## FWP28

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This is a first attempt by pjf to convert JW's detailed analysis (FWP 28 of 28.6.95) into a first draft of part of Chap. 5.

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# OD XI / A EAST 2&3 Features analysis and discussion

Cuttings East 2 and 3 (henceforth E2 and E3) were each 50 ft. squares, separated only by a 2 ft. baulk which was subsequently removed. The areas were excavated successively in 1967 and 1968 on an open plan basis. Turf and some 6 ins. of topsoil were removed mechanically; thereafter everything was trowelled, cleaned, and brushed by hand.

Essentially there were only three layers over the whole area: turf and topsoil (layer 1) flints at the bottom of layer 1 (layer 2) a thin crumbly chalk layer (3) immediately on top of reasonably firm Upper Chalk

Almost the whole of the excavated and recorded archaeology therefore consisted of features on, into or below the surface of the Chalk. These features were overwhelmingly ard-marks, pits, post-holes and gullies.

The ard-marks here were ubiquitously later than the settlement remains where intersections occurred to provide a relative date, though an argument is made that some might be earlier (*below* p. 00). As a phenomenon, they are described and discussed for the whole of the site, *below* p. 00.

The pits, post-holes and gullies together formed a faily dense occupation complex. Overall, they can be generally regarded as being of an Early Iron Age settlement, though some pieces of crucial evidence clearly indicated that it was of several phases, at least in structural terms. Artefacts also indicated the presence of a succession, though probably over a short period. Many of the features were not, and cannot be, related chronologically, however, for they did not physically intersect nor were their contained materials (if any) chronologically diagnostic within an Early Iron Age phase of activity. Most of the post-holes in particular are `floating` within the overall plan, unascribable with any certainty to either a sub-phase or a particular structure. To a lesser degree, much the same applies to the ten pits, though one (P??) seemd to be fairly convincingly within a specific structure defined by Gully 4 (G4) and (P20) was structurally later than the latest of the gullies (G8).

Four **gullies** existed in E2 and E3 (G4, 5, 6 and 8). It is not proposed to describe them in great detail here, for their location, shape, disposition and relationships are clearly shown on fig. 00. The sections through them displayed on fig. 00 indicate their `vertical` dimension. Their fillings were as follows:

G4:

G5: G6: G8:

Interpretation: here as elsewhere on the site these gullies aare interpreted as foundation trenches for timber buildings. They are clearly not drainage ditches, nor are they `eaves-drip gullies`. This latter possibility that was very carefully tested at the time of excavation with negative results overall and a positive result on the N of G8 that an arc of outer gully there was almost certainly exactly such a gully (fig. 00). On the other hand, the evidence for their having been in effect palisade trenches is not exactly overwhelming: the interpretation rests on general probability rahter than specific, unambiguous evidece. Nevertheless, some post-holes were found in the various gullies (fig. 00), though nowhere was a clear run or arc of them detected.

Pits

Post-holes

Miscellaneous features

Relationships

### **KEY FOR SMALL FINDS**

# **DESCRIPTIONS**

B bone
F flint
P pottery
S stone
CH charcoal
FR frog
SAS sarsen

SM small mammal SS snail shells MIN mineral H horn

# Layer 1/2

3/8/1967

**GF335,** 'IA? B. F'. Recovered from topsoil and flint layer. 'Charcoal, iron pyrites, broken iron nail', picked up when tidying up after turf removed, but discarded due to unreliable context.

SF603, Flint.

3/8/1968

**GF428**, 'P (RB coarse?). Prehistoric. Mineral. F. B. Slag?'. Recovered from cutting E3 at the junction of topsoil and rubble. Finds collected during preliminary brushing.

**SF42**, 'Iron nail'. Recovered from E3 at junction of topsoil and rubble at a depth of approx 6". Located 24'4" N from SW corner and 1'3" from NS edge of cutting. **SF43**, 'Nail'. Recovered from E3 at the base of the topsoil on top of flints at a depth of 9.5 ". Distance from peg L 43'6", distance from peg P 6'11", . **SF600**, 'Flint'. Recovered from cutting E3.

