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Summary

Between March and April 2021 KDK Archaeology Ltd undertook an Archaeological Evaluation at the Land east of A6 and roundabout at Bedford Road, Rushden, Northamptonshire as a condition of planning permission for the development of the site. A total of 30 trenches were excavated revealing a long history of agricultural activity taking place within the development area. Artefacts recovered from this investigation represented a large date range spanning from the mid-late Iron Age through to the modern period. The features exposed on the site included 21 medieval furrows, 40 ditches/irrigation channels which possibly predate the medieval period, two gullies and 11 postholes/small pits. In addition, a number of Victorian and modern land drains were observed throughout the site, many of which intercepted with earlier features on the site.

1 Introduction

1.1 Between March and April 2021 KDK Archaeology Ltd undertook an Archaeological Evaluation at the land east of A6 and roundabout at Bedford Road, Rushden, Northamptonshire. The project was commissioned by Rushden Town Council, and was carried out according to a Written Scheme of Investigation prepared by KDK (Watson 2021), and approved by Liz Mordue, Archaeological Advisor (AA) to the Local Planning Authority (LPA), East Northamptonshire Council. The relevant planning application reference is 20/01174/FUL.

1.2 *Planning Background*

This project has been required under the terms of National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) as a condition of planning permission for the development of the site.

1.3 *The Site*

Location

The proposed development site is situated at the south-eastern edge of the market town and civil parish of Rushden, which is in the East Northamptonshire Council district of Northamptonshire. The development site is centred on National Grid Reference (NGR) SP 9705 6492 (Fig. 1).

Description

The proposed development site is a c. 17ha rectangular area situated on land east of the A6 and roundabout at Bedford Road. The site is bounded to the north/north-west and east by an existing footpath and agricultural (arable) land; to the south/south-west it is bounded by agricultural (arable) land and open fields; and to the west it is contiguous with The John White Golf Club and Rushden Golf Range/Footgolf (Fig. 2).

Geology & Topography

The bedrock geology is the Oxford Clay Formation, a sedimentary mudstone formed approximately 157 to 166 million years ago in the Jurassic Period; this is overlain by superficial deposits of the Oadby Member, which is diamicton (a sediment resulting from dry-land erosion) formed up to 2 million years ago in the Quaternary Period. (<http://mapapps.bgs.ac.uk/geologyofbritain/home.html>). The site lies at an approximate elevation of 97m AOD.



Proposed Development

The development proposal entails the erection of a new rugby club house with four playing pitches and the provision of a new access road from the existing roundabout, including the creation of a new pedestrian crossing and a 3m wide shared footway and cycleway on the adjacent highway (Resubmission of 19/01974/FUL) (Fig. 3).

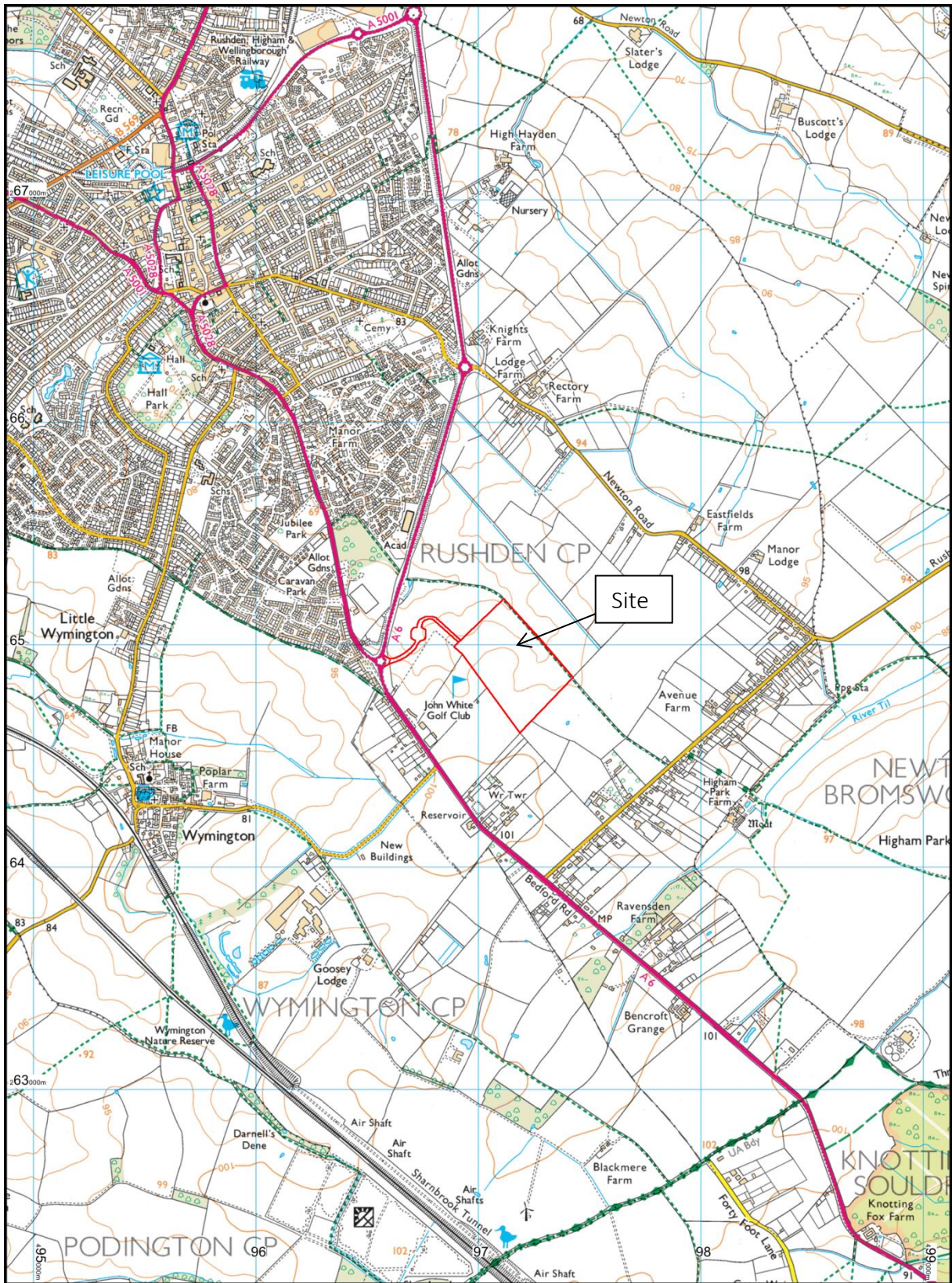


Figure 1: General location (site outlined in red; scale 1:25,000)

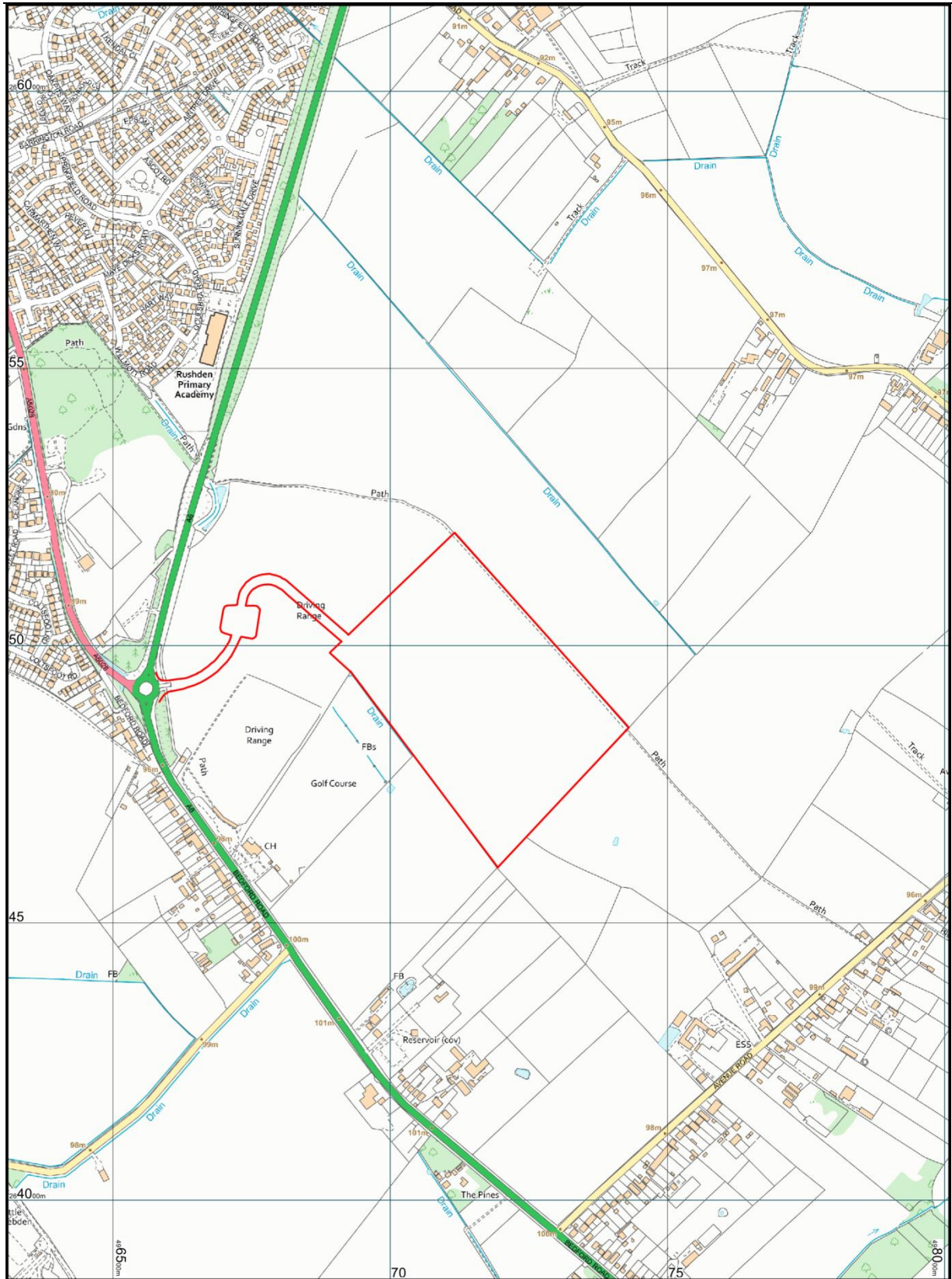


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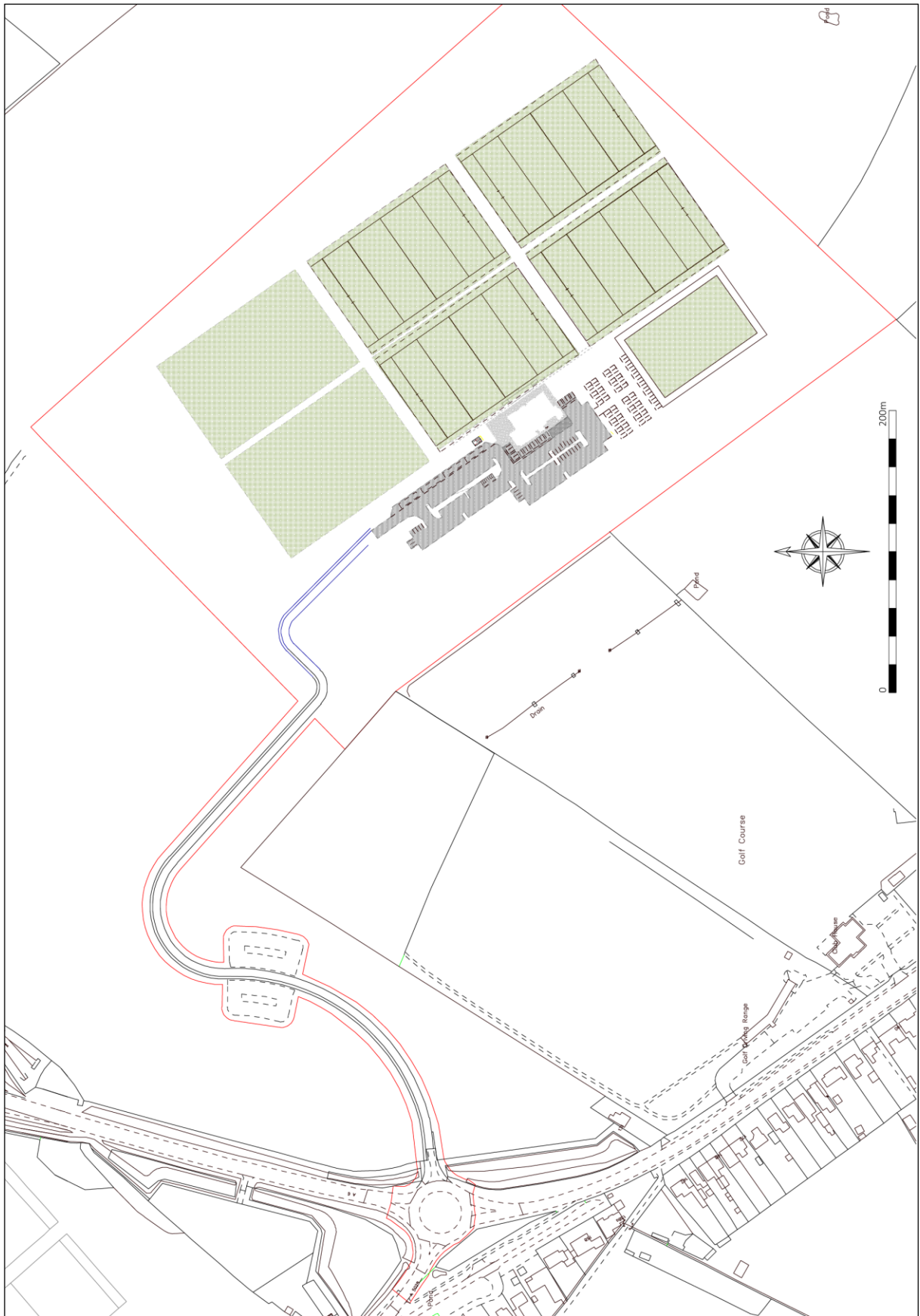
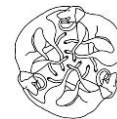


Figure 3: Proposed development (scale 1:4000)



2 Aims and Methods

2.1 Aims

The aims of this project as defined in the approved WSI (Watson 2021) were:

- To establish the date, nature and extent of activity or occupation in the development site
- To establish the relationship of any remains found to the surrounding contemporary landscapes
- To recover artefacts to assist in the development of type series within the region
- To recover palaeo-environmental remains to determine local environmental conditions as an intrinsic part of the investigation.

In addition, the following site-specific research queries from the Regional Research Agenda were also considered:

- To shed further light upon the origins and development of the open-field system and its impact upon agricultural practices
- How transport infrastructures improved and how was this related to the developing urban and market hierarchy?
- What can be deduced from factory/non-factory production data about the changing economy (especially patterns of marketing and consumption)

2.2 Methods

In line with the requirements of the brief, the methods used were as follows:

- Stage One: An archaeological field evaluation of the site consisting of 30 trenches, each measuring 50m x 1.8m, plus an appropriate contingency (Fig. 5). This represented c. 1.5% of the site area, with the trenches circumventing the proposed pitches. The contingency included provision for an addition 28 trenches within the pitches should significant archaeology be present.
- Stage Two: An appraisal of the results of the evaluation and their significance with regard to the proposed development. This in turn may lead to the definition of a programme of investigation and recording of archaeological remains which will be destroyed by the development. NCAT may prepare a Brief for the next phase of investigation that will also cover a programme of post-excavation, analysis and publication
- Stage Three: The implementation of an agreed programme of archaeological investigation and recording based on the Brief

2.3 Standards

The work conformed to the following requirements:

- The relevant sections of the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists' *Standard & Guidance for Archaeological Field Evaluation* (CIfA 2020)
- The Chartered Institute for Archaeologists' *Code of Conduct* (CIfA 2019)
- Current English Heritage guidelines (HE 2015, EH 2008)
- The Association of Local Government Archaeological Officers East of England Region *Standards for Field Archaeology in the East of England* (ALGAO 2003)



2.4 **Mitigation**

As many of the features observed on the site were similar in dimensions and composition, a mitigation strategy involving the excavation of a representative sample of features was agreed between the County Archaeologist and KDK Archaeology. Although investigation was limited to select features, every archaeological feature exposed on the site was mapped and recorded in accordance with the specifications outlined in the WSI (Watson 2021).



3 Archaeological and Historical Background

3.1 Rushden is located on the slopes of the Nene Valley and lies on the A6, midway between Bedford and Kettering. The general area has been settled since at least the later prehistoric period, and Bronze Age, Iron Age and Roman sites have, been discovered in the Hayway Area and Higham Park. The modern town has its origins in the Saxon period and the toponym 'Rushden' derives from the Old English *Risdene*, meaning a 'rushy valley' (*riscen* ('rushy') + *denu* ('a valley'; KEPN 2020). The development site is situated outside of the Rushden Conservation Area.

This section has been compiled with information from the Northamptonshire County Council Historic Environment Record (HER), KDK's own library, and reliable online sources. The HER data with a 1km search radius, is shown in Fig.5.

3.2 *Prehistoric* (before 600BC)

Cropmarks identified by aerial photography within the HER search area may be the remains of two prehistoric settlements. A possible prehistoric settlement measuring c. 471m x 295m is situated about 350m north of the development, which has enclosures, linear features and ditches, though some elements are undated (HER 1378, 1378/0/0-4; ENN11585, ENN101891); whereas the other is c. 200m to the east, and also consists of enclosures, linear features & ditches within an area of c. 410m x 280m (HER 4004, HER4004/0/1-12; ENN101891). These sites have only been defined on the basis of cropmarks, and neither has been dated or excavated.

3.3 *Iron Age (600BC - AD43) & Roman (AD43 - c.450)*

Rushden has a few Iron Age sites, such as those situated on the corner of Melloway Road and Irchester Road (at the site of the Welcome Inn) and near Avenue Road, and two middle Iron Age enclosures (HER 5931/0/3), revealed during a Watching Brief, are situated c. 550m northwest of the development (ENN104329, ENN103370). Enclosure 1 was delimited by a curving ditch (c. 30m in length), which may have been part of a 'funnel entrance'. About half the enclosure area was exposed and it extended c. 20m north-south, and probably the same east-west. No internal features were identified, but small quantities of pottery and animal bone were recovered from the ditch fills. Enclosure 2 was located to the north-east of Enclosure 1, where the corner of a rectangular ditched enclosure was exposed. Its overall dimensions were not revealed within the limits of the fieldwork. A single sherd of pottery was recovered from its slight ditch (1.0m wide x 0.3m deep). Unstratified finds included 'Scored Ware' sherds indicating that the assemblage can be broadly dated to the middle Iron Age, but a single rim sherd from a rolled everted rim of a large jar is typical of the late Iron Age/early Romano-British periods. These dates suggest that the features belong to the end of the middle Iron Age, perhaps the 2nd-1st BC. Adjacent sites comprise linear cropmarks that may be prehistoric or Romano-British (HER 5931; ENN11358, ENN107482, ENN19842, ENN104329, ENN103370); and a scatter of Iron Age & Romano-British pottery (HER 5931/0/0; ENN19842) related perhaps to the nearby prehistoric site (HER 1378/0/0) or merely an intensively manured part of a contemporary field system. An undated ditch (HER 5931/0/2; ENN101891) also forms part of this complex of features.

The evidence for Roman occupation in the general area indicates the presence of small agricultural settlements (Rushden Research 2020). A possible site of Romano-British activity situated c. 500m northwest of the development included part of a field system (HER 5458; 5451, ENN105455). Trial trenches excavated at Land off Goulsbra Road (ENN105455) encountered three sherds of Roman pottery, one dated to the late 1st to mid-2nd century, and five small fragments of animal bone, and two parallel ditches, c. 3m apart. One of the ditches also contained a single potsherd dating to the 17th/18th century. Although the pottery may have been



intrusive, a late 19th century field boundary lay in the same location, so the Roman pottery may be residual. Other undated ditches were also present. Unstratified Romano-British pottery and a series of curvilinear features (HER 5458/0/0-1; ENN105451, ENN105455, ENN108616) were identified during geophysical survey, with the latter interpreted as of probable archaeological origin. However, during trial trench excavation these were revealed to be due to changes in the natural geology. Further local geophysical survey identified anomalies that were interpreted as possible pits, but trial trench excavation only found modern land drains (HER 5458/0/2; ENN105451, ENN105455).

3.4 **Saxon** (c.450 - 1066) & **Medieval** (1066 - 1500)

There have been no Saxon finds in Rushden but along with the settlements of Higham, Irchester and Raunds, and Wollaston, it was part of the Higham Ferrers Hundred (a division of a shire for administrative, military and judicial purposes under the common law; Rushden Research 2020). Before the conquest, Rushden was a small nucleated village with two manor houses, a church, a mill on the river and surrounding open fields. The estate was called the Soke of Higham and belonged to Gitda (Gytha), the wife of Earl Ralph of Hereford, nephew of Edward the Confessor (*ibid.*). Post conquest, the Domesday Survey of 1086 records a population of 19 households, with the manors held by the Bishop Geoffrey of Coutances and William Peverel (Salzman 1937; Powell-Smith 2020). The limited data available indicates that the medieval settlement of Rushden was a small agricultural village (Rushden Research 2020).

