 51 mm , min. T 35 mm |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1621 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 280 |  | Lower stone fragment from a slightly wedgeshaped stone. The grinding surface has worn broad grooves, the underside is fairly well finished. Max. T 37 mm . This piece joins a fragment from 16081. The break is not recent. 16213 is a feature fill, 16081 a layer near, but not immediately above this feature. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1700 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 322 |  | Upper fragment with part of the central hole. The hole has a groove round it on the top surface, 10 mm wide, and 33 mm from the edge. The grinding surface is smooth and the top well finished. Max. T 40 mm . |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2000 \\ & 7 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 545 |  | Coarse grained. Fragment from edge, probably lower stone. Slightly worn, pecked grinding |


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|  |  |  |  | surface. The edge and other face are rather irregular. |  |
| $2000$ | MG | 10350 |  | Two pieces of lower stone, forming $\underline{c} 60 \%$ of the stone. The larger piece is nearly half the stone, and is in good condition. The second fragment is undoubtedly part of the same stone, but is in poor condition, very crumbly where it is freshly broken, and the base has eroded off, leaving it much thinner than the main piece. It does not appear to join. The grinding surface is harp dressed, and partly worn smooth. The edge is pecked and the underside partly smooth. Diam. 476 mm . | 30 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2002 \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 294 |  | More pebbly than usual. No full thickness, one face polished through use as a quern or reuse. Max. T. 50mm. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2009 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 424 |  | Quern fragment, both faces smooth, some damage to one face. T 63 mm . |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2020 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 340 |  | Quern fragment, smooth grinding surface, slightly irregular other surface. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2070 \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 46 |  | Fragment with one smooth face. T 21 mm |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2308 \\ & 7 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 705 |  | Lower stone edge. The grinding surface is worn, with a slight concentric groove 30 mm in from the edge. The edge and underside are rather irregular. Max T 40mm |  |
| b) Re | used as | sharpen | ing ston |  |  |
| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description | D. |
| 50 | MG | 260 | SF205 | Coarse grained. Fragment with a smooth, slightly irregular surface, probably from a quern reused as a sharpening stone. Two edges also exhibit some wear. |  |
| 403 | MG | 458 | SF198 | Fragment, probably from a quern. It is roughly trapezoidal, with one broken edge, and all other edges and faces smoothed from use as a sharpening stone. 40 mm T |  |
| 2246 | MG | 414 | SF212 | Probably lower stone. Grinding surface very smooth and slightly dished, probably through reuse as a sharpening stone. 45 mm T |  |
| 2925 | MG | 494 | SF193 | A chip with a smooth face, probably a quern fragment reused as a whetstone. |  |
| 4000 | MG | 805 |  | Upper? Fragment, probably with the edge of the central hole. Reused. One face is smooth and |  |


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|  |  |  |  | dished, the other well finished, probably the original top. It has one straight edge. $\underline{C}$ 150x95mm. Min. T 21 mm , max. T 40 mm . |
| 4000 | MG | 1105 |  | Pink millstone grit. Three joining fragments upper stone edge, with low kerb 40 mm wide. The grinding surface is smooth and slightly dished. The edge is pecked and the top fairly well finished. The edge of the grinding surface has little nicks at intervals, possibly reuse. T at edge 49 mm , min. T 24 mm . D 414 mm . |
| 5160 | MG | 545 |  | Reused, rather wedge-shaped, lump. Three faces are smoothed, and one corner. $\underline{C}$ $90 \times 60 \times 60 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| 5210 | MG | 126 |  | Quern fragment, both faces smooth. There is slight wear on one broken edge from reuse as a sharpening stone. T. $20-24 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| 5497 | MG | 1265 |  | Lower stone fragment. The grinding surface is pecked in rough lines, with individual pecks $\underline{C}$ 15 mm apart, and worn. The underside is rough. The edge, and perhaps the grinding surface, has been reused as a sharpening stone. Min. T. 32 mm , max T 45 mm |
| 5766 | MG | 458 |  | Fragment lower? Stone. Reused as a whetstone. Surfaces smooth and undulating. Max T 48mm |
| 6008 | MG | 306 |  | Fragment, both surfaces smooth. Probably a quern reused as a sharpening stone. T 36 mm . |
| 6195 | MG | 294 |  | $\mathrm{U} / \mathrm{L}$ fragment with edge of central hole, diam. $\underline{\mathrm{C}}$ 34 mm . Reused as a knife sharpening stone. Surfaces smooth and undulating. Min T 17mm, T at centre 29 mm . |
| 6268 | MG | 456 |  | Probable edge fragment. The grinding surface has worn widely spaced grooves, the other face is smooth. Probably deliberately shaped into a rough rectangle $\underline{c} 70 \times 60 \mathrm{~mm}$, and reused as a sharpening stone. The smooth edge may just be due to this reuse. There is a knife point sharpening groove on the edge, and the other face has been used as a whetstone. T 48 mm |
| 7285 | MG | 478 |  | Fragment of quern, reused as a sharpening stone. It has smooth, slightly dished faces with short grooves one two edges. One edge is smooth and slightly dished. Max T 48mm |
| 7448 | MG | 230 |  | Fragment with one smooth face, other surface fairly well finished. Probably reused as sharpening stone. Max. T 47mm |
| 9299 | MG | 104 |  | Triangular fragment, with two sides and both |