## 18/8/1968

**GF434,** (east of 428) 'P(IA?). P(RB?). B . F. Nail'. Recovered from cutting E3 topsoil and flint.

**SF45**, 'Worked flint, (57 neck flakes?)', recovered from E3, junction between base of topsoil and middle layer. Flakes lying in a shallow depression (subsequently found to be natural), at a depth of approx 1" below chalk level. Distance of 34' from peg P, and 20' from peg O. All found within a radius of about 3' round measured point. **SF52**, 'Double pointed iron object with medial thickening'. Recovered from E3, junction of topsoil and rubbly flint 26' 3" from peg L, and 26' 3" from peg M, at chalk level.

### LAYER 2

18-20/8/1967

**GF399**, 'P. B'. Recovered from cutting E2, layer 2, consisting of flints or soil. 19/8/68

GF453, 'P (RB course?). B. F'. Recovered from E3, layer 2, consisting of flints.

## LAYER 3 ARDMARKS

### 20/8/67

The site notebook suggests that the GULLYS may represent a succession of hut sites, but as there is no evidence to prove this, it is equally possible that they represent a hut cluster, perhaps including GULLY 4 & GULLY 5, and GULLY 6 & GULLY 8, or both. The curves of GULLYS 5, 6, &8, are not concentric, but their centres appear to be roughly in line.

## **GULLY 4**,

GULLY 4 forms an 'O' shaped annexe on the S side of GULLY 5. Along the N side of the annexe a replacement? GULLY 5A has been dug, extending approx 10'. Section VII of GULLY 4 consisted of earthy fill with large and small chalk lumps (a drawing exists of this section).

**GF409**, 'B. Shell?'. Recovered from cutting E2, layer3, consisting of chalky fill in gully 4. Gully 4 is associated with PH 50. PH 53. PH 54. And possibly contemporary with Pit 13?

### 8/8/67

### **GULLY 5**

The western most palisade trench GULLY 5, measured 36' in diameter, but was not a complete circle. Section I of GULLY 5, consisted of two layers of packed chalk. Section VIII of GULLY 5 consisted of chalky fill with brown soil (a drawing exists of this section).

GF355. 'P. B. Bone needle'. Recovered from cutting E2 top fill W half of gully 5.

SF623, 'Bone needle' broken across hole. Recovered from cutting E2.

**GF404**, 'Prehistoric. P (Sherds & rims?) F. B. SAS'. Recovered from cutting E2 layer 3, of gully 5, from the gully fill after first trowelling.

**GF422**, 'P. B.' Recovered from cutting E2 ,layer 3, of gully 5 consisting of chalky silt. Gully 5 is associated with PH52. And possibly contemporary with Pit 19?

# **GULLY 5A**

**GF423**, 'P. B. Rock '. Recovered from cutting E2, layer 3 of gully 5A, consisting of chalky silt. Section VIII of GULLY 5 consisted of three layers. Layer 1 was flinty ploughsoil. Layer 2 was light brown soil with chalk lumps. Layer 3 was light brown soil with small chalk pieces (a drawing exists of this section).

### 19/8/68

# **GULLY 6**

### **HUT IN GULLY 6.**

Site notebook, (reverese p 7 23/8/6) -GULLY 6 measured 21' in diameter, and appeared to be of slighter construction than GULLY 5. Site notebook p 21, 1968-GULLY 6 forms an almost perfect circle 32' in diameter. In cutting E3 'GULLY 6' consisted of a uniformly wide and deep gully of wide 'U'- cross section, average width 9" and average depth 4-5". The gully terminated 17'6" from peg M along ML, and 6'9" east of ML. The entrance faced to the south and was approx 13' across. The two ends of GULLY 6 at the entrance do not terminate in post-holes but PH 12A (E3) and PH? in arc of GULLY 6 in E2 balance each other, each is approx 7' from the entrance. PH 7, PH 12A, PH 12B, PH 20, and PH 51, were located in the path of the gully. PH 23 is almost exactly in the centre of the circle of GULLY 6, and

presumably supported the roof of the hut at the centre, most of the weight being held on the palisade wall round its circumference. PH 23 lines up well with PH 27 (under HEARTH 2) and PH 22 (PH 22 and PH 23 are both 15" deep, but have very different diameters) which lies just beyond the but end of GULLY 8 (note similarity of section of PH 22 with those of PH's 3, 4 and 14? which form central support of porch for gully 8 hut). PH 23 also lines up roughly with PH 26A which may have supported centre of porch for GULLY 6 hut, but more likely balances PH 12 forming first posts of W & E side of porch for GULLY 6 hut.