The agricultural basis of the community is highlighted by the surviving areas of ridge & furrow (a pattern of ridges and troughs created by a system of ploughing used in Europe during the Middle Ages, which was typical of the open field system; HER 9995/0/3, 5-7; ENN103937), which are situated to the north/northeast and west of the development site. Additional ridge & furrow was identified during geophysical survey at the site (Appendix 3).

3.5 **Post-medieval** (1500 - 1900) & **Modern** (1900 - present)

Agriculture was originally the dominant occupation of the town, but by the 18th and 19th century during the advent of the industrial revolution, boot and shoe manufacturing became Rushden's new employment base (RNP 2017: 8). As demand for footwear increased, the number of factories built in the town also increased, which caused Rushden to change both economically and demographically from a rural village to an industrial town (*ibid.*). The boom years for the trade were from 1870 to 1920, when over 100 shoe-making factories were located in the town. In the 20th century, foreign imports started to come, at first from Italy, then from the eastern countries, and gradually, one by one, the factories were closed down (Rushden Research 2020). By 1990, the majority had gone, and by 2007 only four companies were still in operation (*ibid.*). During the 20th century Rushden continued to expand and the settlement diversified to include new banks, shops and other civil and community buildings constructed around the High Street and Newton Road (RNP 2017: 8).

Rushden was geographically well placed in the 18th and early 19th centuries as it was centrally located on the arterial routes between London and the north of England and was thus able to take advantage of the coaches and waggons passing through the settlement. Indeed, Rushden lay on the 'Barton Seagrave to Westwood Gate Turnpike' (now part of the A6 Trunk Road) which was controlled by the Turnpike Act of 1747 (HER 7375/1 - MNN102924; ENN6, ENN107119).

A Brickworks (HER 6114/1; ENN6), consisting of a small yard with a single kiln, (operating between 1866 to 1884) and an Infectious Diseases Hospital (HER 6108/1; ENN6 & 9) that was opened in 1892 and demolished in the 20th century, are both situated adjacent to Bedford Road.



The English Heritage Parks Register Enhancement Survey, 1995 (ENN104057) compiled a register of 'designed landscapes' that include area situated to the northwest and southwest of the development site including post-medieval to modern allotments (HER 3422/1).

The initial stage of investigation of the c. 17ha development site comprised a geophysical survey utilising a fluxgate gradiometer to access its subsurface archaeological potential (Viccari & Falcus 2020; ENN109905; see Appendix 3). A range of subsurface anomalies of natural, agricultural and modern origin were detected, but none suggestive of significant archaeological features were identified. Natural variation was identified as weak banding likely to be produced by superficial alluvium deposits. Modern interference was limited to metallic debris and a trackway along the eastern edge. Historic agricultural activity has been identified across the survey area in the form of several regimes of ridge and furrow cultivation, which are overlapped by modern ploughing. Thus, the various forms and orientations of ploughing across the development site indicate the prolonged agricultural usage of the development area.

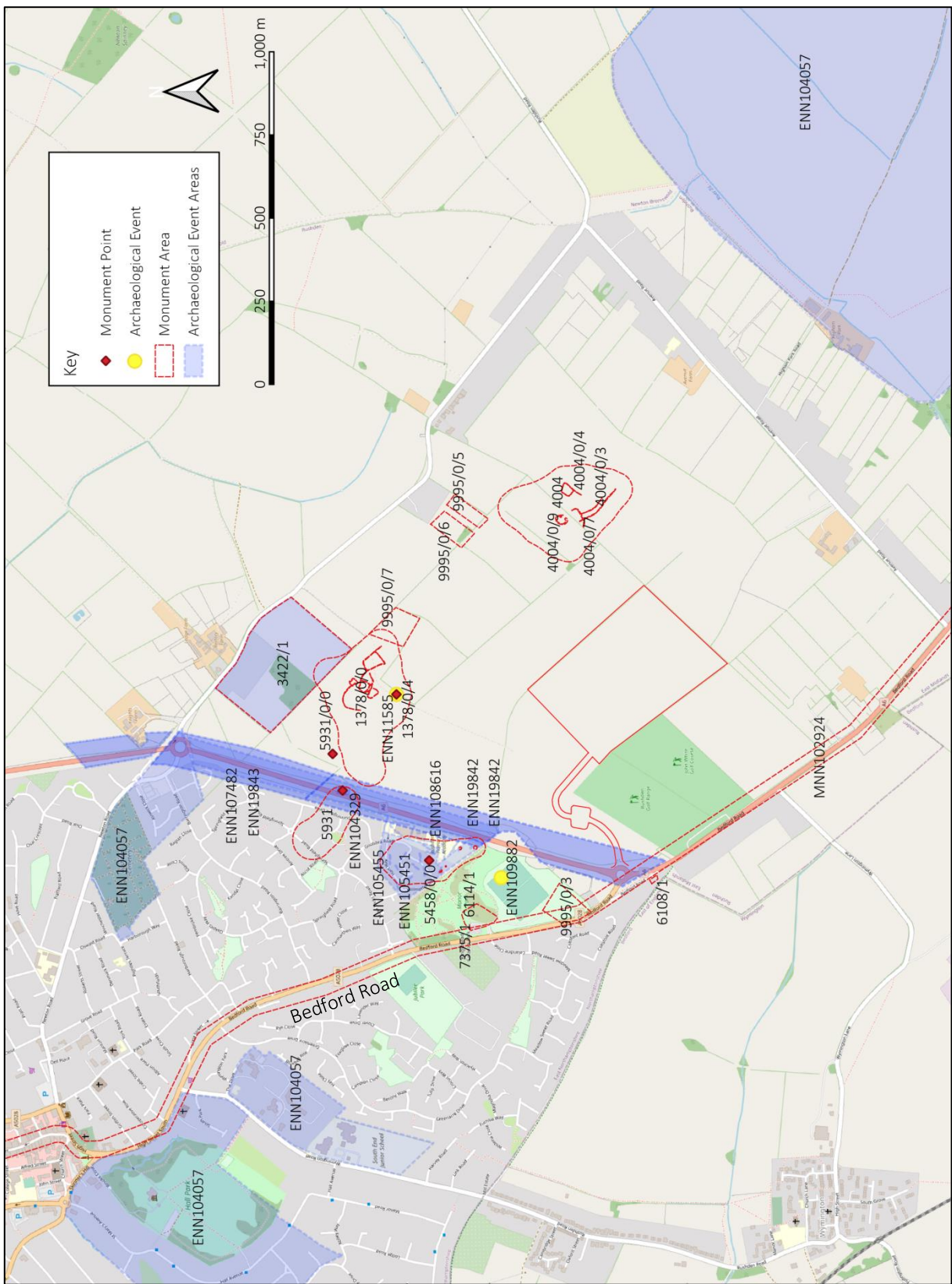


Figure 4: HER data plan (development site outlined in red; scale as shown)



4 Results

4.1 Introduction

A total of 30 trenches, approximately 50m long by 1.8m wide, were mechanically excavated using a 13 tonne machine fitted with a 1.8m toothless ditching bucket.

Archaeological features were observed within 19 trenches, with the majority being concentrated to the southern half of the site. The features revealed during this investigation amounted to 40 ditches, 21 furrows, two gullies and 11 small pits/postholes. Very few artefactual remains were recovered from the fills of these features, and virtually none were observed in the topsoil.

The general site stratigraphy comprised:

- Ploughsoil. Mid greyish brown very silty clay which was fairly malleable and became firm and cracked during periods of dry and hot weather. Occasional sub-rounded stones and sub-angular flints were present as well as chalk flecks and pieces. Limestone was also noted. Modern and post-medieval detritus was observed on the surface. The depth of this layer ranged between 0.16 and 0.43m
- Subsoil. The subsoil was fairly uniform across the site and ranged between 0.10 and 0.74m in depth. It comprised a mid-brown silty clay which, like the plough soil, was fairly malleable and dried out quickly. It contained occasional angular stones and flints as well as gravels. Chalk was also present in various sizes. Rooting was noted in this layer but was mostly minimal and did not penetrate far into the layer. No artefacts were recovered from within the subsoil layer.
- Natural. The natural varied around the site and mostly comprised of a mottled yellow and grey silty, chalky clay. It was firm but quite friable and contained occasional rounded stones and sub-rounded flint nodules. Patches of sand were noted. Nearer to the east and northeast end of the site, the natural comprised of a brownish grey Oxford Clay. This was firm and cracked once dried out.
- Colluvium deposits were noted to the north and northeast of the site within Trenches 4, 5, 8 and 25. This comprised a mid-brownish red silty clay with occasional chalk flecks.

Full context descriptions are presented in the Trench Data Table Appendix 1, and specialist reports are presented in Appendix 2.

Prior to the Evaluation, a geophysical survey was undertaken across the site. Multiple linears, believed to be part of a ridge and furrow system was identified. A number of these features were exposed during this evaluation and are mapped in Figure 7.

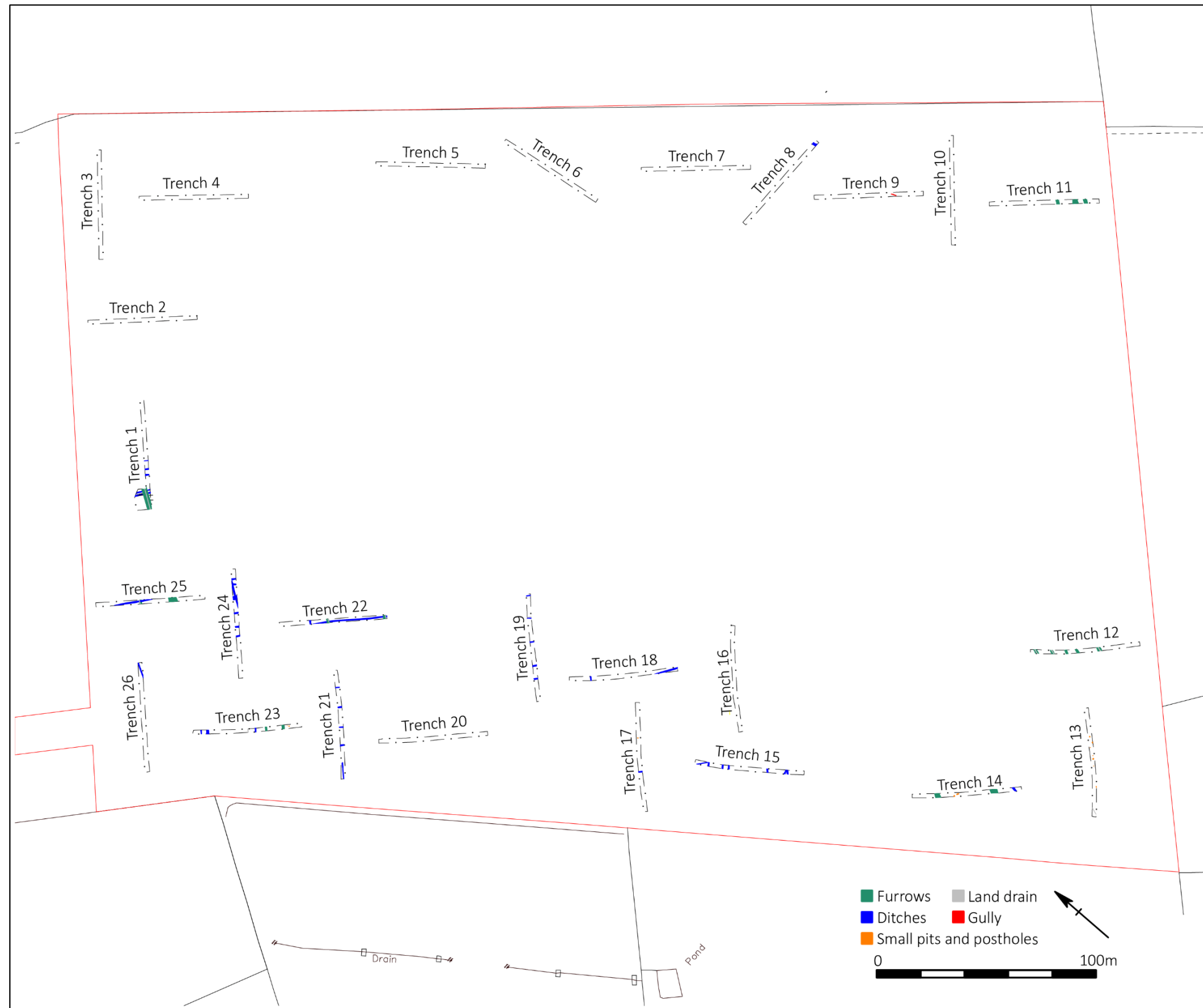


Figure 5: Plan of archaeological features, Trenches 1-26 (scale 1:2000)

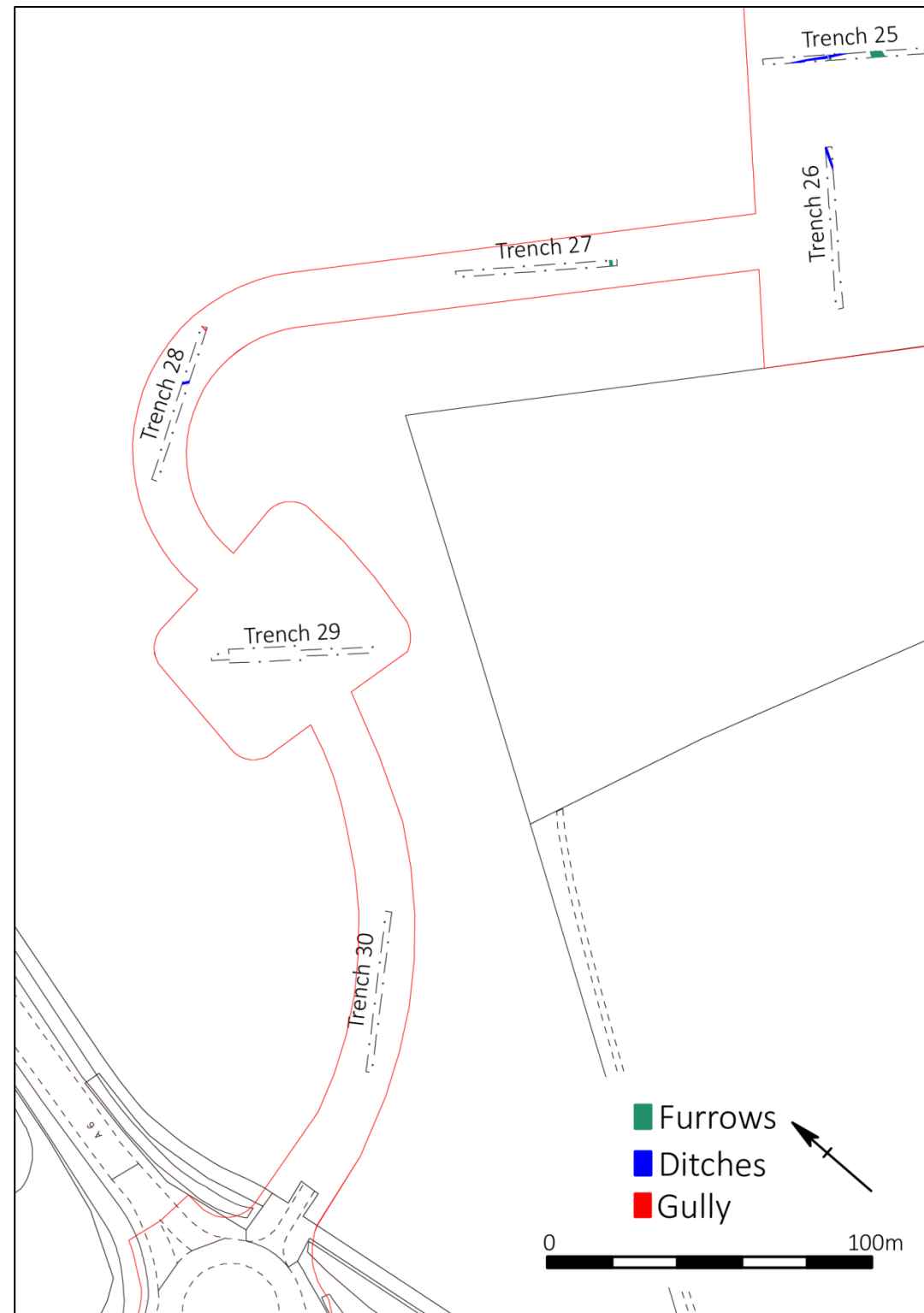


Figure 6: Plan of archaeological features, Trenches 27-30 (scale 1:2000)

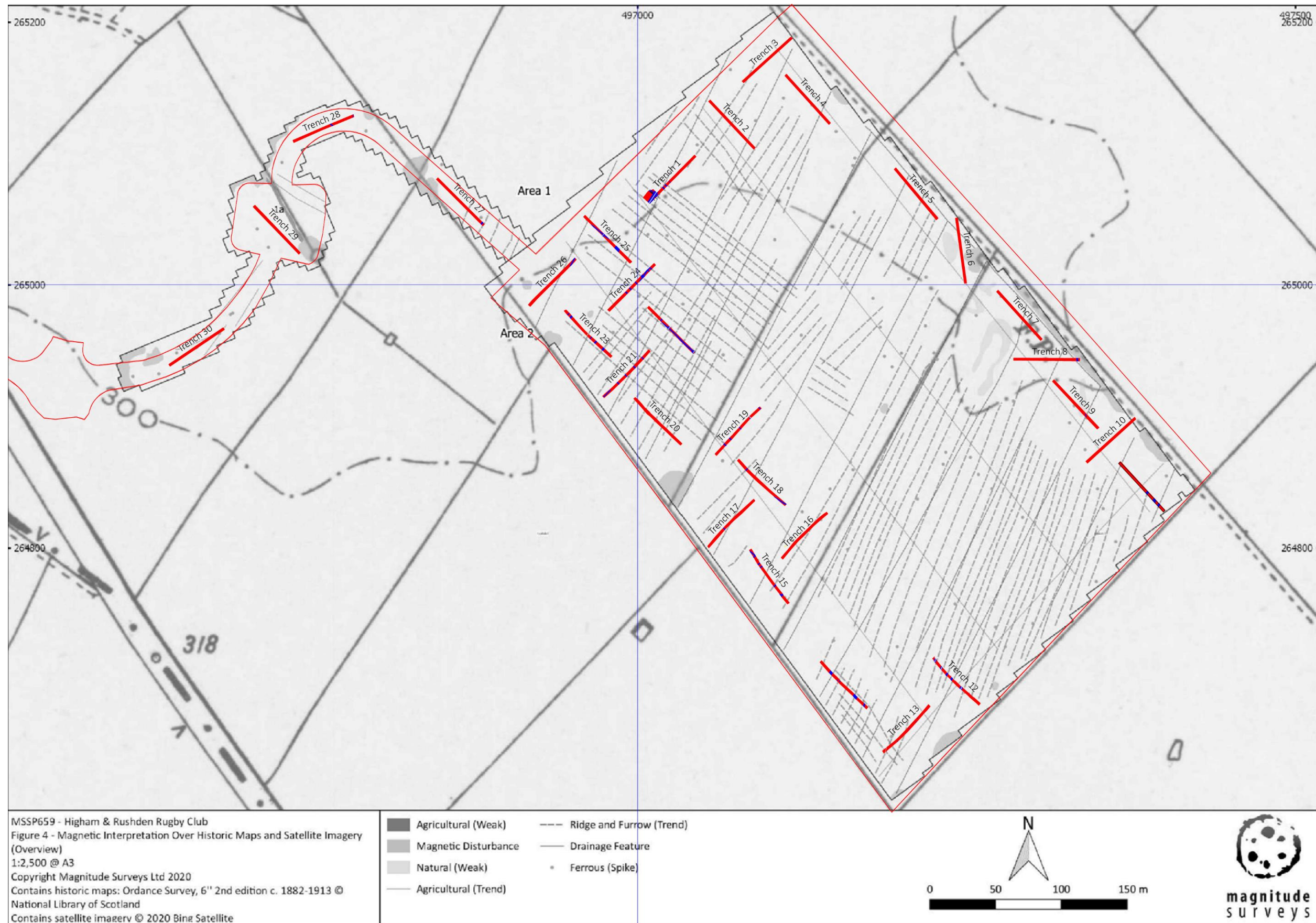


Figure 7: Plan of archaeological features in relation to Geophysics results (scale as shown)



4.2 **Trench 1** (Figs. 5, 7, 8 & 38; Plate 1-3).

Trench 1 was located near to the centre of the site. It was orientated northeast-southwest and initially measured 50 x 1.80m before being extended at its southwest end a further 5.45m northwest. This was done to further expose a number of intercutting features. Linears were observed throughout the south-western half of the trench. The earliest of these were Ditches [103], [105], [107], [109] and [111]. These five ditches were all orientated northeast-southwest and measured between 0.30 and 0.64m in width. Although irregularly spaced, the similarity in direction, and composition, would suggest that they were contemporary with one another. Only one of the ditches, [103], was excavated within this trench. This feature proved to be 0.22m deep contained a single naturally silted fill. Similar features were noted throughout the site, and in some cases almost identical to [103]. This ditch, and its contemporaries, are believed to be agricultural in nature, and may represent a form of irrigation channel or possibly the result of a narrow furrow.

