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# Summary

The survey described in this report (EHE36982) formed part of a pilot study undertaken in partnership with the Forestry Commission. A rapid walk over survey was carried out in Whitney 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 intensive use of the woodland resource in the late and post medieval periods, e.g., saw pits, a charcoal burning platform, holloways and woodland management boundaries, and changes in land management practices. A number of quarries and associated features relating to industrial activities were also recorded. Domestic occupation in Whitney Wood was recorded at an abandoned cottage and garden known as 'Vulture's Nest' in the centre of the wood.

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#### Introduction

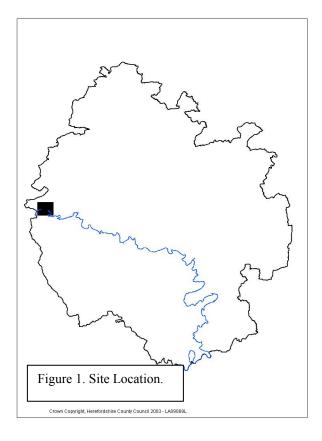
This report provides an account of a rapid survey of Whitney Wood (EHE36982). The survey was undertaken as part of a pilot study in partnership with the Forestry Commission in order to document the archaeology of woodlands in the county. Woodlands are areas of high archaeological potential in that they 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 for 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



Whitney Wood is located in the Wye Valley at NGR: SO 326000 247750, approximately 25km west of Hereford.

The Historic Landscape Characterisation Study for Herefordshire (HLC) describes the Whitney Wood area as comprised of retentive and survey planned fields in a landscape dominated by sinuous axial enclosure boundaries oriented on a north-west to south-east alignment. This field pattern is obscured by woodland. The small geometric fields around Whitney Wood derive from a later clearance of woodland related to small-holdings (HLC 193).

Geologically, the area is underlain by mudstone and sandstone bedrock of the Raglan Mudstone Formation of the Lower Old Red Sandstone. The bedrock is overlain by glacial deposits of the Newer Drift, comprised of clayey

to sandy silt with unsorted clasts of small cobble grade, and occasionally larger cobbles and boulders (British Geological Survey 1989).

# Previous Fieldwork/Records

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

**SMR Record**: 19262

**Site Name**: Hereford, Hay and Brecon Railway

NGR:

**Site Type**: Railway **Period**: Post-medieval

SMR Record: 30853

**Site Name**: Whitney-on-Wye Station

**NGR**: SO 2639 4756

**Site Type**: Railway Station **Period**: Post-medieval

#### Method

Whitney Wood was surveyed on 2 April 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

Whitney Wood is located in the Wye Valley overlooking the River Wye from the north side. The lower slopes on the southern edge of the wood are at an elevation of 75m OD, rising to 165m OD on the north side of the wood. The slopes are south facing, relatively gentle but steeper near the southern margins, and cut by several natural gullies. The survey area, referred to in this report as Bullough Wood, did not include the northern part of Whitney Wood (north of SO 247931) or the western part (west of SO 325725). These areas are under different ownership.

The eastern and central parts of the survey area consist of deciduous woodland. Much of the central area has been felled. The northern part is covered with mature conifer, and the south-western part with dense immature conifer. Survey was difficult in the east central area because of felled trees and a thick cover of brambles, and impracticable in the south-western area.

# Survey Conditions

The rapid walkover survey was conducted on 2 April 2003. The weather was sunny and clear; visibility was good.

#### Results

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 is assigned a unique Sites and Monuments Primary Record Number, prefixed by HSM (Herefordshire Sites and Monuments Record). Features will be referred to by their HSM number in this report. 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

Eleven holloways and 2 trackways were recorded. Of these, 8 holloways and both trackways were associated with woodland management. (Three other holloways were associated with quarrying activities.) Additional woodland management features recorded include 3 saw pits, 1 charcoal burning platform, and 1 drainage ditch.

A major holloway (HSM 36987) up to 3m wide and 2m deep extends through Whitney Wood from the south side to the north, and enabled access to much of the woodland. This holloway is recorded on the Ordnance Survey 1<sup>st</sup> edition map of 1887 and on the parish of Whitney Tithe Map of 1840. The southern section of the holloway was realigned during the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century, now running from south-west to north-east, as a result of the construction of the Hereford, Hay and Brecon Railway (HSM 19262). The original course of the holloway (north to south) is recorded on Bryant's *Map of Herefordshire* of 1835. The holloway is in good condition, and is post-medieval in date. It continues in use as a forestry road and as a recreational trail.

