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Summary

The survey described in this report (EHE37208) formed part of a pilot study undertaken in partnership with the Forestry Commission. A rapid walk over survey was carried out in Chase Wood using a hand held Global Positioning System to record the location of archaeological features encountered.

Features were recorded within the wood that illustrate the long history of human occupation, including intensive use of the woodland resource during the medieval and post medieval periods, e.g., holloways, charcoal burning platforms, storage platforms and woodland management boundaries, and industrial activities including the quarrying of building stone. Of particular interest are features associated with the prehistoric Chase Wood Camp hillfort, and late post-medieval leisure activities.

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Introduction

This report provides an account of a rapid survey of Chase Wood (EHE37208). The survey was undertaken as part of a pilot study in partnership with the Forestry Commission in order to document the archaeology of woodlands in the county. Woodlands are areas of high archaeological potential in that they have seldom been subjected to the types of disturbance associated with intensive modern agriculture. Relatively little information concerning archaeological sites within woodland has been recorded in the past. Access is often difficult, aerial photographs are of little or no use and, until recently, recording an accurate location within woodland was often not practicable.

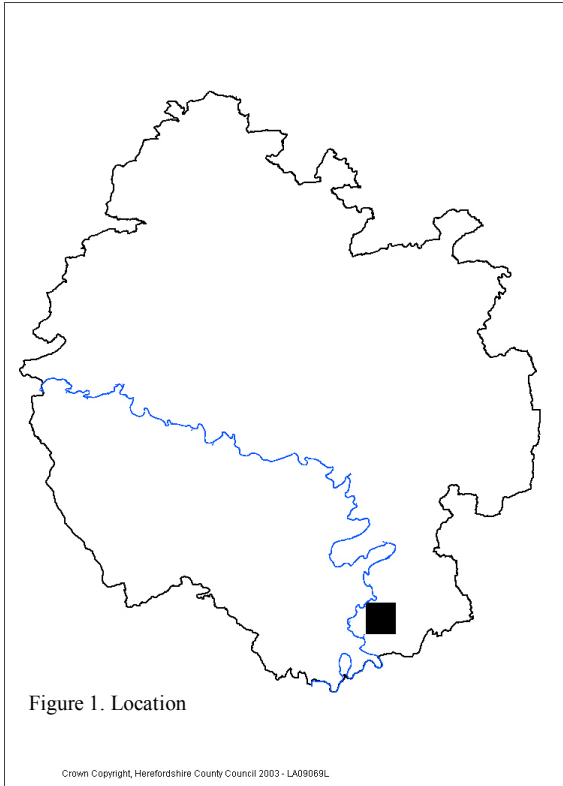
Since 1999, Herefordshire Archaeology has been involved in regular discussions with the Forestry Commission concerning the lack of archaeological data available when management plans are being prepared and applications for Woodland Grant Schemes are submitted. As a result of these discussions, the Forestry Commission has grant-aided Herefordshire Archaeology to undertake a two-phase pilot study. Phase one took place in 2001-2, and involved the rapid survey of eight areas of woodland in different parts of the county. These areas of woodland are identified as those that are owned and managed by Forest Enterprise; woodlands owned by large private estates; woodlands that have recently been the subject of Woodland Grant Scheme applications; woodlands for which Native Woodland Plans have been prepared, or are in preparation.

The survey of each woodland area in the pilot study identified the potential for the survival of archaeological features and sampled the types of features present. The stage two survey will re-visit woodlands identified in the stage one study as being of high archaeological potential, and a more detailed survey undertaken. This will illustrate the density of archaeological sites within the woodland and record the relationships between features to enable some degree of understanding concerning the evolution of the woodland. The stage two survey will also expand the stage one survey, and subject additional woodlands to rapid survey.

It is only when the historic changes within a wood have been documented and understood, and put together with ecological information, that a well-informed management strategy can be implemented. Woodland boundaries have often moved over time, sometimes expanding to encapsulate and preserve evidence of alternative land-use, e.g., field systems, and on other occasions shrinking and being subject to differing forms of woodland management. These variations in land-use within the woodland influence the ecological data from that woodland. Archaeological survey can contribute significant data concerning woodland history, management history and sequential development. This may provide independent verification of historical change ascertained through ecological studies.

Location

Chase Wood is located at NGR: SO 36030 22250, less than 1km south of Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire.



The Historic Landscape Characterisation Study for Herefordshire (HLC) describes Chase Wood as woodland. The area to the west is defined by the patchwork enclosure of former common arable fields where there is an absence of individual strip enclosures (HLC 575). The area to the east, between Chase Wood and Penyard Park, is dominated by survey planned enclose of former woodland by multiple farm holdings (HLC 772).

Geologically, the steep slopes of Chase Wood and the surrounding area are underlain by red and brown sandstone bedrock, with minor mudstone and calcretes, of the Brownstone Formation of the Lower Old Red Sandstone. The plateau area of Chase Wood is underlain by green, grey and buff sandstone bedrock of the Tintern Sandstone Formation of the Upper Old Red Sandstone. The two formations are separated by the red-brown sandstone and quartz pebble conglomerate of the

Quartz Conglomerate Formation (Upper Old Red Sandstone) (British Geological Survey, 2000).