Two of these ditches, [103] and [111] which were located at the southwest end of the trench, were cut by Furrow [113]. Again, features very similar in composition were exposed throughout the site. Believed to be part of a medieval ridge and furrow, [113] was orientated northeast southwest, was 2.38m wide and filled with a naturally silted soil. It is possible that this feature re-appears further southwest within Trench 25.

Cutting through Furrow [113] was Land Drain [115]. This practice of installing a land drain in a pre-existing furrow was a regular occurrence on the site and was noted seven times within the excavated areas. It is likely that this was done to save time, effort and resources during the installation of the land drains as by using pre-existing dips in the landscape (i.e the furrows). A modern land drain filled with clay beads was also observed within Trench 1. This cut through Ditch [109].



Plate 1: Trench 1, looking northeast



Plate 2: Trench 1 stratigraphy, looking southeast

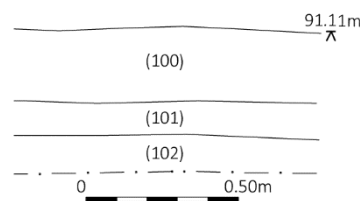


Figure 8: Trench 1 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)



Plate 3: Ditch [103], looking southwest



4.3 **Trench 8** (Figs. 5, 7, 9 & 39; Plate 4-6).

Trench 8 was located to the northeast of the site and was orientated east-west. A single Ditch, [803], was located at the eastern end of the trench. The ditch was orientated roughly north-south and had irregular sides and profile which had been heavily affected by rooting. At the widest point the ditch measured 1.18m and the length was obscured by the limit of excavation to the north and south. A single fill was noted within the ditch which did not produce any datable material.



Plate 4: Trench 8, looking southwest



Plate 5: Trench 8 stratigraphy, looking northwest

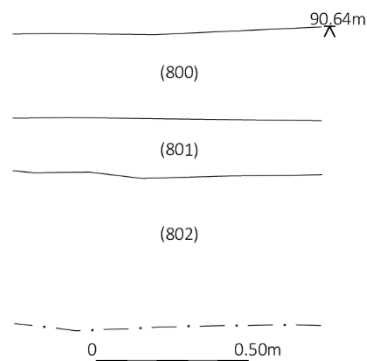


Figure 9: Trench 8 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)



Plate 6: Ditch [803], looking northwest

4.4 **Trench 9** (Figs. 5, 7, 10 & 40; Plate 7-9).

To the southeast of Trench 8 was Trench 9. This trench was orientated northeast-southwest and contained narrow Ditch [903] which containing a dark burnt material with frequent heavily degraded CBM. The feature was >3.26m long, 0.22m wide and 0.10m deep. It is unclear what this feature represents and the CBM was too degraded to be recovered for further analysis.



Plate 7: Trench 9, looking northwest



Plate 8: Trench 9 stratigraphy, looking northeast

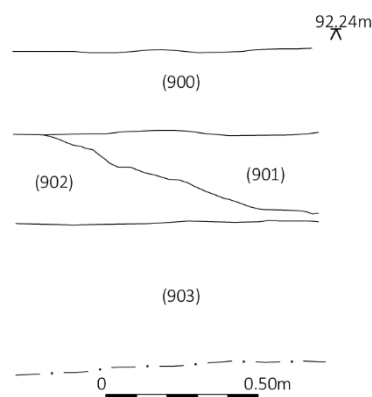


Figure 10: Trench 9 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)



Plate 9: Gully [904], looking north northwest

4.5 **Trench 11** (Figs.5, 7, 11, 41 & 42; Plate 11-13).

Trench 11 was situated in the eastern corner of the site. It was orientated northwest- southeast and contained several linear features. Two of these features, [1103] and [1105] were excavated and the proved to be shallow wide furrows with a U-shaped profile measuring 1.78m wide, 0.17m deep and 2m long and 0.45m deep respectively. A third similar feature [1107] was located further down the trench to the northwest; however, this feature was not excavated. All were orientated north northeast- west southwest and contained a naturally silted fill.



Plate 10: Trench 11, looking northwest



Plate 11: Trench 11 stratigraphy, looking southwest

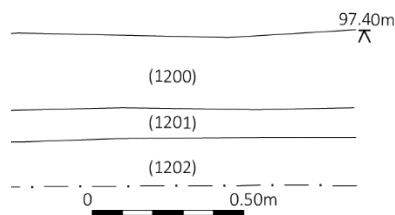


Figure 11: Trench 11 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)



Plate 12: Furrow [1103], looking northeast

4.6 **Trench 12** (Figs. 5, 7, 12 & 43; Plate 13-14).

More furrows were observed within the southern corner of the site. Trench 12, which was orientated northwest-southeast, contained five furrows, [1203], [1207], [1209], [1211] and [1215]. The furrows were all orientated north northeast-west southwest, measured between 0.94m and 1.60m wide and contained similar naturally silted fills. Furrows [1203], [1211] and [1215] were cut through the centre by Land Drains [1205], [1213] and [1217] respectively. None of these furrows were excavated as a representative sample of these features were chosen from elsewhere on the site to be fully investigated.



Plate 13: Trench 12, looking northwest



Plate 14: Trench 12 stratigraphy, looking northeast

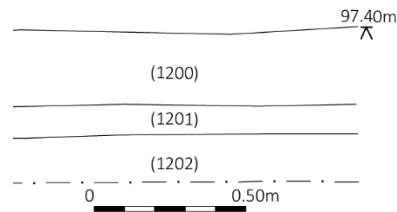


Figure 12: Trench 12 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)

4.7 **Trench 13** (Figs. 5, 7, 13, 44 & 45; Plate 15-19).

Located in the southern corner of the site, and orientated northeast-southwest, Trench 13 contained several possible postholes as well as several features which are believed to be the result of rooting. The possible postholes included [1303], [1305], [1309] and [1311]. They were roughly aligned northeast-southwest and appeared at irregular intervals. Their edges lacked clear definition and their profiles were shallow and poorly defined. It is possible that the majority, if not all of, these features were the result of bioturbation; for example, root or animal action. The possible postholes were similar in size, varying between 0.24 and 0.30m in length and between 0.02 and 0.10m in depth.

Semi-circular shaped, feature [1307] was observed protruding from the southeast baulk. This feature was likely the result bioturbation or could also be the terminus of a ditch or a section of pit. The feature measured 0.49m wide >0.26m long and 0.18m deep. A second irregularly shaped feature likely to be caused by bioturbation was located to the northeast of the trench. This feature, [1313] was irregular in plan 0.70m long by 0.33m wide and 0.17m deep.



Plate 15: Trench 13, looking southwest



Plate 16: Trench 13 stratigraphy, looking northwest

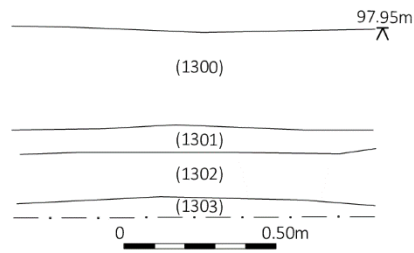


Figure 13: Trench 13 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)



Plate 17: Posthole [1303] and [1305], looking southeast



Plate 18: Posthole [1307], looking southeast



Plate 19: Posthole [1309], looking southeast

4.8 **Trench 14** (Figs. 5, 7, 14, 46, 47 & 48; Plate 20-23).

Trench 14 was also located in the southern corner of the site. This trench was orientated northwest-southeast and contained four furrows and three burnt rooted features.

Two intercepting furrows, [1409] and [1411] were observed within the southeast half of the trench. Both were orientated southeast-northwest and the measured >1.28m wide and 0.25m deep, and 2.04m wide and 0.26m deep respectively. The narrower of the two features, [1411] cut [1409] to the southeast obscuring its true width.

Approximately 6.95m to the southwest of [1409] was ditch [1415]. Orientated north northeast-south southwest, this was the narrowest ditch within the trench.

A fourth furrow was located to the northwest of the trench. Furrow [1413] was orientated northeast-southwest and measured 2.20m in width and 0.34m in depth. All contained similar fills and none produced any artefacts.

In addition to the furrows, three possible rooted features were observed near to the centre of the trench. These were irregular in shape; however, their edges were clearly defined due to the presence of burning within the fill. It is also possible that these features were postholes or small pits. A ceramic land drain was noted within [1407].



Plate 20: Trench 14, looking northeast



Plate 21: Trench 14 stratigraphy, looking northeast

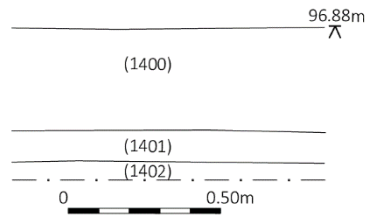


Figure 14: Trench 14 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)



Plate 22: Pit/rooting [1403]/ [1405], looking southwest



Plate 23: Furrows [1409] and [1411], looking southwest

4.9 **Trench 15** (Figs. 5, 7, 14 & 49; Plate 24-25).

Trench 15 was located close to the southwest boundary of the site and close to the proposed parking area. The trench was orientated northwest-southeast and contained seven linears.

Ditches [1505] and [1507] were located to the southeast of the trench. The widest of the two, [1507] was northeast-southwest orientated and measured 0.69m wide and 0.19m deep. Ditch [1505] was orientated east northeast-west southwest similarly measuring 0.62m wide and 0.22m deep. The two features intercepted before reaching the northeast baulk with [1507] cutting [1505] on its southwest edge.



Ditch [1509] was located 7m to the northwest and a further 17m beyond that was Ditch [1511]. Both of these features were not excavated as they were very similar in size and composition to the other features in the trench. Both were orientated northeast-southwest and filled with the same naturally silted material as their neighbours. Ditch [1509] measured 0.69m and [1511] 0.60m in width. Approximately 2.20m to the northwest was Ditch [1503]. This too was orientated northeast-southwest and measured 0.76m wide and 0.13m deep. The final two ditches were located to the northwest of the trench. These two features interacted; however, their relationship could not be determined and the features were not excavated. Ditch [1513], like the others was orientated northeast-southwest and [1515] was orientated northwest-southeast. The two ditches measured 0.63 and 0.40m respectively and single sherd of pottery dating to the Iron Age was recovered from the surface of the fill of [1515].



Plate 24: Trench 15, looking northwest



Plate 25: Trench 15 stratigraphy, looking northeast

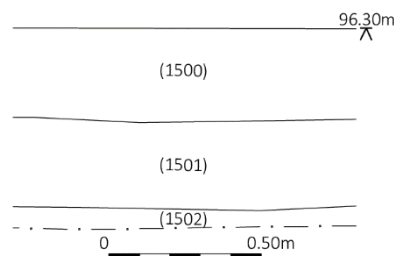


Figure 14: Trench 15 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)

4.10 **Trench 17** (Figs. 5, 7, 15, 50 & 51; Plate 26-28).

Trench 17 was slightly curved and was roughly orientated northeast-southwest. It contained Ditch [1703] and possible posthole [1705]. The ditch, which was located near to the centre of the trench, may be a continuation of Ditch [1515] to the southeast, for as well as being similar in size and composition, the two were closely aligned. Orientated northwest-southeast, Ditch [1703] measured 0.50m wide and reached 0.21m deep. Degraded pottery and CBM was noted in the fill but were too degraded to recover.

A possible small pit or posthole with poorly defined, irregular sides and base was observed in the northeast half of the trench. No further features similar in nature were observed in this area therefore its function could not be fully understood. It probably formed part of a boundary line or some other fenced structure. Burnt stone was recovered from the fill but no further burning was evident. The feature measured 0.46m in diameter and reached a depth of 0.12m.



Plate 26: Trench 17, looking northeast



Plate 27: Trench 17 stratigraphy, looking southeast

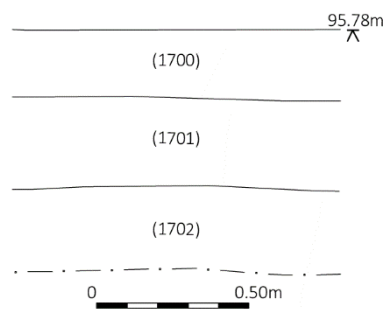


Figure 15: Trench 17 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)



Plate 28: Pit [1705], looking southeast

4.11 **Trench 18** (Figs. 5, 7, 16, 52 & 53; Plate 29-31).

Trench 18 was located to the southwest of the proposed clubhouse. It was orientated northwest-southeast and contained two linear features. The first, Ditch [1803] was located to the southeast of the trench. Protruding from the southeast baulk, the ditch travelled northwest for 10.77m before continuing beyond the limit of excavation to the southwest. The ditch was 0.43m wide and 0.12m deep and contained a single naturally silted fill. At the other end of the trench, to the northwest was ditch [1806]. The fill of this feature was very dark and contained occasional flecks of charcoal throughout. A single sherd of heavily degraded Iron Age pottery was recovered from the fill.



Plate 29: Trench 18, looking northwest



Plate 30: Trench 18 stratigraphy, looking southwest

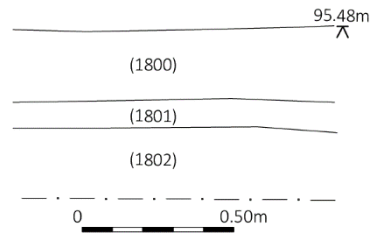


Figure 16: Trench 18 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)



Plate 31: Ditch [1805], looking northeast

4.12 **Trench 19** (Figs. 5, 7, 17 & 54; Plate 32-33).

Orientated northeast-southwest, Trench 19 was located to the northwest of the proposed clubhouse, within parking area. The trench contained five linears, all of which were orientated northwest-southeast. All the ditches were fairly narrow in width, ranging between 0.31 and 0.66 and the majority were fairly regularly spaced appearing in intervals of around 10m. The only exception was between [1903] and [1913] which were only 5.41m apart.

Ditches [1903] and [1907] were excavated and these measured depths of 0.19 and 0.12m respectively. Ditch [1907] was cut along its northeast side by land drain [1905].



Plate 32: Trench 19, looking northeast



Plate 33: Trench 19 stratigraphy, looking southeast

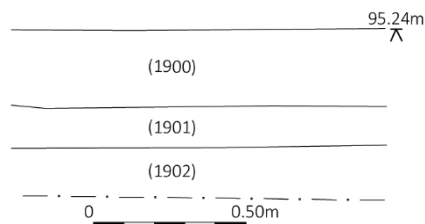


Figure 17: Trench 19 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)

4.13 **Trench 21** (Figs. 5, 7, 18 & 55; Plate 34-35).



Trench 21 was orientated northeast-southwest and contained five ditches. Four of which, [2103], [2107], [2109] and [2111] were orientated northwest southeast and were regularly spaced throughout the trench appearing at intervals of between 7.75- 8.50m apart. The widths of these features ranged from 0.45-0.65m and all were filled with an almost identical fill. Only one of these ditches, [2103], was excavated. It reached a depth of 0.07m.

Ditch [2105] was located at the southwest end of the trench. This feature was observed coming out from beneath the southwest baulk and continuing 7.74m northeast before terminating. The ditch was 0.50m wide, 0.12m deep and was almost identical to the other linears within the trench. All features within this trench were void of finds.



Plate 34: Trench 21, looking northeast



Plate 35: Trench 21 stratigraphy, looking southeast

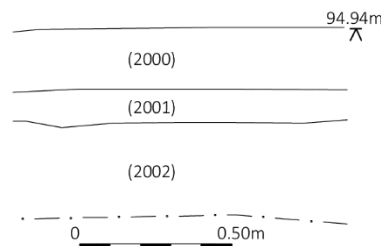


Figure 18: Trench 21 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)

4.14 **Trench 22** (Figs. 5, 7, 19, 56 & 57; Plate 36-38).

Located in the northwest corner of the main development area, Trench 22 provided an excellent example of the relationship between ridge and furrow and both earlier and later farming practices as these events interact near to the centre of the trench. The trench itself was orientated northwest-southeast and contained four ditches and two land drains.

The earliest ditch [2203] appeared at the southeast end of the trench. The ditch went northwest and spanned approximately 2/3rds of the length of the trench before curving slightly to the west and disappearing beneath the southwest baulk. It was 0.67m wide and reached a depth of 0.25m. A total of 34.04m could be observed and it is possible that this feature is also visible within Trench 19 to the east and Trench 24 to the west. A single sherd of pottery dating to the Iron Age was recovered from the surface of the ditch.

Ditch [2203] was cut by two furrows; [2205] near the centre of the trench and [2209] at the southeast edge. A third furrow, [2213] was located to the northwest of [2205]; however, the relationship between the two features was obscured by the limit of excavation. The three



furrows were orientated northeast-southwest, and contained a similar naturally silted fill. The varied in width between 0.74 and 1.26m. Furrow [2205] was the only one within this trench that was excavated. It reached a depth of 0.19m. No finds were recovered from the fills of these features.

Furrows [2205] and [2209] were cut by land drains [2207] and [2211]. A rounded Victorian ceramic land drain was observed at the base of [2207] which provided a good example of the reusing of existing agricultural features during the installation of land drains throughout the site.



Plate 36: Trench 22, looking northwest



Plate 37: Trench 22 stratigraphy, looking northeast

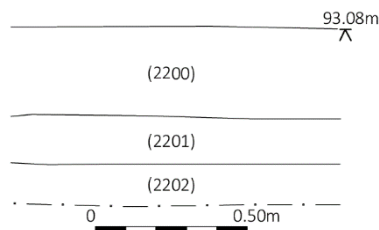


Figure 19: Trench 22 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)



Plate 38: Ditch [2203], Furrow [2205] and Land drain [2207], looking southwest

4.15 **Trench 23** (Figs. 5, 7, 21 & 58; Plate 39-40).

Trench 23 contained two furrows, three ditches and two possible postholes. A land drain was also observed near to the centre of the trench. The ditches were all orientated northeast-southwest and appeared at irregular intervals throughout the trench.

Furrows [2311] and [2315]. Both were orientated northeast-southwest and contained similar silty fills and were similar in widths. Furrow [2311] measured 1.35m wide and 0.10m deep. Furrow [2315] had similar dimensions and measured 1.24m wide; however, this feature remained unexcavated so its depth could not be determined. Land drain [2313] was observed cutting through [2311].



Sharing the same orientation as the furrows were three ditches; [2303], [2305] and [2317] 0.41 and 0.77m in width. Two of these features were excavated, [2303] and [2305]. These features reached a depth of 0.13m and 0.14m respectively



Plate 39: Trench 23, looking southeast



Plate 40: Trench 23 stratigraphy, looking northeast

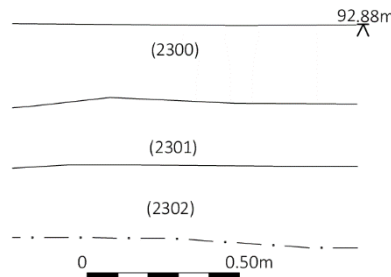


Figure 21: Trench 23 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)

4.16 **Trench 24** (Figs. 5, 7, 22 & 59; Plate 41-42).

Trench 24 was orientated northeast-southwest and was located to the northwest of the main area of excavation. A total of seven ditches were observed within Trench 24. Six of these [2403], [2408], [2410], [2412], [2414] and [2416] were orientated northwest southeast. The spaces between these linears was fairly irregular ranging between 1.41 and 5.9m. The majority of the features were similar in size with a single exception, [2412] which was almost twice as wide as the other features as it measured 1.70m in width. Ditch [2403] was the only feature to be excavated within this trench. It proved to be 0.24m deep. A single sherd of Romano-British pottery and several degraded pieces of daub were recovered from the fill.

A land drain orientated north northeast-south southwest was observed near the northeast end of the trench. This feature cut through [2408], [2410] and [2412]. A total of 12.26m of [2406] was exposed within the trench and a trial hole dug in the centre of the feature revealed a clay land drain.



Plate 41: Trench 24, looking southwest



Plate 42: Trench 24 stratigraphy, looking northwest

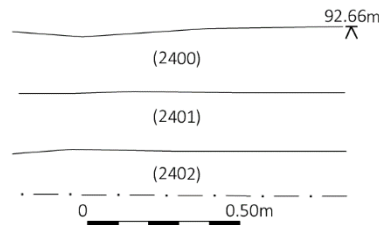


Figure 22: Trench 24 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)

4.17 *Trench 25* (Figs. 5, 7, 23, 60 & 61; Plate 43-45).

To the north of Trench 24 was Trench 25. It was orientated northwest-southeast and contained two furrows, one ditch and a land drain. As with Trench 22, Trench 25 also showed a good example of multi-phased farming practices and three of the aforementioned linears interacted near to the centre of the trench.

The earliest of these features, Ditch [2503], was orientated northeast-southwest. A total of 17.47m was visible of the ditch in plan and it continued beneath the edges of the evaluation trench. It is possible that this ditch reappeared in Trench 24 to the southeast. Ditches [2408] and [2410] are possible candidates for the continuation of this ditch. Ditch [2503] was 0.74m in width and reached a depth of 0.56m. A sherd of mid-late Iron Age pottery was recovered from the upper fill of [2503] as well as a small piece of degraded daub, although due to the disturbances commonly associated with farming, these are likely to be intrusive and do not necessarily represent the age of the feature itself. It is likely that these either washed in from surrounding soils and/or features, or were deposited through agricultural activities (i.e. ploughing).