A deeply cut holloway (HSM 36994), formerly of greater importance, is located within the woodland on the east side. It is aligned generally north-west to south-east, and provided access to the north-east part of Whitney Wood from the south-east. The holloway is recorded on the Ordnance Survey 1<sup>st</sup> edition map of 1887, on the parish Tithe Map of 1840, and by Bryant (1835). It is post-medieval in date. The holloway is in good condition at its southern end (NGR: OS 326373 247673) but for much of its course it is eroded and overgrown, but very deep (over 3m). It is not discernible north of NGR: SO 326318 247721 where it has been damaged as result of recent drainage work.

A third holloway (HSM 36985), aligned north to south, provided access to the eastern part of Whitney Wood from the south. It is generally in good condition but damaged by forestry activities (at NGR: SO 326230 247705). The holloway is post-medieval in date.

Five holloways provided access to the central part of Whitney Wood. A holloway (HSM 37000), aligned north-west to south-east, is cut by the realigned section of holloway HSM 36987 (at NGR: SO 326039 247603) and, therefore, predates it. Here the ground has been disturbed by heavy forestry equipment. The section of holloway HSM 3700

south-east of the cut is 2m deep; it is overgrown and presently unused. To the north of the cut, the holloway continues in use as a forestry track and recreational trail.

Two parallel sections of holloway, aligned north-west to south-east, are also cut by the realigned section of holloway HSM 36987, and, so, predate it. Holloway HSM 37002 is cut at NGR: SO 326030 247597. The holloway extends north-west for at least 10m into thick brambles, and south-east for 20m where it is truncated by Whitney Sawmill on the south side of the wood. Holloway HSM 37003 is cut at NGR: SO 326021 247594. It extends north-west for 10m into thick brambles, and south-east for 10m where it merges with holloway HSM 37002. The parallel sections of holloway functioned as passing places that facilitated the movement of men, equipment and woodland products travelling in different directions.

A similar feature was recorded at NGR: SO 325925 247659. Here, a holloway (HSM 37001) aligned north-west to south-east, forms 2 branches. Both branches run parallel for 40m before merging. A short section of holloway (HSM 37011), aligned north to south, survives in the southern part of Whitney Wood at NGR: SO 326122 247585. It is truncated at its northern end by a quarry (HSM 37009) and at its southern end by the sawmill.

The holloways are generally in good condition, at least in part. They are post-medieval in date.

Two trackways provided access to the western part of Whitney Wood. A trackway (HSM 37004), aligned east to west along the southern edge of the woodland, extends west from its junction with holloway HSM 36987 at NGR: SO 325969 247578. A second trackway (HSM 37004), aligned north to south, extends north from its junction with trackway HSM 37004 at NGR: SO 325725 247650. The trackways appear to be post-medieval in date, but they may be more recent.

Three saw pits (HSM 36989, HSM 36992, HSM 36995) were recorded in the north-eastern part of the survey area. All are of similar form and dimensions: sub-circular or sub-rectangular, 2m to 3m wide, 0.5m to 1.5m deep, with spoil on the down slope side. They are post-medieval in date. One of the saw pits (HSM 36989) cuts a woodbank (HSM 36988) and, therefore, post-dates it.

One charcoal burning platform (HSM 36998) was recorded in the north-west part of the survey area. It consists of a level, circular platform 8m in diameter with a spoil heap, 1m high containing charcoal fragments, on the south-west side. This feature is post-medieval.

In the east central part of the wood, a ditch (HSM 36990) aligned north to south, channels running water from the holloway HSM 36987 to a natural gully down slope. The ditch cuts a woodbank (HSM 36988) on the east side of, and parallel with the holloway, and, therefore, post-dates the woodbank. The ditch is post-medieval in date.