Previous fieldwork and records

A search of the Herefordshire Sites and Monuments Record (SMR) revealed the following entries for Chase Wood:

SMR Record: 904

Site Name: Camp in Chase Wood

NGR: SO 6030 2250

Description: Promontory type, steep fall on all sides except south. Area of c. 27 acres, irregular oval form. At south end defended by rampart now 5'5" above outside ground. Defences on other sides formed by scarping of natural slope. Berm along greater part of scarp length with traces of outer bank or berm on west side. Raking entrance cut through rock on north-east side.

Site Type: Hillfort
Period: Prehistoric

SMR Record: 7327

Site Name: Mesolithic flint, Chase Wood Camp

NGR: SO 6000 2200

Description: From ploughed field within hillfort, considerable flint industry. Microlith battered back blade of mesolithic type also recorded Hereford City Museum accession no. 9089.

Site Type: Implement

Period: Prehistoric

SMR Record: 7328

Site Name: Neolithic flint, Chase Wood Camp

NGR: SO 6000 2200

Description: From fields within hillfort, considerable flint industry. Neolithic in character, includes scrapers, blades, burins and lozenge shaped arrowhead.

Site Type: Flints

Period: Prehistoric

Method

Chase Wood was surveyed on 26 and 28 February 2003. A rapid assessment was undertaken of the potential of the wood to contain well-preserved archaeological features. A hand-held Garmin 12 XL Global Positioning System was used to map features, and a ten-figure grid reference was recorded. This system is accurate to within approximately 10m under tree canopy.

The wood was walked in transects aligned north to south or east to west approximately 50m or 100m apart. Where a large feature was encountered, and no other features of archaeological significance could be seen in the vicinity, the feature was followed and any other features 50m on either side of it were recorded (where conditions allowed). Field observations and grid references were recorded using a dictaphone, and transcribed later.

It was intended to record the type of features present, their state of preservation, and relationships to other features within the wood. The following survey is only a sample of the wood and should not be taken as exhaustive, or its results as definitive.

Field conditions

Chase Wood is located at the south-western end of an upland area that includes Penyard Park to the east. Chase Wood is of irregular oval form with a deep gully, aligned north to south, on the south side. The slopes on all sides rise steeply to a central plateau, also of

irregular oval form. In the south, the slopes rise steeply from 75m OD to 150m OD at the edge of the plateau. In the north, the slopes rise from 100m OD to 195m OD at the edge of the plateau. The plateau slopes gently from 150m OD in the south to the highest point at 203m OD in the north-east. A rocky outcrop extends along the edge of the plateau for much of the east, west and south sides.

The steep slopes of Chase Wood consist mainly of deciduous woodland, with mixed woodland in places. The east facing slopes are particularly dense with a thick cover of brambles. On the plateau, the south-western part is covered with deciduous woodland, and the south-eastern part with conifer plantation which is very dense in the most southerly area.

Chase Wood Camp, an Iron Age hillfort (HSM 904), covers the northern part of the plateau (RCHME, 1932). The area within the hillfort ramparts is farmed and was not included in the survey. Gatley Grove, a small area of woodland on the north-eastern slopes, is in private ownership and was not included in the survey.

Survey conditions

The rapid walkover survey was conducted on 26 and 28 April 2003. On 26 April the weather was sunny and clear with good visibility. On 28 April the weather was cloudy with occasional light rain becoming heavy in the afternoon; visibility was good.

<i>Results</i>

Recorded archaeological features will be described, and a brief discussion will highlight the historical development of the woodland. The significance of the features and management implications will be commented upon.

Each archaeological site or feature has been assigned a unique Sites and Monuments Primary Record Number, prefixed by HSM (Herefordshire Sites and Monuments Record). In this report each feature will be referred to by its HSM number. The appendix contains a simple database in which each feature is cross-referenced to its HSM number and to the Ordnance Survey National Grid (NGR).

Woodland management features

Direct evidence of post-medieval woodland management was observed in the form of charcoal burning platforms, storage platforms, and possible saw pits. Other evidence includes holloways and trackways, several of which were also associated with quarrying activities. Some deeply cut holloways may date to the medieval period.

Ten charcoal burning platforms were recorded. Five (HSM 37241, HSM 37242, HSM 37245, HSM 37249, HSM 37251) are located on the west side of the plateau in an area of deciduous woodland. Preservation of these features varied from good to poor. One

charcoal burning platform (HSM 37264) was recorded on the east side of the plateau; preservation was poor. Disturbance is greater in this area as a result of conifer plantation. The identification of subtle archaeological features is also more difficult because of undergrowth and fallen branches in this area.

One charcoal burning platform (HSM 37272) was recorded on the southern edge of the plateau; preservation was good. Three charcoal burning platforms (HSM 37276, HSM 37277, HSM 37278) were recorded on the southern slopes beneath the rocky outcrop on the edge of the plateau in an area of deciduous woodland. Two of these features were well preserved.