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|  |  |  |  | top. The grinding surface is grooved and the underside irregular. The edge is a regular curve, but may have been cut down from a larger stone, as it is rather unevenly chipped. The grinding surface has been reused as a knife sharpening stone, with a dished area, and point sharpening grooves. There is also a groove along part of the edge, which may have been a seating for a clamp rather than a sharpening groove. Hole diam. $\underline{C} 40 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~T} .55 \mathrm{~mm}$. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1522 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 1025 |  | Upper or lower, with a small part of the original edge. Both faces are smooth and slightly dished from reuse as a sharpening stone. T at edge 51 mm , min. T 37 mm |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1563 \\ & 7 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 186 |  | Smooth grinding surface, probably originally grooved, possibly reused as a sharpening stone. The other face is well finished. 30 mm T |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1616 \\ & 9 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 570 |  | Fragment from the edge of a lower stone, with a slightly irregular grinding surface, possibly caused by reuse as a whetstone. The underside is roughly pecked. Max. T 48mm |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2300 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 262 |  | A triangular fragment, possibly with the edge of the original central hole of the quern present. It has been reused as a sharpening stone, with all faces and edges smoothed, and one point sharpening groove. Max. T 38mm, side lengths $95 \mathrm{~mm}, 90 \mathrm{~mm}, 85 \mathrm{~mm}$. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2301 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 246 |  | Fragment with a dished, smooth surface, probably used as a sharpening stone. Max. T 52 mm |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2412 \\ & 9 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 110 |  | Fragment, probably reused as a sharpening stone; there is part of a groove present. The probable original grinding surface is smooth, the other face slightly irregular. |
| c) Re | used a | rubbers |  |  |
| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description |
| 4000 | MG | 172 |  | Fragment with smooth, rounded edge, smooth surface, convex towards the edge, and irregular other surface. Probably a quern reused as a rubber. Max. T 35mm |
| 4000 | MG | 364 |  | Fragment with wedge-shaped profile. Both faces are smooth and slightly dished. Probably a quern fragment reused as a rubber. T. 16- |



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| 0 |  |  |  | 60 mm . The (assumed) grinding surface is smooth, with a single well finished straight groove across it, 17 mm wide. This does not look like a knife sharpening groove, but is presumably reuse of some kind. The other surface is irregular. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1100 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 266 |  | A quarter circle, with the curved edge well finished, the other edges broken. One face is well finished. The diameter is far too small for this to be the original quern edge. It may be a door pivot stone. Max. T. 45 mm | 9 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1500 \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 124 |  | Fragment with one straight, smooth edge. It may have been deliberately cut into a rough rectangle. One face is smooth, the other natural. $70 \times 62 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~T} 17-22 \mathrm{~mm}$ |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1556 \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 3855 |  | Burnt, fragmented and rather crumbly. Three joining fragments and another piece probably from the same stone. This was a massive stone, max. T 99 mm , with a grooved grinding surface, other face irregular. Perhaps a millstone? The largest block is $\underline{c} 125 \times 110 \mathrm{~mm}$, and may have been deliberately reshaped. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2009 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 362 |  | Very poorly cemented and crumbly. Three pieces from a thin ?quern. One face is smooth, the other eroded. It has probably been deliberately reshaped into a roughly rectangular slab $\underline{c} 125 \times 75 \mathrm{~mm}$. Max. T. 22 mm |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2081 \\ & 9 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 252 |  | Roughly circular fragment with irregular faces, section roughly lenticular. This seems to have been deliberately shaped. Diam. $\underline{C} 90 \mathrm{~mm}$. |  |
| Rotary Querns in Other Stone Types |  |  |  |  |  |
| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. (g) | SF | Description | D. no. |
| 4239 | GN | 760 |  | Quern fragment? Lower stone? The grinding angle would have been steep. One face is smooth, with faint striations, possibly caused by grinding, the other was fairly well finished. T. 5578 mm . Identification (G.K.L.): weathered metamorphic gneiss, probably a glacial erratic. | 51 |
| 5723 | GS | 536 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF321 } \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | Reused quern fragment. Possibly part of a low bun-shaped upper; the only surviving feature is the perforating conical hole, probably the hopper. One face is rather irregular, the other (the | 43 |


| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description | D. no |
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|  |  |  |  | original grinding surface?) has been reused as a sharpening stone, and is partly smooth but irregular. Hole diam. $\underline{\text { c }} 20-42 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Glauconitic sandstone, Lower Greensand (Hythe or Folkestone Beds). |  |
| 6640 | GS | 505 |  | Quern fragment with grooved grinding surface, other face eroded. Stone crumbly. Max. T. 48 mm . Identification (G.K.L.): Glauconitic sandstone, probably Lower Greensand (Folkestone Beds). | 44 |
| 8000 | U | 272 |  | Well cemented gritstone, probably millstone grit series. A quern fragment, probably an upper stone. The grinding surface has worn grooves, the other surface is grooved but unworn. T 3448 mm |  |
| 8196 | GS | 328 |  | Fragment, possibly from the lower stone of a quern with concentric grooves. Flat, worn surface, damaged, with a groove running parallel to the edge, 25 mm in, and traces of others further in. The edge is slightly chamfered, and the other surface rather irregular. Max. T 38mm, T at edge 24 mm . |  |
| 9425 | U | 15500 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF155 } \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ | Pebbly conglomerate, as SF5896 (15087). 2 joining pieces forming $\underline{c} 60 \%$ of a lower quernstone. The central hole perforates, and has a slight hourglass shape. The grinding surface has worn harp dressing, and the underside is roughly flat. A very small area of the rounded edge survives. The rest of the edge may have been deliberately chipped away. T. at edge 48 mm , T . at centre 95 mm , diam. 480 mm . | 40 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1029 \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ | PM | 2160 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF347 } \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | Four joining pieces of upper stone. The surfaces are eroded and irregular, and the edge is probably missing. The central hole is almost straight sided, and there may have been a slight collar round it (this may simply be a product of erosion). Hole diam. 48 mm , T. at centre 38 mm , max. surviving diam. $\underline{C} 390 \mathrm{~mm}$. Could this be a table top rather than a quern? Identification (G.K.L.): Purbeck marble. | 41 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1080 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | S | 466 |  | 5070/8010. Fine grained, soft, yellow sandstone. A slabby, squarish fragment, probably utilised, and possibly from a quern. One face has two possible grooves. $\underline{c}$ $95 \times 80 \mathrm{~mm}$, T $13-41 \mathrm{~mm}$ | 5 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1100 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | U | 348 |  | Pebbly quartzitic sandstone, as 15087. <br> Fragment from the centre of an ?upper stone. | 46 |


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|  |  |  |  | Pecked grinding surface, other surface fairly well finished. There is a hint of a very shallow hopper, forming a band $\underline{c} 25 \mathrm{~mm}$ wide round the hole, which has a rounded edge. Max T 32mm, T at edge of hole 24 mm . |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1234 \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ | GN | 510 |  | Upper fragment, large hopper with flat rim. Sussex form? Grinding surface grooved and worn, well finished top and edge. T. at edge 66 mm , min. T. 33mm. Identification (G.K.L.): Gneiss, possibly a glacial erratic. | 45 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1508 \\ & 7 \end{aligned}$ | S | 494 |  | A quern fragment, probably an upper, with a grooved grinding surface. The other surface is fairly roughly finished, but may have part of a kerb. Max. T. 45 mm . Identification (G.K.L.): Pebbly sandstone, possibly the Sherwood Sandstone Group (formerly known as the Bunter Pebble Beds). These pebbly units outcrop extensively in the West Midlands, and extend down into South West England. | 42 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1703 \\ & 7 \end{aligned}$ | B | 20 |  | A small chip with a flat, worn face, probably with worn grooves. Identification (G.K.L.): Basalt. Basaltic rock fragments are not common in the glacial drift, and a source in mainland Europe is likely, such as the Rhineland area. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2003 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ | GS | 2550 |  | A massive fragment, which is surely from a millstone. The grinding surface has worn grooves, the other face is irregular. The edge appears to have been reshaped - it is roughly chamfered top and bottom, and crudely finished. T. 95mm. Identification (G.K.L.): Glauconitic sandstone, probably Lower Greensand (Folkestone Beds). | 67 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2053 \\ & 7 \end{aligned}$ | S | 124 |  | Medium grained sandstone. Fragment with two smooth faces, possibly from a quern. T 2132 mm |  |
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| $\begin{aligned} & 2032 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | GS | 61 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF752 } \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | Whetstone, similar to some of the Canvey whetstones. No full thickness, rectangular section. One end is broken, but has a groove across it which may be deliberate, and contains possible mineralised material, which may be wood or bone. The green stain on the broken | 37 |


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|  |  |  |  | face is probably due to contact with copper alloy, although there are no copper alloy objects or coins from the context. L. $78 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~W} .25-27 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Calcareous sandstone, Lower Greensand (Hythe Beds?) |  |
| 4690 | S | 52 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF194 } \\ & \text { a } \end{aligned}$ | Whetstone in rather soft, fine-grained sandstone. Rectangular section, with traces of 'manufacturing grooves' on one side, mostly worn away. One end finished, other broken. One face has a point sharpening groove, and the edges are slightly bowed through use. $68 \times 24 \times 15 \mathrm{~mm}$. <br> Identification (G.K.L.): Glauconitic sandstone. Potential sources include Kentish Ragstone (Hythe Beds, Lower Greensand) | 31 |
| 5148 | S | 33 | SF181 | Whetstone fragment in medium grained sandstone. Broken both ends, rectangular section. It has 'manufacturing grooves' top and bottom on one edge, and probable point sharpening grooves. There is slight dishing on one face. It has been used, but the corners are still sharp. $47 \times 19 \times 15 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Lithic sandstone, Upper Carboniferous (Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures). | 32 |
| 6008 | S | 21 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF107 } \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | Whetstone fragment, broken at both ends. Well made, oval section. $38 \times 22 \times 13 \mathrm{~mm}$. <br> Identification (G.K.L.): Micaceous sandstone/coarse siltstone, possibly early Palaeozoic, possibly from South-west England, Wales or Scotland. | 33 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1049 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ | S | 24 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF701 } \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ | A whetstone fragment with no complete thickness, broken both ends. Section probably sub-rectangular. L. 47 mm , W. 32 mm . Identification (G.K.L.): Lithic sandstone, Upper Palaeozoic, probably Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures. | 34 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1089 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | S | 40 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF760 } \\ & \mathrm{a} \end{aligned}$ | Whetstone or sharpening stone fragment. A slabby piece with only one smoothed edge. There are four short nicks along one edge. $42 \times 35 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~T} .9-12 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Micaceous very fine sandstone, Upper Palaeozoic, probably Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures. | 13 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1454 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | S | 34 |  | Fragment, probably part of a whetstone with a sub-rectangular section, in a fine grained sandstone. No full thickness, W 41mm |  |
| 2075 | S | 42 | SF752 | Whetstone, broken at both ends. One face and | 38 |


