WC Cutting 8

A shallow depression, c. 30m to the N of Enclosure C, was partially excavated in July 1962 as it was considered the possible site of a building (AWC257 & 258). The hollow measured c. 14.5m in diameter and was excavated to a depth of 60cm. The centre of the depression contained several large sarsens sitting in a red silt or red clay with redeposited chalk. As such the hollow may have been a pond later filled in, like the pit N of B4, during field clearance. Also like the pit N of B4, this hollow accumulated a fair amount of rubbish, especially bones. The evidence recovered from between the topsoil and clay with redeposited chalk, which included an arrowhead used for hunting (GF688), hazelnuts (GFs 652 & 679) and an iron knife (GF712), date the rubbish deposition to the mid 13th century. The sarsen dumping was earlier, probably the late 12th or early 13th centuries.