A series of 14 semi-circular platforms (HSM 37273) was recorded on the southern edge of the plateau, linked by a trackway (HSM 37238). All are well preserved. The parish of Walford Tithe Map of 1840 records a narrow strip of woodland known as Dowlet Coppice at this location. The platforms (HSM 37273) were likely to have been used for stacking and storing woodland products prior to their removal from the wood. The storage platforms and charcoal burning platforms together indicate intensive woodland management activities in this part of Chase Wood during the post-medieval period.

Two storage platforms (HSM 37218, HSM 37227), recorded on the western slopes of Chase Wood, are located in an area where the large number of holloways indicate intensive post-medieval woodland management activities. Two possible saw pits were also recorded, one of which (HSM 37229) is located in the vicinity of a storage platform (HSM 37227), and is linked to it by a footpath. In the northern area of Chase Wood, a possible saw pit (HSM 37270) is located beside a holloway (HSM 37269) near the entrance to the hillfort (HSM 904).

An extensive network of holloways and trackways was recorded, especially on the steep eastern and western slopes of Chase Wood. Several of these features give access to quarries, but the majority are associated with woodland management activities.

Access to Chase Wood from the north side is provided by a holloway (HSM 37210) aligned north-east to south-west which continues on the north-west side of the wood as a trackway (HSM 37211). The holloway also continues on the north-east side of the wood as a farm access road. (This holloway may date to the prehistoric period, as discussed below). Two holloways (HSM 37223, HSM 37230) aligned north-west to south-east give access to Chase Wood from the west side, one of which (HSM 37223) also marks the parish boundary between Ross Rural to the north and Walford to the south. On the eastern side of Chase Wood, access is given by a holloway (HSM 37262) aligned north-west to south-east but changing direction as it continues diagonally across the slope to the plateau. These holloways are all well preserved and remain in use as forestry access roads or recreational footpaths. They date to at least the post-medieval period, and, in view of the long history of woodland management in Chase Wood (discussed below), they may be medieval in origin.

On the north-west side of Chase Wood, access to the upper slopes was given by a number of minor holloways (HSM 37213, HSM 37214, HSM 37215, HSM 37216) and a trackway (HSM 37212), all aligned diagonally across the steep slopes. Preservation varies from good to poor, and most are covered by a thick growth of brambles. Some chronological relationships are discernible, for instance, a trackway (HSM 37212) cuts a holloway (HSM 37212), and, therefore, post-dates it. (The trackway (HSM 37211) that provides general access to the north-west side of the wood cuts several holloways; this is due to its continuing use as an access route.)

Access to the upper slopes on the north-west side of Chase Wood is also given by a major holloway (HSM 37217) aligned north-west to south-east as a continuation of holloway HSM 37223, following the line of the parish boundary. Several minor holloways (HSM 37219, HSM 37220, HSM 37221, HSM 37222) run off it, aligned diagonally across the slope. Preservation of these minor holloways varies from good to fair, and most are covered by a thick growth of brambles. A storage platform (HSM 37218) is located alongside the major holloway (HSM 37217).

Access to the upper slopes on the south-west side of Chase Wood is given by holloway HSM 37230 which extends from the west side of the wood to the south-west part of the plateau. The holloway divides into 2 parallel tracks (at SO: 359798 221814) extending for 40m before merging, forming a passing place. Several minor holloways run off this holloway (HSM 37230) on the steep west facing slopes, including HSM 37231, HSM 37232, HSM 37233. Preservation varies from good to fair.

On the eastern side of Chase Wood, access to the steep upper slopes is given by a holloway (HSM 37262) that extends from the edge of the woodland to the plateau, as well as by several other holloways including HSM 37254, HSM 37255, HSM 37258, HSM 37259, HSM 37260 and HSM 37263, and a trackway (HSM 37257). Preservation is good; several holloways are still in use as forestry tracks and recreational footpaths, but most are obscured by thick brambles. All of these features are at least post-medieval in date, and several deeply cut holloways (HSM 37254, HSM 37255, HSM 37258, HSM 37260) may be medieval. Two holloways (HSM 37254, HSM 37255) are cut by, and therefore predate, the trackway (HSM 37257)

On the plateau, access to charcoal burning platforms on the west side is provided by holloway HSM 37230, and access to storage platforms is provided by trackway HSM 37238. Access to the east side of the plateau is provided by holloway HSM 37262. Preservation is good; dates are at least post-medieval. On the south side of the plateau, a well-preserved, deeply cut holloway (HSM 37275) may be medieval in date.

Woodland boundaries

Three woodland boundary banks were recorded during the survey. Two are located on the north-east side of Chase Wood, and one on the south side.