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| 2 |  |  | 9 | the edges are smooth, the other face is slightly rough, but has a groove along one edge. One edge has a manufacturing step on one side. L. $76 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~W} .24 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~T} .5 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Lithic sandstone, probably Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2421 \\ & 9 \end{aligned}$ | S | 286 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF805 } \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ | Fine grained sandstone. A complete, irregularly shaped whetstone with uniform patination. It was probably a natural pebble which has been worked into a roughly twisted, almost symmetrical dumbbell shape, with partly smoothed cut lines present and other areas of wear. A very curious stone. L. 168 mm , W. ㄷ $48 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{~T}$. c 26 mm . | 8 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1561 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ | U | 26 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF716 } \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | Probably a natural pebble, hard stone, probably used as a whetstone. The ends are rounded and the section rectangular. The sides are slightly more polished than the faces. $43 \times 18 \times 13 \mathrm{~mm}$. | 35 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1700 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | U | 20 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF697 } \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | Probable natural pebble, a thin finger shape with a rectangular section, possibly used as a whetstone. $53 \times 13 \times 13 \mathrm{~mm}$ | 36 |
| 4777 | S | 68 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF415 } \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ | Hard sandstone. Probably a natural pebble, used as a whetstone. Rectangular section, both ends rounded. One edge is bowed. L66mm, W $28-30 \mathrm{~mm}$, T 16 mm . | 12 |
| 5305 | U | 57 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF132 } \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ | Sarsen? Pebble fragment, probably deliberately trimmed to give a neat rectangular section. One end is natural, the other broken or cut. Both the 'natural' faces have probably been used as a whetstone; the edges are unused. $63 \times 23 \times 17 \mathrm{~mm}$. | 11 |
| Sharpening Stones |  |  |  |  |  |
| Con. | Ston e type | Wt. (g) | SF | Description | D. |
| 401 | MG | 430 | SF49 | Triangular fragment. One face and two edges are smoothed through use as a whetstone, and there is a point sharpening groove on one face. T 41mm |  |
| 2380 | MG | 2125 | SF121 | Roughly rectangular block, with no sign of use as a quern. Both faces and the two long edges have been used as sharpening stones. <br> $142 \times 55 \mathrm{~mm}$, W $90-160 \mathrm{~mm}$ |  |
| 1200 | MG | 340 |  | Sharpening stone; roughly rectangular, with all | 3 |


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| 0 |  |  |  | faces utilised. Fives sides are roughly flat; the sixth is more irregular. There are knife sharpening grooves present. $\underline{c} 550 \times 680 \times 50 \mathrm{~mm}$. Possibly not originally part of a quern. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2034 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ | MG | 710 |  | Roughly rectangular lump, with no trace of original use as a quern. Five faces have been smoothed through use as a rubber or sharpening stone. $\underline{c} 85 \times 70 \times 60 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| 5340 | S | 144 |  | Fine grained sandstone, possibly greensand. Two fragments with eroded flat surfaces. Possibly used as a knife sharpening stone. T. 28mm |
| 5434 | S | 426 |  | Yellow sandstone. Fragment with striations on the surface, possibly due to use as a whetstone, but possibly just natural weathering. |
| 6418 | S | 684 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF818 } \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | Well cemented greensand? An irregular block with six smoothed facets, other surfaces irregular. One surface is dished. This could be roughly shaped building stone, probably with secondary use as a sharpening stone. $\underline{c}$ $107 \times 80 \times 73 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| 8094 | S | 158 |  | Rather crystalline off-white sandstone. <br> Sharpening stone, roughly triangular in shape. It has one smooth, slightly dished face, and two smoothed edges. The underside is irregular. © $65 \times 60 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| 9028 | S | 525 |  | Medium grained sandstone. Roughly triangular fragment with two smoothed surfaces at an angle to each other. Probably a rubber or sharpening stone. $\underline{c} 130 \times 90 \times 50 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1141 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ | S | 248 |  | Possibly the edge of a saddle quern, it has been used as a sharpening stone. It has one smooth, slightly dished surface. The underside is partly irregular but smooth, the edge partly smoothed. One broken edge has a possible knife sharpening groove on it (this might be modern damage). T. $\underline{c} 35 \mathrm{~mm}, \underline{\mathrm{c}} 75 \times 70 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): pale pink, very fine grained, porous, non-calcareous sandstone. Possibly Triassic; Triassic sandstones outcrop extensively in the western portion of the UK from the Dorset coast, through the Midlands into Cumberland. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1608 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | S | 124 |  | Fine grained sandstone. A slabby fragment with eroded surfaces. The edge is smooth, and has possibly been used as a sharpening stone. $\underline{c}$ $77 \times 70 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| 1616 | S | 522 |  | Fine grained sandstone, surface eroded. The |


