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SUMMARY

A geophysical survey, comprising detailed magnetometry, was carried out within a 9ha field at Yapton, West Sussex by Archaeological Surveys Ltd. The results indicate the presence of a number of enclosures and ditches which may be associated with a former settlement. In the north western corner, two positive linear anomalies could relate to cut, ditch-like features, but an agricultural origin is possible. Widespread magnetic debris and also naturally formed variations in the underlying River Terrace deposits have also been recorded.

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Survey background

- 1.1.1 Archaeological Surveys Ltd was commissioned by Development Archaeology Services Ltd, on behalf of BoKlok Housing Ltd, to undertake a magnetometer survey of an area of land known as Lambs Field, to the west of Bilsham Road, Yapton, West Sussex. The site has been outlined for a proposed residential development of 170 dwellings (Arun District Council planning application no: Y/52/23/PL) and the survey forms the first phase of an archaeological assessment which will inform the second phase of investigation through trial trench evaluation.
- 1.1.2 The geophysical survey was carried out in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) produced by Development Archaeology Services (2023).

1.2 Survey objectives and techniques

- 1.2.1 The objective of the survey was to use magnetometry to locate geophysical anomalies that may be archaeological in origin so that they may be assessed prior to development of the site. The methodology is considered an efficient and effective approach to archaeological prospection.
- 1.2.2 Geophysical survey can provide useful information on the archaeological potential of a site; however, the outcome of any survey relies on a number of factors and as a consequence results can vary. The success in meeting the aims and objectives of a survey is, therefore, often impossible to predetermine.

1.3 Standards, guidance and recommendations for the use of this report

1.3.1 Archaeological Surveys Ltd is a Registered Organisation with the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA) and both company directors are Members of the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (MCIfA) and have therefore been

assessed for their technical competence and ethical suitability and abide by the CIfA Codes of Conduct. The survey and report follow the recommendations set out by: European Archaeological Council (2015) Guidelines for the Use of Geophysics in Archaeology; Institute for Archaeologists (2002) The use of Geophysical Techniques in Archaeological Evaluations. The work has been carried out to the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (2014, updated 2020) Standard and Guidance for Archaeological Geophysical Survey.

- 1.3.2 Archaeological Surveys Ltd provide a detailed geophysical survey report and it is recommended that where possible the contents should be considered in full. The Summary provides a brief overview of the results with more detail available in the Discussion and/or Conclusion. The List of anomalies within the Results provides a detailed assessment of the anomalies within separate categories which can be useful in inferring a level of confidence to the interpretation. Quality and factors influencing the interpretation of anomalies is also set out within the results.
- 1.3.3 It is recommended that the full report should always be considered when using data and interpretation plots; where this is not possible, in the field for example, the abstraction and interpretation plots should retain their colour coding and be used with a corresponding legend.
- 1.3.4 Where targeting of anomalies by excavation is to be carried out, care should be taken to place trenches over solid lines or features visible on the abstraction and interpretation plots. Archaeological Surveys abstraction and interpretation avoids the use of dashed or dotted line formats, and broken or fragmented lines used in interpretive plots may well correspond closely with truncation of archaeological features.

1.4 Site location, description and survey conditions

- 1.4.1 The site is located to the west of the B2132 Bilsham Road on the southern edge of Yapton, within the district of Arun, West Sussex. It is centred on Ordnance Survey National Grid Reference (OS NGR) SU 97570 02380, see Figs 01 and 02.
- 1.4.2 The geophysical survey covers approximately 9ha within a single field that had been left fallow but mown prior to the survey. The land tends to slope down very slightly towards the south west from around 4m AODN in the north east to approximately 3m in the south west. The eastern and southern field boundaries are hedgerows with some mature trees and overgrown field margins in places. The western boundary is a drainage ditch feeding into Ryebank Rife to the south, the northern boundary is post and wire fencing. A few metres north of the northern boundary temporary steel fencing (Heras) bounded an active construction site.
- 1.4.3 The ground conditions across the site were generally considered to be

favourable for the collection of magnetometry data. Very rutted ground was encountered within the north eastern part of the field close to the field entrance; a very small part of this was unsurveyable due to the depth of the ruts. Survey was also avoided in the vicinity of a small number of borehole observation sites due to the presence of steel tubing. Weather conditions during the survey were variable with periods mainly light rain and windy conditions on the first day followed by fine conditions on the second day.