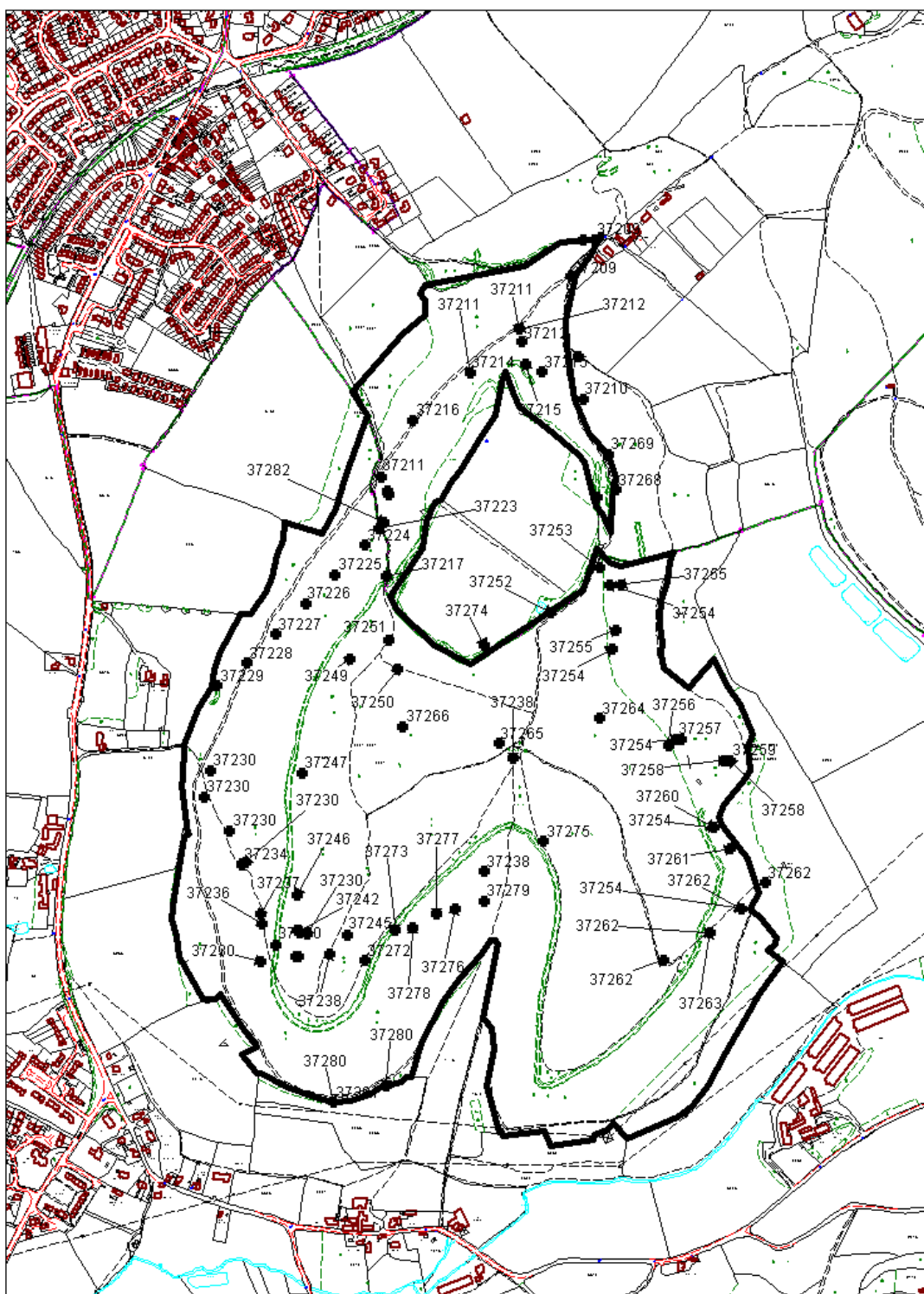


Figure 2: Location of features recorded during the survey.

A woodbank (HSM 37209) aligned north-east to south-west follows the present north-east boundary of Chase Wood. This woodbank continues towards the south-east as the northern boundary of Gatley Grove (located on the north-east side of Chase Wood). A woodbank (HSM 37268) aligned north to south follows the present boundary between Chase Wood and Gatley Grove. A woodbank (HSM 37281) aligned east to west follows the present woodland boundary on the south side of Chase Wood. Preservation of the woodbanks is good to fair. These features date to at least the post-medieval period, and may be medieval.

The rocky outcrop on the west and south-west sides of the plateau is recorded by the parish of Walford Tithe Map of 1840 as a woodland or compartment boundary. Several other woodland areas or compartments are recorded by the tithe map (e.g., Dowlet Coppice), but no associated archaeological features were recorded during the survey.

Industrial features

Eleven quarries were recorded during the survey. They are generally associated with the rocky outcrop of the Tintern Sandstone Formation along the edge of the plateau on south, west and east sides of Chase Wood.

A series of quarries is located on the west facing slopes. An extensive linear quarry (HSM 37282) is located beneath the hillfort ramparts. A holloway (HSM 37217) gave access to the quarry. A further linear quarry (HSM 37237), exhibiting tool marks, and several small quarry scoops (HSM 37234, HSM 37236) were accessed by holloway HSM 37230. A rectangular quarry (HSM 37239) was accessed by holloway HSM 37240. Three additional quarries were recorded (HSM 37243, HSM 37246, HSM 37247), one of which (HSM 37247) was accessed by a holloway (HSM 37248). The quarries are generally in good condition, and post-medieval in date.