Ditch [2503] was cut by [2509], a ridge section of a ridge and furrow feature. Orientated northeast-southwest, this furrow measured 1.04m wide and 0.30m deep and could be seen spanning the width of Trench 25. Pottery dating to the 12th century was recovered from the very base of the furrow and three sherds of Iron Age pottery were recovered from the upper fill, again, these are to be considered intrusive.

A ceramic land drain was laid in a narrow trench 0.15m wide at the northwest edge of furrow [2509]. Although the drains cut respected the orientation of the furrow, the features did not



interact. The pipe was circular and measured 0.47m long and 0.08m in diameter and is a typical example of a post 1850s land drain.

A second furrow, [2511] was located near to the southeast end of Trench 25. This feature was 4m wide and could possibly be the same as Furrow [115] to the northeast in Trench 1. This feature was not excavated.



Plate 43: Trench 25, looking southeast



Plate 44: Trench 25 stratigraphy, looking southwest

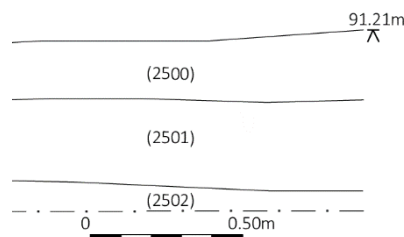


Figure 23: Trench 25 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)



Plate 45: Ditch [2503], Furrow [2506] and Land drain [2509], looking northeast

4.18 **Trench 26** (Figs. 5, 7, 24 & 62; Plate 46-47).

Trench 26 was located in the northwest corner of the main excavation area. It was orientated northeast southwest and contained a single linear to the northeast of the trench. This linear was orientated north northeast- south southwest. Both ends were obscured by the limit of excavation leaving a total of 7.40m exposed. The ditch was 0.62m wide and 0.17m deep and contained a single fill which did not produce any datable material.



Plate 46: Trench 26, looking southwest



Plate 47: Trench 26 stratigraphy, looking northwest

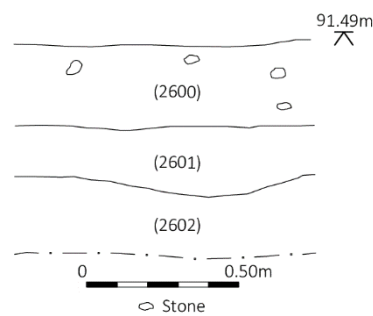


Figure 24: Trench 26 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)

4.19 **Trench 27** (Figs. 6, 7, 25 & 63; Plate 48-49).

Located within the footprint of the proposed access road, Trench 27 was orientated northwest-south east. A single northeast-southwest orientated Furrow, [2703] was observed at the southeast end of the trench. A piece of post-medieval clay pipe was recovered from the fill. The furrow measured 0.81m wide and was 0.17m deep.



Plate 48: Trench 27, looking northwest



Plate 49: Trench 27 stratigraphy, looking southwest

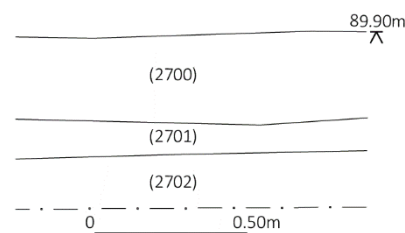


Figure 25: Trench 27 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)



4.20 **Trench 28** (Figs. 6, 7, 26, 64 & 65; Plate 50-51).

To the northwest of Trench 27, still within the footprint of the access road was Trench 28. This trench was orientated east northeast-west southwest and contained two linear features. Gully [2803] was located to the northeast of the trench. This feature was narrow, measuring 0.32m wide and was greatly obscured by the limit of excavation. The feature was orientated north northeast-south southwest; however, there appeared to be a slight southward curve to the feature. Its shape was greatly obscured by the limit of excavation so its true shape in plan could not be ascertained. The feature measured 0.08m in depth and the fill was void of finds.

A second linear, [2805] was located 16.36m to the west southwest of the trench. This ditch was much larger than its neighbour and was more consistent with the ditches found elsewhere on the site. It was orientated northeast southwest and measured 0.59m wide and 0.20m deep.



Plate 50: Trench 28, looking east northeast



Plate 51: Trench 28 stratigraphy, looking southeast

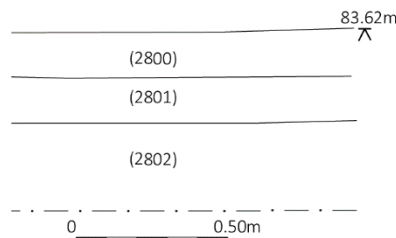


Figure 26: Trench 28 representative stratigraphy (scale 1:25)

4.21 **Blank Trenches**

A total of 11 Trenches did not contain any visible archaeological features or deposits. These included Trenches 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 16, 20, 29 and 30. Seven of these trenches were located to the north and northeast of the site. Two, Trench 16 and 20 were situated to the southwest, close to trenches containing archaeology and within areas containing features highlighted by the Geophysical investigation. It is likely that these features

The final two blank trenches, Trench 29 and 30, were located to the east of the site within the footprint of the proposed access road where the Geophysics exercise produced no significant data.

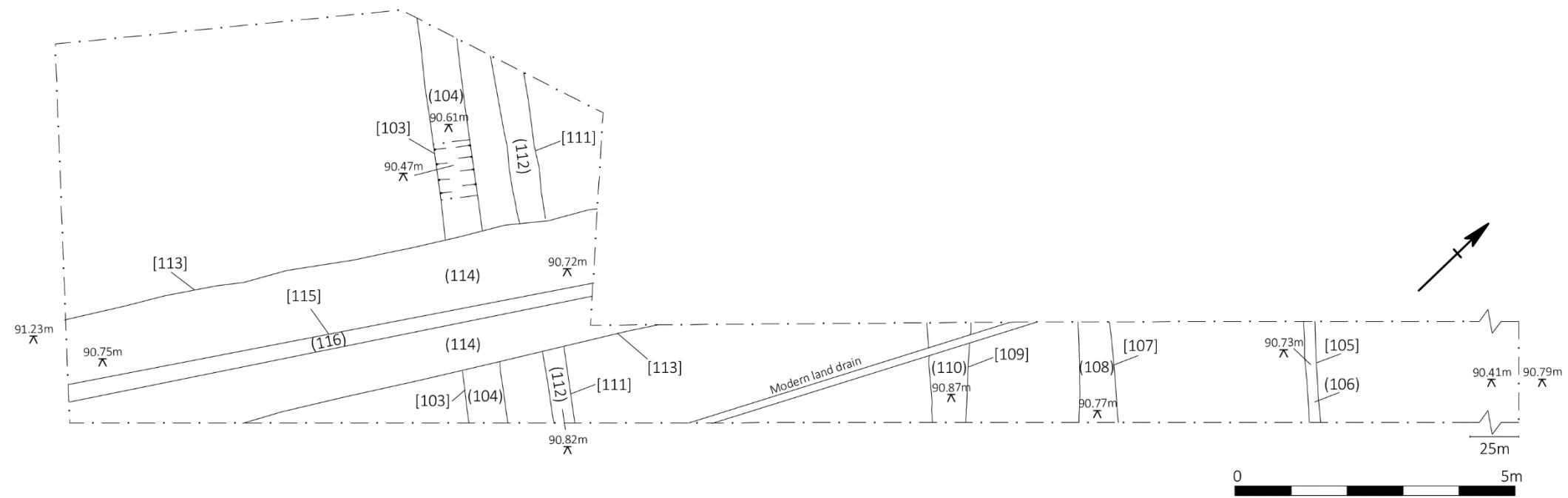


Figure 27: Plan of Trench 1 (scale 1:100)

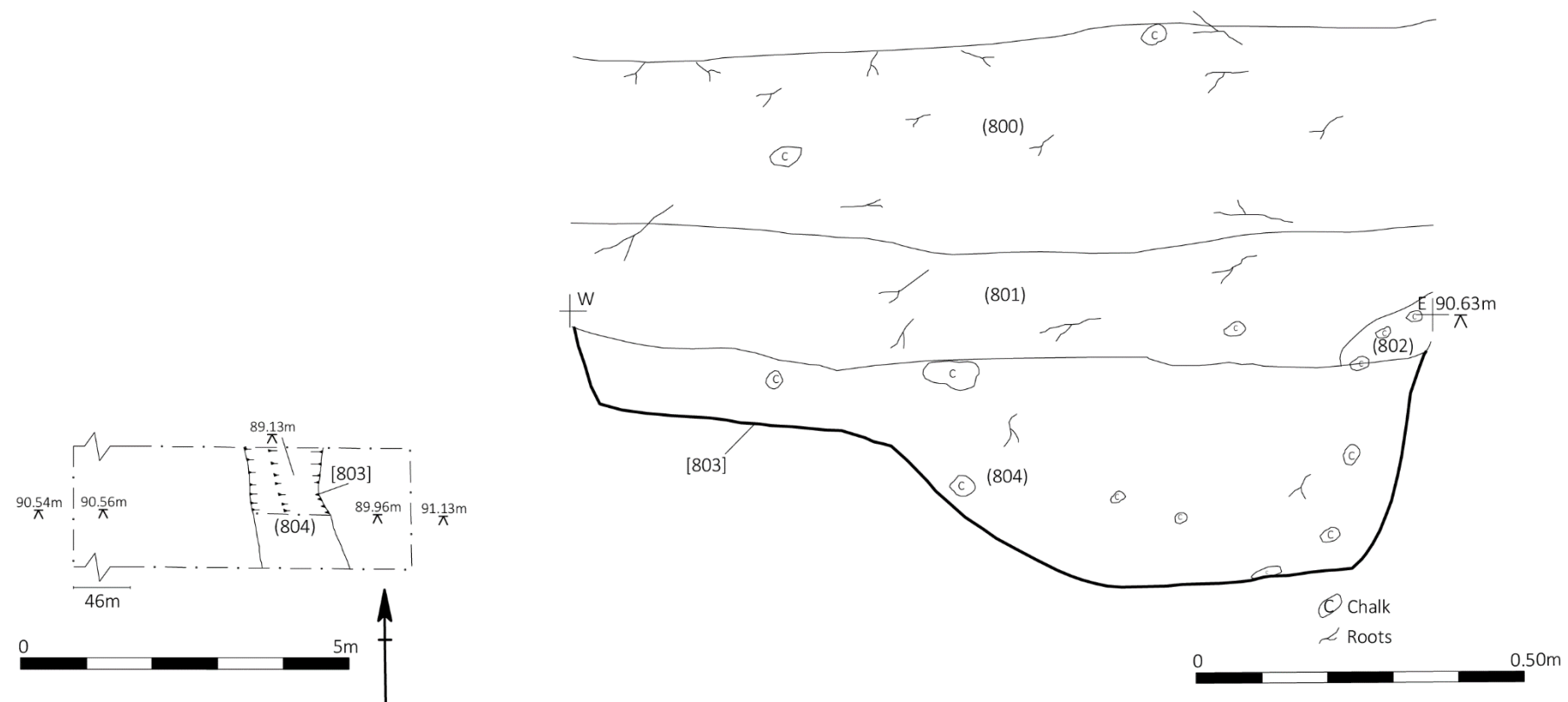


Figure 28: Plan of Trench 8 and south facing section of Ditch [803] (scale Plan 1:100, section 1:10)

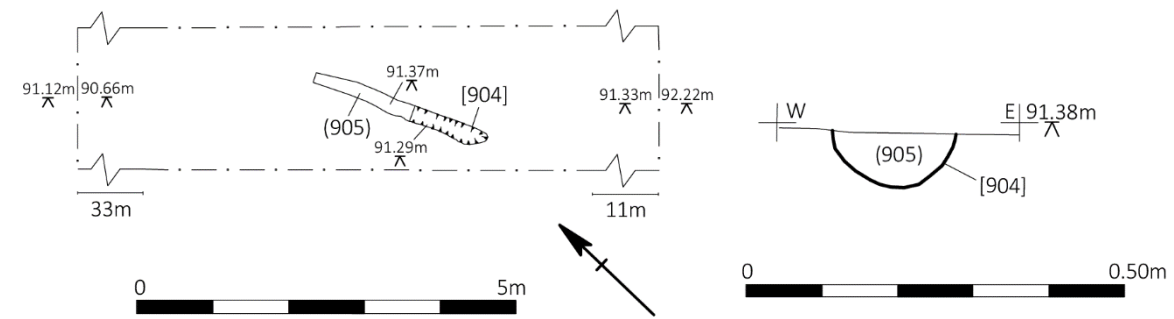


Figure 29: Plan of Trench 9 and south facing section of Gully [903] (scale 1:100 and 1:10)

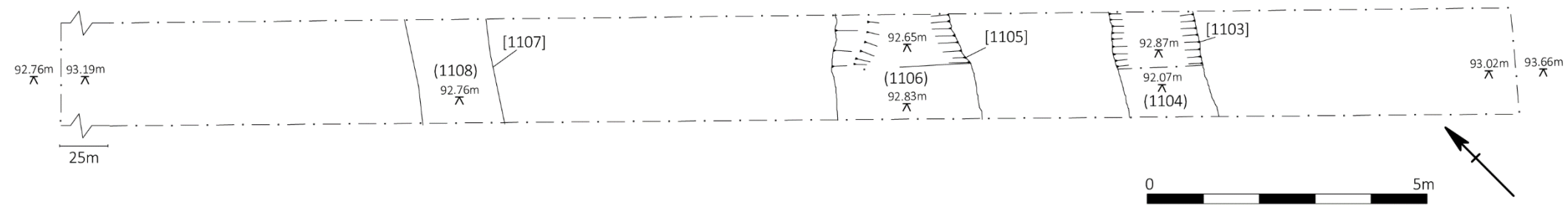


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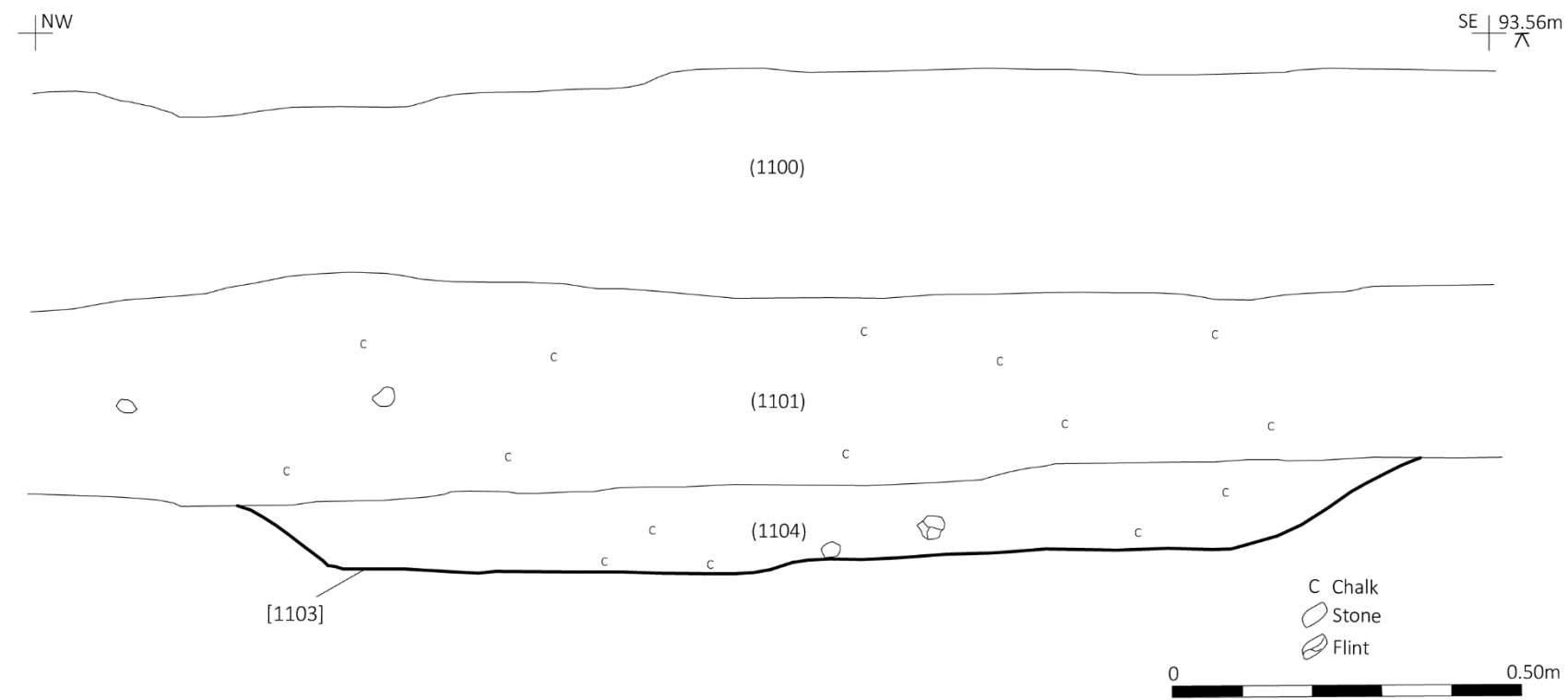


Figure 31: Southwest facing section of Furrow [1103] (scale 1:10)

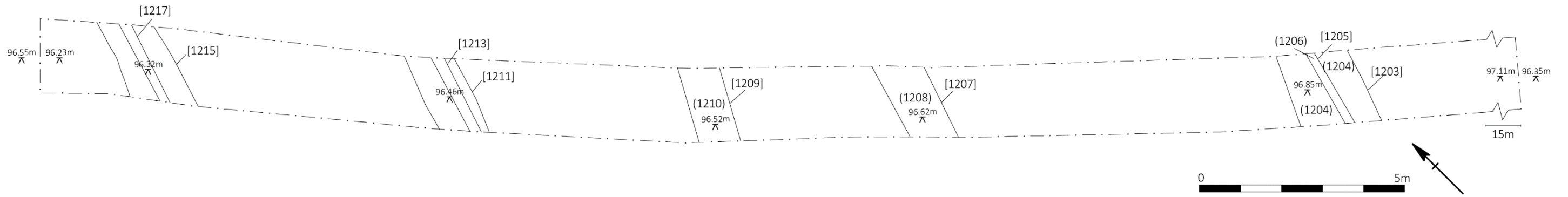


Figure 32: Plan of Trench 12 (scale 1:100)

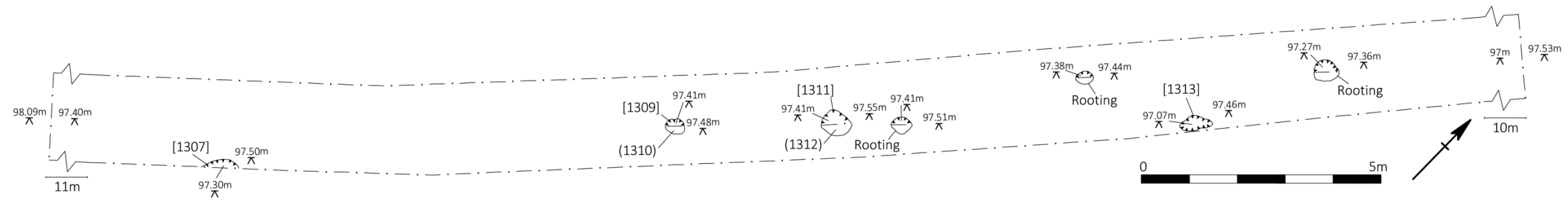


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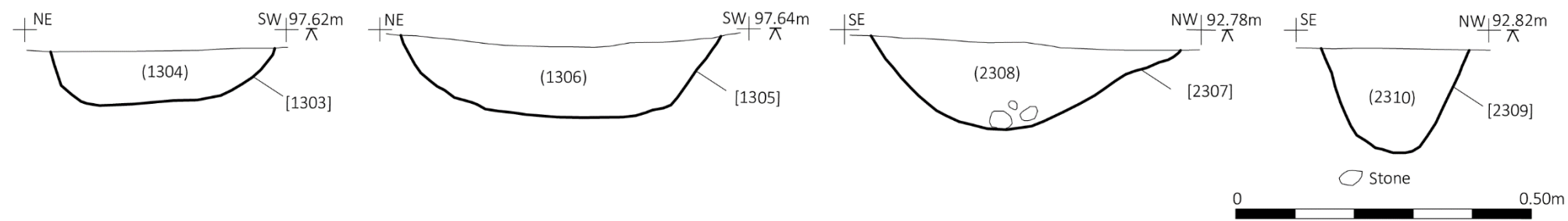


Figure 34: Sections of postholes excavated in Trench 13 (scale 1:10)