Plate 1: Survey area looking west

1.5 Site history and archaeological potential

1.5.1 An Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment has been carried out for the site by Development Archaeology Services (2021), which outlines that the site does not contain any designated or undesignated heritage assets, but that it has not been subject to any previous archaeological investigation. A possible Roman occupation site has been identified through a pottery scatter, a fragment of roof tile and several Roman coins approximately 150m to the north of the site and previous archaeological evaluations recorded evidence for Bronze Age, Roman and post medieval settlement 375m north of the site and Bronze Age, medieval and post medieval settlement 550m to the north. Located to the 235m to the south west there is a former chapel with 14th century origins. Hobbs Farmhouse, which dates to the 18th century, is located 140m to the south, with the Grade II listed 18th century Bilsham Manor and farmstead with 17th century origins located 170m to the south west.

Geology and soils 1.6

1.6.1 The underlying geology is Lewes Nodular Chalk, Seaford Chalk, Newhaven Chalk, Culver Chalk and Portsdown Chalk Formations with overlying River

Terrace Deposits of sand, silt and clay (BGS, 2023).

- 1.6.2 The overlying soil across the survey area is from the Park Gate association (841e) and is a typical argillic gley soil. It consists of a deep, stoneless, silty soil variably affected by groundwater (Soil Survey of England and Wales, 1983).
- Magnetometry survey carried out across similar soils has produced variable results as the they are often associated with low magnetic susceptibility resulting in poor magnetic contrast between cut features and the material into which they are cut. However, cut features of archaeological potential may be located where human activity has been sufficiently intensive to alter the magnetic characteristics of the soil, such as an occupation site or where there has been industrial activity. Features associated with less intensive activity, such as land boundaries or short-lived sites, may not have sufficient magnetic enhancement be to located through magnetometry.

2 METHODOLOGY

2.1 Technical synopsis

- Magnetometry survey records localised magnetic fields that can be associated with features formed by human activity. Magnetic susceptibility and magnetic thermoremnance (also known as thermoremanence) are factors associated with the formation of localised magnetic fields.
- 2.1.2 Iron minerals within the soil may become altered by burning and the break down of biological material; effectively the magnetic susceptibility of the soil is increased, and the iron minerals become magnetic in the presence of the Earth's magnetic field. Accumulations of magnetically enhanced soils within features, such as pits and ditches, may produce positive magnetic anomalies that can be mapped by magnetic prospection. In addition, where soil is displaced by material of comparatively low magnetic susceptibility, such as many types of sedimentary rock, anomalies of negative value may occur which could be indicative of structural remains.
- 2.1.3 Magnetic thermoremnance can occur when ferrous minerals have been heated to high temperatures such as in a kiln, hearth, oven etc. On cooling, a permanent magnetisation may be acquired due to the presence of the Earth's magnetic field. Certain natural processes associated with the formation of some igneous and metamorphic rock may also result in magnetic thermoremnance.
- The localised variations in magnetism are measured as sub-units of the Tesla, which is a SI unit of magnetic flux density. These sub-units are nano Teslas (nT), which are equivalent to 10⁻⁹ Tesla (T). Additional details are set out in 2.2 below and within Appendix A.

