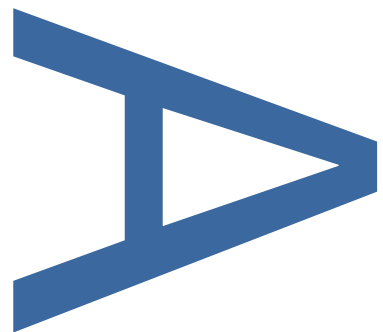
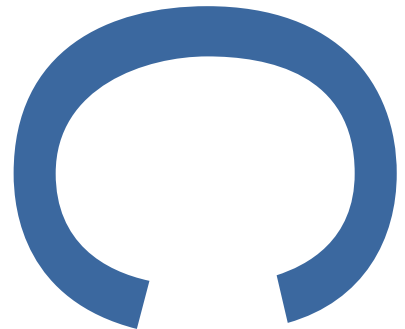


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1 ABSTRACT

Pre Construct Archaeology Ltd. (PCA) was commissioned by Archaeology Collective to undertake an archaeological evaluation on land known as the Island Site, Beggarwood Lane, Basingstoke, Hampshire. The Site is the subject of a development proposal and the evaluation was required by the Local Planning Authority in respect of planning permission for the development.

The evaluation was carried out in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation prepared by Archaeology Collective and comprised 11 30m X 1.8m trenches. The evaluation was carried out between the 31st January and 2nd February 2017.

The evaluation revealed no significant archaeological features or deposits. There was evidence that the Site had been disturbed previously and had been reduced in places. It is concluded that the Site retains no significant archaeological potential.

2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Project Background

2.1.1 Pre Construct Archaeology Ltd. (PCA) was commissioned by Archaeology Collective to undertake an archaeological evaluation at the 'Island Site', land off Beggarwood Lane, Basingstoke, Hampshire (**Figure 1**), hereafter 'the Site' (NGR SU 459848, 148441). The Site is the subject of a development proposal and the evaluation was required by the Local Planning Authority in respect of planning permission for the development.

2.1.2 This report provides the result of the evaluation, which comprised 11 30m X 1.8m trenches, carried out between the 31st January and 2nd February 2017. It has been prepared in accordance with the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists standard and guidance for archaeological field evaluation (CIfA 2014).

2.2 Location, Topography, Geology

2.2.1 The site is located 5.5km southwest of Basingstoke, on the south eastern edge of Hatch Warren. The Site lies to the south of Winchester Road (A30), to the west of Beggarwood Lane, to the east of Basingstoke Golf Club and to the north of Shortwoodcopse Lane.

2.2.2 The Site lies in an elevated position at approximately 165m above Ordnance Datum (aOD). The underlying natural geology is mapped as Lewes Nodular Chalk Formation, Seaford Chalk Formation and Newhaven Chalk Formation. No superficial deposits are mapped (BGS Online Viewer).

2.3 Archaeological Background

2.3.1 A desk-based assessment of the Site was prepared by Archaeology Collective (2016a). This identified the Site as having moderate to high potential to contain evidence of Bronze Age and Iron Age activity and lower potential for all other periods. The Site lies in an area of crop mark evidence and previous archaeological discoveries of later prehistoric and Romano-British date.

3 AIM

3.1 Archaeological Evaluation

- 3.1.1 The aim of the archaeological evaluation was to determine the character, extent, date, condition and significance of archaeological resources that may survive within the Site, taking account of their potential to contain biological and palaeo-environmental remains.
- 3.1.2 This document reports on the results of the evaluation and aims to provide sufficient information to inform a decision concerning the archaeological implications of the proposed development of the Site.

4 RESULTS

4.1 Introduction

4.1.1 The following presents a summary of the evaluation results based upon the Site archive, which comprises a Site diary, trench recording sheets, drawings and digital photographs. A summary of recorded contexts is provided in a Trench Index in **Appendix 1** and photographs of the trenches and trench sections in **Appendix 2**. The archive is held at PCA's Winchester office under the site code **BWBH17** and will in due course be deposited with the Hampshire Cultural Trust.

4.2 Methodology

4.2.1 The archaeological evaluation was undertaken following the methodology that was detailed in the Written Scheme of Investigation (Archaeology Collective, 2016b), which was approved on behalf of the Local Planning Authority by the Hampshire County Archaeological Officer in advance of the commencement of works.

4.2.2 The evaluation comprised the excavation of 11 trenches measuring 30m x 1.8m (**Figure 2 & Plate 1**). The array of trenches was intended to provide a sample of any surviving below ground archaeological resources across the Site.

4.2.3 All the proposed trenches were opened and investigated for the presence of archaeological features and deposits. However, trenches 1, 2 and 4 were not fully excavated due to the depth and instability of modern overburden.