Section III of GULLY 6 consists of two layers, the top of earthy fill with chalk lumps, the bottom of chalky fill. Section VI of GULLY 6, consists of two layers, the top of earthy fill with small chalk lumps and flint chips, the bottom of earthy fill with large and small chalk lumps (drawings exist of both of these sections).

**GF455**, 'P(?IA), B, F, Burnt SAS'. Recovered from cutting E3, gully 6, in dark brown earth with chalk lumps. Associated with PH 7. PH 12A. PH 12B. PH20. PH51. And possibly contemporary with PH26A. PH 23 may have been the central support PH for 'Gully 6' building?

10/8/67 & ?/8/68

### **GULLY 8**

### **HUT IN GULLY 8**

GULLY 8 was not quite a circle but slightly oval with longest diameter approx 38' SW-NE and shortest diameter approx 34'. The width of GULLY 8 varied from 2' in its northern part to 10" in the SE. The depth varied from 1' in the northern part to approx 4" in the SE. PH 15 was associated with the gully just north of its outer edge (1967). The entrance was 20' across (between butt ends) facing SSW. PH 22 matches PH 5, although the nature and depth of these PH is very different. PH 3 lies in line with the line of GULLY 8 and is exactly half-way between PH 22 and PH5. PH 3 also lines up with PH's 9, 4 & 18 (all of similar diameter and depth). These four PH's may have supported the ridge of a porch, with PH 22 and PH 26 as begining of the west wall and PH's 5, 11, & 28 along the east wall. NB peculiar splayed angle of porch! in which case, PIT 21A & PIT 21B were contemporary with the hut in GULLY 6, if contemporary with either huts. PH's 3, 9, 4, 18 line up well with PH's 24, and/or PH 26 (If 26 is a PH?). Alternatively they could line up with PH 12B, if this is not contemporary with the hut in GULLY 6.

### **GULLY 8**

PH 33. P 32. P 34, and Hearth I (GF515) which overlies PH 26B, are possibly contemporary with 'Gully 8' building? PH 25A and 25B are also in GULLY8. PH3, PH22, PH5B, PH5A, are possibly contemporary with entrance? to 'Gully 8' building. Sections AB and CD demonstrated that the gully had a flat bottom and steeply inclined sides. Fine light grey material was recovered from the centre of the bottom, this may have been replacement material for the post, the sides of the trench being filled with chalk packing. The butt end of the section of gully 8 excavated in E2 in 1967 was picked up just under the line ML by extending the cutting E3 west 2' into the 1967 cutting E2. The other end of gully 8 was located 15' 6" from peg M along ML and 19' 6" east of ML. PH 22 was located approx 6" from the butt end, and PH 5 was located approx 7" away from the other end. PH 3 appears to be in the line of GULLY 8. Excavation demonstrated that the fill of GULLY 8 cut the fill of GULLY 6. GULLY 8 is therefore later than GULLY6. Section IV of Gully 8 consists of two layers, the top layer of chalky fill with flint chips, the bottom layer of earthy fill with

large and small chalk lumps. Section VII consisted of earthy fill with large and small chalk lumps (drawings exist of both of these sections).

**GF362,** 'P. B (Frog?). Stone with hole. Part of iron brooch (SF16)'. Recovered from cutting E2 of gully 8. Alleged rim sherd (see FS16) is body sherd (RB 3) 362.

**SF16,** 'Iron brooch and potsherd (Rim?)', Recovered from E2, layer1 from top fill of gully 8 at a depth of 2". Brooch and potsherd in contact. Sherd originally thought to be a rim, but it is a body sherd (RB 3 366?)

