

## APPENDIX I

### GAZETEER OF SITES

The gazeteer comprises two sections:

- A. CURSUSES (minor and major)
- B. ELONGATED DITCHES (oblong, trapeziform and ovate).

Cursuses have been categorised as I excavated, II characteristic, III possible, IV doubtful, and V discredited, but elongated ditches simply as I excavated/characteristic and II uncharacteristic/doubtful to avoid undue fragmentation of a sample additionally subdivided by shape. All claimed sites have been assessed, and in most cases plotted, in order to establish not simply the features of proven prehistoric monuments, but also those of mistakenly identified sites. This has the additional advantage of permitting readers to form their own conclusions regarding sites relegated by the writer. Those sites securely placed within the "cursus continuum" therefore run from 1-37 and 76 to 128.

The corpus is ordered according to the national grid (running north to south and tracking west to east), with a county concordance placed at the end. Parish names have been adopted throughout, with alphabetical references to distinguish multiple sites of common type (only at Cardington and Buscot have adjacent and similarly sized cursuses and elongated ditches been incorporated in a single scheme).

Cursuses have been plotted at a scale of 1:10560 (with the exception of the complete Dorset complex) and elongated ditches at a scale of 1:2500, with some examples at each scale to demonstrate the degree of overlap. Sites are referred to in figures by their corpus numbers to permit easy

cross referencing but these do not always run concurrently because of the difficulty presented in accommodating sites of very varied size on single sheets. Instead plots of cursuses in categories I and II, along with certain category III sites (designated by an asterisk) have been loosely grouped on the basis of geographical area or type.

The principal encircling multiple round barrow sites, and the few Neolithic sites of overtly funerary purpose located in the Midland/East Anglian region, have also been plotted at a scale of 1:2500 for comparative purposes, as have the principal avenue sites at 1:10560.