Two quarries were recorded on the east facing slopes. A linear quarry (HSM 37261) with tool marks, and three contiguous sub-circular quarry pits (HSM 37256) were both accessed by holloway HSM 37254. A linear quarry (HSM 37279) with tool marks was also recorded on the southern slopes. The condition of these quarries is good to fair, and they are post-medieval in date.

Prehistoric features

A berm (HSM 37271) was recorded on the north-east side of Chase Wood Camp hillfort (HSM 904). The berm is a level linear platform up to 1.5m wide located at the foot of the rampart. It results from artificial scarping the natural slope to create the hillfort defences. The berm is aligned south-east to north-west at NGR SO: 360359 222668. It then runs parallel with the hillfort rampart to SO: 360299 222642 where it is cut by, and therefore predates, a holloway (HSM 37215). The berm is in fair condition.

A holloway (HSM 37269) provides access to the north-east entrance of the hillfort (HSM 904). The holloway is aligned north-east to south-west; it is up to 5m wide and 10m

deep. It is cut through the exposed bedrock on the north-east side of Chase Wood and continues northwards as holloway HSM 37210. The holloway (HSM 37269) is in good condition. Both this holloway and the berm are almost certainly prehistoric in date, and are associated with the construction of Chase Wood Camp hillfort (RCHME, 1932).

Other features

On the upper west facing slopes of Chase Wood, a holloway (HSM 32719) crosses the exposed bedrock. At this location (NGR: SO 360035 222296), a set of stone steps (HSM 37267) has been cut into the rock, providing access to the plateau.

On the plateau at SO: 360226 222015, partially buried in the topsoil, is a worked stone (HSM 37265). The stone is five sided, 1m in diameter and 0.5m thick. There is evidence of grinding on the edges. This is probably an unfinished millstone.

Also located on the plateau, at SO: 360064 222043, is a pond (HSM 37266). The pond is circular, 15m in diameter, and embanked on the south-west side to create a low dam. The pond is recorded on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition Map of 1888.

All of the above features are in good condition. They appear to be post-medieval in date.

Indications of former land use

Evidence of the earliest human occupation of Chase Wood is provided by Chase Wood Camp hillfort (904), a prehistoric monument. The hillfort was not included in this survey. Two features associated with the construction of the hillfort, however, were recorded. A berm (HSM 37271) located on the north-east side of the hillfort was very probably the result of scarping to create defensive ramparts. It is likely that the berm was used as a trackway during more recent times to gain access to woodland resources on the steep north facing slopes of Chase Wood. A deeply cut holloway (HSM 37269) provided access to the hillfort entrance, also located on the north-east side. It is likely that the holloway was re-used in more recent times to gain access to woodland resources in this area, and to access arable fields within the hillfort ramparts.

During the medieval period, Chase Wood became part of the royal forest of Dean. Title to the woodland was restored to the Bishop of Hereford in the early 13th century. At this time, Chase Wood was used as a 'chase' and was reserved for the breeding and hunting of deer. A chase, unlike a deer park, was not enclosed by a pale (Whitehead, 2001:306). No evidence of a pale was recorded during the survey. Documentary sources record the intensive extraction of timber, for construction purposes, and wood, for the production of charcoal, during the medieval period. Other resources included deer, rabbits, hares and hawks (Whitehead, 2001: 307). Access to the woodland during the medieval period was provided on the north side by holloways HSM 37210/37269. On the west side, access may have also been provided by holloway HSM 37230. Both of these access routes are recorded by Bryant's *Map of Herefordshire* of 1835, and by the parish tithe maps of Ross Rural and Walford of 1840. Several deeply cut holloways (HSM 37254, HSM 37255,

HSM 37258, HSM 37260, HSM 37275) located on the east side of Chase Wood, show evidence of long-term intensive use, and may also date to this period.

Throughout the post-medieval period Chase Wood continued to exist as managed woodland. The wood boundaries recorded by Bryant (1835) and the parish tithe maps of 1840 are essentially the same today. Evidence of post-medieval woodland management practices was recorded during the survey in the form of holloways, charcoal burning platforms and storage platforms, particularly on the steep slopes below the exposed bedrock and on the western part of the plateau. Much less evidence survives on the eastern part of the plateau, now given over to conifer plantations. Further evidence of post-medieval woodland management practices, in the form of coppicing, is recorded by the parish of Walford Tithe Map of 1840.

Significant evidence of industrial activity during the post-medieval period survives in the form of quarries and associated features located along the edge of the plateau on the east, west and south sides. Here the underlying bedrock of the Tintern Sandstone Formation is exposed, and was extracted on a large scale for building purposes. Further evidence of industrial activity is in the form of a worked stone (HSM 37265), probably an unfinished millstone.

There is evidence of leisure activities in Chase Wood during the late post-medieval period in the form of carriageways and rides. Access to the wood, including the plateau area, would have been provided on the north side (holloway HSM 37210), on the west side (holloway HSM 37230) and on the east side (holloway HSM 37262), where major holloways are aligned diagonally across the slope, resulting in a gentle incline. Extensive views of the surrounding countryside would have been available from the edge of the plateau. Access to the plateau was provided by holloways/carriageways (HSM 37230 and HSM 37262).