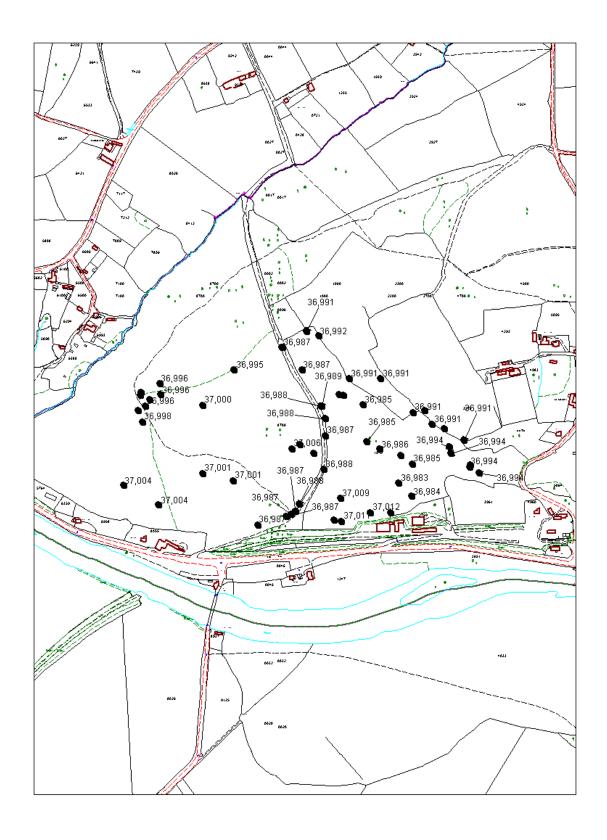


Figure 2: Location of features recorded during the survey.

#### Woodland boundaries

At least 3 woodland boundary banks and 2 compartment boundaries were recorded in the survey area. All are located in the eastern part of Whitney Wood.

A woodbank (HSM 36988), aligned north to south on the east side of, and parallel with, holloway HSM 36987, extends through the survey area from the northern edge (at NGR: SO 326014 247901) to the southern part of Whitney Wood where it is truncated by forestry activities (at NGR: SO 326045 247616). The woodbank marks the western boundary of the eastern part of Whitney Wood. The woodbank consists of a bank, up to 0.5m high, with a ditch, up to 0.5m wide and 0.2m deep, on its west side. The low bank is rounded as a result of erosion, and the ditch is silted up.

On the south side of Whitney Wood, a short section of woodbank (HSM 37012) aligned east to west extends for approximately 35m from NGR: SO 326175 24600 to SO 326212 247600. The woodbank is truncated at its western end by a quarry (HSM 37009) which it predates, and at its eastern end by Whitney Sawmill. The bank is eroded, up to 0.5m high, and the ditch on its south side is up to 1m wide and 0.2m deep, and is silted up.

A woodbank (HSM 36991) is located on the east side of Whitney Wood, extending south-east from the northern edge of the survey area (at NGR: SO 326058 247931). The woodbank changes alignment several times following the present woodland boundary. The bank is eroded, up to 0.5m high, with a ditch, up to 1.5m wide and 0.5m deep, on the east side. At NGR: SO 326273 247787, the woodbank extends south-east along the present woodland boundary, and north-east into pasture as a field boundary. The woodbank is damaged by modern drainage work at NGR: SO 326287 247761.

All of the woodbanks are eroded. They are post-medieval in date.

Two compartment boundaries were recorded. A ditch (HSM 36986) aligned east to west, 1m wide and 0.5m deep, extends eastwards for at least 20m from NGR: SO 326192 247716. A ditch (HSM 36993) aligned east to west, 1.5m wide and 0.5m deep, merges with the eastern woodbank (HSM 36991) at NGR: SO 326287 247761. Both ditches are recorded as boundaries on the parish tithe map of 1840. They are post-medieval in date.

## **Industrial features**

Five quarries were recorded in the survey area. Four of these are closely associated with holloways.

Two large quarries are located on the southern edge of Whitney Wood. A semi-circular quarry (HSM 37009) is cut into the south-facing slopes. The quarry is up to 50m in diameter and 6m deep. It contains several spoil heaps and sandstone slabs. The entrance is on the south-west side, and access was provided by a holloway (HSM 37010) aligned north-west to south-east, now truncated by a modern trackway. A linear quarry (HSM 36983), aligned east to west, is also cut into the south-facing slopes. The quarry is approximately 30m long and 5m deep. The entrance is on the south-east side where it

was accessed by a holloway (HSM 36984). The holloway is aligned north-west to southeast, and is now truncated by the sawmill. Both quarries were used to obtain sandstone of the Raglan Mudstone Formation for use as building material (British Geological Survey 1989). The quarries are post-medieval in date, and may also have been used during the construction of the Hereford, Hay and Brecon Railway (HSM 19262) in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century.