2.2 Equipment configuration, data collection and survey detail

- 2.2.1 The detailed magnetic survey was carried out using a SENSYS MAGNETO® MX V3 6 channel cart-based system. The instrument has 6 fluxgate gradiometers (FGM650) spaced 0.5m apart with readings recorded at 20Hz. The cart is pushed at walking speed and not towed. Each sensor is not zeroed in the field as the vertical axis alignment is precisely fixed leaving sensor offsets that are removed during data processing. The fixing of the vertical alignment ensures the sensors are not unduly influenced by localised magnetic fields and that the vertical component of a magnetic anomaly is measured. The gradiometers have a recorded range of ±3000nT, and resolution is approximately 0.1nT. They are linked to a Leica GS10 RTK GNSS with data recorded by SENSYS MonMX software on a rugged notebook computer system.
- 2.2.2 Due to the fixed offsets within the fluxgate sensors, as a result of the manufacturing and tensioning process, the survey data do not provide a visually useful dataset until a zero median traverse algorithm is applied. It is recognised that this has the potential to affect some anomalies detrimentally by removing linear features orientated parallel to survey transects. However, this has not been noted as a particular problem with the system due to the high resolution data collection, generally long length of traverses and variability within the magnetic characteristics of a linear anomaly.
- 2.2.3 Data are collected along a series of parallel survey transects to achieve 100% coverage of the surveyable land. The length of each transect is variable and relates to the size of the survey area and other factors including ground conditions. A visual display allows accurate placing of transects and helps maintain the correct separation between adjacent traverses. Data are not collected within fixed grids and data points are considered to be random even though the data are collected in a systematic manner covering all accessible areas (Aspinall, Gaffney and Schmidt, 2009).
- 2.2.4 Fluxgate sensors are highly sensitive to temperature change and this manifests as drift during the course of a survey. This can be particularly noticeable during the morning as temperatures rise and the equipment warms or cools. Sensor drift within the course of a traverse will appear as a line trending from negative to positive after processing with a zero median traverse algorithm. To remove the potential for temperature drift, data were collected after a 20 minute stabilisation period and traverses were limited to a time of generally <100s.

2.3 Data processing and presentation

Magnetic data collected by the MAGNETO® MX V3 cart-based system are initially prepared using SENSYS MAGNETO® DLMGPS software. The software effectively allocates a geographic position for each data point and can compensate for fixed offsets present within the FGM650 sensors. The offsets are positive or negative values present on all fluxgate gradiometer sensors. Some systems use manual or electronic balancing to effectively zero the sensors; however, this is a short term measure that is prone to drift

through temperature changes and vibration and can easily be incorrectly set due to localised magnetic fields. The FGM650 sensors are very accurately aligned to the vertical magnetic gradient and are highly stable showing negligible drift on long traverses. The offset values are removed using TerraSurveyor software.

- 2.3.2 Survey tracks are analysed and georeferenced raw data (UTM Z30N) are then exported in ASCII format for further analysis and display within TerraSurveyor. The removal of the offset values (compensation) of the sensors is also carried out in TerraSurveyor using a zero median traverse function. Data are then considered to be minimally processed. Note: without the zero median traverse function it is not possible to create a meaningful data plot as all sensors have a different offset value. Although a zero median traverse algorithm can remove anomalies aligned with the survey tracks, in practice this rarely occurs due to the use of long traverses, high resolution measurement and variability within the magnetic susceptibility of long linear features.
- 2.3.3 The minimally processed data are collected between limits of ±3000nT and clipped for display at ±3nT. Data are interpolated to a resolution of effectively 0.5m between tracks and 0.15m along each survey track.
- 1.1.1
- 2.3.4 Appendix C contains metadata concerning the survey and data attributes and is derived directly from TerraSurveyor. Reference should be made to Appendix B for further information on processing.
- 2.3.5 A TIF file is produced by TerraSurveyor software along with an associated world file (.TFW) that allows automatic georeferencing (OSGB36 datum) when using GIS or CAD software. The main form of data display used in the report is the minimally processed greyscale plot. Minimally processed data are considered by the manufacturer to be data that are compensated by SENSYS MAGNETO DLMGPS software, see 2.3.1 and 2.3.2. Note: traceplots are not considered to be appropriate as they do not provide an accurate or useful assessment of the magnetic anomalies due to the very high density of data collection. In addition, traceplots cannot be meaningfully plotted against base mapping and in areas of complexity traces may be lost or highly confused. Traceplots may be used to demonstrate characteristic magnetic profiles across discrete features where it is considered beneficial.
- 2.3.6 The raster images are combined with base mapping using ProgeCAD Professional 2021, creating DWG (2018) file formats. All images are externally referenced to the CAD drawing in order to maintain good graphical quality. The CAD plots are effectively georeferenced facilitating relocation of features using GNSS, resection method, etc.
- An abstraction and interpretation is drawn and plotted for all geophysical anomalies located by the survey. Anomalies are abstracted using colour coded points, lines and polygons. All plots are scaled to landscape A3 for paper printing. Appendix E sets out CAD layer names with colour and graphic content for each interpretation category, see 3.3.