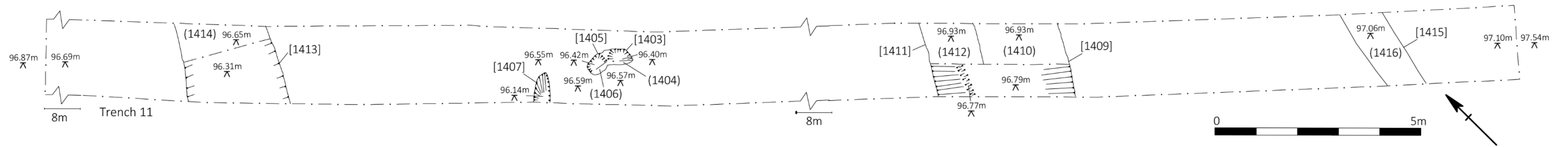


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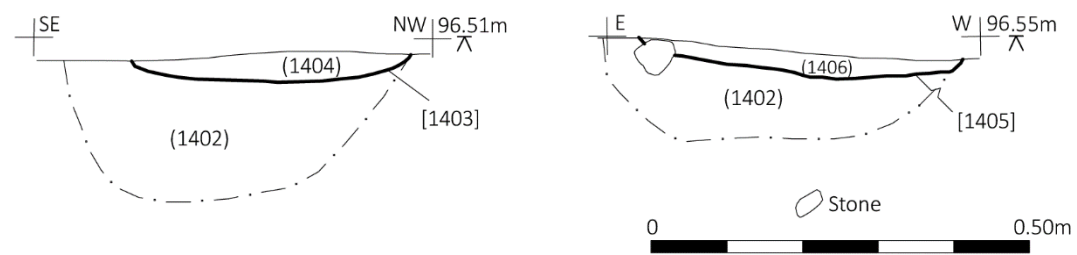


Figure 36: Section of features [1403] and [1405] (scale 1:10)

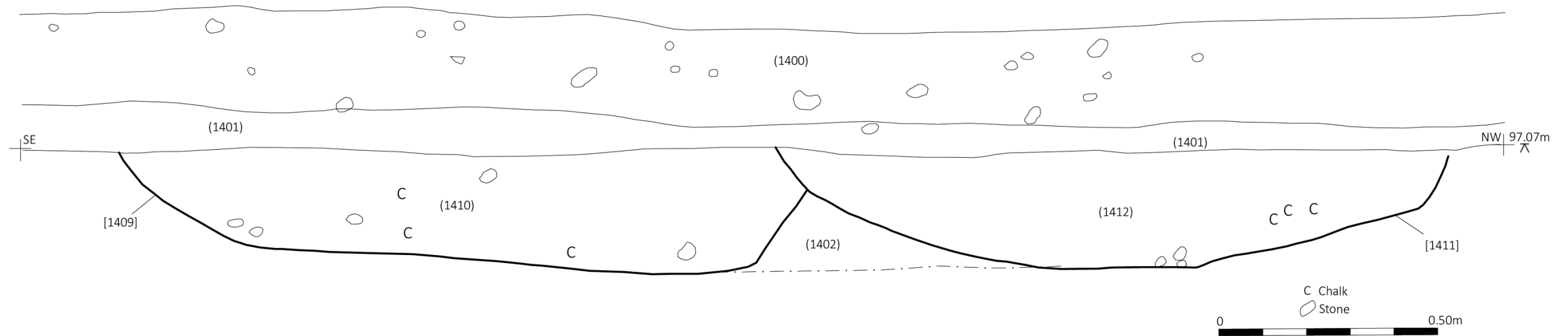


Figure 37: Northeast facing section of Furrows [1409] and [1411] (scale 1:10)

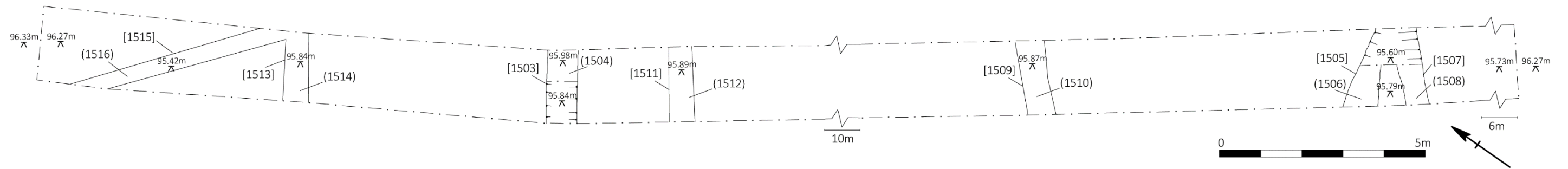


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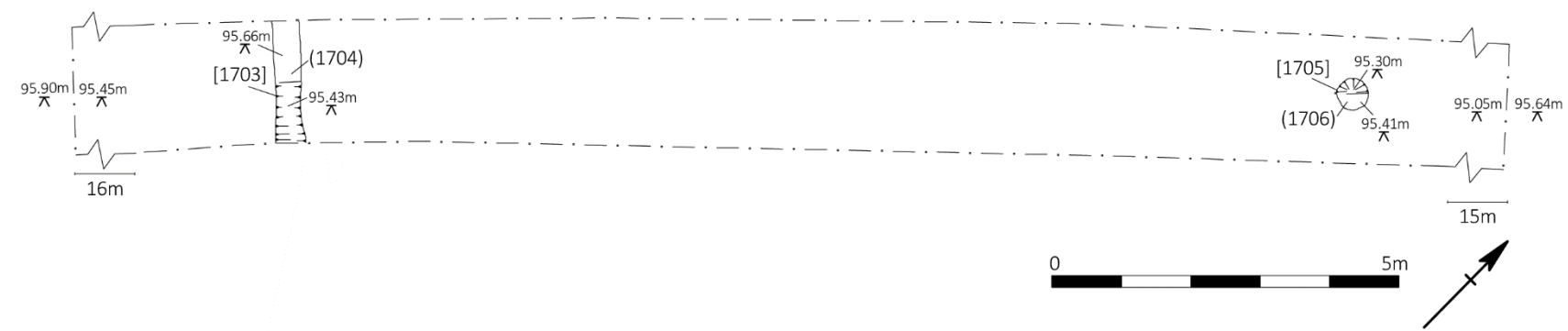


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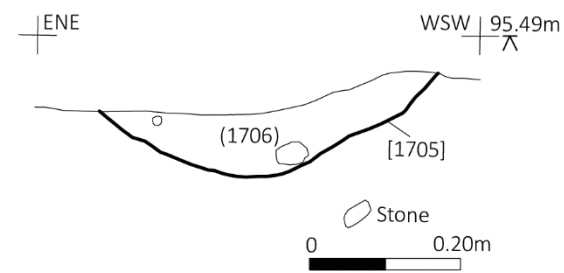


Figure 40: North northwest facing section of Pit [1705] (scale 1:10)

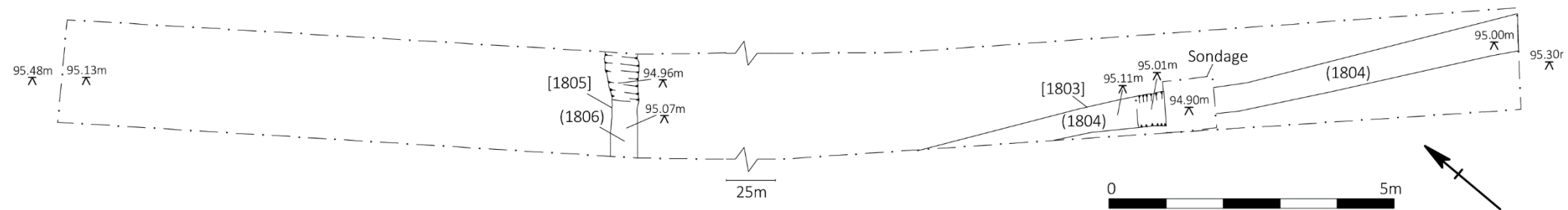


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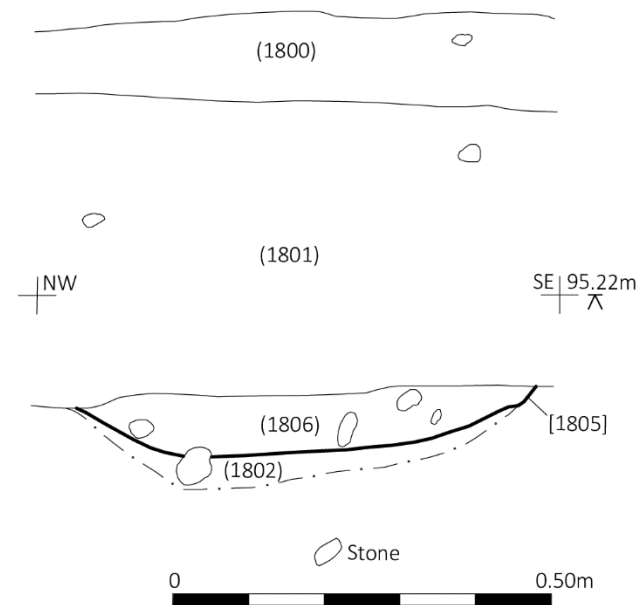


Figure 42: Southwest facing section of Ditch [1805] (scale 1:10)

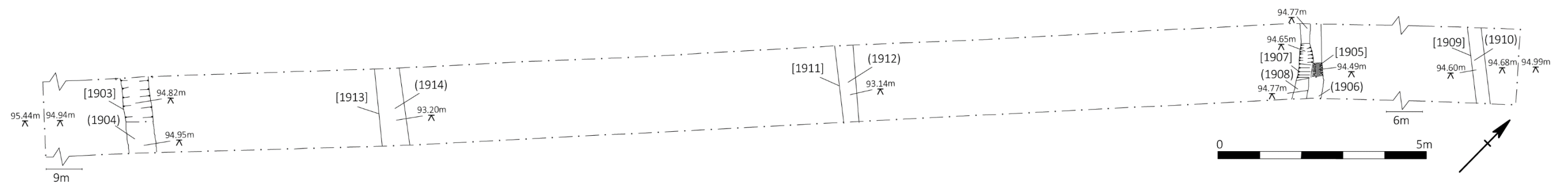


Figure 43: Plan of Trench 19 (scale 1:100)

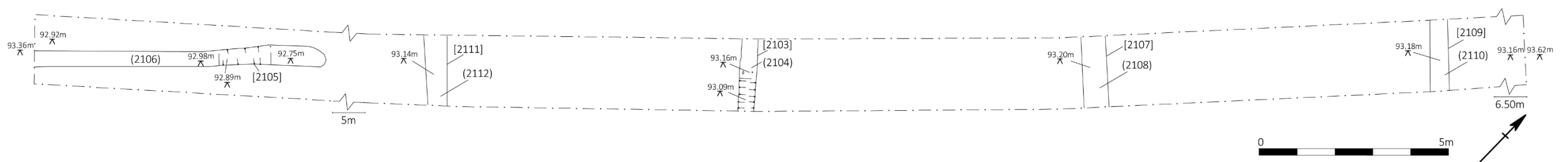


Figure 44: Plan of Trench 21 (scale 1:100)

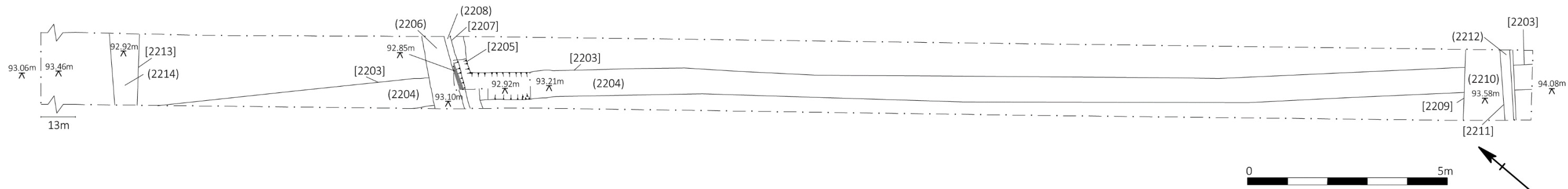


Figure 45: Plan of Trench 22 (scale 1:100)

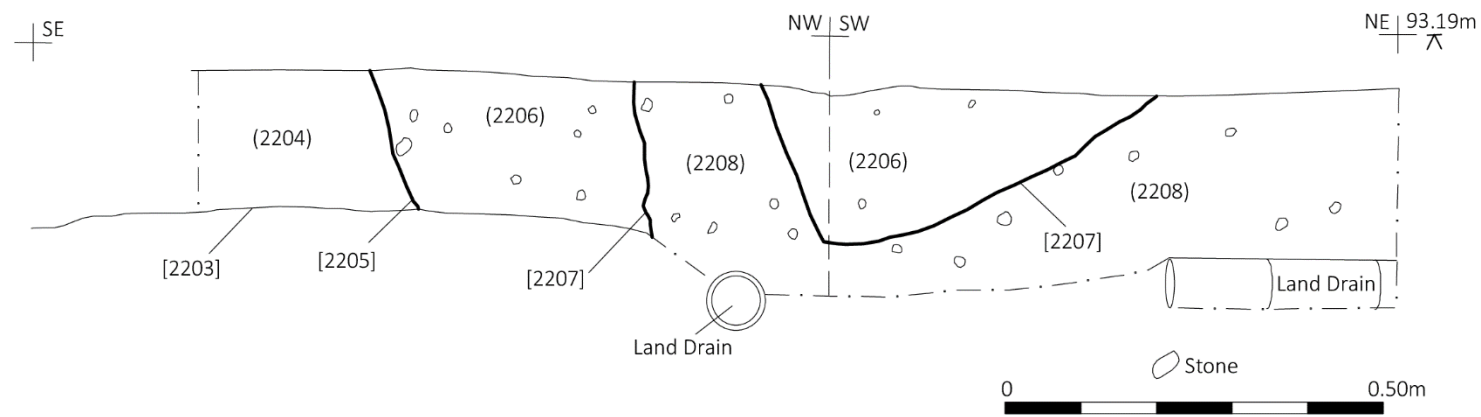


Figure 46: Running section of relationship between Ditch [2203], Furrow [2205] and Land Drain [2207] (scale 1:10)

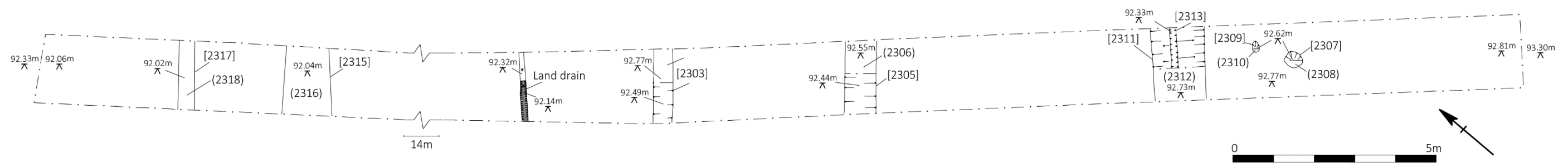


Figure 47: Plan of Trench 23 (scale 1:100)

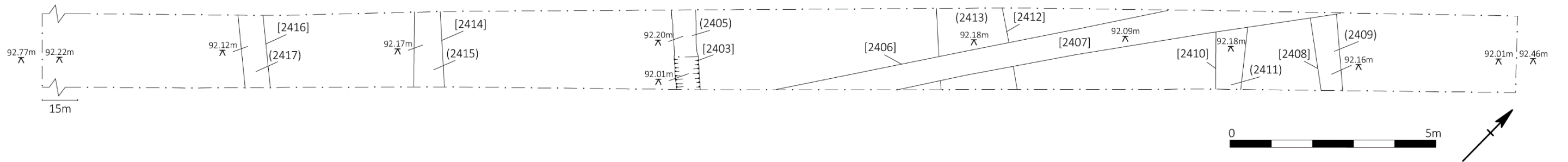


Figure 48: Plan of Trench 24 (scale 1:100)

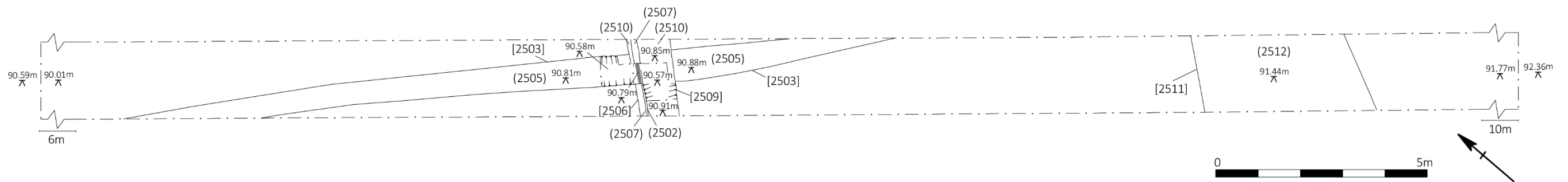


Figure 49: Plan of Trench 25 (scale 1:100)

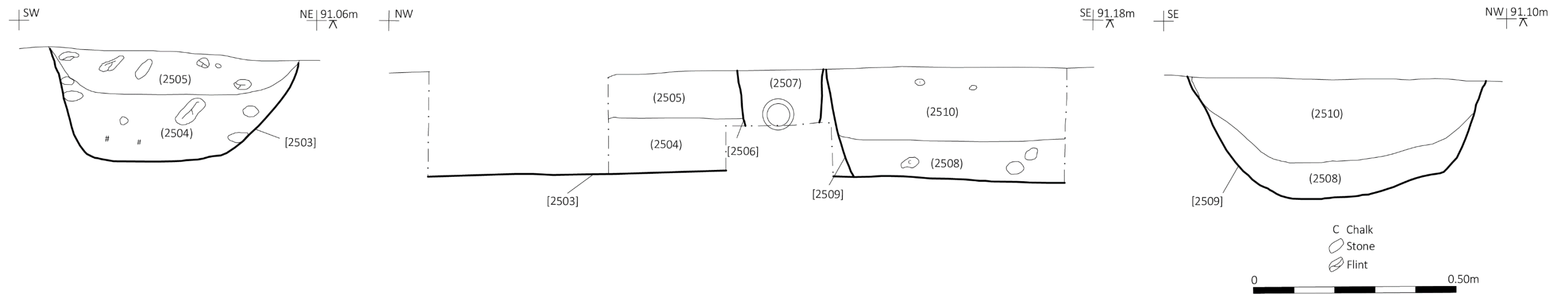


Figure 50: Sections of Ditch [2503], Furrow [2509] and Land Drain [2506] (scale 1:10)

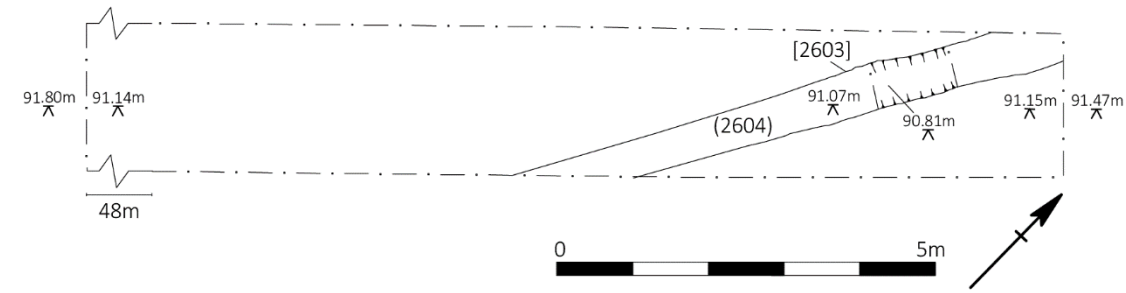


Figure 51: Plan of Trench 26 (scale 1:100)

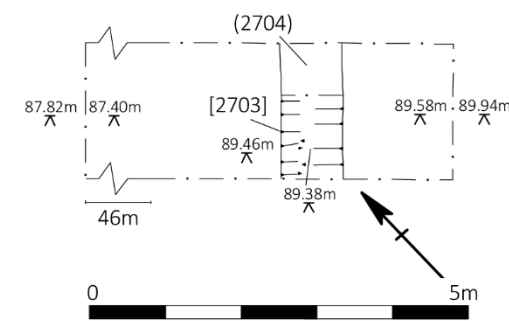


Figure 52: Plan of Trench 27 (scale 1:100)

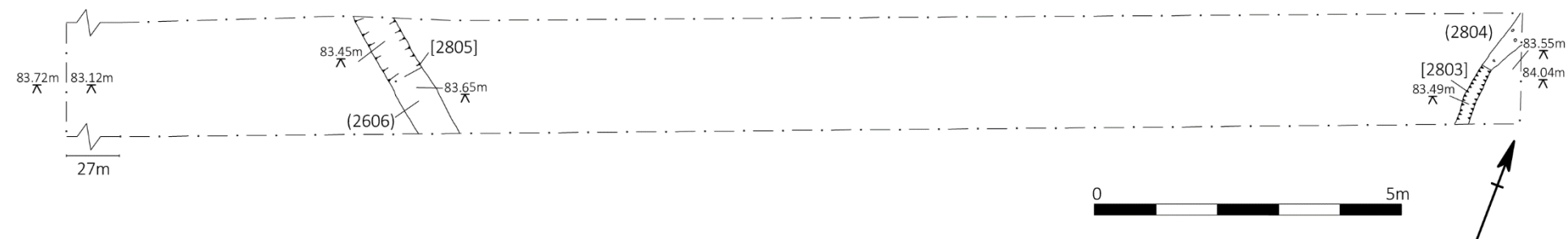


Figure 53: Plan of Trench 28 (scale 1:100)

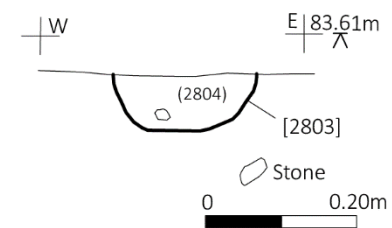


Figure 54: South facing section of Gully [2803] (scale 1:10)



5 Conclusions

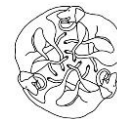
Prior to excavation, a geophysical survey was undertaken on the site to highlight areas of potential archaeological significance. The findings were dominated by historic agricultural features many of which were exposed during this evaluation. A total of 50% (29/58) of the linears exposed during this investigation corresponded to features identified in the geophysics. However, there were some areas where the evaluation did not reveal the ridge and furrow and it is likely that was due to the shallowness of the features themselves and them being located within the subsoil layers. The presence of ridge and furrow, both on the site and to the north northeast and west of the development area would suggest a large open field system existed on and around the site during the medieval period.

