

Assessment of the Finds from evaluations carried out between Harefield and Southall, Greater London (HAS 4-6)

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A small collection of finds was recovered from archaeological evaluations carried out between Harefield and Southall, Greater London undertaken by network Archaeology Ltd (Site Code HAS 4-6). The finds include the profile of a Chinese export porcelain dish of 18th-century or later date.

Description

Shell

A single valve from an oyster was recovered from context 101.

Pottery

Four joining sherds from a Chinese Export Porcelain dish were recovered from context 101. The dish is decorated internally with Famille Rose enamels and the figurative design includes a Chinese female and a building. Famille Rose became common in the 1720s and continued to be produced throughout the 18th and 19th centuries.

Assessment

The dish is of mid 18th century or later date and was found in a deposit of building debris containing "modern" pottery and concrete fragments, presumably of late 19th century or later date. Since such vessels continued to be made into the 19th century it is quite likely that this was a 19th century piece.

Further Work

No further work is recommended.

Retention

The pottery should be retained for future study and the shell could be discarded.

Appendix 1

Context	class	Cname	Subfabric	Description	Form	Part	Nosh	NoV	Weight
101	SHELL	SHELL	OYSTER			BS	1	1	13
101	POTTERY	CHPO		FAMILLE ROSE ENAMELS INT	DISH	PROF	4	1	8

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