4.3 Summary of Deposition Sequence

4.3.1 No archaeological features, deposits or finds were revealed by the evaluation trenches.

4.3.2 The deposit sequence revealed by the trenches was inconsistent across the Site (**Figure 3, Plates 2 & 3**), sometimes displaying considerable variation within a single trench. Trench 1 revealed natural chalk at a depth of 1.7m, sealed by dark brown subsoil; this was covered by a thick layer of mixed, redeposited material including soil, chalk and modern debris (**Plate 4**) beneath a thin cover of topsoil. It is suggested that the area of trench 1 had been previously stripped of topsoil and subsequently used to heap spoil. Trenches 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 11 revealed redeposited chalk, which varied between 1.40m and 0.24m thick, beneath modern topsoil. Trenches 1, 2, 3, 4 and 11 had evidence of intact subsoil below redeposited overburden (**Plates 5 & 6**). In contrast, trenches 5, 8, 9, and 10 showed evidence of the ground having been disturbed and reduced at an earlier date; topsoil lay directly over natural chalk and was just 0.20m deep; no sub-soil was present (**Plates 7**). Deposits of clay-with-flint were seen in Trenches 10 and 11.

4.4 Conclusion

- 4.4.1 The evaluation revealed no archaeological features, deposits or finds. There was evidence that the Site had been disturbed previously and reduced in places. It is concluded that the Site retains no significant archaeological potential.

5 ARCHIVE PRERARATION AND DEPOSITION

5.1 The Site Archive

5.1.1 The Site archive, to include all project records and cultural material produced by the project, will be prepared in accordance with 'Guidelines for the Preparation of Excavation Archives for Long-term Storage' (UKIC 1990) and the Institute for Archaeologists 'Standard and Guidance for the creation, compilation, transfer and deposition of archaeological archives' (ClfA 2014). On completion of the project PCA will arrange for the archive to be deposited with the Hampshire Cultural Trust on behalf of Hampshire County Council.

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This report was prepared by Katherine Marshall with Illustrations prepared by Ray Murphy. The project was managed for PCA by Paul McCulloch.

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Appendix 1: Trench Index

Trench No.	Context	Type	Description/ Depth (m) BGL	Finds?
1	101	Topsoil	-	-
	102	Layer	(+) CBM and modern rubbish -	-
	103	Subsoil	-	-
	104	Natural	>1.5m	-
2	201	Topsoil	0.00 - 0.54m	-
	202	Natural	0.54m+	-
3	301	Topsoil	0.00 - 0.09m	-
	302	Layer	Redeposited Chalk 0.09 - 0.79m	-
	303	Subsoil	0.79m - 1.04m	-
	304	Natural	1.04+	-
4	401	Topsoil	0.00 - 0.11m	-
	402	Layer	Redeposited Chalk 0.11 - 0.80m	-
	403	Subsoil	0.80m - 0.96m	-
	404	Natural	0.96m+	-
5	501	Topsoil	0.00 - 0.16m	-
	502	Natural	0.16m+	-
6	601	Topsoil	0.00 - 0.10m	-
	602	Layer	Redeposited Chalk 0.10 - 1.10m	-
	603	Subsoil	1.10 - 1.30m	-
	604	Natural	1.30m+	-
7	701	Topsoil	0.00 - 0.20m	-
	702	Layer	Redeposited Chalk 0.20 - 0.98m	-
	703	Natural	0.98m+	-
8	801	Topsoil	0.00 - 0.05m	-
	802	Layer	Redeposited Chalk 0.05 - 0.29m	-
	803	Natural	0.29m+	-
9	901	Topsoil	0.00 - 0.57m	-
	902	Natural	0.57m+	-
10	1001	Topsoil	0.00 - 0.30m	-
	1002	Natural	0.30m+	-
11	1101	Topsoil	0.00 - 0.31m	-
	1102	Layer	Redeposited Chalk 0.31 - 0.93m	-
	1103	Natural	0.93m+	-

Appendix 2: Photographs (Plates 1 – 7)



Plate 1 – Site overview, looking north west



Plate 2 – Trench 11 overview, looking south west



Plate 3 – Trench 5 overview, looking north east



Plate 4 – South facing section of east end of trench 1



Plate 5 – South facing representative section of west end of trench 6



Plate 6 - South facing representative section of east end of trench 6



Plate 7 – East facing representative section in trench 9

Appendix 3: OASIS Record

OASIS ID: preconst1-275937

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Project dates	Start: 31-01-2017 End: 09-02-2017
Previous/future work	No / No
Any associated project reference codes	BWBH17 - Sitecode
Type of project	Field evaluation
Site status	None
Current Land use	Vacant Land 2 - Vacant land not previously developed
Methods & techniques	"Sample Trenches"
Development type	Housing estate
Prompt	National Planning Policy Framework - NPPF
Position in the planning process	Not known / Not recorded