Archaeological features were present in 19 of the 30 trenches investigated confirming the presence of prolonged agricultural activity. It can be argued, through the presence of artefactual remains, that human activity on the site may date as far back as the Iron Age. However, the limited number of Iron Age pot sherds (eight in total plus seven pieces of daub) does not suggest there was occupation on the site. It is worth noting that the prehistoric pottery was all derived from the higher ground on the site, being recovered from features in Trenches 15,18,22 and 25, though none of the features were conclusively structural as only one posthole was recorded in Trench 23 and five in Trench 13. A single piece of animal bone was also recovered from the subsoil of Trench 17

The ditches and gullies were fairly spread across the site, though with a concentration in the west and northwest, being present in Trenches 1,14,15,17-19,21-25, and 28. It is likely that the ditches were part of a land management scheme, aimed at draining the topsoil, which even today is waterlogged in places.

Whilst no discernible enclosures or boundaries could be identified, most of the dateable pottery was recovered from the fills of these features, though it only amounted to seven of the ten sherds recovered. However, the presence of an enclosure cannot be entirely dismissed as the orientation of the ditches, the location of the trenches and the spaces between them allow for the possibility that the return arms fall between those areas covered by the footprints of the trenches, notable between Trenches 22 and 24-26.

The limited presence of both artefacts and structural features from any period, though notably the Iron Age, and the abundance of ridge and furrow, would suggest that the site is located on the periphery of settlement, possibly sited further to the northwest where the topography forms an extended plateau.



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7 Archive

7.1 The project archive will comprise:

1. Written Scheme of Investigation
2. Initial report
3. Monitoring sheets
4. Site drawings
5. Client's site plans
6. List of photographs
7. Specialist reports
8. CDROM with copies of all digital files.

7.2 The archive will be deposited with the Northamptonshire Archaeological Research Centre (NARC). The digital archive for this project will be uploaded to the Archaeological Data Service in line with the Northamptonshire Archaeological Resource Centre Standards (2020).



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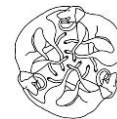
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Appendix 1: Photograph List

Shot	Digital	View	Subject
1	X	SE	Overall of Trench 11
2	X	SW	Stratigraphy of Trench 11
3	X	SW	Stratigraphy of Trench 11 one Rod
4	X	NW	Overall of Trench 11 N
5	X	NW	Overall of Trench 12
6	X	NE	Stratigraphy of Trench 12
7	X	NE	Stratigraphy of Trench 12, one Rod
8	X	SE	Overall of Trench 12
9	X	NE	Overall of Trench 13
10	X	NW	Stratigraphy of Trench 13
11	X	NW	Stratigraphy of Trench 13 one rod
12	X	SW	Overall of Trench 13
13	X	NW	Overall of Trench 14
14	X	NE	Stratigraphy of Trench 14
15	X	NE	Stratigraphy of Trench 14
16	X	SW	Overall of Trench 14
17	X	NW	Overall of Trench 15
18	X	NE	Stratigraphy of Trench 15
19	X	NE	Stratigraphy of Trench 15 1 Rod
20	X	NW	SE facing overall of Trench 15
21	X	NE	NE facing overview of Trench 16
22	X	NE	SW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 16
23	X	NE	SW facing stratigraphy one Rod
24	X	SSW	SSW facing overview of Trench 16
25	X	NW	NW facing overview of Trench 18
26	X	SW	NE facing Stratigraphy of Trench 18
27	X	SW	NE Facing Stratigraphy of Trench 18
28	X	SE	Trench 14 stratigraphy
29	X	NW	NW facing overview of Trench 23
30	X	N E	SW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 23
31	X	NE	SW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 23 one rod
32	X	SE	SE facing overview of Trench 23
33	X	NE	NE Facing overview of Trench 24
34	X	NW	SE facing Stratigraphy of Trench 24
35	X	NW	SE Facing Stratigraphy of Trench 24
36	X	SSW	SSW facing overall of Trench 24
37	X	SE	SE facing overview of Trench 22
38	X	NE	SW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 22
39	X	NE	SW Facing Stratigraphy of Trench 22 one Rod
40	X	NW	NW facing overview of Trench 22
41	X	SW	SW overview of Trench 21
42	X	SE	NW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 21
43	X	SE	NW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 21 one Rod
44	X	NE	NE Facing overview of Trench 21
45	X	SE	SE facing overview of Trench 20
46	X	NW	NW overview of Trench 20
47	X	NE	SW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 20



48	X	NE	SW Facing Stratigraphy of Trench 20 one Rod
49	X	NE	NE facing over view of Trench 19
50	X	SE	NW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 19
51	X	SE	NW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 19 one Rod
52	X	SW	SW facing overall of Trench 19
53	X	SW	SW facing overall of Trench 17
54	X	SE	NW Facing Stratigraphy of Trench 17
55	X	SE	NW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 17 one Rod
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57	X	NE	NE facing overall of Trench 10
58	X	SE	NW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 10
59	X	SE	NW Facing Stratigraphy of Trench 10 one rod
60	X	SW	SW facing overall of Trench 10
61	X	NW	NW overview of Trench 9
62	X	SE	SE facing overall of Trench 9
63	X	NE	SW Facing Stratigraphy of Trench 9
64	X	NE	SW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 9 one Rod
65	X	NNW	Linear [904] section
66	X	NNW	Linear [904] plan
67	X	NW	Linear [904] plan
68	X	WSW	WSW facing overall of Trench 8
69	X	N	S facing Stratigraphy of Trench 8
70	X	N	S facing Stratigraphy of Trench 8 one rod
71	X	ENE	ENE facing overview of Trench 8
72	X	NW	NW facing overview of Trench 7
73	X	SE	SE facing overview of Trench 7
74	X	NE	SW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 7, vertical scale
75	X	NE	SW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 7, no vertical scale
76	X	NE	SW facing baulk section [1103]
77	X	NE	SW facing baulk section [1103] no board
78	X	SW	NE facing section of linear [1103]
79	X	SW	NE-facing section of linear [1103]
80	X	SW	NE facing section of linear [1105]
81	X	NE	SE facing section of linear [1105]
82	X	S	S facing overview of Trench 6
83	X	N	N facing overview of Trench 6
84	X	E	W facing Stratigraphy of Trench 6, vertical scale
85	X	E	W facing Stratigraphy of Trench 6, no vertical scale
86	X	NNW	S facing section of linear [803]
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88	X	NNW	S facing section of linear [803]
89	X	NW	NW facing overview of Trench 5
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93	X	NW	NW facing overview of Trench 4
94	X	SE	SE facing overview of Trench 4
95	X	NE	SW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 4, vertical scale



96	X	NE	SW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 4, no vertical scale
97	X	NE	NE facing overview of Trench 3
98	X	SW	SW facing overview of Trench 3
99	X	SE	NW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 3, vertical scale
100	X	SE	NW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 3, no vertical scale
101	X	SW	NE facing Stratigraphy of Trench 2, vertical scale
102	X	SW	NE facing Stratigraphy of Trench 2, no vertical scale
103	X	NW	NW facing overview of Trench 2
104	X	SE	SE facing overview of Trench 2
105	X	SW	NE facing baulk section of ditch [2305]
106	X	NW	Overall of [2305]
107	X	SW	NE facing baulk section of ditch [2303]
108	X	NW	Overall of [2303]
109	X	NE	Overall ditch [2311], plough scar [2313]
110	X	NE	Overall ditch [2311], plough scar [2313]
111	X	NE	Section ditch [2311], plough scar [2313]
112	X	SW	Overall posthole [2307]
113	X	SW	Section [2307]
114	X	SW	Section [2309]
115	X	SW	Overall [2307],[2309]
116	X	SW	SW facing overview of trench 1
117	X	NE	NE facing overview of trench 1
118	X	SE	NW Facing Stratigraphy of trench 1
119	X	SE	NW facing Stratigraphy of trench 1 one Rod
120	X	NW	NW facing overview of Trench 25
121	X	SE	SE facing overview of Trench 25
122	X	SW	NE facing Stratigraphy of Trench 25, vertical scale
123	X	SW	NE facing Stratigraphy of Trench 25, no vertical scale
124	X	SW	SW facing overview of Trench 26
125	X	NE	NE facing overview of Trench 26
126	X	NW	SE facing Stratigraphy of Trench 26, vertical scale
127	X	NW	SE facing Stratigraphy of Trench 26, no vertical scale
128	X	NW	NW facing overview of Trench 27
129	X	SE	SE facing overview of Trench 27
130	X	SW	NE facing Stratigraphy of Trench 27, vertical scale
131	X	SW	NE facing Stratigraphy of Trench 27, no vertical scale
132	X	SSE	N NW Facing Stratigraphy of trench 28
133	X	SSE	NNW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 28 one rod
134	X	WSW	overview of trench 28
135	X	ENE	overview of trench 28
136	X	NE	[2309] fully excavated
137	X	NE	[2307] fully excavated
138	X	SE	[1303] overview
139	X	SE	NW facing section [1303]
140	X	SE	[1303], [1305] overview
141	X	SE	[1303], [1305] overview
142	X	SE	[1305] overview
143	X	SE	NW facing section [1305]



144	X	NW	NW facing overview of Trench 29
145	X	SE	SE facing overview of Trench 29
146	X	SW	NE facing Stratigraphy 1 of Trench 29, one scale
147	X	NE	SW facing Stratigraphy 2 of Trench 29
148	X	NE	SW facing Stratigraphy 2 of Trench 29, one scale
149	X	SW	SW facing overview of Trench 30
150	X	NE	NE facing overview of Trench 30
151	X	SE	NW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 30, vertical scale
152	X	SE	NW facing Stratigraphy of Trench 30, no vertical scale
153	X	SE	[1307] overview
154	X	SE	[1307] NW facing section
155	X	SE	[1309] overview
156	X	SE	Void- [1307] NW facing section
157	X	SE	[1307] NW facing section
158	X	SE	[1311] overview
159	X	SE	[1311] NW facing section
160	X	Se	NW facing section of rooted feature [1313]
161	X	Se	NW facing overview of rooted feature (1313)
162	X	S	Overview [1403],[1407]
163	X	SW	NE facing section of [1403]
164	X	S	N facing section of [1405]
165	X	SW	NE facing section of [1407]
166	X	S	Overview [1407]
167	X	S	Overview [1407]
168	X	S	NE facing section of [1407] (another angle)
169	X		overview of [1403] and [1405]
170	X	NE	Trench 1 extended, facing NE
171	X	SW	Trench 1 extended, facing SW
172	X	SW	overview of linears [1409], [1411]
173	X	SW	NE facing section of linear [1409] and [1411]
174	X	SW	NE facing baulk section of linear feature [1413]
175	X	NNE	SSW facing section of linear feature [1413]
176	X	WNNW	Overall of linear feature [1413]
177	X	SW	NE Facing section of linear [1503]
178	X	SW	Overall of linear [1503]
179	X	SE	Overall profile shot of [1503]
180	X	NW	SE facing section of linear [1803]
181	X	NW	Overall of linear [1803]
182	X	SW	NE facing section of linear [1805]
183	X	SW	Overall of linear [1805]
184	X	NNE	SSE facing section of ditch [1703]
185	X	NNE	Overall of ditch [1703]
186	X	ESE	NNW facing baulk section of [1703]
187	X	ESE	Overall of ditch [1703]
188	X	ESE	NNW facing baulk section of [1703]
189	X	ESE	NNW facing section of posthole [1705]
190	X	ESE	Overall posthole [1705]
191	X	NE	SW facing section of ditches [1505] and [1507]



192	X	SW	NE facing section of ditches [1505] and [1507]
193	X	NW	Overall of ditches [1505] and [1507]
194	X	NW	Overall/Baulk section shallow ditch [1903]
195	X	SW	Overall section shallow ditch [1903]
196	X	SE	Overall section shallow land drain [1905] and shallow ditch [1907]
197	X	SE	Overall section shallow land drain [1905] and shallow ditch [1907]
198	X	SW	Overall section shallow land drain [1905] and shallow ditch [1907]
199	X	NE	Overall small gully [1805]
200	X	NE	Overall small gully [1805] alternate scale
201	X	NE	NW facing baulk section small gully [1805]
202	X	SE	NW facing baulk section of small ditch[2103]
203	X	SE	Overall small ditch [2103]
204	X	SE	Overall small ditch [2103] with alternate scale
205	X	SW	NE facing section of [2105]
206	X	SW	NE facing section of [2105]
207	X	SE	overall of ditch [2105]
208	X	SE	NW Facing section of ditch [2403]
209	X	SE	NW Facing section of ditch [2403] with alternate scale
210	X	SE	Overall of NW Facing section of ditch [2403]
211	X	SE	NW facing section of ditch [2203]
212	X	SW	Overall of ditch [2203], possible furrow [2205] and land drain [2207]
213	X	SW	NE facing section of relationship slot between ditch [2203], possible furrow [2205] and land drain [2207]
214	X	NW	SE facing section of relationship between possible furrow [2205] and land drain [2207]
215	X	NE	Overall relationship slot between ditch [2503], land drain [2506] and furrow [2509]
216	X	NE	Overall relationship slot between ditch [2503], land drain [2506] and furrow [2509] with alternate scales
217	X	NW	Overall ditch [2503]
218	X	NW	SE facing section of ditch [2503]
219	X	NE	Overall of land drain [2506] and furrow [2509]
220	X	NE	SW facing section of land drain [2506] and furrow [2509]
221	X	SE	Overall of furrow [2509]
222	X	SE	NW facing section furrow [2509]
223	X	NW	SE facing section of Ditch [103]
224	X	NW	SE facing section of Ditch [103]
225	X	SW	Overview of Ditch [103]
226	X	E	Overview of gully [2803]
227	X	N	S facing section of gully [2803]
228	X	NNW	SSE facing section of ditch [2805]
229	X	NNE	Overview of ditch [2805]
230	X	SW	NE facing section of [2703]
231	X	SW	NE facing section of [2703]
232	X	NW	Overview of [2703]
233	X	SSW	NNE facing section of ditch [2603]
234	X	WNN	Overview of ditch [2603]



Appendix 2: Finds Concordance

Context	Pottery		Fe		Glass		Other		
	No	Gms	No	Gms	No	Gms	No	Gms	Item
100	-	-	2	83	-	-	-	-	-
200	1	15	3	117	-	-	-	-	-
220	1	5			-	-	-	-	-
500	-	-	2	9	-	-	-	-	-
600	-	-	4	125	-	-	-	-	-
700	-	-	7	154	1	6	-	-	-
800	-	-	5	1239	2	10	-	-	-
900	-	-	6	52	-	-	-	-	-
1000	-	-	5	55	-	-	-	-	-
1516	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1701			-	-	-	-	1	10	Animal bone
1706	1	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1806	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2306	4	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2405	1	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2505	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2507	1	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2508	5	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2600	-	-	1	99	-	-	-	-	-
2700	-	-	1	439	-	-	-	-	-
2704	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	Clay pipe
2800	-	-	3	65	-	-	-	-	-
2900	1	36	2	16	-	-	-	-	-
3000			3	456	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	21	139	44	2909	3	16	2	11	



Appendix 3: Excavation Summary Tables

Context Register

Trench No	Context	Type	Measurements (m)			Description			Interpretation
			W	L	D	Colour/ Shape	Texture/ Sides	Consistency/ Base	
1	100	Layer	>1.8	>50	0.24	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	101	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.48	Mid brown	silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Consistent throughout the site. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	102	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.12	Mottled yellow grey	Fairly silty chalky clay	Fairly firm but friable	Natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
	103	Cut	0.69	>1	0.22	Linear	<45 degrees	U-shaped	Cut of ditch. Orientated NW -SE, it runs parallel to another ditch with similar dimensions. It is cut by a medieval furrow and Victorian land drain that runs up the trench in a NE-SW direction. no finds were present in the fill. The ditch is likely agricultural in nature, possibly an irrigation channel. Identical to several other linears within the trench. These include [105], [107], [109] and [111]
	104	Fill	0.69	>1	0.22	Dark greyish orange brown	Slightly sandy silty clay	Fairly firm and malleable	Fill of Ditch [103]. Contained a moderate number of chalk flecks, occasional rounded stones and sub-angular flint within the fill, but no finds are present. The fill looks to be a result of natural silting process
	105	Cut	0.30	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of ditch. Orientated SE-NW. Almost identical to other linears within the trench. Likely agricultural in nature, possibly an irrigation channel. Depth is unknown as this has not been excavated.
	106	Fill	0.30	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly silty chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [105]. Contained a moderate number of chalk flecks, occasional rounded stones and sub-angular flint within the fill. The fill looks to be a result of natural silting process. No finds were recovered.



1	107	Cut	0.64	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of ditch. Orientated SE-NW. Almost identical to other linears within the trench. Likely agricultural in nature, possibly an irrigation channel. Depth is unknown as this has not been excavated.
	108	Fill	0.64	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly silty chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [107]. Contained a moderate number of chalk flecks, occasional rounded stones and sub-angular flint within the fill, but no finds are present. The fill looks to be a result of natural silting process. No finds were recovered.
	109	Cut	0.50	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of ditch. Orientated SE-NW. Almost identical to other linears within the trench. Likely agricultural in nature, possibly an irrigation channel. Depth is unknown as this has not been excavated.
	110	Fill	0.50	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [109]. Contained a moderate number of chalk flecks, occasional rounded stones and sub-angular flint within the fill, but no finds are present. the fill looks to be a result of natural silting process. No finds were recovered. The ditch was cut by a modern land drain filled with clay beads
	111	Cut	0.62	> 3	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of ditch orientated SE-NW. Almost identical to other linears within the trench. Likely agricultural in nature, possibly an irrigation channel. Depth is unknown as this has not been excavated.
	112	Fill	0.62	> 3	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [111]. Contained a moderate number of chalk flecks, occasional rounded stones and sub-angular flint within the fill, but no finds are present. the fill looks to be a result of natural silting process. No finds were recovered.
1	113	Cut	2.16	> 3	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of furrow. One of a number of ridge and furrow features located across the site. The feature was orientated NNE-SSW and was the only feature of its kind within Trench 1. The depth was unknown as the feature was not excavated. A post-medieval/Victorian land drain was cut into the furrow.
	114	Fill	2.16	> 3	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Furrow [113]. Contained occasional sub-angular stone and chalk flecks. Depth unknown as feature unexcavated. No finds were recovered.



	5	Cut11	0.40	> 4	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of land drain containing a ceramic pipe. The feature was not excavated fully so the true dimensions of the feature is unknown. The top of the pipe was exposed at a depth of 0.31m. The land drain was initially dug within the furrow of a ridge and furrow feature showing that the pipe layers took advantage of the existing dip in the landscape during installation. This practice can be seen elsewhere on the site indicating that this action was purposeful.
	116	Fill	0.40	> 4	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Redeposited natural fill of land drain [115] . This has not been fully excavated. Contained a ceramic drainage pipe and was likely Victorian in date. This fill contains a larger quantity of chalk as well as occasional sub-angular flints
2	200	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.28	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil . Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	201	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.22	Mid brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil . Not present to the southeast where the plough soil lays directly on top of the natural. (201) starts approximately 14m to the northwest of the trench. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	202	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.24	Mottled yellow grey	silty clay	Fairly firm	Heavy clay natural with frequent chalk inclusions and occasional patches of course sand. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
3	300	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.23	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil . Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	301	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.31	Mid brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil . Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor. No subsoil was present at the northeast end



	302	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.12	Mottled yellow grey	Silty chalky clay	Fairly firm but friable	Chalky natural but in places it was dark reddish brown, mainly to the northeast. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
4	400	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.38	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	401	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.16	Mid brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	402	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.22	Mottled yellow grey	Silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
	403	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.12	Mid brownish red	silty clay	Fairly friable	Colluvium deposits. Silty clay naturally forming deposit. Clay becomes more concentrated lower in the channels. Some chalk flecks were present; however, these were rare. Several of these were observed within the trench
5	500	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.32	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
5	501	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.38	Mid brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	502	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.2	Mottled yellow grey	Silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed. Cut by both modern and ceramic land drains. Bands of colluvium similar to that observed in Trench 4 were also observed.
6	600	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.21	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed. Heavy rooting was observed towards the northern end of the trench
	601	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.35	Mid brown	silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor with the majority being concentrated at the northern end of the trench
	602	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.39	Mid reddish brown	Silty clay	Fairly firm and malleable	Clay natural found within the centre of the trench with chalk natural identical to Trench 1 located near to the northern end. Clay natural contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed. Several land drains were cut into the natural



7	700	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.35	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	701	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.25	Mid brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
7	702	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.12	Mottled yellow grey	Silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed. Two ceramic land drains were cut into the natural.
8	800	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.31	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	801	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.18	Mid brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	802	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.50	Mottled yellow grey	Silty chalky clay	Fairly firm but friable	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed. A ditch and several ceramic land drains were cut into the natural. Bands of dark reddish brown silty clay were observed intermittently throughout the trench. This was likely due to colluvium activity
	803	Cut	1.32	>1	0.47	Linear	Steep	U-shaped	Cut of Ditch. Feature running N-S across NE end of trench 8. There was a large amount of rooting that likely truncated the original shape of the feature. The E side of feature had slight concave sides along the top, which is due to heavy rooting. Standing water from the surrounding area began to slowly seep into the base, but this did not affect excavation. Contained a single fill (804).
	804	Fill	1.32	1	0.47	Mid yellowish brown	Slightly sandy clay	Fairly firm but friable	Single fill of Ditch [803]. No finds. Very heavy rooting throughout fill with frequent degraded organic material.