Site and feature condition

Many of the archaeological features recorded in Chase Wood are in a fair to good state of preservation. The general absence of archaeological features on the eastern part of the plateau, in an area of conifer plantation, suggests that evidence of earlier woodland management practices have not survived modern forestry activities. Linear features, including holloways and woodland boundary banks, have generally survived quite well, especially on the steep east facing slopes of Chase Wood in areas of thick undergrowth.

<i>Discussion</i>

Implications regarding the archaeological resource

The steep slopes of Chase Wood are susceptible to erosion in areas of clear felling and scarification. Archaeological features are at risk as a result of erosion, but also as a result

of modern forestry activities which includes the replacement of deciduous woodland by conifer plantations, and as a result of intensive recreational use.

Implications regarding site condition

Linear features, such as holloways and woodland boundary banks, have generally survived quite well; in several instances, functional and chronological relationships can be determined. Examples of such relationships include the cutting of holloways HSM 37254 and HSM 37255 by a more recent trackway (HSM 37257), the association of a berm (HSM 37271) with the scarping of the western slopes to create the hillfort ramparts (HSM 904), and the association of quarrying activities (HSM 37237) with holloways (HSM 37230).

Implications for future management

Chase Wood has a long history of human occupation, woodland and wildlife management, and resource extraction. Many of these activities are recorded in the archaeological record. Archaeological features are at risk, however, particularly in areas of intensive forestry activities. Preservation of archaeological features can be enhanced through well-informed management strategies that recognise both the value and the non-renewable nature of the archaeological resource. This applies particularly to Chase Wood Camp hillfort (HSM 904) and associated prehistoric features (HSM 37269, HSM37271), as well as to features that represent medieval and post-medieval woodland management practices, including deeply cut holloways (e.g., holloways HSM 37254 and HSM 37258), charcoal burning platforms (e.g., HSM 37241, HSM 37277) and storage platforms (e.g., HSM 37273).

Implications for future field work

Areas of Chase Wood not yet subjected to intensive industrial and forestry activities have a high potential for the preservation of archaeological features associated with earlier woodland management activities, and indicative of changes in resource extraction practices. This applies particularly to the east and south facing slopes, and the western part of the plateau. It is suggested that these areas should be subjected to a more intensive survey, to record, identify and assess archaeological features prior to any future expansion of intensive forestry activities.

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Appendix: Database of Features and Grid References

HSM No	Easting	Northing	Site type	Period	Description
37209	360387	222864	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW along E facing side at N end of Chase Wood, bank 1m high, ditch 1m deep on W side, cut by holloway (37210), good preservation
37209	360346	222802	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Continues S, bank 1.5m high on W side of ditch
37209	360368	222864	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Continues SE along NE side of Gatley Grove, cut by holloway (37210)
37210	360387	222864	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 2m wide, 2m deep, woodbank (37209) on SE side, used as farm access road
37210	360346	222802	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues S
37210	360368	222595	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues SE, cuts woodbank (37209)
37211	360346	222802	Trackway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 2m wide, cut <3m into slope on SE side, used as recreational footpath
37211	360260	222713	Trackway	Post-medieval	Continues SW, cuts trackway (37212)
37211	360177	222640	Trackway	Post-medieval	Continues SW, j/w holloways (37214), (37215)
37211	360027	222465	Trackway	Post-medieval	Continues SW as footpath, j/w holloway (37217)
37212	360260	222713	Trackway	Post-medieval	Aligned E-W, 1m wide, cut 0.5m into slope on S side, cut by trackway (37211), cuts holloway (37213)
37212	360265	222692	Trackway	Post-medieval	Continues E
37213	360260	222713	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 1m wide, 1m deep, cut by trackway (37212), continues SW parallel with trackway (37211)
37214	360177	222640	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 2m wide, 0.5m deep, cut by trackway (37211),
37215	360177	222640	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 2m wide, 0.5m deep, cut by trackway (37211), good preservation
37215	360271	222654	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues NE
37215	360299	222642	Holloway	Post-medieval	Cuts berm (37271), continues E
37216	360081	222560	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned N-S, 2m wide, 1m deep, j/w trackway (37211), continues S, good preservation
37217	360027	222465	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned N-S, 2m wide, 0.5m deep, j/w trackway (37211), access to quarry (37282), follows parish boundary, good preservation
37217	360039	222440	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues SE, platform (37218) on W side, j/w holloway (37219)
37217	360041	222435	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues SE, j/w holloways (37220), (37221), (37222)

