

H1 SITE, MILLBURN ROAD, OLDMELDRUM

Report on archaeological evaluation and metal-detector survey



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SUMMARY

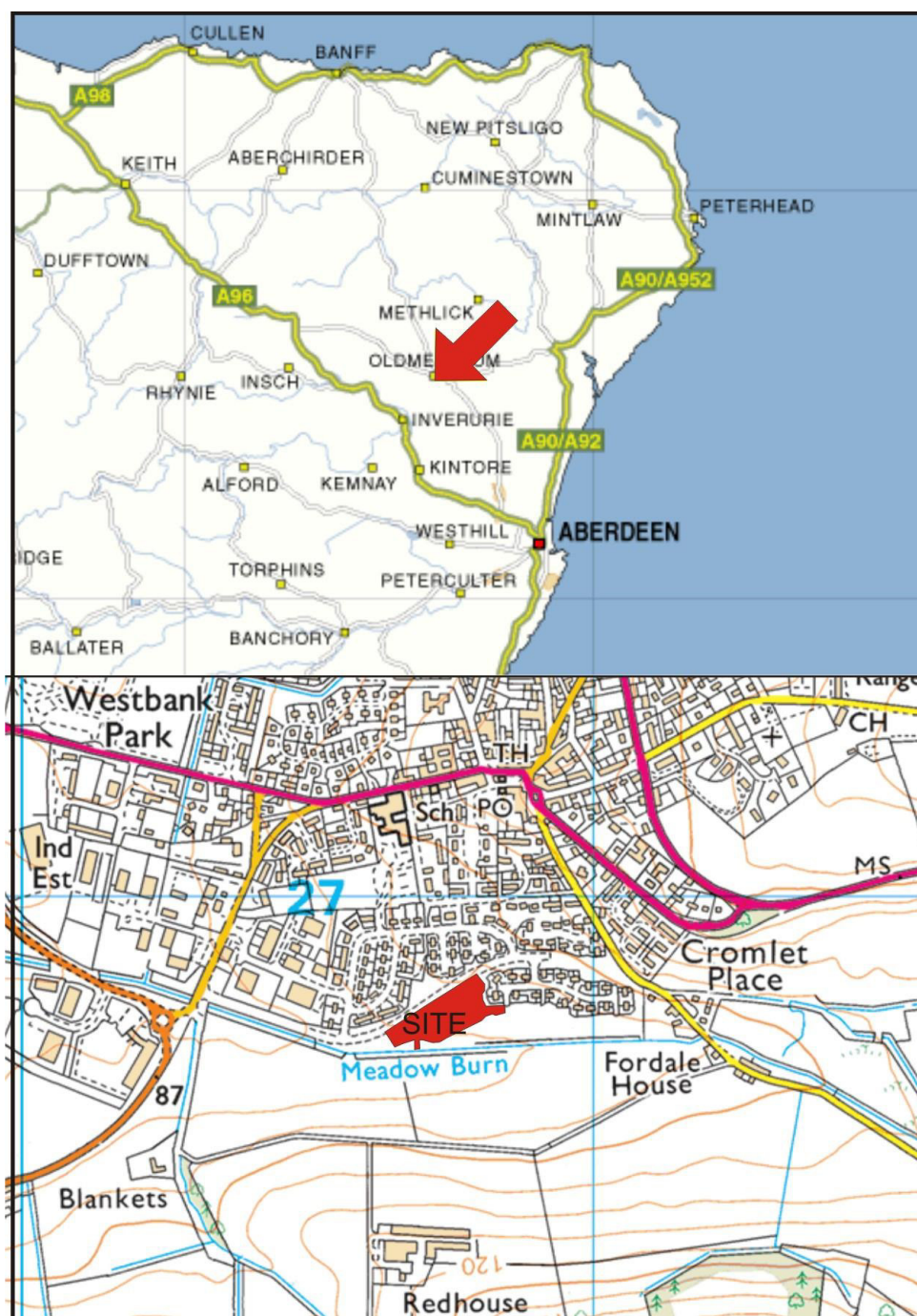
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There were no medieval finds from the site and the west end had been very waterlogged in the pre-modern period with flooding from the neighbouring Meadow Burn. It is therefore recommended that no further archaeological work is required during the current planning application.

1 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The site (illus 1) is bounded on the north by Millburn Road, on the east by the Meadows Vale housing estate, and on the south and west by open farmland and the Meadow Burn. It is centred on NGR NJ 8074 2679, at 88-92m OD in the parish of Meldrum.
- 1.2 The work was commissioned by Fiona Grubb, Aberdeenshire Council. An application APP/2016/2444 to Aberdeenshire Council for 26 dwellinghouses. This should include, but is not limited to, a metal detector survey followed by a 5-7% archaeological trial trenching evaluation.
- 1.3 All the archaeological work was carried out in the context of Scottish Planning Policy (SPP) Planning Advice Note (PAN 2/2011) and Historic Environment Scotland's Policy Statement (HESPS) which state that archaeological remains should be regarded as part of the environment to be protected and managed.



Illus 1 Location plan (Contains Ordnance Survey data © Crown copyright and database right 2017)

