

Assessment of the post-Roman ceramics from Site 46, Chalgrove to East Ilsley Natural Gas Pipeline CEI02)

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Ten sherds of pottery were recovered from context 7100 at Site 46 on the Chalgrove to East Ilsley Natural Gas Pipeline watching brief carried out by Network Archaeology Ltd.

Quantification of Assemblage

Table 1

Context	Description	Cname	Form	Nosh	NoV	Weight	Subfabric	Part	Use	Condition
7100		MEDLOC	JAR	1	1	6	ROUNDED QUARTZ SAND	BS	SOOTED EXT	VABR
7100		MEDLOC	JAR	1	1	1	ROUNDED QUARTZ SAND	BS		VABR
7100		MEDLOC	-	1	1	1	ROUNDED QUARTZ SAND	BS		
7100		PMLOC	BOWL	2	2	10	GAULT CLAY	BS		VABR
7100	WHITE SLIPPED INT	PMLOC	BOWL	1	1	3	GAULT CLAY	BS		VABR
7100	PLAIN GL EXT;CUGL OVER WHITE SLIP INT;MARBLED SLIP?	PMLOC	BOWL	1	1	3	GAULT CLAY	BS		VABR
7100	FOOTRING;INT BROWN GL	PMLOC	BOWL	1	1	30	GAULT CLAY	B		VABR
7100	FOOTRING;INT PLAIN GL;EXT RED SLIP	PMLOC	BOWL	1	1	13	LIGHT BODIED;FINE QUARTZ SAND	B		VABR
7100		PMLOC	DRAIN	1	1	7	CALC INCLUSIONS SURROUNDED BY REACTION HALOES	BS		

Medieval Pottery

Three very abraded sherds of medieval pottery were recovered. All have a rounded quartz sand temper. One is a base sherd from a jar with sooting on the exterior and another is probably from the shoulder of a wheelthrown jar. The third sherd is too small to identify the form. It is not possible to give a close date to these sherds, which could date to any point between the later 12th and the 15th centuries.

Post-medieval pottery

Six very abraded fragments of post-medieval glazed red earthenware (PMLOC) were recovered from context 7100. They include two bases with moulded footrings, a body sherd from a bowl with an internal white slip, and a sherd which is possibly from a bowl with marbled slip decoration.

Undated

A sherd from an unglazed vessel with a light-coloured fabric might be an early modern field drain.

Discussion

The condition of the sherds suggests that they have been in a plough soil and are likely to have been deposited on the site with farmyard manure or night soil.

Recommendations for Further Work

The finds require no further treatment.