	900	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.29	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
9	901	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.27	Mid reddish brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Buried layer between (900) and (901). Located near the centre of the trench but did not extend its full length. Contained occasional flecks of chalk and charcoal as well as small flint and stone gravel inclusions. Tiny flecks of unrecoverable CBM also noted
	902	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.04-0.29	Mid brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	903	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.49	Mottled yellow grey	Silty chalky clay	Fairly firm friable	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed. A thin linear and a modern land drain were cut into this layer
	904	Cut	0.22	1	0.10	Linear	Steep	U-shaped	Cut of Linear. Shallow, narrow, U-Shape linear with one fill. appears to extend approximately 3.26m before fading out. unable to determine date or function.
	905	Fill	0.22	1	0.10	Mixed brown black	Fairly silty clay	Very loose and soft	Fill of Linear [904]. No finds but had very crumbly burnt CBM mixed into the fill along with charcoal. CBM was too degraded to be recovered. The feature has clearly been burnt however the function or purpose of the feature is unclear. two sample buckets have been taken out .
10	1000	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.43	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed. Heavy rooting was observed to the northeast of the Trench.
	1001	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.35	Mid brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	1002	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.49	Mottled yellow grey	Silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.



11	1100	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.29	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	1101	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.74	Mid brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	1102	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.1	Mottled yellow grey	Osilty chalky clay	Fairly firm but friable	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed. Several linear features were observed cut into this layer
	1103	Cut	1.78	>1.8	0.17	Linear	Concave 42 degree slope	Flat	Cut of possible Furrow. The sides of the ditch were approximately 40 degrees in steepness with a flat bottom. One of a number of similar features which appear both within Trench 11 and elsewhere on the site. Likely a furrow.
	1104	Fill	1.78	>1.8	0.17	Light orangey greyish brown	Very chalky clay	Fairly soft and malleable	Fill of Furrow [1103]. Contained occasional flecks of chalk, angular flints and sub-angular stone inclusions. No finds were recovered; however, as this feature has been identified as Ridge and Furrow, it is likely from the medieval period
	1105	Cut	2	>1	unknown	Linear	Concave	Irregular	Cut of possible Furrow. Similar features with the same orientation and width were observed within the trench and elsewhere on site. No dating evidence present
	1106	Fill	2	>1	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Very chalky clay	Very soft and friable	Fill of Furrow [1105]. Contained inclusions of chalk flecks and sub angular small stones. no dating evidence is present in the fill. The fill is most likely a result of natural silting over time.
	1107	Cut	1.60	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Furrow. Similar to the two linears to the southeast as they have similar widths and the same NNE -SSW orientation. This linear has not been excavated.
11	1108	Fill	1.60	> 1.80	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Very chalky clay	Very soft and friable	Fill of Furrow [1107]. Contained inclusions of chalk flecks and sub angular small stones. No dating evidence present within the fill. The fill is most likely a result of natural silting over time.
12	1200	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.25	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.



	1201	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.10	Mid brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	1202	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.15	Mottled yellow grey	Silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed. Several linear features including 5 furrows and 4 land drains were cut into this layer
	1203	Cut	1.60	> 1.8	Unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Furrow orientated NNE-SSW. One of five almost identical features within Trench 12. The depth is unknown as this has not been excavated. A second linear, Land drain [1205] cuts through the furrow. This practice of reusing the furrow to install a later drain was observed elsewhere on site
	1204	Fill	1.60	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Furrow [1203]. Contained a moderate number of chalk inclusions as well as occasional sub-rounded stones. The feature was not excavated. Cut by Land Drain [1205] through the centre.
	1205	Cut	0.22	> 1.8	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Land Drain. It cut through the centre and followed the same orientation as Furrow [1203], a practice which was noted several times throughout the site. Feature not excavated.
	1206	Fill	0.22	> 1.80	unknown	Light brownish grey	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Land Drain [1205]. Redeposited natural used to backfill post-medieval land drain. No finds recovered from the fill. Feature not excavated
12	1207	Cut	1.12	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Furrow orientated NNE-SSW. The depth is unknown as this has not been excavated. One of five similar features within the trench
	1208	Fill	1.12	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Furrow [1207]. Identical in composition to the fill of [1203]. Not excavated and no finds were discovered.
	1209	Cut	1.30	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Furrow orientated NNE-SSW. One of five almost identical features within Trench 12. The depth is unknown as this has not been excavated.
	1210	Fill	1.30	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Furrow [1209]. Identical in composition to the fill of [1203]. Not excavated and no finds were discovered.



	1211	Cut	1.24	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Furrow orientated NNE-SSW. One of five almost identical features within Trench 12. The depth is unknown as this has not been excavated. Land Drain [1213] cut through the centre of the furrow.
	1212	Fill	1.24	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Furrow [1211] . Identical in composition to the fill of [1203]. Not excavated and no finds were discovered. Cut by Land Drain [1213] which runs through the centre of the Furrow
	1213	Cut	0.30	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Land Drain . It cut through the centre and followed the same orientation as Furrow [1211]. This feature is identical to the Land drain noted to the southeast in Furrow [1203]
	1214	Fill	0.30	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Land Drain [1213] . Redeposited natural has been used in the construction of this fill. Not fully excavated and no finds were recovered
	1215	Cut	0.94	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Furrow orientated NNE-SSW. One of five almost identical features within Trench 12. The depth is unknown as this has not been excavated. Land Drain [1217] cut through the centre of the furrow.
12	1216	Fill	0.94	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Furrow [1215] . Identical in composition to the fill of [1203]. Not excavated and no finds were discovered. Cut by Land Drain [1213] which runs through the centre of the Furrow.
	1217	Cut	0.24	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Land Drain . It cut through the centre and followed the same orientation as Furrow [1215]. This feature is identical to the Land drains noted to the southeast in Furrows [1203] and [1211]. All three land drains cut through existing furrows
	1218	Fill	0.24	> 1.80	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Land Drain [1217] . Redeposited natural has been used in the construction of this fill. Not fully excavated and no finds were recovered
13	1300	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.33	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil . Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	1301	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.19	Mid brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil . Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.



	1302	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.10	Mottled yellow grey	Slightly silty chalky clay	Fairly firm friable	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
	1303	Cut	0.21	0.24	0.07	Circular	Steep	Flat	Cut of posthole with single fill. One of a five similar features aligned roughly northeast southwest within the trench. The feature lacked clearly defined edges and may have been a heavily degraded posthole or may have possibly been caused by rooting.
	1304	Fill	0.21	0.24	0.07	Dark greyish brown	Slightly silty clayey	Very firm friable	Fill of posthole [1303]. May possibly be rooting. Contained occasional rounded stones and very small flecks of chalk, although these were very rare. No finds were recovered from the fill
13	1305	Cut	0.26	0.28	0.10	Circular	Steep	Flat	Cut of posthole. Feature found to the southwest of posthole [1303]. Posthole [1305] was slightly bigger than its neighbour but the fills were almost identical in composition. Contained a single fill, (1306). As with [1303], [1305]s edges were not clearly defined once more indicating this feature is either a poorly preserved posthole or result of bioturbation
	1306	Fill	0.26	0.28	0.10	Dark greyish brown	Very silty clay	Very firm and friable	Single fill of posthole [1305]. Contained occasional chalk flecks and angular stones. Fill almost identical to the fill of [1303] to the northeast. No finds were recovered from the fill. Fill the result of either natural sedimentation or root activity, however, no rooting was noted in the fill.
	1307	Cut	0.49	0.26	0.18	Sub-circular	Steep	Flat	Semi-circle shaped feature that runs into the baulk, which could either be interpreted as a terminus, or a small pit. It is also possible that this is the cut of a natural or geological feature i.e. rooting. Also, the cut was relatively unclear as the natural varies around the feature and appears similar in colour and consistency to the fill [1308] .
	1308	Fill	0.49	0.26	0.17	Mid bluish grey	Slightly silty clay	Fairly firm and friable	Fill of Sub-circular feature [1307]. No finds or other archaeological material recovered - the fill had a similar colour and consistency to variations in the natural seen immediately adjacent to feature. likely rooting or geological.



	1309	Cut	0.28	0.10	0.06	Circular	>45 degrees	U-shaped	Cut of Posthole. Small posthole in series of similar features aligned NE-SW near NE side of Trench. As with the other postholes this feature did not have clearly defined edges and may be the result of rooting.
13	1310	Fill	0.28	0.10	0.06	Mid greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly hard but friable	Single fill of Posthole [1309]. Contained occasional flecks of charcoal and angular stones. The fill appeared to be the result of natural deposition and may have been caused by rooting.
	1309	Cut	0.30	0.11	0.02	Circular	Steep	U-shaped	Cut of posthole. Small posthole in series of similar features aligned NE-SW near NE side of trench. As with the other postholes its edges were not clearly defined. Contained a single fill, (1312)
	1312	Fill	0.28m	0.11	0.02	Mid greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly hard but friable	Single fill of [1311]. Similar to the fills observed in other postholes within the trench. Contained occasional chalk flecks throughout. No finds were recovered.
	1313	Cut	0.80	0.47	0.17	Sub-circular	Steep	Irregular	Cut of a possible Pit or terminus feature with a heavily bioturbation at the base. There are no finds present and it is very unclear of the features function
	1314	Fill	0.80	0.47	0.17	Mid greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly hard but friable	Single fill of [1313] likely rooting. Contained occasional flecks of chalk and no artefacts. The fill undercuts the natural
14	1400	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.35	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	1401	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.10	Mid brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	1402	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.05	Mottled yellow grey	Silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.



	1403	Cut	0.34	0.20	0.04	Curvilinear	Steep	Flat	Cut of possible rooting. In plan, [1403] and [1405] appear to be two small dark coloured, adjoining pits. These features are more likely the results of rooting with very shallow fills. Features were overcut to confirm edges. The change in natural from a chalky yellowish brown to a blueish grey clay made it difficult to differentiate between the fill and the natural
14	1404	Fill	0.34	0.20	0.04	Dark grey	Fairly silty clay	Slightly compact	Fill of possible Rooting [1403]. Single very shallow fill of small pit likely a result of rooting rather than anything archaeological. No finds recovered
	1405	Cut	0.45	0.20	0.02	Curvilinear	Steep	Flat	Cut of rooting. Similar to adjoining feature [1403]. The relationship between the two features was unclear as both had identical fills.
	1406	Fill	0.45	0.20	0.02	Dark grey	Fairly silty clay	Slightly compact	Fill of [1405]. Single very Shallow fill of small pit likely a result of rooting rather than anything archaeological. Contained occasional flecks of chalk and small angular flints. No finds were recovered
	1407	Cut	0.35	0.50	0.48	Sub-circular	Straight	U-shaped	Cut of land drain. The exposed feature is only half of the land drain cut/fill with the actual drain appearing at the base of the SE edge.
	1408	Fill	0.35	0.50	0.48	Dark greyish brown	Slightly sandy clay	Fairly friable	Fill of land drain [1407]. Ceramic land drain appeared at the base of the SE edge. Backfilled with redeposited natural Oxford Clay, a practice which is observable elsewhere on the site. The fill was subjected to bioturbation and contained a moderate number of burnt flint/stone and occasional chalk.
	1409	Cut	1.57	>1.28	0.25	Linear	Sheer	Flat	Cut of Furrow. Shallow ditch, cut by similar feature [1411]. Contained a single fill which was almost identical to (1412). Orientated SE-NW. Maybe part of a furrow.
	1410	Fill	1.57	>1.28	0.25	Mid yellowish brown	Fairly silty clayey	Slightly hard	Fill of Furrow [1409]. Similar in composition to (1412) but had a slightly lower clay content. Contained occasional chalk flecks with some larger chalk pieces and rounded and sub-angular stones. Cut by Ditch [1411] on the northwest side
	1411	Cut	1.62	2.04	0.26	Linear	Sheer	Flat	Cut of possible furrow. Cuts earlier feature [1409]. Both features are similar in orientation, dimensions and composition



14	1412	Fill	1.62	2.04	0.26	Mid brownish	Fairly silty clay	Slightly hard	Fill of Furrow [1411]. Almost identical to (1410) but contained a higher concentration of clay. Also contained occasional chalk flecks and fragments and some stone inclusions. No finds were recovered
	1413	Cut	>1.66	2.19	0.34	Linear	Straight	Flat	Cut of Ditch. Wide shallow ditch, likely the base of a truncated furrow. Orientated NNE-SSW
	1414	Fill	>1.66	2.19	0.34	Light greyish brown	Slightly sandy clay	Slightly friable	Fill of [1413]. Contained no finds, likely deposited by agricultural soil movement. Contained a moderate number of stone inclusions and occasional chalk pieces
	1415	Cut	0.95	>2.04	unknown	Linear	Straight	Not excavated	Cut of Ditch. Almost identical in composition to [1414]. Orientated NNE-SSW.
	1416	Fill	0.95	>2.04	unknown	Light greyish brown	Slightly sandy clay	Slightly friable	Fill of [1413]. Contained no finds, likely deposited by agricultural soil movement. Contained a moderate number of stone inclusions and occasional chalk pieces. Identical to (1414)
15	1500	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.30	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	1501	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.28	Mid brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	1502	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.05	Mottled yellow grey	Silty chalky clay	Fairly firm friable	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
	1503	Cut	0.76	1.04	0.13	Linear	<45 degrees	U-shaped	Cut of Furrow. Orientated NE-SW. A number of similar features were present throughout the trench and elsewhere on site. Contained a single fill which was void of datable material
	1504	Fill	0.76	1.04	0.13	Mid greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly compact	Fill of ditch [1503]. Contained occasional small angular limestone pieces, chalk flecks and flint. High clay content which has been baked by the sun. No finds were present
15	1505	Cut	0.62	>2.08	0.22	Linear	<45 degrees	U-shaped	Cut of Ditch. oriented ENE-WSW which is cut by [1507] to the east. Contained a single silty fill. Likely an agricultural feature associated with water management.
	1506	Fill	0.62	>2.08	0.22	Mid greyish brown	Fairly silty clay	Fairly firm	Fill of ditch [1507]. Naturally silted fill similar to [1508]. Contained angular flint and chalk. No finds were recovered from the fill.



	1507	Cut	0-69	> 0.88	0.19	Linear	<45 degrees	U-shaped	Cut of Ditch. Cuts [1506]. Contained a single fill, (1508) - Agricultural features, possibly to do with water management. Similar to other features found elsewhere on the site
	1508	Fill	0-69	> 0.88	0.19	Mid greyish brown	Silty clayey	Fairly firm	Fill of [1507]. Contained occasional rounded Stones and small pieces and flecks of chalk. The result of natural silting
	1509	Cut	0.70	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Furrow. Unexcavated. One of a number of similar features located within the Trench. Found to the northeast of Furrow [1503].
	1510	Fill	0.70	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of [1509]. Contained fill very similar to [1507] but slightly greyer This has not been excavated So no archaeological finds identified.
	1511	Cut	0.59	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Ditch. Likely an agricultural feature related to water management on the site. One of a number of identical features located within the trench and elsewhere on site. These features appear to be earlier than the Furrows.
	1512	Fill	0.59	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [1511]. The fill contained moderate number of chalk flecks and occasional sub-angular stone. No finds were observed on the surface of the feature. Appears to be the result of natural deposition
	1513	Cut	0.92	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Ditch. Unexcavated. One of a number of identical features found throughout the site. Orientated NNE-SSW and likely agricultural in nature being used for the water management
15	1514	Fill	0.92	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [1513]. The fill contained moderate number of chalk flecks and occasional sub-angular stone. No finds were observed on the surface of the feature. Appears to be the result of natural deposition
	1515	Cut	>5.31	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Ditch. Unexcavated. One of a number of identical features found throughout the site and this particular feature may be visible within trench 17 to the northwest. Orientated ESE-WNW and likely agricultural in nature being used for the water management



	1516	Fill	>5.31	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [1515]. The fill contained moderate number of chalk flecks and occasional sub-angular stone. A single sherd of Iron Age pottery was observed on the surface of the feature although this cannot be deemed securely Stratified. The fill appears to be the result of natural deposition
16	1600	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.31	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	1601	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.26	Mid brown	Fairly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	1602	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.11	Mottled yellow grey	Silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
17	1700	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.23	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	1701	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.30	Mid brown	Fairly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
17	1702	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.28	Mottled yellow grey	Fairly silty chalky clay	Fairly firm but friable	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
	1703	Cut	0.50	>0.90	0.21	Linear	Steep	U-shaped	Cut of Ditch. The only linear observed in trench 17 but similar to those found elsewhere on the Site. Contained a single silty clay fill which contained a pottery Sherd and a piece & CBM. Likely agricultural feature. Due to the presence of silting it is possibly an irrigation channel.
	1704	Fill	0.50	>0.90	0.21	Dark brownish grey	Slightly silty clay	Slightly malleable	Fill of [1703]. Appears to be the result of natural silting with moderate sized angular flints and stones at the bottom of the fill. Contained occasional charcoal flecks throughout. Pottery and CBM noted in the fill but were too degraded to recover



	1705	Cut	0.46	0.45	0.12	Circular	>45°	U-shaped	Circular small pit/ posthole near the centre of trench 17. Edges are poorly defined. Contained a single fill, (1706).
	1706	Fill	0.46	0.45	0.12	Mid greyish brown	Fairly silty clay	Slightly malleable	Fill of pit/posthole [1705] . Silted fill which contained occasional rounded and angular stones.
18	1800	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.25	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil . Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	1801	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.10	Mid brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil . Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	1802	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.22	Mottled yellow grey	Slightly silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural . Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
18	1803	Cut	0.43	1.50	0.12	Linear	Straight	Flat	Cut of Ditch . Orientated NW-SE. Sondage was put into the southern end of feature as the natural is very silty with patches of heavy sand and silt, making it difficult to determine the fill from the natural. Extended excavation of feature to follow the cut of gully.
	1804	Fill	0.43	1.50	0.12	Mid greyish brown	Fairly silty clay	Slightly hard	Fill of Ditch [1803] . Contained a naturally silted fill containing occasional sub-angular stones. No finds were recovered from the fill
	1805	Cut	0.56	0.90	0.10	Linear	Steep	Flat	Cut of Ditch . Shallow feature orientated NE-SW. Identical to other features on the site. Possible irrigation channel.
	1806	Fill	0.56	0.90	0.10	Mid greyish brown	Slightly sandy clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Ditch [1805] . Dark grey/black organic material within fill. Contained occasional sub-angular stones and flecks of charcoal throughout. A small sherd of degraded sherd of Iron Age pottery was recovered from the fill
19	1900	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.25	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil . Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	1901	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.13	Mid brown	Fairly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil . Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.