2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL BACKGROUND

- 2.1 There are no Scheduled Monuments within 1km of the proposed development.
- 2.2 The proposed development site lies within the designated battlefield area of the Battle of Barra (Aberdeenshire SMR ref no: NJ72NE0004), the site of an early 14th-century battle. The site is considered to be of regional significance. There is the potential for artefacts and features relating to the battle, or earlier features, to survive in this area (Herbert 2017). The Battle of Barra, fought between King Robert the Bruce and Comyn, Earl of Buchan, on the 23rd May 1308. Accounts of the battle are sparse and offer little detail about the fighting. Following the death of Edward I in 1307, Bruce took the opportunity presented by a lack of attention from the new English King, Edward II, to reduce internal opposition to his rule and take full control of the kingdom. In the autumn and winter of 1307, Bruce attacked the strongholds of the Comyns and their supporters in the north-east, but fell ill at Christmas 1307. By May, he was still unwell and quartered outside Inverurie, with John Comyn, Earl of Buchan, mustering at Oldmeldrum. The first hostile action was in the early morning of 23 May, when Sir David de Brechin attacked a detachment of Bruce's men that were in Inverurie, although most of Bruce's men were outside the town. Bruce's army formed up and marched towards Oldmeldrum, where Comyn and Sir John Mowbray were drawn up below Barra Hill on the road between Inverurie and Oldmeldrum. Comyn and his men were aware of Bruce's illness and seem to have assumed that he would not be present in the fighting. However, as Bruce's army arrived, they could see Bruce on horseback in the midst of his army. According to the sources, this unexpected appearance of Bruce so discomfited Comyn and his supporters that they started to edge back; this was enough to cause the levies to break and they scattered. Bruce's army charged what was left of Comyn's line, and the fighting very rapidly became a complete rout. Many of Comyn's followers were killed beside the boggy hollow of the Lochter Burn, now known as Bruce's Field. Comyn fled towards Fyvie and then Turriff, finally making his way to England where he subsequently died. Numbers of participants are hard to judge, but Barbour's nearly contemporary account gave Bruce 700 men against Comyn with 1000 men. There is no record of the casualty figures, but the fact the battle quickly degenerated into a rout would suggest that there were fatalities amongst Comyn's men and few on Bruce's side. The field was said to contain a number of small elliptical trenches, in one of which was found an English bill-hook (Aberdeenshire SMR online).
- 2.3 Several archaeological projects have taken place in the vicinity of the proposed development. At Coutens (SMR no NJ82NW0083) an archaeological evaluation was undertaken by the CFA in January 2001. 87 trenches were opened in the process. The shallow depth of topsoil and the presence of ploughmarks scored into the subsoil surface indicates less substantial features would have been ploughed out. The trial trenching located few artefacts or features of archaeological significance with the exception of two isolated pits of unspecified date and a modern pit. The finds recovered from these features are consistent with post medieval midden spreading practices. Aerial photography had indicated extensive rig and furrow remains and this was confirmed by the evaluation. The

furrows do not respect current field boundaries nor the other field boundaries visible on aerial photographs and maps. It is possible they represent Medieval or later agricultural land use (Cameron 2001, 11-12).

- 2.4 Also at Coutens are cropmarks (NJ82NW0076) of a possible ring ditch shows as a dark semi-circle at NJ8028 2758. There are also traces of rigs and earlier field boundaries showing over the same field to the south and east.
- 2.5 A trial trenching evaluation was carried out by CFA in 2005 along the proposed route of a new by-pass road round the north of Oldmeldrum (NJ82NW0113). A total of 33 trenches were excavated, but the majority uncovered no archaeological remains. Three trenches (10, 11 and 17) revealed the remains of three prehistoric ring-ditch houses; subsequent excavation and watching briefs recorded ring-ditch houses and pits, dated to the late Bronze Age to Iron Age periods (NJ82NW0105) (White and Johnson 2005, 17-18).
- 2.6 The remains of Oldmeldrum Station (SMR no NJ82NW0043) which was opened in 1856 by the Inverurie and Old Meldrum Junction Railway lie to the NW of the proposed development site. Formerly a single platform terminus; now closed. A wooden single storey platform building and a brick goods shed still survive.
- 2.7 Cropmarks at Whitefield (NJ72NE0085) Possible large circular enclosure showing as a cropmark. The old railway line from Inverurie to Oldmeldrum shows as a cropmark just to the south of the enclosure.
- 2.8 There are several finds from the Oldmeldrum area. A socketed axe (HES NJ82NW 17) A Late Bronze Age, squat type, socketed axe from Old Meldrum (NJ 80 27) is in the Aberdeen Regional Museum (Coles 1962). It is a socketed axe, corroded, cleaned, bronze colour, untrimmed (?), haft ribs reach half-way up from socket bottom; length 62mm, mouth 23x27mm, cutting edge 37mm, weight 110gms. Regional Mus., Aberdeen (52.10.1) (Schmidt and Burgess 1981).
- 2.9 Flat bronze axe (type Bc), measuring 104mm in length, the butt 26mm, cutting edge 44mm (SMR NJ82NW0067; HES NJ82NW44). It is an Early Bronze Age flat axe (type Bc) from Old Meldrum (Oldmeldrum: NJ 80 27) is in the Art Gallery and Industrial Museum, Aberdeen (Accession no: 52.10.4) (Coles 1971, 80, no 29). Flanged axe, faceted sides, brown green skin partly preserved; length 104mm, butt 26mm, cutting edge 48mm, weight 240gms (Schmidt and Burgess 1981, 66 no 352).
- 2.10 Stone axe (SMR NJ82NW0022; HES NJ82NW23); there is a stone axe from Meldrum (NJ 80 27) in Aberdeen Regional Museum. Information from Accession Register, Aberdeen Regional Museum.
- 2.11 Spindle whorl (HES NJ82NW 19) A spindle-whorl of sandstone, 1 5/8ins diameter, from Old Meldrum (NJ 80 27), was donated to the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland (NMA) in 1889. (Proc Soc Antiq Scot 1889). The Catalogue of the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland published in 1892 details a greenstone spindle whorl, measuring 1 5/8 inches (41mm) in diameter, which was donated in 1888 by James Ellis. This is undoubtedly the same whorl that was described as being made of sandstone in the proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland (Proc Soc Antiq Scot 1888-89, 23). The accession number of the whorl is RMS: BE 209. Another whorl from Oldmeldrum is in the Marischal Museum, Aberdeen (ABDUA: 18903). It measures 45mm in diameter by 12mm in thickness.
- 2.12 Arrowheads (SMR NJ82NW0017; HES NJ82NW18); two lozenge-shaped flint arrowheads and one barbed and tanged arrowhead. Two lozenge-shaped flint arrowheads, and one barbed and tanged, from Old Meldrum (Oldmeldrum: NJ 80 27)

were donated to the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland (NMAS) in 1889 by James Ellis (Proc Soc Antiq Scot 1889, 123). Another barbed and tanged flint arrowhead from Oldmeldrum is in Dundee Museum (Accession no: 1966-130). It is 4.9cm long (Coutts 1971, 89 no 34). Also from Oldmeldrum comes a flint scraper, which was in the collection of D Anderson, Aberdeen, sold in 1898 (Anderson 1898, 15 no 374).

