

## **Assessment of finds from Kiln Lodge, Lacey Green, Buckinghamshire (KLG02)**

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A small collection of finds from Kiln Lodge, Lacey Green, Buckinghamshire, was submitted for identification and assessment. It is likely that some of the pottery and ceramic building material dates to the 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> centuries whilst 19<sup>th</sup>-century finds are definitely present. An iron nail was recovered from context 001, which produced 19<sup>th</sup>-century pottery. A fragment of burnt flint was recovered from context 016. Although presumably burnt through human agency, the flint was not worked and could even have been burnt in a natural fire.

### **Description**

#### **Ceramics**

Three sherds of pottery were found. A fragment of a pearlware plate was recovered from context 001. This dated to the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

A fragment of a ribbed mug with an internal and external iron or manganese mottled glaze was recovered from context 005. The fabric is an oxidised earthenware with a silty texture. The vessel could be of one of two types. First of all, there are a range of iron-mottled glazed mugs produced in the mid 17<sup>th</sup> century, for example in the Surrey/Hampshire border. Secondly, and more likely, is that the vessel is a local copy of a Staffordshire mottled-glazed mug of late 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup>-century date.

The third sherd is from an internally-glazed jar with a globular profile. The vessel has an external brown slip over a light brown, inclusionless, fabric. It has the appearance of being a sherd of 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup>-century country pottery.

#### **Ceramic Building Material**

Four fragments of brick and one piece of a flat tile or pantile were recovered from context 007. The fragments vary in fabric and probably, therefore, come either from more than one structure or from a single structure constructed in several stages. The bricks can only be broadly dated: in this part of the world they probably date to the later 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. The flat/pantile, however, probably dates to the later 17<sup>th</sup> century or later.

#### **Iron**

A corroded iron nail was recovered from context 001. Apart from the fact that it was hand-wrought and therefore probably 19<sup>th</sup>-century or earlier it is undatable.

## **Flint**

A fragment of burnt flint from context 016 appears to have been an unworked pebble with some broken edges and some cortex remaining. Such pebbles occur in the subsoil overlying chalk outcrops or possibly in a clay-with-flints deposit.

## **Assessment**

It is likely that there was activity on the Kiln Lodge site in the post-medieval period, although too few finds were recovered to allow this activity to be closely dated. There is also evidence for 19<sup>th</sup>-century activity, although this is restricted to a single fragment of pottery from context 001.

Appendix: List of finds

Context	class	cname	Subfabric	Form	Nosh	NoV	Description	Part
001	ceramic	PEAR		PLATE	1	1	FEATHERED EDGE	R
001	IRON			NAIL	1	1		BS
005	ceramic	PMLOC		CUP	1	1	RIBBED;IRON/MANG MOTTLED GLAZE	R
007	ceramic	PMLOC		JAR	1	1	INT GL;EXT BROWN SLIP	BS
007	ceramic	MTIL	OVERFIRED WITH IRON-RICH INCLUSIONS	BRICK	1	1		BS
007	ceramic	MTIL	VARIGATED WITH LIGHT-COLOURED AND IRON-RICH PELLETS	BRICK	1	1		BS
007	ceramic	MTIL	SILTY WITH FINE SAND ON BASE	FLAT/PANT	1	1		BS
007	ceramic	MTIL	SILTY	BRICK	1	1		BS
016	FLINT				1	1	BURNT FRAGMENT WITH CORTEX	BS