**GF414**, 'P. B. F.' Recovered from cutting E2, layer 2 of gully 8. Gully fill consisted of flints.

**GF426**, 'P. B.' Recovered from cutting E2, layer 3 gully fill. 19/8/68

**GF452**, 'Prehistoric. F. B.' Recovered from E2 fill of gully 8 consisting of dark brown earth and chalk lumps.

# HEARTHS 1&2 HEARTH I

27/8/68

The site notebook records that Hearth 1 showed up beneath a flinty layer as a concentration of sarsens and large flints in an area roughly pear-shaped with the wider end to the west. The southern half was excavated to reveal in section that the hearth was composed of two rough layers of stones, both sarsens and flints being represented in each. There were no traces of charcoal, but one burnt sarsen. Probably associated with the hut constructed in GULLY 8. The northern half was excavated to reveal PH 26B. PH 24 was excavated to S of extent of hearth 1. The hole under the hearth was filled with small chalk lumps and light grey soil typical of lower fills of PH's elsewhere in the cutting. The site notebook notes that if the holes are PH's, PH27 relates to GULLY 6 and PH 26 TO gully 8. Therefore HEARTH 1 belongs to GULLY 6 and HEARTH 2 to GULLY 8. The notebook suggests that it seems too much of a coincidence that both hearths should have PH's underneath, related in size to the hearths above them. Also the dark brown earth in which the sarsens and flints of hearths were set occured quite deep into the whole below ie, if they were PH's they were not completely filled in before the hearth's were built. An alternative hypothesis is that the holes were dug first in the process of constructing the hearths, possibly as an aid to conserve heat in the stones beneath the ashes? **GF515**, 'Prehistoric. B. CH.' Recovered from cutting E3, layer 2, fill of pit / post hole. Under two layers of stones of hearth. (There is already a GF slip for the other half of hearth 1. Layer 1 consisting of flint and sarsen). Associated with PH26B and possibly PH24.

**SF65**, 'Stone with rubbed surface and evidence for use in pounding'. Recovered from E3, layer 1 of hearth1, consisting of hearth stones, at a depth of 13". Located 32'6" from peg M along ML and 6'10" east of peg ML.

**SF66**, 'Fragment of rectangular rubbed stone'. Recovered from E3 layer 1 consisting of hearth stones, at a depth of 12". Located 32'8" from peg M along ML and 6'8" east of peg ML.

**SF67**, 'Fragment of quern rubber'. Recovered from E3, layer 2 of hearth 1, consisting of fill of pit/ post hole, at a depth of 14". Located 32'3" from peg M along ML and 8' east of ML.

**SF68**, 'Rubbed stone'. Recovered from E3, layer 2 of hearth 1, consisting of fill of pit /post hole. At a depth of 22". Located 32' from peg M along ML and 8'6" east of ML.

# **HEARTH 2**

**HEARTH 2,** showed up beneath flinty layer as a semi-circle filled with sarsens dissappearing under W baulk (see plan). The sarsens were resting in dark brown soil with chalk lumps and beneath this was a hole, probably PH 27, of which the lowest 2" were filled with chalk lumps and light grey soil typical of the lower fills of post holes elsewhere in the cutting. There were no traces of charcoal or burnt sarsen.

**GF451**, 'Flints'. Recovered from cutting E3 of hearth 2. No other information as to location of finds. Hearth 2 is associated with PH 27.

### PITS 12-35

### **PIT 12**

8/8/67

**GF352**, 'B. P'. Recovered from E2, layer 1 top fill. May be associated with PH 12.

### **PIT 13**

8/8/67. Measured 5'10" in diameter at the top, and 4'5" at the bottom, and was 4'-4'4" deep. The site notebook notes that PIT 13 was sited within the annexe and describes the fill in three stages. Stage 3 = layer 1 was a layer of ploughsoil which filled in the top of the pit. Layers 2,3, & 4 consisted of soil with chalk, which represented a deliberate filling of the hollow left above the chalk silt and lumps. Stage 2 overlay layer 8, sloping down from the sides was a layer of chalk lumps, caused by natural filling of the pit due to frosting. Stage 1= layer 8, a very dark brown humic layer containing minute orange specks, soot and ash. Layer 8 was approx 2" deep, and appeared to be formed from cess and ash. Samples were taken for chemical and physical analysis.

**GF353**, 'B. P. CH. Small FR'. Recovered from E2, Layer 1, west half of pit 13, dirty fill.

GF376, 'P. B'. Cutting E2, recovered from SE part of the pit top fill.

**GF390**, 'P. B. CH. SAS. SM. SS.' Cutting E2. Recovered from east part of the pit. Top part to 1'6" deep.

GF372, 'F. B. Burnt SAS.' Cutting E2. Recovered from loose chalk bottom fill.