- 2.13 Carved stone ball (HES NJ82NW 16) A stone ball (or balls) from Old Meldrum (NJ 80 27) was exhibited at Mintlaw in 1894 by Mr W Smith, Maud (Buchan Field Club 1895, 115). The present whereabouts of this stone ball is unknown.
- 2.14 The proposed development has been agricultural land on the early maps (Illus 3-8), parts of two fields on the 1st Edition OS map (Illus 9) and a footpath running through the site on the 2nd and 3rd Edition OS maps (Illus 10-11). There are no features visible on the NCAP online aerial photograph website (Illus 12).

3 METAL DETECTOR SURVEY

A metal detector survey was undertaken across the proposed development site on 23 March 2017 due to the possibility of the site being within the area of the early 14th-century Battle of Barra. Metal detector signals were verified by an exploratory excavation to be limited to the depth of the topsoil to recover the artefacts. All artefacts recovered were of very recent date (mainly foil, bottle tops and reinforcing bar) and a metal detector survey was also carried out during trenching on 10 April 2017. Finds were recovered from the spoil of Trenches 1-4 and 9. These include two buckles, both 18th century or later, one 18th-century halfpenny, 18th century or later button with rear shank, late ?silver machine-made brooch, lead waste, iron plough and tractor parts, nails and bolts, all probably from the neighbouring housing estate.

All recovered artefacts will be kept and declared for Treasure Trove (Herbert 2017).



Illus 2 SF1 small buckle, 18th century?



Illus 3 SF2 Large modern buckle



Illus 4 SF3 halfpenny George? 18th century



Illus 5 SF4 copper alloy one piece button with wire loop shank, 18th century or later



Illus 6 SF5 ?silver brooch (front) showing insets for decoration, machined, 19th century or later?

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2	Spoil heap	Large modern buckle 19 th century or later
3	Spoil heap	halfpenny George? 18 th century
4	Spoil heap	copper alloy one piece button with wire loop shank, 18 th century or later

5	Spoil heap	?silver brooch (front) showing insets for decoration, machined, 19 th century or later?
6	Spoil heap	Copper alloy one piece button with wire loop, former for fabric covered button
7	Spoil heap	Small copper alloy buckle 19 th century?
8	Spoil heap	Lump of lead waste, rounded base from a crucible?



Illus 7 Rear of SF6 copper alloy former for fabric button with loop



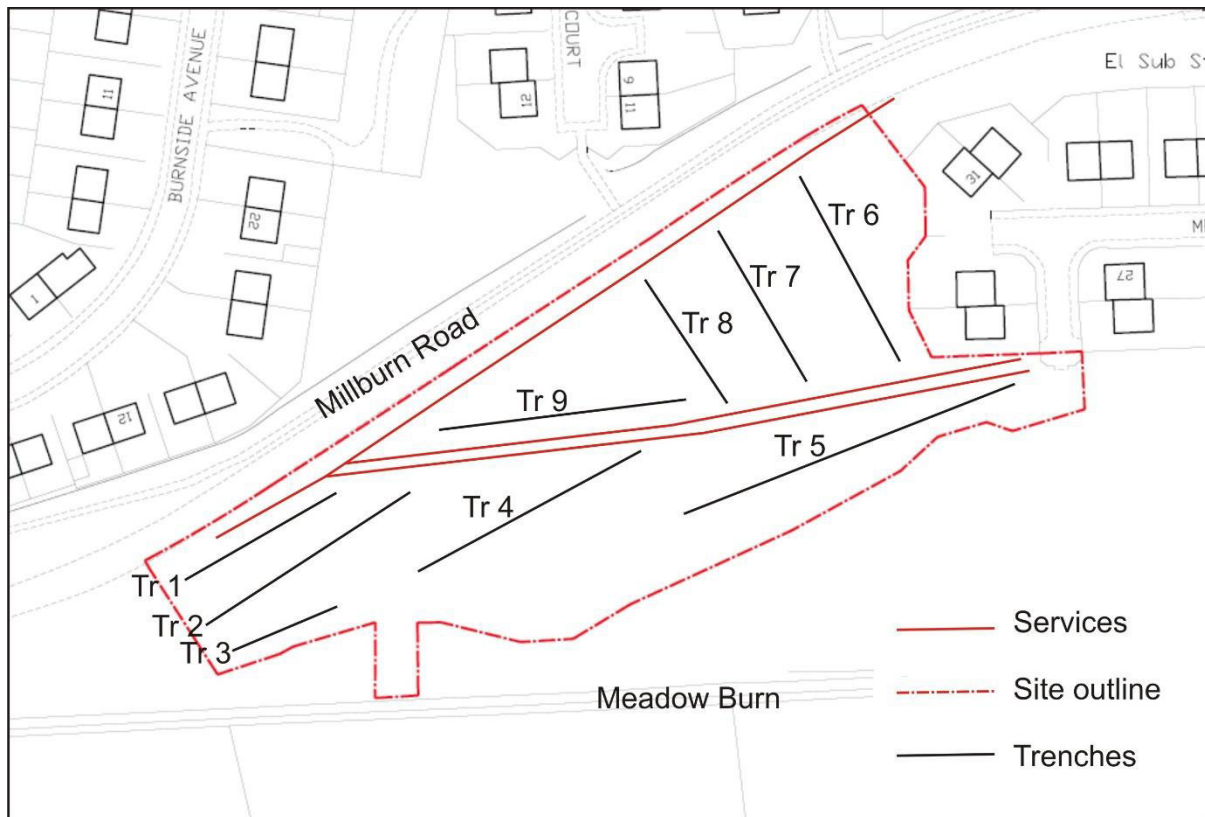
Illus 8 SF7 copper alloy buckle



Illus 9 SF8 lead waste

4 FIELD EVALUATION.

A programme of machine-cut and hand-cleaned trial-trenches was carried out on 10 April 2017. The site is approximately 2 hectares in size and nine trenches were excavated with a 2m ditching bucket and a 14 ton tracked machine representing 5% of the area of the proposed development (Illus 10).



Illus 10 Site plan showing proposed development (*copyright Aberdeenshire Council*)

Trenches 1-4

Trenches 1-4 were excavated in the W end of the proposed development. The original topsoil is 0.2m deep above a waterlogged iron pan rich clay and gravel with up to 1.2m of overburden dumped in the late 20th century (possibly when the neighbouring housing estate was constructed).