Two quarries (HSM 37007, HSM 37008) are located in a fairly level in the central part of Whitney Wood. Both quarries are linear, between 20m and 35m long, and up to 3m deep. They are obscured by thick undergrowth. Access from the southern side of the wood was provided by a holloway (HSM 37006) aligned north-west to south-east following the course of a natural gully. A small circular quarry (HSM 36999) was recorded in the west central part of the wood. It is 12m in diameter and up to 2m deep with the entrance on the west side and a spoil heap on the south side. The quarry is in close proximity to the remains of a cottage (HSM 36997) and may be associated with its construction.

#### **Communications**

The deep cutting of a dismantled railway (HSM 19262) is aligned east to west on the south side of Whitney Wood. This feature is well preserved, and dates to the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century. This section of the Hereford, Hay and Brecon Railway was opened in 1864 and closed in 1964.

The major holloway (HSM 36987) aligned north to south through Whitney Wood linked the scattered farms and communities on the north side of the wood with the Hereford to Brecon road (now the A438) on the south side, and with the Kington road (now the B4355) on the north side. The holloway also provided access to the railway from the north side of Whitney Wood.

The deeply cut holloway (HSM 36994) on the east side of Whitney Wood provided access to the north-east part of the wood from the south-east. Farms or cottages are recorded at both of these locations on the parish Tithe Map of 1840. The heavy use of this holloway is attested by its deep cutting of over 3m.

#### **Building remains**

The remains of a building (HMS 36997) were recorded in the centre of Whitney Wood. The structure was a stone built cottage, 12m x 4m, with a small outbuilding on the north side, a door on the south side and a chimney on the east side. The north and south walls are partially collapsed, and there is no roof on the building. Household items are scattered about the area, including a metal bucket, an enamel bowl and a metal oven. Preservation is good but the structure appears unsafe. The building is surrounded by a bank and ditch (HSM 36996) forming a rectangular enclosure, or the boundary of a garden. Daffodils grow wild on the north side of the enclosure. A house and garden, named as 'Vulture's Nest', is recorded at this location on the Ordnance Survey 1<sup>st</sup> edition map of 1887, but there is no record of this on the parish Tithe Map of 1840. It is likely that the cottage and garden were constructed in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century.

# Indications of Former Land Use

Whitney Wood appears to have been managed woodland throughout the post-medieval period. The most compelling evidence of this is in the form of woodland boundaries and holloways. Direct evidence of woodland management, particularly in the form of charcoal burning platforms and saw pits, is minimal. This is understandable, however, since modern intensive forestry activities, such as scarification and conifer plantation, are likely to destroy, damage or conceal these features. Prominent linear features, including holloways and woodbanks, are more likely to survive, at least in part. This is illustrated particularly in the area of Whitney Wood west of the major north to south holloway (HSM 36987); this area is a focus of intensive forestry activities. To the east of the holloway, in an area of deciduous woodland, archaeological features are more likely to survive. A greater number of features have been recorded in this area.

There is evidence of both continuity and change, indicated by woodland and compartment boundaries. This is most obvious in the eastern part of Whitney Wood. A woodbank (HSM 36988) extends along much of the western boundary, truncated at the southern end by recent forestry activities. A short section of woodbank (HSM 37012) is located on the southern side of the wood. Much of this woodbank has been destroyed as a result of quarrying (HSM 37009) and the construction of a sawmill. An extensive woodbank (HSM 36991) is located on the eastern side of the wood. This has been damage by modern drainage work. There is some evidence of changes in woodland boundaries on the eastern side of the wood. The eastern woodbank extends north into pasture as a field bank; this area is recorded as woodland on the parish Tithe Map of 1840.

Two ditches (HSM 36987, HSM 36993) located in the eastern part of Whitney Wood have been identified as compartment boundaries. Both are recorded as boundaries on the parish Tithe Map of 1840.

There is clear evidence of quarrying in Whitney Wood. This was intensive only in the southern part of the wood where 2 large quarries are located (HSM 36983, HSM 37009).

The remains of a cottage and garden, the 'Vulture's Nest' (HSM 36997, HSM 36996) in the central area of the wood provide evidence of domestic occupation, probably since the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century. The cottage is not occupied today.

# Site and Feature Condition

The best preserved archaeological features present in Whitney Wood today are the railway cutting (HSM 19262) and the major north to south holloway (HSM 36987). The remains of the 'Vulture's Nest' cottage are well preserved, but in an unsafe condition.