| Con. | Ston <br> e <br> type | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description | $\begin{aligned} & \text { D. } \\ & \text { no } \end{aligned}$ |
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| 9 |  |  |  | fragment was possibly used as a whetstone, as one surface has two grooves across it which may be knife sharpening grooves. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1618 \\ & 7 \end{aligned}$ | S | 350 |  | A slab fragment, with the edge probably reused as a sharpening stone. The shape is possibly a segment of a circle, and it is possible that this was a decorative stone, possibly used in a building (probably not a quern). One face is very smooth, the other is smooth in patches. T. 2531 mm . Identification (G.K.L.): Quartzose sandstone, possibly Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures. | 7 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1628 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | S | 505 |  | Quartzitic sandstone. A block with two smooth surfaces utilised as a sharpening stone. One face has a couple of knife sharpening grooves and the other has multiple grooves, both longitudinally and at an angle across the face, and nicks on the edge. $\underline{c} 80 \times 65 \times 50 \mathrm{~mm}$ |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2197 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | S | 188 |  | Quartzitic sandstone. A slabby fragment $\underline{\mathrm{c}}$ $60 \times 45 \times 32 \mathrm{~mm}$, with one face and probably the end used as a whetstone. Probably a local pebble |  |
| 3743 | T | 322 | SF181 | Slabby fragment, roughly rectangular. The underside is natural. The other surface is flat, with polish on the surface. It may have been used as a whetstone. T $\underline{c} 30 \mathrm{~mm}$, W $55-88 \mathrm{~mm}$, L 145mm (broken). |  |
| Rubbers (Not illustrated) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. (g) | SF | Description |  |
| 2628 | S | 394 | SF135 | Fine grained. Part of a rubber formed from a natural, flat, rounded pebble. One face may have been pecked, the other is partly polished. $\underline{C} 105 \times 85 \times 32 \mathrm{~mm}$. Prehistoric context. |  |
| 6790 | S | 318 |  | Medium grained sandstone. Burnt pebble fragment, possibly used as a rubber. Period III. |  |
| 8967 | S | 292 |  | Medium grained sandstone. Fragment with eroded surfaces. One small smooth patch survives, probably the result of abrasion. Possibly used as a rubber? |  |
| 1029 | S | 178 |  | Pebble fragment in quartzitic sandstone, possibly used as a rubber. |  |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4540 | SN | 256 | SF415 | Sarsen pebble, possibly utilised as a rubber |  |


| Con. | Ston <br> e <br> type | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description |
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| 5964 | CH | 98 | Lump c 56x40x30mm. There is possibly a <br> pattern of incised lines on one flat face. Or <br> could this be a fossil? | no |


| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description | D. |
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| 4200 | S | 104 |  | DRAW <br> Identification (G.K.L.): Purbeck marble. Medium grained sandstone, probably Pennine grit. Fragment with no full thickness, one smooth surface. |  |
| 5832 | S | 360 |  | Fragment, which joins pieces from 5841 and 5864 (all the same pit) to form a slabby fragment with shaped edges. One face is smooth, the other broken. The shape is roughly a right angled triangle, with the hypotenuse forming a concave curve. The top face is chamfered on one edge, and there is a groove across the face, from this edge, running below the curved edge. Possibly architectural. Max. surviving T. 67 mm . Identification (G.K.L.): Lithic sandstone, Upper Carboniferous (Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures). | 27 |
| 5841 | S | 372 |  | See 5832 |  |
| 5864 | S | 805 |  | See 5832 |  |
| 6214 | S | 1204 |  | Fine grained sandstone. $\underline{c} 20$ fragments and chips, all part of the same heat shattered stone. It is probably unworked, although it could possibly have been a saddle quern. The surface is eroded. |  |
| 7128 | S | 76 |  | Slabby fragment with no full thickness. One face is smooth, with a smooth, straight edge. $\underline{c}$ $90 \times 40 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Micaceous sandstone, probably Millstone Grit Group or Coal Measures. |  |
| $1099$ | S | 4250 |  | Yellow sandstone, probably greensand. Lump, possibly with one deliberately dressed flat surface. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1100 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | S | 54 |  | Quartzitic sandstone. Fragment with one very smooth flat surface, no full thickness. Possibly utilised |  |
| $1331$ | S | 82 |  | Crystalline sandstone. A roughly semi-circular slice, with the curved surface pecked. Possibly part of an architectural element, but could be a fragment from e.g. a pestle. Discarded |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1523 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | S | 238 |  | Chip, possibly from a slab or palette. The flat surface is obscured by concretion. Identification (G.K.L.): Calcareous sandstone, possibly Hastings Beds of the Weald Clay. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1598 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | SC | 252 |  | Fragment, possibly worked. It resembles a rim from a vessel, but may just be a natural stone broken along the bedding planes. The edge would be a bit straight for a vessel. Identification | 6 |


| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description | $\begin{aligned} & \text { D. } \\ & \text { no } \end{aligned}$ |
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| 5597 | SS | 222 |  | (G.K.L.): Schist, probably from Scotland. Fine grained grey-green stone with thin bedding planes. Fragment from the corner of a slab. The surfaces are eroded, but the original thickness was probably $\underline{\mathrm{c}} 24 \mathrm{~mm} .114 \times 53 \mathrm{~mm}$. Identification (G.K.L.): Siltstone, probably Kimmeridge Clay Formation. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1453 \\ & 9 \end{aligned}$ | T | 300 |  | Slabby fragment, possibly crudely shaped. Discarded |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1700 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | T | 228 |  | Tufa? Burnt. One smooth surface, possibly utilised. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2431 \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ | T | 1475 |  | Tufa? A roughly rectangular slab, deliberately shaped, but with no other signs of use. Faces natural, sides more freshly broken. $\underline{\text { c }}$ $205 \times 83 \times 47 \mathrm{~mm}$ | 47 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2431 \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ | T | 635 |  | Tufa? Possibly a reused quern fragment. It appears to have a central hole, but this may just be the way that it's broken. It has one straight edge. One surface is roughly flat, the other irregular. Max. T. 34 mm . $\mathrm{c} 190 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$. | 48 |
| 5135 | U | 70 |  | Fine grained stone; siltstone? with a slightly soapy feel (not identified). A slabby fragment with a well smoothed surface, back spalled. The face has two straight incised lines parallel to the edge, and there are also faint striations, parallel to each other, but at an angle to the incised lines. These scratches are ancient, and may be traces of tooling. $\underline{C} 58 \times 60 \mathrm{~mm}$, max. surviving th. 14 mm . | 1 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1040 \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ | U | 515 |  | Sandy limestone? Looks like decayed greensand, but without the black inclusions. A slabby fragment with eroded surfaces. It is almost identical in shape and size to the triangular piece of millstone grit from this context. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2008 \\ & 9 \end{aligned}$ | LS | 2140 |  | Crystalline shelly limestone? A slabby fragment, possibly with deliberate carving (although this might just be the effect of erosion). $\underline{c}$ $230 \times 130 \mathrm{~mm}$, Max. T. 43 mm . | 26 |
| Possible prepared building stone |  |  |  |  |  |
| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. (g) |  | Description |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2009 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | FL | 4975 |  | 7 unburnt flint nodules. Includes one large nodule (c $220 \times 150 \times 140 \mathrm{~mm}, 3450 \mathrm{~g}$ ) which may have been |  |


| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description |
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| $\begin{aligned} & 1556 \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ | S | 2220 |  | crudely shaped (kept) |
|  |  |  |  | Five fragments from a medium grained, pinkish |
|  |  |  |  | sandstone boulder, poorly cemented, crumbly, burnt. |
|  |  |  |  | It has possibly been roughly trimmed to shape for use |
|  |  |  |  | as building stone, but is otherwise unworked. The |
|  |  |  |  | original boulder was at least $120 \times 120 \times 100 \mathrm{~mm}$. |
|  |  |  |  | Sample kept |
| $1205$ | T | 118 |  | Fragment with two smooth edges and irregular faces, |
| $9$ |  |  |  | possibly used as building stone. $\underline{c} 32 \mathrm{~mm} \mathrm{~T}$. |

## Unworked stone

Not a complete list - see pro forma sheets for rest of unworked stone.

| Con. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ston } \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { type } \end{aligned}$ | Wt. <br> (g) | SF | Description |
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| $\begin{aligned} & 1033 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | AMB | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF467 } \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ | Three fragments of amber. All surfaces present are either natural or broken, and there is no indication of working. They could possibly have been part of a large bead. |
| $1087$ | CH | 450 |  | Seven fragments, no surfaces. Discarded |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1307 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | CH | 24 |  | 2 fragments, unworked. Discarded |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1402 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | CH | 16 |  | BS 714. Three fragments. One is part vitrified. |
| 1535 5 | CH | 34 |  | One piece, unworked. Discarded. |
| 2009 2 | CH | 348 |  | One fragment, unworked. Discarded |
| 2008 9 | FL | 258 |  | Two pieces unworked burnt flint. Discarded |
| 2009 | FL | 208 |  | Four pieces, burnt, unworked. Discarded |
| 2009 3 | FL | 6700 |  | Twenty-three pieces, burnt, unworked. Up to $\underline{c}$ $130 \times 100 \times 75 \mathrm{~mm}$. Discarded |
| 4188 | GS | 780 |  | BS612. Nine fragments of decayed greensand. Discarded |
| 5228 | GS | 1588 |  | Three pieces, unworked |
| 5603 | GS | 10 |  | One fragment, decayed. Discarded. |
| 6633 | GS | 3 |  | BS2129 Decayed fragment. Discarded |
| 1036 1 | GS | 100 |  | Decayed, unworked. Discarded |
| 1051 4 | GS | 76 |  | Two pieces, unworked. Discarded |
| 1108 | GS | 1752 |  | Two fragments, rather decayed. Discarded |