Illus 11 Trench 1 showing 0.2m original topsoil at base of trench on top of waterlogged gravels and 1.2m material dumped on top; facing NE

Trench 5

WSW-ENE trench; the WSW end of the trench had topsoil 0.2m deep above a waterlogged iron pan rich clay and gravel with 1.6m of overburden dumped in last couple of decades (possibly when the neighbouring housing estate was constructed). The ground level rises steeply within this trench and the ENE end of the trench has 0.2m deep topsoil with sandy natural subsoil with pockets of soil in stone holes with modern finds in topsoil.



Illus 12 Trench 5 showing 1.8m deep deposits at WSW end with natural ground level rising to ENE; facing ENE



Illus 13 Trench 5 ENE end showing 0.2m deep topsoil with sand natural and pockets of soil in stone holes; modern finds in topsoil; facing WSW

Trenches 6-8

These NNW-SSE trenches between the two service trenches were 0.2-0.3m deep with modern finds in the disturbed topsoil and undulating sandy subsoil.

Trench 9

Trench across the centre of the site parallel to the main drain. The W end of this trench was 1.5m deep with 0.2m original topsoil under dumped soil and rubble with the E end being 0.3m deep loose topsoil on sandy subsoil.

5 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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APPENDIX 1

Archaeological and historical sites within 1km of the proposed site (HES and Aberdeenshire HER online)

Dataset	Dataset UID	Name	Detail
HERABER	NJ82NW0108	NORTH MEADOWS	
HERABER	NJ82NW0041	FORDALEHOUSE	
HERABER	NJ82NW0042	OLD BREWERY, URQUHART ROAD,...	
HERABER	NJ82NW0043	OLDMELDRUM STATION	
HERABER	NJ82NW0044	GLENGARIOCH DISTILLERY	
HERABER	NJ82NW0045	MORRIS'S HOTEL,OLDMELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ82NW0047	OLDMELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ72NE0004	BATTLE OF BARRA	
HERABER	NJ82NW0056	PARISH CHURCH, OLDMELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ82NW0076	COUTENS	
HERABER	NJ72NE0085	WHITEFIELD	
HERABER	NJ82NW0077	BARRA HILL	
HERABER	NJ82NW0083	COUTENS	
HERABER	NJ82NW0002	REDHOUSE	
HERABER	NJ82NW0014	OLDMELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ82NW0015	OLDMELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ82NW0016	OLDMELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ82NW0017	OLDMELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ82NW0018	OLDMELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ82NW0019	NEWBARNES	
HERABER	NJ82NW0022	MELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ82NW0040	OLDMELDRUM SQUARE	
HERABER	NJ82NW0081	WESTLEA	
HERABER	NJ82NW0069	GAS STREET, OLDMELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ82NW0070	OLDMELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ82NW0082	OLDMELDRUM WAR MEMORIAL	
HERABER	NJ82NW0067	OLDMELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ82NW0112	4 KING STREET, OLDMELDRUM	
HERABER	NJ82NW0109	CROMLET HOUSE	
RCAHMS	NJ 81308 27283	OLD MELDRUM, KIRK BRAE, MELDRUM PARISH CHURCH AND BURIAL-GROUND	BURIAL GROUND (PERIOD UNASSIGNED), CHURCH (PERIOD UNASSIGNED). ALTNAME = KIRKHILL, OLD MELDRUM
RCAHMS	NJ 80340 27080	OLDMELDRUM, EAVERN PLACE, OLDMELDRUM STATION	RAILWAY STATION (19-20TH CENTURY). ALTNAME = OLD MELDRUM STATION
RCAHMS	NJ 81650 26510	SCOUTBOG, SAWMILL	SAW MILL (PERIOD UNASSIGNED)

RCAHMS	NJ 80918 27233	OLD MELDRUM, URQUHART ROAD, BREWERY	BREWERY (PERIOD UNASSIGNED). ALTNAME = OLDMELDRUM, BREWERY
RCAHMS	NJ 80280 27580	COUTENS	FIELD BOUNDARY(S) (PERIOD UNASSIGNED), RIG AND FURROW (MEDIEVAL), RING DITCH (PERIOD UNASSIGNED)(POSSIBLE)
RCAHMS	NJ 80280 27630	COUTENS	FARMHOUSE (PERIOD UNASSIGNED), FARMSTEAD (PERIOD UNASSIGNED). ALTNAME = BALCAIRN ESTATE
RCAHMS	NJ 81110 27470	OLDMELDRUM, ALBERT TERRACE, CORLIC	HOUSE (20TH CENTURY)
RCAHMS	NJ 80840 27310	OLDMELDRUM, BAKER STREET, PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	BUILDING (PERIOD UNASSIGNED)(POSSIBLE)
RCAHMS	NJ 81130 27540	OLDMELDRUM, ALBERT TERRACE, HOUSING	HOUSING ESTATE (MODERN). ALTNAME = URQUHART ROAD, PARK CRESCENT
RCAHMS	NJ 80230 26520	BLANKETS	FARMSTEAD (PERIOD UNASSIGNED)
RCAHMS	NJ 81262 27197	OLD MELDRUM, KIRKHILL DRIVE, KIRKHILL HOUSE	HOUSE (19TH CENTURY)
RCAHMS	NJ 80986 27578	OLD MELDRUM, 9 DISTILLERY ROAD	HOUSE (PERIOD UNASSIGNED)
RCAHMS	NJ 80838 27228	OLDMELDRUM, 14 MARKET SQUARE, CLYDESDALE BANK	BANK (FINANCIAL) (PERIOD UNASSIGNED). ALTNAME = CLYDESDALE AND NORTH BANK
RCAHMS	NJ 80855 27242	OLDMELDRUM, 3 BAKER STREET, FERNLEA	HOUSE (19TH CENTURY)
RCAHMS	NJ 80880 27245	OLDMELDRUM, 8 BAKER STREET	HOUSE (PERIOD UNASSIGNED)
RCAHMS	NJ 80955 27363	OLDMELDRUM, 1 JAMES STREET	TERM PENDING
RCAHMS	NJ 80870 27440	OLDMELDRUM, 18 KING STREET, MATLOCK	HOUSE (18TH CENTURY)
RCAHMS	NJ 81000 27200	OLDMELDRUM, KIRK STREET, GENERAL	GENERAL VIEW
RCAHMS	NJ 81050 27240	OLDMELDRUM, 27 KIRK STREET	TERM PENDING
RCAHMS	NJ 80928 27243	OLDMELDRUM, 1 MAJOR LANE	HOUSE (18TH CENTURY)