### **PIT 19**

Measured 5' across at the top, 3'9" across at the bottom. and was 3' deep. Layer 2 dark soil with flints and flecks of charcoal and layer 3 dark humic material, formed an inverted cone of dark filling within layer 4 which consisted of fresh chalk lumps and chalk silt. This chalk appears to have fallen in naturally, probably due to frosting, as there is evidence of frost damage in the form of large cracks and breaks. The inverted cone (layer 2 &3) is almost definately a pit cut into the fill of an earlier pit, and may represent a large central PH for the hut. At the bottom of pit 19, layer 5 consisted of a very thin bulb of humic material. Layers 3 & 5 contained a fair quantity of bone and pot and many large sherds, both layers were sampled.

**GF346** 'P. B. Horn.' E2. Recovered from west half of top fill ,34' from peg K and 30'7" from peg L. Layer 1 of the fill GF346, consisted of chalky soil with some flints and bones. GF346 is associated with GF380.

**GF380**, 'Prehistoric. P. B. F. Rodent?' E2. Recovered from top fill, second half of pit.

**SF25,** 'Part of tanged iron knife (SF27)'. E2. Recovered from the east side of pit 19, the outer edge of which probably belongs to a second pit.

**SF27**, 'Part of blade of curved iron knife',. E2. Recovered from layer 1 top soil at a depth of 5.5", almost immediately above the knife tang of SF25.

**GF358**, 'P.B.' E2. Recovered from layer 2 dark brown fill with flints and flecks of charcoal in the west half of pit 19.

**SF15**, 'Large fragment of charcoal'. E2. Recovered from layer 2, soft dark brown fill, at a depth of 1'7". Located against the edge of chalky fill on the SW side,

**SF17,** 'Strip of charcoal'. E2. Recovered from fine dark brown layer at a depth of 1'7"

**SF21,** 'Soil sample'. E2. Recovered from dark brown inner pit fill at a depth of 2'3", sent to Clements, Swansea.

**SF614**, 'Bone'. Cutting E2, Pit 19.

GF368, 'P. B. SAS Scraper?' E2. .Recovered from lumped chalk fill.

**SF22**, 'Skull of Ox. Two articulated long bones. A scapula'. E2. Recovered from chalky fill of Pit 19 at a depth of 2'10" to 2'7", below and around a layer of spread sarsans.

**GF373**, 'P, B.' Recovered from dark brown fill sandwiched between two chalk layers, at a depth of 2'2" at the S edge of the pit.

**GF374,** 'P,B (small rodent?)'. E2. Recovered from dark brown fill with small chalk lumps at a depth of 3'1", bottom fill.

**SF23,** 'Ox skull and scapula'. E2. Recovered from dark brown fill interspersed with small chalk lumps, at a depth of 3'1", from bottom layer of Pit 19.

**GF391**, 'P. B (ASH?). CH. Seeds.' E2. Recovered from layer 4 of pit 19, chalky pit fill surrounding inner pit fill. Possibly below GF374?

# **PIT 20**

Dimensions, 3'10" across at the top, 3' at the bottom. 2'4" deep. The site notebook suggests that PIT 20 appears to contain the ritual burial of an Ox. The upper half of the pit contained a quantity of large sherds, a knife, and a bone pin. Layer 2 contained soil with chalk lumps and flints to a depth of approx 18", the Ox skull was found in this layer. Layer 3 consisted of packed flint nodules, set in a fine clay type soil, and was approx 6" deep. Layer 4 consisted of a layer of chalk packing. The bottom layer of the pit fill layer 5 consisted of 'a sort of' chalk silt with chalk lumps.

**GF347**, 'Prehistoric. P. B. F. 2 Hobnails.' E2. Recovered from layer 1 top fill, 48' from peg K, and 15' from peg L.

**GF364**, 'B. P. S. Wood? (charcoal?)'. E2. Recovered from layer 2 of pit 20 at a depth of below 8".

**SF18,** 'S. Two Fire cracked skull fragments.' E2, Pit 20. Skull frags from a nearly full grown Ox of around 4-5 years old.

**SF19**, 'Iron knife'. E2. Recovered from layer 2 of pit 20, in the centre of the pit at a depth of 12".

**SF20**, 'Bone needle'. Recovered from layer 2 of pit 20, in the centre of the pit at a depth of 12".

SF607, 'Bone'.

SF608, 'Bone'.

SF609, 'Bone'.

SF617, 'Bone'.