- 2.3.8 A brief summary of each anomaly, with an appropriate reference number, is set out in list form within the results (Section 3) to allow a rapid and objective assessment of features within the survey area.
- 2.3.9 A digital archive is produced with this report, see Appendix D below. The main archive is held at the offices of Archaeological Surveys Ltd.

2.4 Supplementary measurement of magnetic susceptibility

- 2.4.1 Magnetic susceptibility is an important factor in the formation of magnetic anomalies located by a magnetometry survey, see 2.1. Accurate measurement of the magnetic susceptibility of soil, subsoil and underlying geology may enhance the results of the magnetometry survey by providing an assessment of magnetic contrast within a site. Where sampling of topsoil only is possible, measurement may assist in understanding whether the soil is likely to be associated with strong, moderate or weak anomalies, which may be a result of low levels of iron minerals, waterlogging, etc. Accurate measurement may also assist in determining industrial activity and the presence of layers or features not visually or texturally apparent on excavation.
- 2.4.2 Supplementary measurement of soil magnetic susceptibility is not considered part of the main objective of the survey and is discussed in section 3.2 below as a factor influencing the formation of anomalies.
- Measurements are achieved using a Bartington MS2 Magnetic Susceptibility 2.4.3 Meter with MS2B sensor. Small soil samples are measured in 10 cubic centimetre plastic pots after accurately weighing, generally each sample is subdivided and at least 3 separate measurements are made in order to provide a mean value, or assess variability due to ferrous contamination and other factors. Measurement can be made at low or high frequency, generally low frequency measurements are made but occasionally high frequency measurements are also recorded as the frequency dependence of a soil may be informative.
- 2.4.4 The measurements are converted to mass specific readings using SI units for bulk density. Archaeological Surveys express the measurements as X_{lf} or X_{hf} for low frequency or high frequency magnetic susceptibility respectively with units of 10⁻⁸m³kg⁻¹.

3 RESULTS

3.1 General assessment of survey results

3.1.1 The detailed magnetic survey was carried out over a total of 9ha within a single agricultural field.

Magnetic anomalies located can be generally classified as positive responses of archaeological potential, anomalies with an uncertain origin, anomalies with a natural origin, areas of magnetic debris and disturbance and strong discrete dipolar anomalies relating to ferrous objects. Anomalies located within each survey area have been numbered and are described in 3.4 below.