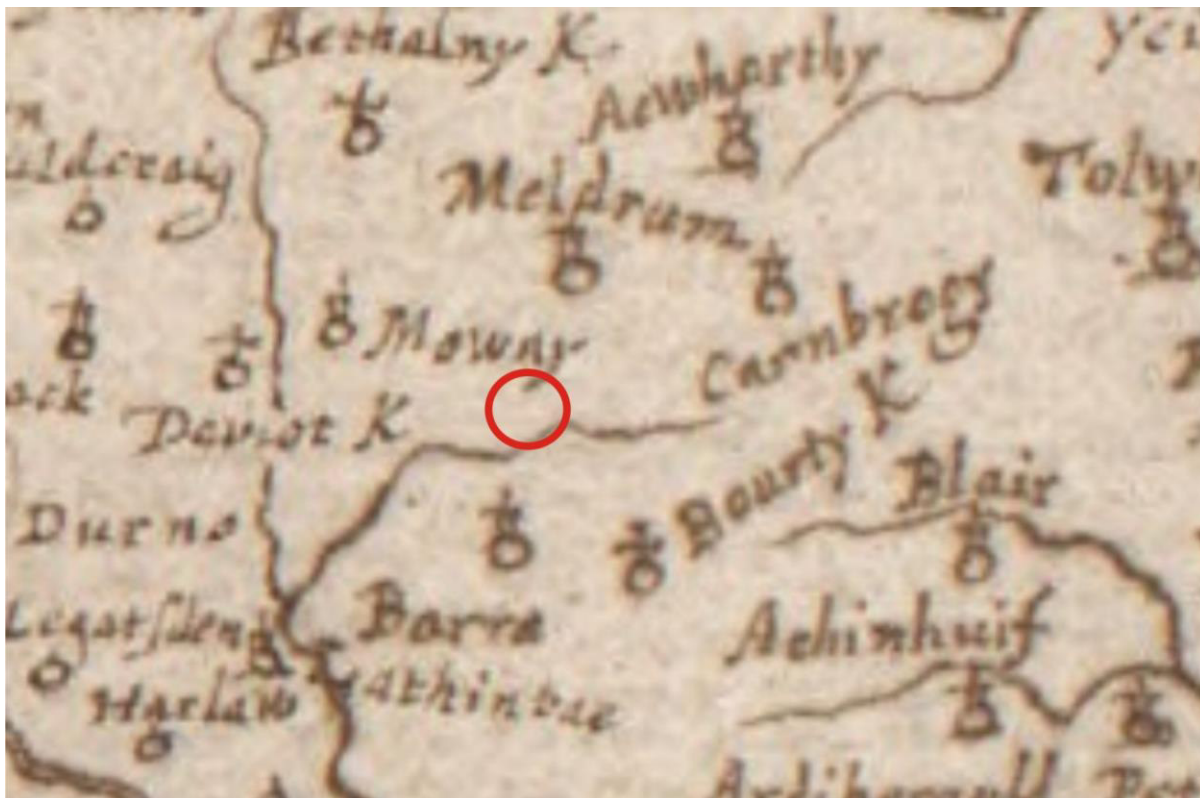
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RCAHMS	NJ 81079 27075	OLD MELDRUM, SOUTH ROAD, CROMLET HILL	HOUSE (19TH CENTURY). ALTNAME = CROMLETHILL
RCAHMS	NJ 81035 27120	OLD MELDRUM, SOUTH ROAD, CROMLET BANK	HOUSE (19TH CENTURY)
RCAHMS	NJ 80931 27265	OLD MELDRUM, URQUHART ROAD, INN	INN (PERIOD UNASSIGNED), SHOP (PERIOD UNASSIGNED). ALTNAME = H PAULINE AND FRASER'S GARAGE PROPERTY, 6 MAJOR LANE
RCAHMS	NJ 81306 27328	OLDMELDRUM, WAR MEMORIAL	WAR MEMORIAL (20TH CENTURY)
RCAHMS	NJ 80911 27171	OLDMELDRUM, 4 SOUTH ROAD, FINTRY	HOUSE (19TH CENTURY). ALTNAME = KIRK STREET, WILSON
RCAHMS	NJ 80670 26380	REDHOUSE	FARMHOUSE (PERIOD UNASSIGNED), FARMSTEAD (PERIOD UNASSIGNED)
RCAHMS	NJ 80000 27000	OLDMELDRUM	AXEHEAD(S) (STONE). ALTNAME = OLD MELDRUM
RCAHMS	NJ 80000 27000	OLDMELDRUM	STONE BALL (STONE). ALTNAME = OLD MELDRUM
RCAHMS	NJ 80000 27000	OLDMELDRUM	SOCKETED AXEHEAD (BRONZE). ALTNAME = OLD MELDRUM
RCAHMS	NJ 80000 27000	OLDMELDRUM	ARROWHEAD(S) (FLINT), SCRAPER (TOOL) (FLINT). ALTNAME = OLD MELDRUM
RCAHMS	NJ 80000 27000	OLDMELDRUM	SPINDLE WHORL. ALTNAME = OLD MELDRUM
RCAHMS	NJ 80600 26300	REDHOUSE	AXEHEAD (STONE)
RCAHMS	NJ 81100 27700	NEWBARNES	AXEHEAD (FLINT)