Project location

Country	England
Site location	HAMPSHIRE BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE BASINGSTOKE Island Site, Basingstoke, Hampshire
Postcode	RG23 7NL
Study area	20000 Square metres
Site coordinates	SU 459848 148441 50.930662645138 -1.345571196882 50 55 50 N 001 20 44 W Point
Height OD / Depth	Min: 165m Max: 167m

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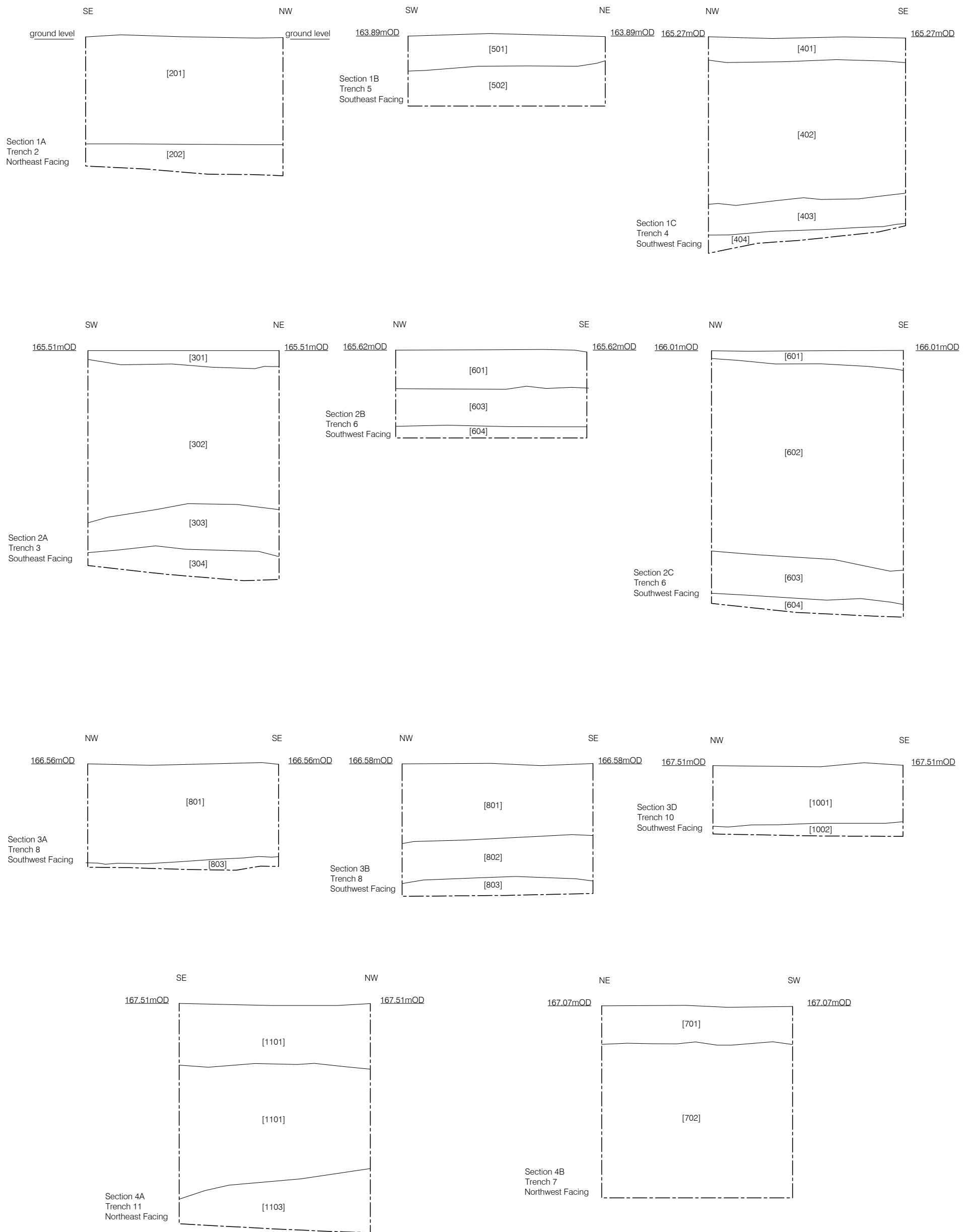
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Figure 1
Site Location
1:2,000,000; 625,000 & 25,000 at A4



Figure 2
Trench Location Plan
1:1,000 at A4



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