37217	360035	222296	Holloway	Post-medieval	Access to quarry (37282), traverses steps (37267) cut into bedrock
37218	360039	222440	Storage Platform	Post-medieval	Circular, 3m dia, on W side of holloway (37217)
37219	360039	222438	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned SW-NE, 1.5m wide, 1m deep, j/w holloway (37217), continues SW, good preservation
37220	360041	222435	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 2m wide, 0.5m deep, j/w holloway (37217), continues NE, good preservation
37221	360041	222435	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 2m wide, 0.5m deep, j/w holloway (37217), continues NE, good preservation
37222	360041	222435	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned SE-NW, 1m wide, 1m deep, j/w holloway (37217), continues SE
37223	360024	222377	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 1m wide, 1m deep, bank 0.5m high on W side, follows parish boundary, j/w trackway (37211), continues NW towards edge of wood
37224	360000	222350	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 1m wide, 0.5m deep, continues SE
37225	359950	222300	Trackway	Post-medieval	Aligned N-S, 1m wide, continues N
37226	359900	222250	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 2m wide, 1m deep continues NE, good preservation
37227	359850	222200	Storage Platform	Post-medieval	Oval, 3m x 1.5m, cut on W side by footpath
37228	359800	222150	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 1.5m wide, 0.5m deep, continues NE, good preservation
37229	359751	222113	Saw Pit	Post-medieval	Circular, 2m dia, 0.5m deep
37230	359740	221969	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 2m wide, 1m deep increasing to 4m deep, cut by footpath continues NW towards edge of wood, continues SE to quarry (37237) and hilltop, used as recreational footpath, good preservation
37230	359729	221924	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues SE, j/w holloways (37231), (37232)
37230	359771	221867	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues SE, j/w holloway (37233)
37230	359798	221814	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues SE, divides into 2 parallel tracks width 1.5m and 2m continuing 40m then rejoining, separated by large boulder
37230	359825	221647	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues SE, passes through cut 1.75m wide in exposed bedrock
37230	359850	221676	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues SE turning NE on plateau, j/w trackway (37238)
37230	359902	221694	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues N as a trackway, j/w trackway (37244)
37231	359729	221924	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned E-W, 1m wide, 0.5m deep, cut by holloway (37230), continues E
37232	359729	221924	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 2m wide, 0.5m

					deep, cut by holloway (37230), continues NE, good preservation
37233	359771	221867	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 3m wide, <1m deep, j/w holloway (37230), continues NE
37234	359793	221813	Quarry	Post-medieval	Semi-circular, 1.5m wide, 0.5m deep, exposed bedrock with tool marks
37235	359793	221811	Storage Platform	Post-medieval	Oval, 5m x 2m, adjacent to quarry (37234)
37236	359826	221710	Quarry	Post-medieval	Semi-circular, 1.5m dia, 0.5m deep, exposed bedrock with tool marks
37237	359825	221727	Quarry	Post-medieval	Linear, aligned N-S along W facing exposed bedrock for 50m, tool marks, accessed by holloway (37230)
37238	359850	221676	Trackway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 3m wide, cut <2m into slope on NE side, continues SE 50m turning E following contours on N side of linear bedrock exposure, access to platforms (37273), good preservation
37238	359940	221660	Trackway	Post-medieval	Continues NE
37238	360200	221800	Trackway	Post-medieval	Continues N, j/w trackway (37274)
37238	360250	221990	Trackway	Post-medieval	J/w recreational footpath (Wye Valley Trail)
37239	359883	221656	Quarry	Post-medieval	Rectangular, aligned N-S, 10m x 1.5m, 2m deep, cut into exposed bedrock, tool marks, entrance on N side accessed by holloway (37240), good preservation
37240	359883	221656	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 1.5m wide, 0.5m deep, continues NW from entrance to quarry (37239), good preservation
37241	359887	221656	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	Circular, 10m dia, spoil heap with charcoal on NW side, good preservation
37242	359890	221698	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	Oval, 8m x 5m, spoil heap with charcoal on NW side
37243	359886	221701	Quarry	Post-medieval	Linear, aligned N-S along W facing slope for 30m, entrance on W side
37244	359902	221694	Trackway	Post-medieval	Aligned E-W, 1m wide, cut by trackway (37230), continues E
37245	359970	221693	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	Circular, 8m dia, entrance on S side
37246	359885	221760	Quarry	Post-medieval	Semi-circular, 12m dia, 3m deep, cut into exposed bedrock, entrance on N side
37247	359895	221965	Quarry	Post-medieval	Linear, aligned N-S, cut into W facing exposed bedrock for 30m, accessed by holloway (37248)
37248	359895	221965	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 2m wide, 1m deep,