RCAHMS	NJ 80000 27000	MELDRUM	AXEHEAD (STONE). ALTNAME = OLD MELDRUM
RCAHMS	NJ 80890 27210	OLDMELDRUM, TOWN SQUARE	WATER PIPE (PERIOD UNASSIGNED). ALTNAME = OLD MELDRUM
RCAHMS	NJ 80000 27000	OLDMELDRUM	FLAT AXEHEAD (BRONZE). ALTNAME = OLD MELDRUM
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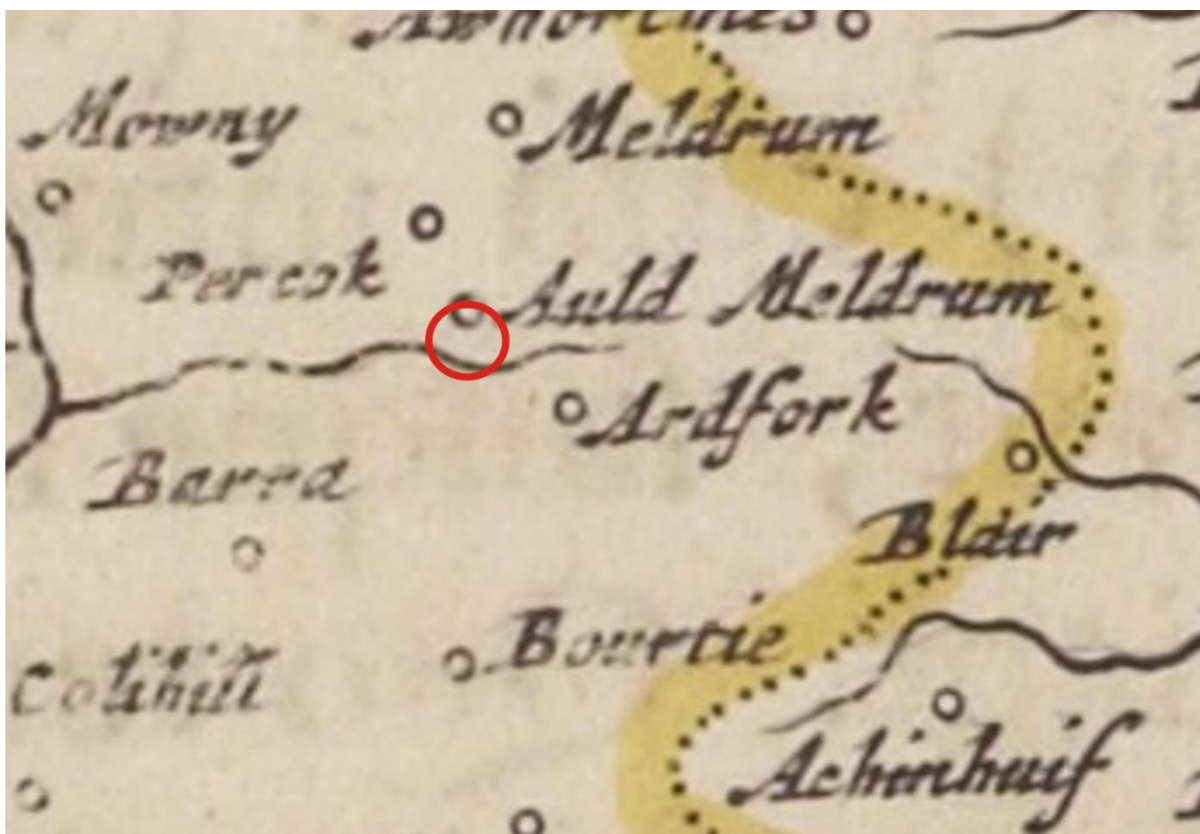
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APPENDIX 2 MAPS



Illus 14 Gordon's Aberdeen, Banf [sic], Murrey [sic] &c. to Inverness : [and] Fra the north water to Ross / Robertus Gordonius a Strathloch describebat 1640 showing area of site outlined in red (copyright National Library of Scotland)



Illus 15 Blaeu's Duo Vicecomitatus Aberdonia & Banfia, una cum Regionibus & terrarum tractibus sub iis comprehensis / Auctore Roberto Gordonio à Straloch. Description of the two Shyres Aberdene and Banf, with such Countreys and Provinces as ar comprehended un 1654 showing area of site outlined in red (copyright National Library of Scotland)



Illus 16 Moll's The Shires of Bamf [i.e. Banff] and Aberdeen 1745 showing area of site outlined in red (copyright National Library of Scotland)



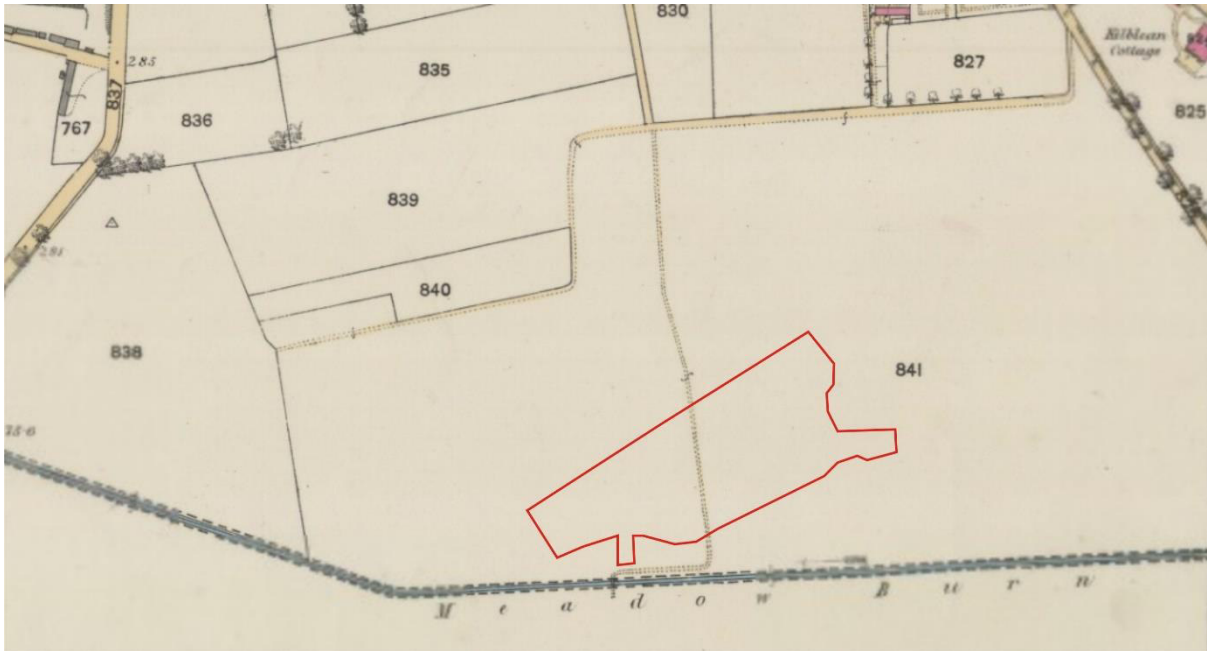
Illus 17 Thomson's Northern Part of Aberdeen & Banff Shires. Southern Part 1826 showing area of site outlined in red (copyright National Library of Scotland)