3.2 Data quality and factors affecting the interpretation or formation of anomalies

- Data are considered representative of the magnetic anomalies present within the site. There are no significant defects within the dataset.
- Magnetic contrast relating to former features of archaeological potential is weak to very weak and typical of the magnetic properties of the soil, subsoil and underlying geology of the area. It is, therefore, possible that features are more extensive than indicated by the results, although it is also possible that the most intensive zone of former activity has been identified.
- Magnetic debris is widespread across the site although it is not sufficiently 3.2.3 high in magnitude to obscure other weak anomalies with the exception of a few metres around the periphery of the field where it appears more dense. The debris has been caused by magnetic fragments within material spread across the land as a soil conditioner.
- 3.2.4 Widespread amorphous anomalies of variable magnitude, but generally very weak, are naturally formed and are probably located within the underlying River Terrace Deposits. It is unlikely that these anomalies obscure other weak features although occasionally they can be confused with former anthropogenic features such as large pits.
- In order to provide further understanding of the magnetic characteristics of the 3.2.5 site, a single topsoil sample was collected away from areas of potential archaeology and a single sample of the underlying chalky geology was retrieved from spoil associated with ground monitoring or geotechnical investigations. The mass specific magnetic susceptibility of three subsamples was measured, see 2.4. The topsoil sample produced an average low frequency mass specific magnetic susceptibility (X_{If}) of 8.27 10⁻⁸m³kg⁻¹; the underlying geology produced a value of 3.12 10⁻⁸m³kg⁻¹.
- The topsoil mass specific magnetic susceptibility values are similar to those obtained from two other sites located approximately 4km to the north west near Westergate. The value is low and typical of soils where magnetic anomalies are generally weak. The very low magnetic susceptibility of the underlying geology probably relates to a high percentage of weathered chalk but may assist the formation of magnetic anomalies associated with soil-filled features e.g. pits and ditches.

3.3 Data interpretation

3.3.1 The list of sub-headings below attempts to define a number of separate categories that reflect the range and type of features located during the survey. A general explanation of the characteristics of the magnetic anomalies is set out for each category in order to justify interpretation, see Table 1.

Interpretation category	Description and origin of anomalies
Anomalies with archaeological potential	Anomalies have the characteristics (mainly morphological) of a range of archaeological features such as pits, ring ditches, enclosures, etc. The category is used where there is a high level of confidence which may be due to additional supporting information where morphology is unclear or uncharacteristic.
Anomalies with an uncertain origin	The category applies to a range of anomalies where there is not enough evidence to confidently suggest an origin. Anomalies in this category may well be related to archaeologically significant features, but equally relatively modern features, geological/pedological features and agricultural features should be considered. Morphology may be unclear or uncharacteristic and there may be a lack of additional supporting information. Positive anomalies are indicative of magnetically enhanced soils that may form the fill of 'cut' features or may be produced by accumulation within layers or 'earthwork' features; soils subject to burning may also produce positive anomalies. Negative anomalies are produced by material of comparatively low magnetic susceptibility such as stone and subsoil.
Anomalies associated with magnetic debris	Magnetic debris often appears as areas containing many small dipolar anomalies that may range from weak to very strong in magnitude. They often occur where there has been dumping or ground make-up and are related to magnetically thermoremnant materials such as brick or tile or other small fragments of ferrous material. This type of response is occasionally associated with kilns, furnace structures, hearths and nail spreads from former wooden structures or rooves and may, therefore, be archaeologically significant. It is also possible that the response may be caused by natural material such as certain gravels and fragments of igneous or metamorphic rock. Strong discrete dipolar anomalies are responses to ferrous objects within the topsoil.
Anomalies with a modern origin	The magnetic response is often strong and dipolar indicative of ferrous material and may be associated with extant above surface features such as wire fencing, cables, pylons etc. Often a significant area around these features has a strong magnetic flux which may create magnetic disturbance; such disturbance can effectively obscure low magnitude anomalies if they are present. Fluxgate sensors may respond erratically adjacent to strong magnetic sources. Buried services may produce characteristic multiple dipolar anomalies dependant upon their construction.
Anomalies with a natural origin	Naturally formed magnetic anomalies are caused by localised variability in the magnetic susceptibility of soils, subsoils and other drift or solid geologies. Anomalies may be amorphous, linear or curvilinear and may appear 'fluvial' or discrete; the latter are <u>almost impossible to distinguish from pit-like anomalies with an anthropogenic origin</u> . Fluvial, glacial and periglacial processes may be responsible for their formation within drift material and subsoil. Igneous and metamorphic activity can lead to anomalies within more solid geology.