**SF618**, 'Bone'.

**GF379,** 'P. B. FR.' E2. Recovered from pit fill below flints on remaining section of pit.

# **PIT 21**

PIT 21 originally showed as a sub-rectangular patch of dark brown soil with many flints, within the surrounding soil. When scraped over a figure-eight shape was reveiled which proved to be two intersecting roughly circular pits, these were called

21A (West) and 21B (East) respectively. Both pits were sectioned along a W-E line, the S halves being removed. Excavation demonstrated that PIT 21A was shallower than PIT 21B, and was cut by it.

**350**, 'P. B.' E2. Recovered from layer 1 of pit 21, in the top fill from preliminary clean up. Chalk level to a depth of 2". Pit 21 is cut by gully 5.

### 18/8/68.

### **PIT 21 A**

**PIT 21A** was filled before PIT 21B was dug. Both pits presumably filled purposely as the fill was homogeneous.

**GF443**, 'Bone needle. Bead'. E3. Recovered from layer 1 topsoil of pit and pit fill. **SF54**, 'Bone needle.' East pit 21A. Recovered from top of pit filling at a depth of approx 8.5". Located 18'6" from peg M and 32'9" from peg O.

**SF55**, 'Bead decorated with yellow zig-zag on pale green'. East Pit 21A. Recovered from top of pit filling at a depth of 8.5". Located 32'11" from peg O and 18'3" from peg M.

# **PIT 21B**

Layer 5 showed possible tip-lines of pit fill.

**GF447**, 'P (IA?). B. F.' E3. Recovered from layer 1 of PIT 21B, topsoil of pit and pit fill.

**GF450,** 'P (IA?). B.' E3. Recovered from layer 2, PIT 21B grey soil and chalk lumps, on the outer edge of the pit fill.

### PIT22

Layer 2 consisted of stone free humus. Layer 3 consisted of small flint and chalk rubble mixed with dark humic soil and contained pottery, animal bone, flint nodules, and small pieces of sarsen approx 2" thick. Layer 4 consisted of soft dark soil with flint and chalk inclusions and apparently filling a central void left by layer 5. Layer 5 ? packing of chalk rubble mixed with greyish sticky material round side of pit.

**GF435**, 'P (IA?). P (RB coarse?). Animal bone. Human skull.' E3. Recovered from layers 2&3, top fill of pit below base of humus at a depth of 8".

**GF436,** 'P (IA?). Shell. Animal bone.' E3. Recovered from layer 4 of PIT 22, dark central fill of pit, at a depth of 8" to 1'11". Under layer 3 up against layer 5. (See GF435 for material from layer 2&3).

**GF454** (GF437), ' P (IA?). B (Ox , Sheep, Pig + Small mammal Frog?).' One vertebra gnawed, several display knife cuts. Pot contains 'fur' deposit? Recovered from cutting E3, layer 5 of pit 22, lower chalk fill of pit around and below sarsen at a depth of 1'11" to 4'8".

**SF60,** 'Sherds of black-brown pottery. 1 tooth. A piece of skull. Frog bones'. E3. Recovered from directly beneath large sarsen, in E half of layer 5, pit 22, chalk fill around and below sarsen at a depth of 4'3". Located 14'11" from peg OM, and 3'7" from peg OM, N.

## 10/8/67

### **PIT 23**

The pit was sectioned along an E-W line and the southern half removed. The site notebook records that owing to the presence of charcoal in layer 4, rough brick-red sherds- one showing cord impressed Maggott decoration, a thumb nail scraper and

a rough bone point, it seems probable that PIT 23 was dug to hold an EBA cremation..

**GF363?**, 'P'. E2/3?. Recovered from layer 1, top layer of trowelled area.

**GF459**, 'Prehistoric. P. B. F.' E3. Recovered from layer 2, consisting of flints, and dark brown soil.

**GF460**, 'Prehistoric. P. B. F. CH.' E3. Recovered from layer 3 of pit 23, consisting of dark brown fill with very few small chalk lumps and flint chips. **SF604**, 'Flint'.

**GF461**, 'Prehistoric. P. B incl Frog and ?human. F. CH. Grain.' E3. Recovered from layer 4 of pit 23, charcoal layer consisting of fine light grey-brown soil with no chalk lumps but many white flecks, probably chalk, and many flecks and some small lumps of charcoal. A sample of this layer was taken for analysis of its snail content by John Evans.

**GF474**, 'B. F.' E3. Recovered from layer 5 of pit 23, consisting of fine light grey soil with small chalk lumps

GF474 site notebook concludes that PIT 23 is an EBA cremation.