Most other features, especially holloways and woodbanks, are eroded and, in places, have been destroyed. This is particularly the case in the central and western areas of the woodland which are the focus of modern forestry activities, but also on the southern margins where quarrying activities were undertaken in the past.

# Discussion and Implications

# Implications regarding the archaeological resource

The topography and geology of Whitney Wood render the area susceptible to erosion where sites are clear felled and where heavy equipment is used. Archaeological features are at risk as a result of erosion, but also as a result of intensive forestry activities which include scarification and the replacement of deciduous woodland by conifer plantations.

# Implications regarding site condition

Many of the archaeological features recorded in Whitney Wood are eroded, damaged and, in places, destroyed. This is due in part, but not entirely, to intensive forestry activities. In several cases, functional and chronological relationships can be determined, for instance, the association of quarries with holloways, the cutting of holloways and woodbanks by more recent features, and changes in woodland boundaries.

# **Implications for future management**

The central and western parts of Whitney Wood, where intensive forestry activities have been undertaken, are almost completely devoid of archaeological features. Holloways that have survived in these areas are eroded and truncated. 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.

## Implications for future field work.

It is unlikely that a more detailed archaeological survey would be productive in Whitney Wood.

# Archive

- 1 Dictaphone Tape
- 1 Transcription Record
- 1 Excel Database
- 1 Mapinfo Data File

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# Appendix: Database of Features and Grid References

HSM No	Easting	Northing	Site type	Period	Description
36983	326226	247655	Quarry	Post-medieval	•
			_		deep
36984	326226	247655	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE. 2m wide, 1.5m deep, extends SE from quarry 36983
36984	326250	247630	Holloway	Post-medieval	
36985	326251	247689	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned N-S, 1m wide, 1m deep,
			,		good preservation
36985	326230	247705	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, damaged by forestry activity
36985	326168	247730	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued
36985	326161	247797	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, aligned NW-SE
36985	326125	247814	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, damaged by water erosion
36986	326192	247716	Ditch	Post-medieval	Aligned E-W, 1m wide, 0.5m deep, extends 20m E
36987	326013	247901	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned N-S, 3m wide, <2m deep, good preservation
36987	326050	247860	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, j/w ditch 36990
36987	326093	247740	Holloway	Post-medieval	
36987	326039	247603	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, aligned NE-SW, cuts holloways 37000 and 37006
36987	326030	247597	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, cuts holloway 37002
36987	326021	247594	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, cuts holloway 37003
36987	325969	247578	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, j/w trackway 37004, cuts dismantled railway cutting 19262
36988	326014	247901	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Aligned N-S on E side of holloway 36987, bank 0.5m high, ditch on W side, 0.2m deep, cut by footpath
36988	326050	247860	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Continued, cut by ditch 36990
36988	326085	247795	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Continued, cut by saw pit 36989
36988	326093	247772	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Continued
36988	326090	247679	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Continued
36988	326045	247616	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Continued, truncated by forestry activities and holloway 37001
36989	326086	247795	Saw Pit	Post-medieval	Sub-circular, 3m dia, 1m deep, cuts woodbank 36988
36990	326050	247860	Ditch	Post-medieval	Aligned N-S, 1.5m wide, 1m deep, running water enters ditch from holloway 36987 at this location
36990	326117	247816	Ditch	Post-medieval	Continued, extends 20m S to natural gully
36991	326058	247931	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE on E side of wood, bank 0.5m high, ditch on E side, 0.25m deep
36991	326136	247845	Woodbank	Post-medieval	. 0
36991	326193	247845	Woodbank	Post-medieval	
36991	326253	247783	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Continued, aligned E-W
36991	326273	247787	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Continued, aligned NW-SE, extends NW into pasture as field boundary
36991	326287	247761	Woodbank	Post-medieval	