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| 6 |  |  |  |  |
| 1130 | GS | 14 |  | Fragment，unworked．Discarded． |
| 5 仡 |  |  |  |  |
| 1136 | GS | 12 |  | Unworked chip．Discarded |
| 8 SS |  |  |  |  |
| 1307 | GS | 96 |  | 3 pieces decayed greensand，unworked．Discarded |
| 1 des |  |  |  |  |
| 1347 | GS | 1010 |  | Six lumps．Unworked，discarded |
| 1 l |  |  |  |  |
| 1455 | GS | 940 |  | Lump．Discarded |
| 1 退 |  |  |  |  |
| 1560 | GS | 172 |  | Decayed greensand． 2 pieces，unworked，discarded． |
| 8 退 |  |  |  |  |
| 1607 | GS | 96 |  | Lump，burnt．Unworked．Discarded |
| 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 1633 | GS | 372 |  | Decayed slab with no signs of working．Discarded |
| 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 2008 | GS | 1750 |  | Unworked lump c 115x110x90mm．Discarded． |
| 9 9S |  |  |  |  |
| 2009 | GS | 3725 |  | Six fragments，unworked．Sample kept． |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 2009 | GS | 2135 |  | Nine pieces，unworked．Sample kept． |
| 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 6633 | KR | 2420 |  | bs 2129．Lump，surface decayed．Sample kept． |
| 2008 | LS | 800 |  | Shelly limestone．Lump，probably unworked |
| 9 （ 9 |  |  |  |  |
| 2009 | LS | 575 |  | Three chalk－derived pebbles．Unworked．Discarded |
| 3 Q |  |  |  |  |
| 7150 | Q | 49 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF114 } \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | Pebble fragment with no definite signs of use． |
| 9064 | Q | 248 |  | Unworked slabby fragment．Discarded |
| 9385 | Q | 256 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF327 } \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | Pebble fragment，no definite signs of use． |
| 1400 | Q | 158 | SF542 | Pebble fragment，no definite signs of use． |
| 29 Q 9 Q |  |  |  |  |
| 1625 | Q | 64 |  | Pebble fragment，unworked．Discarded |
| 0 Q 0 ded |  |  |  |  |
| 2008 | Q | 478 |  | Pebble，unworked．Discarded |
| 9 Q 9 Q |  |  |  |  |
| 2009 | Q | 1875 |  | 5 quartzite pebbles，possibly burnt（reddish）． |
| 2 |  |  |  | Discarded |
| 2019 | Q | 80 |  | BS 899．Water worn pebble．Discarded |
| 6 Q |  |  |  |  |
| 4830 | S | 128 |  | Natural pebble，quartzitic sandstone．Unworked． Discarded |
| 5494 | S | 514 |  | Quartzitic sandstone．Flat waterworn pebble．It would be tempting to see this as a quern rubber，but the |


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|  |  |  |  | surface is uniformly patinated. |
| 5518 | S | 916 |  | Boulder fragment, unworked. Discarded |
| 5518 | S | 600 |  | Micaceous sandstone. Boulder fragment, unworked, discarded |
| 5667 | S | 646 |  | Quartzitic sandstone boulder fragment, burnt. Unworked, discarded |
| 6462 | S | 346 |  | Quartzitic sandstone pebble fragment, burnt, unworked. Discarded |
| 6514 | S | 334 |  | BS 2152 Sarsen boulder fragment, unworked. Discarded |
| 6655 | S | 138 |  | Quartzitic sandstone. Unworked lump. Discarded |
| 9253 | S | 298 |  | Probably burnt greensand. An unworked slabby fragment $\underline{\mathrm{c}} 100 \times 65 \times 35 \mathrm{~mm}$. Discarded |
| 9444 | S | 178 |  | Fine grained sandstone. Two unworked pebble fragments, burnt. Discarded |
| 9698 | S | 3000 |  | Quartzitic sandstone boulder fragment. Scorched. Unworked. Discarded |
| 1036 | S | 82 |  | Quartzitic sandstone, pebble fragment. Unworked. Discarded |
| 1136 8 | S | 22 |  | Unworked pebble. Discarded |
| 1305 | S | 120 |  | BS 975.1 Pebbly quartzitic sandstone pebble. |
| 4 |  |  |  | Unworked, discarded. |
| 1455 1 | S | 350 |  | Boulder fragment, unworked, discarded |
| 1507 | S | 332 | SF573 | Pebble, no definite signs of use. |
| 2 |  |  | 7 |  |
| 1546 | S | 2660 |  | Quartzitic sandstone, unworked slabby fragment. |
| 9 |  |  |  | Discarded |
| 1608 | S | 96 |  | Quartzitic sandstone pebble fragment, unworked. |
| 1 |  |  |  | Discarded |
| 1623 | S | 2975 |  | A rather flat boulder with eroded surfaces. Scorched, |
| 1723 9 | S | 40 |  | Quartzitic sandstone with black flecks. Greensand series? Unworked chip |
| 2002 | S | 920 | SF702 | Quartzitic sandstone boulder fragment, probably not |
| 2 |  |  | 3 | utilised. |
| 2008 | S | 42 |  | ?Shelly sandstone. No surfaces, probably unworked |
| 9 |  |  |  |  |
| 2008 | S | 3050 |  | Fine grained sandstone. Large, flat water-worn |
| 9 |  |  |  | pebble. Burnt. ¢ $215 \times 145 \times 60 \mathrm{~mm}$. Discarded |
| 2008 | S | 1650 |  | Fine grained sandstone, probably greensand. Burnt |
| 4154 | SP | 1264 |  | 3 labels in bag - 4154, 4197 and 4153-first two are |
| ? |  |  |  | fills of 4153 Eight fragments. Discarded. |
| 5159 | SP | 600 |  | Nine fragments. Discarded |
| 5160 | SP | 418 |  | Three fragments. Discarded |