### **PIT 24**

GF361, 'Prehistoric ?base. B.' E2. Recovered from fill of shallow pit

### **PIT 27**

No GF recorded.

### **PIT 29**

No GF recorded.

## **PIT 30**

No GF recorded.

## **PIT 32**

No GF recorded.

## **PIT 34**

No GF recorded.

## **PIT 35**

GF356, 'P, B'. E2. Recovered from layer 1 top fill of pit, at a depth of 0" to 2" below chalk. Found during preliminary clearence. Pit 35 is cut by gully 5; and may also be associated with PIT 21.

## **POST HOLES**

#### **PH 1**

**PH 1,** is not obviously associated with either HUT 6 or HUT 8. There is no obvious interpretation for this PH as it is off-centre to both GULLY 6 & GULLY 8, and no balancing PH was found in E 2.

**GF457**, 'P (IA?). B'. E3. Recovered from brown flinty fill of PH 1, at a depth of 1'11".

# **PH 3**

**GF463**, 'Very small quantity of charcoal'. E3. Recovered from fill of PH 3, chalky soil with some flint at a depth of 9" below chalk surface.

### PH 4

GF462, 'P (IA?). B'. E3. Recovered from fill of PH at a depth of 8"- 1'10".

#### PH 5A

**GF458,** 'Prehistoric'. Flill consists of chalky soil with large flints and some sarsen, at a depth of 6" below chalk surface.

### PH 5B.

No GF recorded.

No PH 6 has been recorded.

# **PH 7**

GF456, 'P (IA?). B'. E3. Recovered from PH7, the filling of which is in the line of gully 6.

### **PH 8**

No GF recorded.

## **PH9**

No GF recorded.

### PH 10

No GF recorded.

### **PH 11**

No GF recorded

### PH 12?

No GF recorded. Associated with pit 12.

### **PH 12A**

No GF recorded.

### **PH 12B**

GF505, 'P (IA?). Burnt flint.' E3. Fill of PH 12B consists of brown earth and chalk lumps.

### **PH 13**

No GF recorded.

### **PH 14**

No GF recorded.

# **PH 15**

No GF recorded.

### **PH 16**

GF503, 'Flints'. E3. Recovered from fill of PH 16, consisting of dark brown soil and chalk lumps, flints and sarsen chips.

### PH 17

No GF recorded.

# **PH 18**

No GF recorded.

### **PH 19**

No GF recorded.

### **PH 20**

No GF recorded.

## **PH 21**

No GF recorded.

## **PH 22**

GF510, 'CH. Burnt SAS'. E3. Recovered from layer 1 of PH 22, consisting of chalky soil with small chalk lumps.

#### PH 23

**GF511**, 'Prehistoric. F. B CH'. E3. Recovered from layer 1 of PH 23, dark brown soil with chalk lumps.

**SF64**, '3 Fragments of quern rubber newly fractured'. E3. Recovered from layer 2 of PH 23, consisting of large chalk lumps and mid brown soil (packing), at a depth of 12". Located 32'10" from peg M along ML and 12" east of ML. PH 23 is possibly the central support PH for 'Gully 6' building?

# **PH 24**

No GF recorded. PH 24 may be associated with hearth 1 GF515.

### **PH 25A**

No GF recorded. PH 25A is located in gully 8.

### **PH 25B**

No GF recorded. PH 25A is located in gully 8.

### **PH 26A**

No GF recorded.

### **PH 26B**

No GF recorded. PH 26B is associated with Hearth 1 GF515.

# PH 27

No GF recorded. PH 27 is associated with Hearth 2 GF451.

## **PH 28**

No GF recorded.

# PH 29

No GF recorded.

# **PH 30**

No GF recorded.

### **PH 31**

No GF recorded. PH 31 is inside Gully 6, but outside Gully 8.

# **PH 33**

No GF recorded. PH 33 is associated with Gully 8 and may be contemporary with Gully 8 building.

### PH 50

No GF recorded. PH 50 is associated with Gully 4 GF409.

# PH 51

No GF recorded. PH 51 is associated with Gully 6 GF455.

# PH 52

No GF recorded. PH 52 is associated with Gully 5 GF355; and may also be contemporary with PIT 19.

### PH 53

No GF recorded.

# PH 54

No GF recorded.