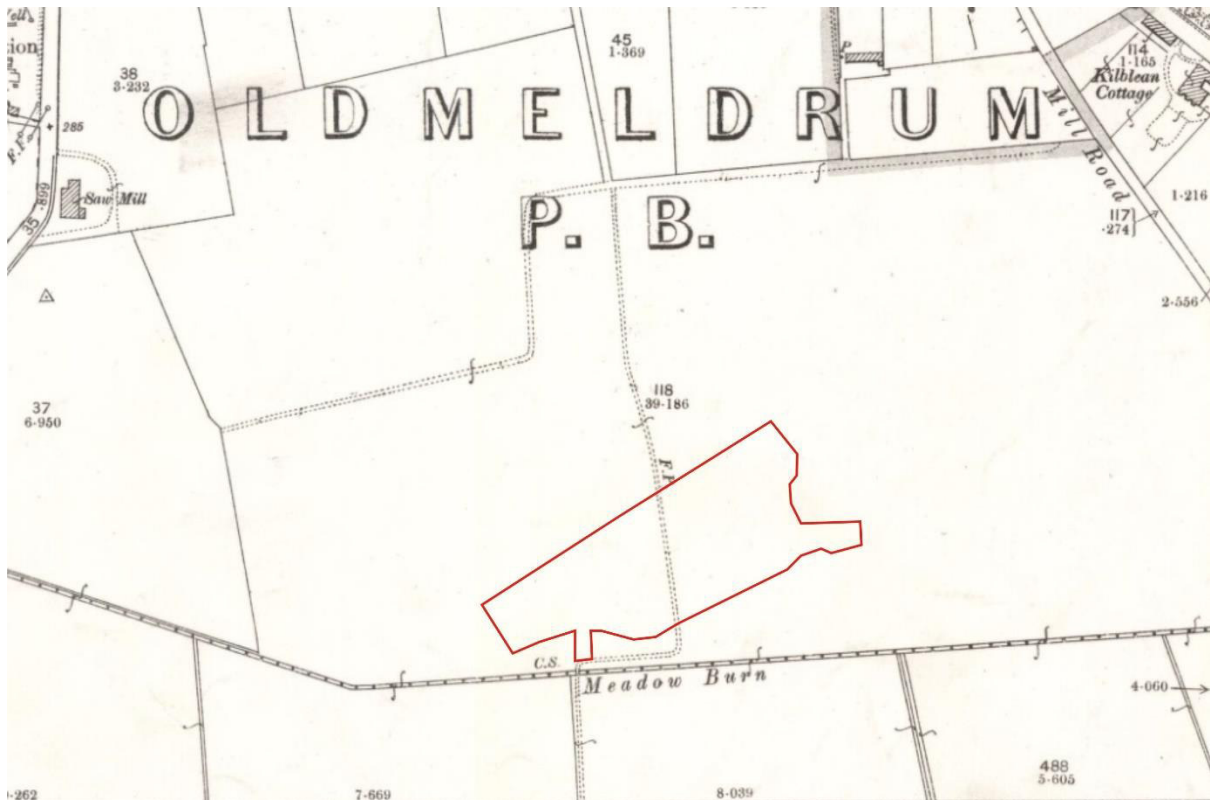
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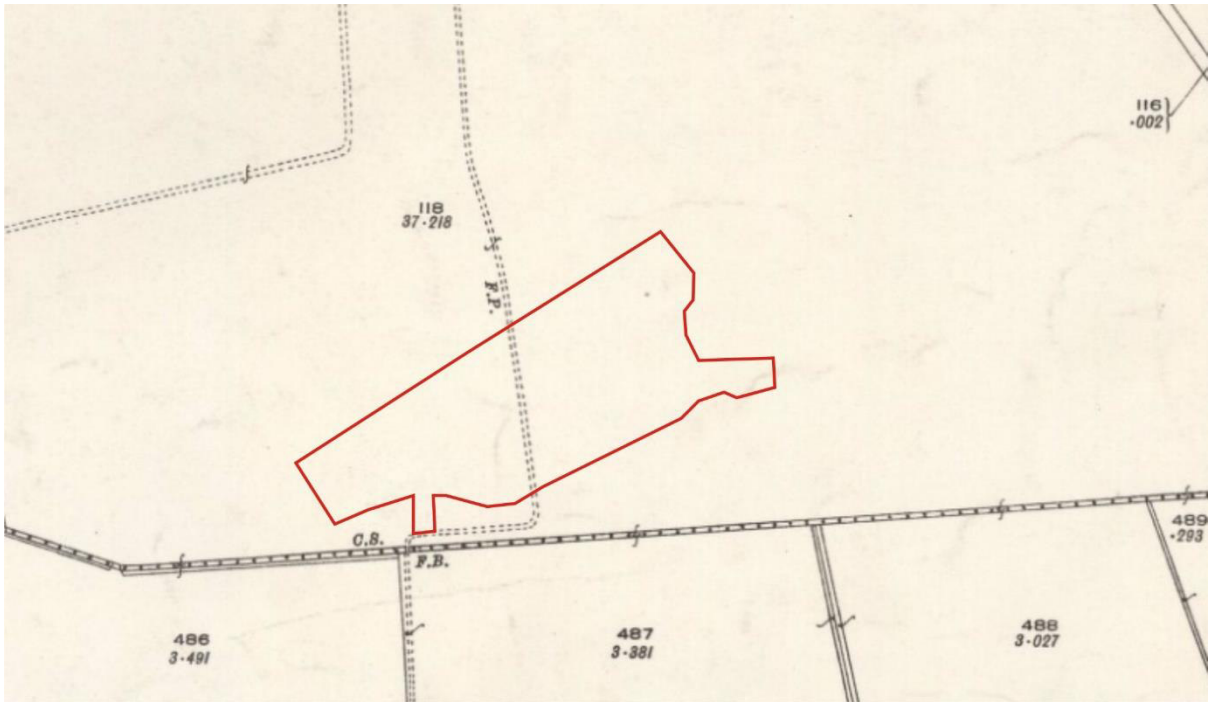
Illus 19 Robertson's Topographical and military map of the counties of Aberdeen, Banff and Kincardine 1822 showing area of site outlined in red (copyright National Library of Scotland)



Illus 20 First Edition OS map showing site outline in red (*copyright National Library of Scotland*) Aberdeen Sheet XLVI.5 (Meldrum) Survey date: 1867 Publication date: 1870