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| 5235 | SP | 1390 |  | BS910. Three pieces. Discarded |
| 5237 | SP | 1025 |  | BS 911 Eleven lumps |
| 5453 | SP | 126 |  | 2 pieces, unworked. Discarded |
| 5601 | SP | 29 |  | Two fragments. Discarded. |
| 5603 | SP | 320 |  | Six fragments. Discarded |
| 5731 | SP | 136 |  | Four fragments. Discarded |
| 5768 | SP | 23 |  | Fragment. Discarded |
| 5936 | SP | 84 |  | 6 fragments. Discarded |
| 5951 | SP | 7 |  | Fragment. Discarded |
| 5964 | SP | 37 |  | bs 996. One piece. Discarded. |
| 6367 | SP | 264 |  | Three fragments. Discarded. |
| 6874 | SP | 86 |  | One burnt fragment. Discarded |
| 7082 | SP | 41 |  | One fragment. Discarded. |
| 7084 | SP | 63 |  | Three fragments. Discarded |
| 8076 | SP | 576 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF137 } \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ | Fragment. (described as loomweight - SF record needs to be changed) Discarded |
| 8737 $?$ | SP | 344 |  | 8737 on label, 8735 on bag - latter number is a feature. Three fragments. Discarded |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1036 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | SP | 158 |  | One burnt fragment. Discarded |
| 1036 | SP | 456 |  | Eight lumps, some burnt. Discarded |
| 1039 6 | SP | 53 |  | BS 15342 pieces. Discarded |
| 1049 2 | SP | 218 |  | One piece. Discarded |
| 1051 4 | SP | 438 |  | One lump. Discarded |
| 1053 9 | SP | 630 |  | Three pieces. Discarded |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1075 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | SP | 540 |  | Two pieces. Discarded |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1131 \\ & 7 \end{aligned}$ | SP | 45 |  | Fragment. (CP9) Discarded. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1132 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | SP | 248 |  | Two fragments. Discarded |
| $1305$ | SP | 1115 |  | One lump. Discarded |
| 1323 8 | SP | 254 |  | Four fragments. Discarded |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1338 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | SP | 1480 |  | One fragment. Discarded |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1444 \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ | SP | 15 |  | One piece. Discarded. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1487 \\ & 9 \end{aligned}$ | SP | 454 |  | One piece. Discarded |
| 1509 | SP | 24 |  | Two pieces. Discarded |



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| 2010 7 | SP | 3375 |  | Thirty unworked fragments, and crumbs. The largest piece is c $120 \times 90 \times 90 \mathrm{~mm}$. Discarded. |
| 2010 | SP | 162 |  | One fragment, discarded. |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |
| 2011 | SP | 306 |  | BS824 Four lumps. Discarded |
| 4 |  |  |  |  |
| 2026 | SP | 27 |  | One fragment. Discarded |
| 2 |  |  |  |  |
| 2301 | SP | 386 |  | One fragment. Discarded |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 26 | T | 218 | SF217 | Slabby fragment, unworked, with a small patch of green staining, probably copper alloy. |
| 29 | T | 38 | SF207 | Unworked fragment |
| 4000 | T | 246 |  | Tufa? Crystalline. All edges broken. Used as building stone? |
| 1136 | T | 174 |  | Tufa? Unworked |
| 8 |  |  |  |  |
| 1706 | T | 38 |  | Chip |
| 2 |  |  |  |  |
| 4027 | U | 268 | SF308 | Pebble, probably chert. Almost perfectly spherical, but with no definite signs of use. |
| 4149 | U | 16 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF284 } \\ & 7 \end{aligned}$ | Pebble fragment, no signs of use |
| 4540 | U | 86 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF415 } \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | Pebble fragment, no signs of use. |
| 5579 | U | 108 |  | Natural pebble. Discarded |
| 5671 | U | 190 |  | Very fine grained stone, possibly siltstone. Unworked, discarded |
| 6438 | U | 1910 |  | Three burnt, unworked large pebbles. Discarded |
| 7145 | U | 98 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF240 } \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | Pebble fragment, no definite signs of use. |
| 9894 | U | 78 |  | BS485 2 natural pebble fragments, unworked. |
|  |  |  |  | Discarded |
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| 1349 | U | 11500 |  | Large lump of ferruginous pebbly conglomerate |
| 2 |  |  |  | (indurated gravel), loosely cemented. It could have formed naturally on the site (a sort of 'super iron pan'), although most of the iron pan on the site is nowhere near as rock-like as this. From a hearth construction. |
| 1523 | U | 758 |  | Natural pebble. Discarded |
| 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 1608 | U | 368 |  | Decayed limestone? Unworked |
| 1 |  |  |  |  |
| 2009 | U | 2725 |  | Seven pebbles, unworked, some burnt. Discarded |
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| $\begin{aligned} & 2009 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | U | 5775 |  | Four large unworked, rounded, natural pebbles, all about the same size, possibly scorched. The largest is c $155 \times 120 \times 90 \mathrm{~mm}$. (discarded) |
| 2009 | U | 5985 |  | Two pieces of ?shelly sandstone, unworked, burnt. |
| 3 |  |  |  | The larger piece is $\underline{c} 220 \times 150 \times 90 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| $2342$ | U | 48 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SF785 } \\ & ? \end{aligned}$ | Pebble fragment, probably not utilised. 39 |