Table 1: List and description of interpretation categories

3.4 List of anomalies

Area centred on OS NGR 497570 102380, see Figs 03 – 08.

Anomalies of archaeological potential

(1 & 2) – A group of positive linear and rectilinear anomalies (1) relate to cut features forming a series of enclosures in the central, eastern part of the site. The features are generally parallel with and at right angles to the Bilsham Road to the east, and the concentration of anomalies indicates that they are associated with former settlement, possibly from the Roman or medieval periods. A linear ditch (2) extends north eastwards from the north western corner of the outer enclosure, with some evidence of a parallel linear anomaly further north east, possibly indicating a former track.

Anomalies with an uncertain origin

(3) – Two weakly positive linear anomalies are located in the north western corner of the site. Although they are parallel with the eastern boundary which could suggest an agricultural origin, however the response appears to relate to the fill of former cut features and an archaeological origin should be considered.

Anomalies with a natural origin

(4) – The site contains several amorphous zones of magnetically variable responses which relate to variations within the underlying River Terrace Deposits.

Anomalies associated with magnetic debris

(5 & 6) – The entire site contains numerous and widespread dipolar anomalies (5) with concentrations of this magnetic debris around the margins (6). This type of material and its widespread distribution is generally associated with spreading of magnetically contaminated soil conditioner.

4 CONCLUSION

4.1.1 The geophysical survey has located a number of enclosures that are likely to relate to former settlement. Other linear anomalies leading north eastwards from it appear to be associated. In the north western corner, two positive linear anomalies may relate to further linear ditches; however, an agricultural origin is possible. Widespread River Terrace deposits and magnetic debris have also been recorded within the site.

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Appendix A – basic principles of magnetic survey

Iron minerals are always present to some degree within the topsoil and enhancement associated with human activity is related to increases in the level of magnetic susceptibility and thermoremnant material. Magnetic susceptibility is an induced magnetism within a material when it is in the presence of a magnetic field. This can be thought of as effectively permanent due to the presence of the Earth's magnetic field. Thermoremnant magnetism occurs when ferrous material is heated beyond a specific temperature known as the Curie Point. Demagnetisation occurs at this temperature with re-magnetisation by the Earth's magnetic field upon cooling.

Enhancement of magnetic susceptibility can occur in areas subject to burning and complex fermentation processes on biological material; these are frequently associated with human settlement. Thermoremnant features include ovens, hearths, and kilns. In addition thermoremnant material such as tile and brick may also be associated with human activity and settlement.

Silting and deliberate infilling of ditches and pits with magnetically enhanced soil can create an area of enhancement compared with surrounding soils and subsoils into which the feature is cut. Mapping enhanced areas will produce linear and discrete anomalies allowing an assessment and characterisation of hidden subsurface features.

It should be noted that areas of negative enhancement can be produced from material having lower magnetic properties compared to the topsoil. This is common for many sedimentary bedrocks and subsoils which were often used in the construction of banks and walls etc. Mapping these 'negative' anomalies may also reveal archaeological features.

Magnetic survey or magnetometry can be carried out using a fluxgate gradiometer and may be referred to as gradiometry. The SENSYS gradiometer is a passive instrument consisting of two fluxgate sensors mounted vertically 65cm apart. The instrument is carried about 10-20cm above the ground surface and the upper sensor measures the Earth's magnetic field as does the lower sensor but this is influenced to a greater degree by any localised buried magnetic field. The difference between the two sensors will relate to the strength of the magnetic field created by the buried feature.

There are a number of factors that may affect the magnetic survey and these include soil type, local geology and previous human activity. Situations arise where magnetic disturbance associated with modern services, metal fencing, dumped waste material etc., obscures low magnitude fields associated with archaeological features

Appendix B – data processing notes

Clipping

Minimum and maximum values are set and replace data outside of the range with those values. Extreme values are removed improving colour or greyscale contrast associated with data values that may be archaeologically significant. Different ranges are applied to data in order to determine the most suitable for anomaly abstraction and display.