Illus 21 Second Edition OS map showing site outline in red (*copyright National Library of Scotland*) Aberdeenshire 046.05 (includes: Bourtie; Meldrum) Publication date: 1900 Revised: 1899



Illus 22 Third Edition OS map showing site outline in red (*copyright National Library of Scotland*) Aberdeenshire 046.05 (includes: Bourtie; Meldrum) Publication date: 1926 Revised: 1924 Levelled: 1899



Illus 23 1988 aerial photograph with site outline in red; facing N (Copyright HES NCAP) Date: 14 May 1988 Date known Location: Oakhill; Meldrum; ABERDEENSHIRE; SCOTLAND Coordinates (lat, lon): 57.334439, -2.291474 Description: Part of the All Scotland Survey. UNI: NCAP-000-000-146-557 Sortie: ASS/61688 Frame: 0050 Corporate bodies Planning & Mapping Limited Image type: Vertical Scale: 24000

APPENDIX 3 PHOTOGRAPHS

Photo no	Description	Facing
DSC_8290	Trench 1 location with drains and electrical services running along the street	ENE
DSC_8291	Trench 1 showing 1.6m deep subsoil	ENE
DSC_8292-4	Trench 1 W end showing 1m deep waterlogged subsoil with 0.2m deep topsoil under dumped soil and rubble	NE
DSC_8295-7	Trench 1 centre showing 1.4m deep waterlogged subsoil with 0.2m deep topsoil under dumped soil and rubble	N
DSC_8298-99	Trench 2 from WSW end	ENE
DSC_8300-2	Trench 2 from WSW end	NE
DSC_8303-4	Trench 2 WSW end showing waterlogged grey topsoil under dumped soil and rubble	NNW
DSC_8305-6	Trench 2 WSW end showing waterlogged grey topsoil under dumped soil and rubble	NW
DSC_8307-8	Trench 3 1.5m deep upfill	ENE
DSC_8309	Trench 3 1.5m deep upfill	E
DSC_8310-12	Metal detecting Tr 2	
DSC_8313-15	Trench 4 SW end	ENE
DSC_8316-17	Trench 4 SW end 1.8m deep	E
DSC_8318-19	Trench 4 SW end 1.8m deep	ENE
DSC_8320	Trench 4	E
DSC_8321-3	Trench 4	WNW
DSC_8324-5	Trench 4 showing drier ENE end with sandy natural subsoil	WSW
DSC_8326	Trench 5 WSW end with waterlogged grey gravels and iron pan above natural subsoil	ENE
DSC_8327-9	Trench 5 WSW end with waterlogged grey gravels and iron pan above natural subsoil	E
DSC_8330-2	Trench 5 central area with disturbed topsoil with dump of modern nails probably from building neighbouring housing estate	NNW
DSC_8333-5	Trench 5 ENE end with shallow loose disturbed topsoil with pockets of soil in stone holes	WSW
DSC_8336	Trench 6 shallow topsoil, plough marks and pockets of soil in stone holes	SSE
DSC_8337-8	Trench 6 shallow topsoil, plough marks and pockets of soil in stone holes	NNW
DSC_8339	Trench 6 location with neighbouring houses (28-31 Millburn Rd)	NE
DSC_8340	Trench 5	SE
DSC_8341	Trench 5	SW
DSC_8342	Tr 5 (left) Tr 1/2 (centre) SSE end Tr 7 (right) with manhole cover for water services running through site	WSW
DSC_8343-4	Trench 7	NNW
DSC_8345	Trench 7	SSE
DSC_8346	Trench 8	SSE

DSC_8347-50	Site looking towards Tr 9	W/NW
DSC_8351-2	Trench 9 E end showing shallow topsoil	W
DSC_8353-4	Trench 9 W end showing 1m deep topsoil	E
DSC_8638	Medium copper alloy buckle, 18 th century or later	
DSC_8643	Late large buckle	
DSC_8644-8	Halfpenny, 18 th century?	
DSC_8649-58	Copper alloy button, one piece with wire loop, 18 th century or later	
DSC_8659-62	Machine-made ?silver brooch 19 th century or later	
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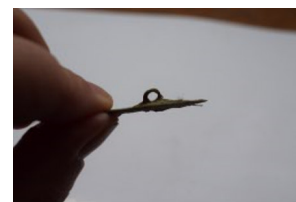
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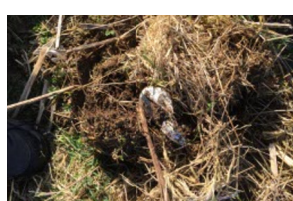
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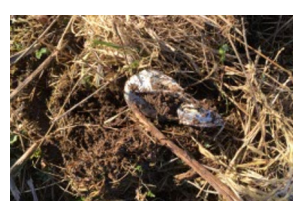
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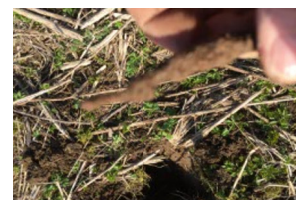
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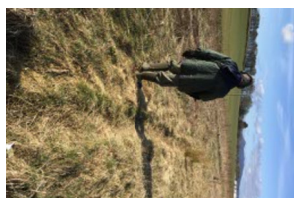
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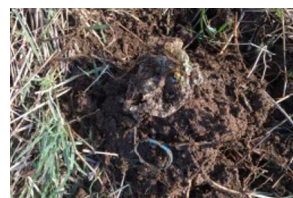
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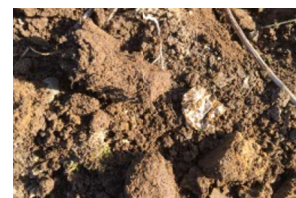
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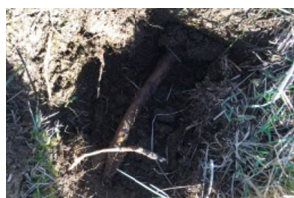
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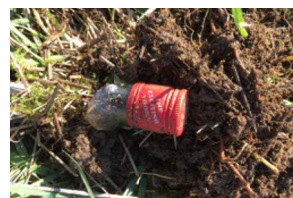
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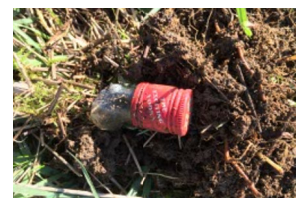
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