					continues NW from quarry (37247), good preservation
37249	359975	222158	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	Circular, 10m dia, spoil heap with charcoal on NW side, good preservation
37250	360054	222140	Trackway	Post-medieval	Aligned N-S, 0.5m wide
37251	360040	222190	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	Circular, 6m dia
37252	360312	222235	Bank	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 20m long, 0.50m high, parallel with hillfort rampart to SW, cut by forestry/farm track running parallel to SE, follows course of parish boundary
37253	360395	222311	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 2m wide, 0.5m deep, continues SE towards edge of wood, continues NW to enter hillfort over and cutting into rampart as a farm track
37254	360412	222282	Holloway	Medieval/ Post-medieval	Aligned N-S along steep E facing slope, 10m wide, 1m deep, good preservation
37254	360416	222174	Holloway	Medieval/ Post-medieval	Continues S following contours
37254	360524	222022	Holloway	Medieval/ Post-medieval	Continues SW, cut by trackway (37257)
37254	360589	221874	Holloway	Medieval/ Post-medieval	Continues SW, 1.5m wide, 1m deep, j/w holloway (37260)
37254	360634	221737	Holloway	Medieval/ Post-medieval	Cut by holloway (37262)
37255	360432	222282	Holloway	Medieval/ Post-medieval	Aligned N-S along steep E facing slope, 5m wide, cut into slope, E of and parallel with holloway (37254)
37255	360424	222207	Holloway	Medieval/ Post-medieval	Continues S
37256	360511	222012	Quarry	Post-medieval	3 contiguous sub-circular pits, <15m dia, <10m deep, cut into E facing slope, entrance on E side, accessed by holloway (37254)
37257	360524	222022	Trackway	Post-medieval	Aligned E-W, 2m wide, cuts holloway (37254) continues E 5m cutting holloway (37255)
37258	360534	222022	Holloway	Medieval?	Aligned N-S, 4m wide, 3m deep
37258	360604	221986	Holloway	Medieval?	Makes S bend, continues S
37258	360615	221985	Holloway	Medieval?	Cut by holloway (37259)
37259	360615	221985	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 3m wide, 0.5m deep, cuts holloway (37258), continues NE down slope, turns NW up slope
37260	360589	221874	Holloway	Medieval?	Aligned N-S, 1m wide, 1m deep, j/w holloway (37254), continues N
37261	360615	221837	Quarry	Post-medieval	Linear, aligned N-S along E facing exposed bedrock for 50m, tool marks, accessed by holloway

					(37254), good preservation
37262	360675	221780	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned SW-NE, 5m wide, <2m deep, continues SW up slope, changes direction to SE down slope towards edge of wood, used as forestry road, good preservation
37262	360634	221737	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues SW, cuts holloway (37254)
37262	360582	221697	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues SW, j/w holloway (37263)
37262	360504	221649	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues N on plateau
37263	360582	221697	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned N-S, 1.5m wide, 0.5m deep, continues N, j/w holloway (37262)
37264	360396	222057	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	Circular, 8m dia, dispersed charcoal on N side
37265	360226	222015	Worked Stone	Post-medieval?	Sub-circular, 5 sided, 1m dia, 0.5m thick, corners squared off, edges ground in places, good preservation
37266	360064	222043	Pond	Post-medieval	Circular, 15m dia, in depression, embanked on SW side
37267	360035	222296	Stone Steps	Post-medieval	Rock cut steps where holloway (37217) crosses exposed bedrock, good preservation
37268	360422	222443	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, bank 1m high, ditch 1m wide, parallel with hillfort rampart, cut by farm access road
37269	360411	222502	Holloway	Prehistoric	Aligned NE-SW, 5m wide, <10m deep, cut 3m deep through exposed bedrock, continues SE to hillfort entrance, good preservation
37269	360392	222430	Holloway	Prehistoric	Continues SE, enters hillfort
37270	360390	222430	Saw Pit	Post-medieval	Circular, 5m dia, 1m deep
37271	360359	222668	Berm	Prehistoric	Aligned SE-NW, 1.5m wide, parallel with hillfort ramparts, continues SE towards hillfort entrance, continues NW following contours
37271	360299	222642	Berm	Prehistoric	Continues NW, cut by holloway (37215)
37272	360000	221650	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	Oval 10m x 8m, on S side of trackway (37238), dispersed charcoal on S side, good preservation
37273	360050	221700	Storage Platforms	Post-medieval	Semi-circular, <8m dia, a series of 14 spaced <14m apart cut into slope on NW side of trackway (37238), good preservation
37274	360200	221800	Trackway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 2m wide
37275	360300	221850	Holloway	Medieval?	Aligned E-W, 2m wide, 1m deep, continues E and W following contours on N side of linear bedrock exposure, cut by footpath, good preservation
37276	360160	221720	Charcoal Burning	Post-medieval	Circular, 8m dia, charcoal on S side

			Platform		
37277	360180	221690	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	Sub-circular, 8m dia, charcoal on S side, good preservation
37278	360100	221670	Charcoal Burning Platform	Post-medieval	Sub-circular, 10m dia, charcoal on S side, good preservation
37279	360200	221750	Quarry	Post-medieval	Linear, aligned NE-SW along SE facing exposed bedrock for >50m, tool marks
37280	360035	221436	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NE-SW, 2m wide, <1m deep, follows contours
37280	359946	221410	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continues SW, cuts woodbank (37281)
37281	359946	221410	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Aligned E-W, bank 0.5m high, ditch on N side 0.5m wide, continues E and W along S side of wood, cut by holloway (37280)
37282	360031	222389	Quarry	Post-medieval	Linear, aligned N-S along W facing exposed bedrock below hillfort rampart for 100m, several spoil heaps and sandstone blocks, accessed by holloway (37217)

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