Zero Median/Mean Traverse

The median (or mean) of data from each traverse is calculated ignoring data outside a threshold value, the median (or mean) is then subtracted from the traverse. The process is used to equalise differences between the offset values of the gradiometer sensors. The process can remove archaeological features that run along a traverse but with the high resolution datasets created by the Sensys FGM650 sensors and the method of data collection this has not been a notable problem. In fact, the removal of offsets using software avoids carrying out a balancing procedure on site, which inevitably can never be done in magnetically clean conditions and results in improperly aligned fluxgate sensors and/or electronic adjustment values.

Appendix C – survey and data information

Imported as Composite from: Description: J971-mag.asc Instrument Type: Sensys DLMGPS

Units nΤ UTM Zone: 30U

Survey corner coordinates (X/Y):OSGB36 Northwest corner: 497389.71, 102619.24 m Southeast corner 497770.26, 102127.24 m Collection Method: Randomised Sensors:

Dummy Value: 32702 Dimensions Survey Size (meters): 381 m x 492 m

0.15 m Source GPS Points: 3145438 Active: 3145432, Recorded:

Stats

X&Y Interval:

Max: -3.30 1.17 Min· Std Dev: Mean: 0.02

0.00 18.723 ha Median: Composite Area Surveyed Area: PROGRAM 9.2162 ha Name TerraSurveyor Version: 3.0.37.0

GPS based Proce4 Base Layer.

- 2 Unit Conversion Layer (UTM to OSGB36).
- 3 DeStripe Median Traverse:
- 4 Clip from -3.00 to 3.00 nT

Appendix D – digital archive

Archaeological Surveys Ltd hold the primary digital archive at their offices in Wiltshire. Data are backed-up onto an on-site data storage drive and at the earliest opportunity data are copied to CD ROM for storage onsite and off-site.

A PDF copy will be supplied to the West Sussex Historic Environment Record with greyscale images and abstraction layers made available on request. The report will also be uploaded to OASIS, the online system for reporting archaeological investigations and linking research outputs and archives.

Archive contents:

File type	Naming scheme	Description
Data	J971-mag.asc J971-mag.xcp J971-mag-proc.xcp	Raw data as ASCII CSV TerraSurveyor raw data TerraSurveyor minimally processed data
Graphics	J971-mag-proc.tif	Image in TIF format
Drawing	J971-[version number].dwg	CAD file in 2018 dwg format
Report	J971 report.odt	Report text in LibreOffice odt format

Table 2: Archive metadata

Appendix E – CAD layers for abstraction and interpretation plots

The table below sets out Archaeological Surveys Ltd CAD layer names with associated colours and graphical content. Where CAD files are available layers may be extracted for further CAD/GIS use. Note: hatched polygon boundaries are contained within layers with the RGB colour code 254, 255, 255 (near white) in order to prevent their visibility.

Report sub-heading and associated CAD layer names		ur with RGB index	Layer content		
Anomalies with archaeological potential					
AS-ABST MAG POS DISCRETE ARCHAEOLOGY		Red 255,0,0	Solid donut, point or polygon (solid)		
AS-ABST MAG POS LINEAR ARCHAEOLOGY		Red 255,0,0	Polyline or polygon (solid)		
Anomalies with an uncertain origin					
AS-ABST MAG POS LINEAR UNCERTAIN		255,127,0	Line, polyline or polygon (solid)		
Anomalies associated with magnetic debris					
AS-ABST MAG DEBRIS		132, 132, 132	Polygon (cross hatched ANSI37)		
AS-ABST MAG STRONG DIPOLAR		132, 132, 132	Solid donut, point or polygon (solid)		

nomalies with a modern origin				
AS-ABST MAG DISTURBANCE		132, 132, 132	Polygon (hatched ANSI31)	
Anomalies with a natural origin				
AS-ABST MAG NATURAL FEATURES		204,178,102	Polygon (stipple)	

Table 3: CAD layering

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