36991	326309	247753	Woodbank	Post-medieval	work Continued
36991	326345	247733	Woodbank	Post-medieval	
					20m
36992	326080	247922	Saw Pit	Post-medieval	Sub-circular, 2m dia, 1.5m deep, spoil heap on S side
36993	326287	247761	Ditch	Post-medieval	Aligned E-W, 1.5m wide, 0.5m deep merges with woodbank 36991
36994	326373	247673	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 2m wide, 2m deep extends 25m SE, good preservation
36994	326355	247684	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, aligned N-S, 1.5m wide. 3m deep
36994	326357	247687	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, 1m wide, 4m deep, eroded
36994	326321	247709	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, aligned NW-SE, 1m wide, 3m deep, eroded
36994	326318	247721	Holloway	Post-medieval	
36995	325926	247860	Saw Pit	Post-medieval	Sub-rectangular, 2.5m x 1m, 0.5m deep, spoil heap on S side
36996	325791	247835	Bank and Ditch	19 <sup>th</sup> Century?	NE corner, extends S and W, bank 0.3m high, ditch on both sides, 0.2r deep, daffodils, garden boundary obuilding 36997
36996	325757	247819	Bank and Ditch	19th Century?	Continued, NW corner, extends E and S
36996	325765	247795	Bank and Ditch	19 <sup>th</sup> Century?	Continued, SW corner, extends N and E, ditch 1m deep on S side of bank
36996	325792	247815	Bank and Ditch	19th Century?	Continued, SE corner, extends N and W
36997	325773	247806	Building Remains	19 <sup>th</sup> Century?	'Vulture's Nest', stone built cottage, 12m x 4m, small outbuilding on N side, door on S side, chimney on E side, N and S walls partially collapsed, a scatter of household items, good preservation
36998	325759	247765	Charcoal burning platform	Post-medieval	Circular, 8m dia, spoil heap 1m hig with charcoal fragments on SW (down slope) side
36999	325752	247787	Quarry	Post-medieval	Circular, 12m dia, 2m deep, entrance on W side, spoil heap 1m high on S (down slope) side
37000	326039	247603	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 1.5m wide, 2m deep, cut by holloway 36987, extends NW up slope as a trackwa
37000	325869	247796	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, access to building 36997, used as forestry track, continues NW
37001	325869	247671	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 0.5m wide, 0.5m deep
37001	325925	247659	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, branches-2 ditches extend 40m SE down slope then

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					merge; 1 <sup>st</sup> ditch 1m wide, 1m deep; 2 <sup>nd</sup> ditch 1m wide, 2m deep,
37002	326030	247597	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 1m wide, 2m deep cut at this location by holloway 36987, extends NW >10m into thick brambles, extends SE 20m truncated by sawmill
37003	326021	247594	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 1m wide, 1.5m deep, cut at this location by hollowa 36987, extends NW >10m into thick brambles, extends SE 10m, merges with ditch 37002
37004	325969	247578	Trackway	Post-medieval /Modern?	Aligned E-W, 2m wide, cut 1m on N (up slope) side, extends W on S sid of Bullough Wood from j/w holloway 36987 at this location, good preservation
37004	325789	247615	Trackway	Post-medieval /Modern?	Continued
37004	325725	247650	Trackway	Post-medieval /Modern?	Continues W, j/w trackway 37005
37005	325725	247650	Trackway	Post-medieval /Modern?	Aligned N-S, 1.5m wide, extends N from j/w trackway 37004
37005	325755	247814	Trackway	Post-medieval /Modern?	Continued, j/w trackway 37000
37006	326032	247717	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, <2m wide, <1m deep, extends SE down slope from quarries 37007 and 37008 following course of natural gully
37006	326039	247603	Holloway	Post-medieval	Continued, j/w holloway 36987
37007	326046	247725	Quarry	Post-medieval	Irregular, 35m long, <3m deep, entrance on SE side
37008	326071	247709	Quarry	Post-medieval	Sub-rectangular, 20m long, <3m deep, entrance on S side
37009	326120	247627	Quarry	Post-medieval	Semi-circular, 50m dia, <6m deep, cut into S facing slope, contains several spoil heaps and sandstone slabs, entrance on SW side, good preservation
37010	326109	247587	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned NW-SE, 2m wide, <1m deep, length 20m, truncated at NW and SE ends by modern track, access to quarry 37009
37011	326122	247585	Holloway	Post-medieval	Aligned N-S, 1.5m wide, <1.5m deep, truncated at N end by quarry 37009 and at S end by sawmill, good preservation
37012	326175	247600	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Aligned E-W along S edge of wood bank 0.5m high, ditch 0.2m deep truncated by quarry 37009
37012	326212	247600	Woodbank	Post-medieval	Continued, truncated by sawmill
19262	325970	247578	Railway Cutting	19 <sup>th</sup> Century	Aligned E-W, 2m wide, 2m deep, disused, truncated by sawmill
19262	325969	247578	Railway Cutting	19 <sup>th</sup> Century	Continued, 4m deep, cut by holloway 36987

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