	1902	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.17	Mottled yellow grey	Slightly silty chalky clay	Fairly firm but friable	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
	1903	Cut	0.60	>1	0.19	Linear	Concave	U-shaped	Cut of Ditch. Orientated SE-NW. Believed to be agricultural in nature and possibly related to water management.
	1904	Fill	0.60	1.80 visible	0.19	Mid greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [1903]. Contained frequent sub-angular flints and occasional chalk flecks and pieces. No finds were recovered
19	1905	Cut	0.41	0.36	>0.30	Linear	Straight	Base not reached	Cut of land drain. Cuts ditch [1907] to the southwest. Contained a ceramic land drain
	1906	Fill	0.41	0.36	>0.30	Dark greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of land drain [1906]. Contained frequent sub-rounded stones and a ceramic land drain.
	1907	Cut	0.35	>1.0	0.12	Linear	Straight	Flat	Cut of Ditch. Orientated NE-SW and ran parallel with later intercutting land drain [1905]. Similar to other features on site and likely used in water management
	1908	Fill	0.35	1.0	0.12	Mid greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly compact and hard	Fill of Ditch [1907]. Contained occasional chalk flecks and pieces throughout. Cut by Land Drain [1905]. No finds were recovered from the fill
	1909	Cut	0.94	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Ditch. Linear orientated ESE-WNW. One of a number of identical features within the trench and elsewhere on site. Likely agricultural in nature, possibly used as an irrigation channel or similar water management feature
	1910	Fill	0.94	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly silty chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [1913]. Appears to be the result of natural silting caused by water flow. Contained occasional sub-angular stones and a moderate number of chalk flecks. No finds were recovered
	1911	Cut	0.52	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Ditch. Linear orientated SE-NW. One of a number of identical features within the trench and elsewhere on site. Likely agricultural in nature, possibly used as an irrigation channel or similar water management feature
	1912	Fill	0.52	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly silty chalky clay	Fairly soft friable	Fill of Ditch [1913]. Appears to be the result of natural silting caused by water flow. Contained occasional sub-angular stones and a moderate number of chalk flecks. No finds were recovered



	1913	Cut	0.72	> 1.80	0.14	Linear	Not excavated	Flat	Cut of Ditch. Linear orientated ESE-WNW. One of a number of identical features within the trench and elsewhere on site. Likely agricultural in nature, possibly used as an irrigation channel or similar water management feature
19	1914	Fill	0.72	> 1.8	0.14	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [1913]. Appears to be the result of natural silting caused by water flow. Contained occasional sub-angular stones and a moderate number of chalk flecks. No finds were recovered
20	2000	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.20	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	2001	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.10	Mid brown	Fairly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	2002	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.34	Mottled yellow grey	Slightly silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
21	2100	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.24	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	2101	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.31	Mid brown	Fairly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	2102	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.02	Mottled yellow grey	Slightly silty chalky clay	Fairly firm friable	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
	2103	Cut	0.33	1.0	0.07	Linear	Steep	U-shaped	Cut of shallow Ditch. Orientated NE-SW. One of three other features of the same size, shape and alignment within this trench
	2104	Fill	0.33	1.0	0.07	Mid greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Very hard and compact	Fill of Ditch [2103]. Contained occasional chalk flecks and sub-rounded stones. No finds were recovered. Difficult to differentiate between natural and fill.
21	2105	Cut	0.5	>0.57	0.12	Curvilinear	>45 degrees	U-shaped	Cut of Ditch with terminating end. Similar to others noted in the trench; however, this linear was aligned NE-SW. The terminus was located 7.47m NE of the southwest baulk. Contained a single fill



	2106	Fill	0.5	>0.57	0.12	Mid greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly firm but friable	Fill of Ditch [2105]. Contained occasional chalk flecks and sub-rounded stones. No finds were recovered from the fill.
	2107	Cut	0.70	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Ditch. Linear orientated SE-NW. One of a number of identical features within the trench and elsewhere on site. Likely agricultural in nature, possibly used as an irrigation channel or similar water management feature
	2108	Fill	0.70	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly silty chalky clay	Fairly soft friable	Fill of Ditch [2107]. Contained a moderate number of chalk flecks and occasional sub-angular stones. No finds were recovered from the fill.
	2109	Cut	0.62	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Ditch. Linear orientated SE-NW. One of a number of identical features within the trench and elsewhere on site. Likely agricultural in nature, possibly used as an irrigation channel or similar water management feature
	2110	Fill	0.62	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly silty chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [2109]. Contained a moderate number of chalk flecks and occasional sub-angular stones. No finds were recovered from the fill.
	2111	Cut	0.62	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Ditch. Linear orientated SE-NW. One of a number of identical features within the trench and elsewhere on site. Likely agricultural in nature, possibly used as an irrigation channel or similar water management feature
	2112	Fill	0.62	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly silty chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [2109]. Contained a moderate number of chalk flecks and occasional sub-angular stones. No finds were recovered from the fill.
22	2200	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.30	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	2201	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.15	Mid brown	Fairly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor. A single sherd of Iron Age pottery was recovered from this later
	2202	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.13	Mottled yellow grey	Slightly silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.



	2203	Cut	0.69	>1.49	0.25	Linear	>45 degrees	U-shaped	Cut of Ditch. Long linear which was observable from the northwest end of the trench. The ditch was orientated NW-SE and continued for approximately 34 metres before continuing beyond the limit of excavation to the northwest. The ditch is cut by furrows [2205] and [2209]. A single sherd of pottery was recovered from the surface of the ditch.
	2204	Fill	0.69	>1.49	0.25	Mid greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly firm	Fill of Ditch [2203]. Naturally silted fill containing occasional sub-rounded stones and fragments of chalk. A single sherd of pottery was recovered from the surface of the feature
	2205	Cut	1.19	>1.85	0.19	Linear	>45 degrees	Flat	Cut of Furrow. Similar to two other linears within the trench, and many others around the site. Believed to part of a ridge and furrow system. This feature cut through earlier linear [2203]. Contained a single fill which was also very similar to the fills of the other furrows. A ceramic land drain was observed cutting through [2205]
	2206	Fill	1.19	>1.85	0.19	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly silty chalky clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Furrow [2205]. Similar to other furrow fills within this trench. Contained occasional sub-angular stones and flecks of chalk. No finds were recovered from the fill. Cut by Land drain [2207]
22	2207	Cut	0.14	>1.85	>0.28	Linear	Steep the northwest edge undercuts furrow [2205]	Base not reached	Cut of Land Drain. Cuts through Furrow [2205] slightly off centre. Contained a ceramic land drain and backfilled with a mixture of soil and oxford clay.
	2208	Fill	0.14	>1.85	>0.28	Mid greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Land Drain [2207]. Backfilled with a mixed soil and oxford clay fill. No finds were recovered; however, a ceramic land drain was observed near the base of the feature
	2209	Cut	1.28	>1.8	Unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Furrow. Several of these features were located within Trench 22. All share the same orientation. Furrow [2209], like [2205] has been truncated by a land drain. Drain [2211] cuts through the southeast half of [2209]. Feature not excavated. Feature cuts through NW-SE orientated Ditch [2203]



	2210	Fill	1.28	>1.8	Unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Furrow [2209]. Identical to the other furrow fills in the Trench. Appears to have been backfilled by natural means. Contained occasional rounded and angular stone and flint inclusions, as well as occasional chalk flecks. No finds were recovered from the feature. Cut by Land Drain [2211]
	2211	Cut	0.15	>1.85	unknown	Linear	Not excavated0	Base not reached	Cut of Land Drain. Cuts through Furrow [2205] slightly off centre. Contained a ceramic land drain and backfilled with a mixture of soil and oxford clay.
	2212	Fill	0.15	>1.85	unknown	Mid greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Land Drain [2211]. Backfilled with a mixed soil and oxford clay fill. No finds were recovered.
	2213	Cut	0.73	>1.8	Unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Furrow. One of several located within Trench 22. All share the same orientation. Feature not excavated. Unlike Ditches [2209] and [2205] a land drain does not cut through the centre of [2213].
22	2214	Fill	0.73	>1.8	Unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft	Fill of Furrow [2214]. Identical to the other furrow fills in the Trench. Appears to have been backfilled by natural means. Contained occasional rounded and angular stone and flint inclusions, as well as occasional chalk flecks. No finds were recovered from the feature.
23	2300	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.26	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	2301	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.20	Mid brown	Silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	2302	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.26	Mottled yellow grey	Silty chalky clay	Fairly firm friable	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
	2303	Cut	0.56	> 1	0.13	Linear	Concave	Irregular	Cut of Ditch, possibly the lower part of a ditch, similar to other linear features in the trench. The top of the feature has likely been truncated by modern ploughing.
	2304	Fill	0.56	> 1	0.13	Light yellowish brown	Slightly silty clay	Slightly friable compact	Single fill of [2303]. Likely formed by natural soil or by movement of material during agricultural processes. No finds Present



	2305	Cut	0.88	>1	0.14	Linear	Concave	Irregular	Shallow linear feature , possibly the lower part of a furrow as it matches the alignment of other linear features in the trench. The top of the ridge and furrow has likely been truncated by modern ploughing.
	2306	Fill	0.88	>1	0.14	Light yellowish brown	Slightly silty clay	Slightly friable compact	Fill of [2305] . Single clay fill, likely formed by natural soil or by movement of material during agricultural processes. Contained degraded pieces of daub.
	2307	Cut	0.44	0.28	0.17	Circular	>45 degrees	U-shaped	Cut of possible posthole . One of a number of similar features within this trench. Edges of the feature were poorly defined
23	2308	Fill	0.44	0.28	0.17	Mid brownish	Slightly silty clay	Fairly compact but friable	Fill of Posthole [2307] . Sample taken of fill, no finds recovered .
	2309	Cut	0.25	0.19	0.17	Circular	Straight	U-shaped	Cut of posthole . In line with posthole [2307] to the SE and linear [2311] to the NW.
	2310	Fill	0.25	0.19	0.17	Dark brown	Slightly silty clayey	Fairly firm but friable	Fill of posthole [2309] , no finds taken from fill. Contained chalk flecks and fragments
	2311	Cut	1.35	1	0.10	Linear	<45 degrees	Flat	Cut of Ditch . Shallow, possibly ridge and furrow cut by possible Land drain [2313]. single fill. Further down Trench 23 to the NW there are similar shallow linear features
	2312	Fill	1.35	1	0.10	Mid brown	Fairly silty clay	Fairly firm but friable	Fill of Furrow [2311] . Single shallow fill of linear [2311]. Contained occasional angular stones and flint No finds recovered from the fill. Cut by [2313]
	2313	Cut	0.15	1	0.31	Linear	Straight	U-shaped	Cut of Land Drain . Aligned with and cuts through the centre of Furrow [2311]. Filled with redeposited natural clay. Drain not reached
	2314	Fill	0.15	1	0.30	Dark brown	Slightly silty clay	Very compact but friable	Fill of Land Drain [2313] . Very natural in texture and consistency
	2315	Cut	1.24	>1.8	Unknown	Linear	Unexcavated	Base not reached	Cut of furrow located to the northwest of the trench. Orientated northeast –southwest and almost identical in composition to [2311]
	2316	Fill	1.24	>1.8	Unknown	Mid brown	Fairly silty clay	Fairly firm but friable	Fill of Furrow [2315] . Identical in composition to furrow [2311]. The result of natural silting . No finds recovered from the fill



24	2400	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.22	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	2401	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.19	Mid brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
24	2402	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.15	Mottled yellow grey	silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
	2403	Cut	0.57	>1.0	0.24	Linear	Steep	Flat	Cut of Ditch. SE-NW orientated linear similar to other features excavated within the site. Likely utilized for agricultural purposes such as irrigation or water management.
	2404	Fill	0.42	>1.0	0.13	Dark greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly hard	Lower fill of ditch [2403]. Dark fill containing occasional chalk and flint inclusions. Degraded pottery was recovered from the fill. Appears to be the result of natural sedimentation.
	2405	Fill	0.57	>1	0.11	Mid yellowish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly hard and malleable	Upper fill of ditch [2403]. Lighter than lower fill (2404). Again this deposit is the result of natural sedimentation. A single sherd of Romano-British pottery was recovered from this fill. Contained occasional chalk and flints.
	2406	Cut	0.44	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Concave steep > 45°	Base not reached	Cut of Land Drain. The depth is unknown as this has not been excavated fully. This drain cuts [2408], [2410] and [2412].
	2407	Fill	0.44	> 1.8	unknown	Dark orangey grey brown	Fairly silty chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Land Drain [2406]. Ceramic land drain was noted within the feature. Contained occasional sub-angular stones and a moderate number of chalk flecks
	2408	Cut	0.56	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Ditch. Orientated SSE-NNW and one of a number of similar features within this trench.
	2409	Fill	0.56	> 1.8	unknown	Dark orangey grey brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of [2408]. Contained occasional sub-angular stones and a moderate number of chalk flecks. No finds were recovered
	2410	Cut	0.68	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Ditch. Orientated SSE-NNW and one of a number of similar features within this trench.



	2411	Fill	0.68	> 1.8	unknown	Dark orangey grey brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of [2410]. Contained occasional sub-angular stones and a moderate number of chalk flecks. No finds were recovered
24	2412	Cut	1.60	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Furrow. Orientated SSE-NNW and one of a number of similar features within this trench.
	2413	Fill	1.60	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of [2412]. Contained occasional sub-angular stones and a moderate number of chalk flecks. No finds were recovered
	2414	Cut	0.68	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Ditch. Orientated SSE-NNW and one of a number of similar features within this trench.
	2415	Fill	0.68	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of [2414]. Contained occasional sub-angular stones and a moderate number of chalk flecks. No finds were recovered
	2416	Cut	0.66	> 1.80	unknown	Linear	Not excavated	Base not reached	Cut of Ditch. Orientated SSE-NNW and one of a number of similar features within this trench.
	2417	Fill	0.66	> 1.8	unknown	Mid orangey greyish brown	Fairly clayey chalky clay	Fairly soft and friable	Fill of Ditch [2416]. This has not been excavated So no archaeological finds identified.
25	2500	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.23	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	2501	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.30	Mid brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor. Similar to subsoil found elsewhere on the site, however, 2501 is slightly darker.
	2502	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.06	Mottled yellow grey	Slightly silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed. Colluvium deposits noted within this trench.





25	2503	Cut	0.72	>0.80	0.56	Linear	Concave	Flat	Cut of ditch. Contained two fills. Relationship slot shows ditch was cut by later furrow which was then cut by land drain. It appears that agricultural activity included using and reusing early ditches and furrows
	2504	Fill	0.72	>0.80	0.17	Mid yellowish brown	Slightly gravelly clay	Fairly soft	Lower/Primary fill of ditch [2503]. Contained occasional sub-rounded flint and stone inclusions as well as flecks of charcoal.
	2505	Fill	0.72	>0.80	0.11	Dark greyish brown	Slightly gravelly silty clay	Fairly firm but friable	Secondary fill of Ditch [2503]. Contained occasional sub-rounded stones and flints. A single sherd of Iron Age pottery was recovered from this fill as well as fragments of daub
	2506	Cut	0.17	>0.48	>0.14	Linear	Straight	Base not reached	Cut of Land drain. Cuts Furrow [2509] along its northwest side. Also cuts Ditch [2503]
	2507	Fill	0.17	>0.48	>0.14	Dark greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly compact and malleable	Fill of Land Drain [2506]. Contained occasional sub-rounded flints and flecks of chalk. Contained a ceramic land drain and medieval pottery
	2508	Fill	0.74	>0.89	0.09	Mid yellowish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly sticky	Primary fill of Ditch [2509]. Contained occasional chalk flecks and pieces as well as occasional sub-rounded stones and angular flints. Three sherds of Iron Age pottery was found at the base of the fill
	2509	Cut	0.74	>0.89	0.30	Linear	Steep	Flat	Cut of Furrow with two fills. Cuts earlier ditch [2503] and was cut by land drain [2506]. Indicates agricultural activity included using and reusing early ditches and furrows
	2510	Fill	0.74	>0.89	0.21	Mid greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly firm	Upper/Secondary fill of furrow [2509]. Contained occasional angular flints and chalk flecks. Charcoal also noted within this fill.
26	2600	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.27	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	2601	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.21	Mid brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor. Subsoil absent to the northeast.



26	2602	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.19	Mottled brown grey	Slightly silty clay	Fairly firm	Oxford clay natural which contained a moderate number of chalk flecks as well as patches of small flint and stone gravels. Some larger flint nodules were also present throughout the trench as well as occasional lime stone pieces. Some sand patches to the southwest
	2603	Cut	0.58	>9.6	0.17	Linear	Straight, slightly concave	U-shaped	Cut of narrow ditch , possibly used for drainage as it runs downhill. Single fill, no finds.
	2604	Fill	0.58	>9.6	0.17	Light greyish brown	Slightly silty clay	Very firm	Fill of Ditch [2603] , naturally silted, no finds. Contained a moderate number of chalk pieces and occasional sub-rounded stones
27	2700	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.29	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.
	2701	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.11	Mid brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor. Truncation is evident in this area through modern farming practices as the subsoil appears sporadically throughout the Trench
	2702	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.18	Mottled brown grey	Slightly silty clay	Fairly firm	Oxford clay natural which contained a moderate number of chalk flecks as well as patches of small flint and stone gravels. Some larger flint nodules were also present throughout the trench as well as occasional lime stone pieces.
	2703	Cut	0.81	>1	0.18	Linear	<45 degrees	Flat	Cut of a possible Furrow. Orientated NE-SW. A single piece of clay pipe stem was recovered from the fill
	2704	Fill	0.81	>1	0.18	Mid greyish yellowish brown	Slightly sandy silty clay	Very firm	Fill of possible Furrow [2703]. Contained chalk flecks as well as pieces of weather rounded chalk, there was one find present within the fill of a post med pipe stem piece. The fill look to be a result of silting.
28	2800	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.16	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.



	2801	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.15	Mid brown	Fairly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor.
	2802	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.29	Mottled brown grey	Slightly silty clay	Fairly firm	Oxford clay natural which contained a moderate number of chalk flecks as well as patches of small flint and stone gravels. Some larger flint nodules were also present throughout the trench as well as occasional lime stone pieces.
	2803	Cut	0.23	>1.17	0.22	Linear	Sheer	U-shaped	Cut of Gully. N-S orientated. Agricultural feature which likely used for the purposes of water management. Contained a single fill which produced no artefacts.
	2804	Fill	0.23	>1.17	0.22	Mid yellowish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly firm	Fill of gully [2803]. High clay content with occasional stone gravel inclusions and occasional flecks of charcoal. No finds recovered. Fill likely washed in by water movement
	2805	Cut	0.59	>1.28	0.08	Linear	Concave	U-shaped	Cut of Ditch orientated NNW-SSE. Contained a single fill which contained no artefacts. The Ditch likely served an agricultural purpose such as an irrigation channel
	2806	Fill	0.59	>1.28	0.08	Mid yellowish brown	Slightly silty clay	Fairly firm	Fill of Ditch [2805]. Heavy clay with some silting. Contained occasional Chalk pieces and some small stone gravel inclusions. Very similar in composition to the fill of [2803]
29	2900	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.28	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed. A single sherd of 17 th century pottery was recovered from this layer
	2902	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.92	Mottled yellow grey	Slightly silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
	2903	Layer	>1.80	>50	>1.11	Mottled yellow grey	Fairly silty chalky clay	Fairly firm friable	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.
30	3000	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.25	Mid greyish brown	Very silty clay	Fairly malleable	Plough soil. Soil covered the whole of the site. Contained occasional stone and flints including occasional larger flint nodules. Occasional chalk flecks and chalk pieces also observed.



	3001	Layer	>1.80	>50	0.15	Mid brown	Fairly silty clay	Fairly malleable	Subsoil. Contained occasional angular flint and stone gravels as well as occasional chalk flecks. Some rooting present although this is mostly minor. The subsoil appeared patchy and inconsistent to the ENE end of the trench
	3002	Layer	>1.80	>50	>0.25	Mottled yellow grey	Slightly silty chalky clay	Fairly firm	Chalky natural. Contained occasional rounded stones, sub-rounded flints and small flint and stone gravels. Some large flint nodules also observed.

Plan Register

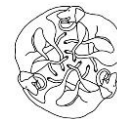
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33	3	1:20	Plan of [1403],[1405],[1407]
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52	6	1:20	Plan of [1803] and sondage
54	7	1:20	Plan d ditch [1503]
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63	8	1:20	Plan of ditches [2203], [2205] and land drain [2207]
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71	8	1:20	plan of ditch [103]
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Section Register

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8	1	1:10	N E Facing section of Gully [2303]
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10	1	1:10	NE facing section of posthole [2307]
11	1	1:10	NE facing section of posthole [2309]
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16	1	1:10	NW Facing section of [1305]
19	3	1:10	NW facing section of [1307]
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22	3	1:10	NW facing section of [1311]
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24	4	1:20	Trench 26, SE facing Stratigraphy
25	4	1:20	Trench 2, NE facing Stratigraphy
26	4	1:20	Trench 4, SE facing Stratigraphy
27	4	1:20	Trench 6, W facing Stratigraphy
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31	3	1:10	S facing section of [1405]
32	3	1:10	SW facing section of [1407]
34	3	1:10	NW facing section of rooted feature [1313]
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57	6	1:10	NW facing baulk section [2103]
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70	8	1:10	Section of Ditch [103] NW facing
72	9	1:10	SE facing section of [2503]
73	9	1:10	SW facing section of [2503] , [2509] & [2506]
74	9	1:10	NE facing section of [2309]
76	8	1:10	NNE facing section of ditch [2603]
78	9	1:10	NE facing section ditch [2105]



Appendix 4: Specialist Reports

Pottery from Rushden, Northamptonshire (Site 571/RHR)

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Pottery

The pottery assemblage comprised 10 sherds with a total weight of 84g. It comprised a mixture of prehistoric, Romano-British, medieval and post-medieval material. The occurrence by number and weight of sherds per context by fabric type is shown in Table 1. Each date should be regarded as a *terminus post quem*.

Prehistoric

The following fabric types were noted:

IASh: Shell. Moderate to dense shell up to 3mm, sparse to moderate iron-rich sand. Iron Age. 5 sherds, 6g.

IAFS: Fine Shell. Sparse quartz, sparse fine shell fragments up to 1mm. Iron Age. 2 sherds, 6g.

Such fabrics are fairly common in the region, and most likely date to the middle-late Iron Age (eg. Timby 2004, 73). The sherds are all small and in fairly poor condition, and are the product of secondary deposition, if not residual.

Romano-British

A single sherd of shelly ware (RBSh) weighing 18g occurred. Such pottery is very common on Roman sites in the area (*ibid.*). It is from the base of a jar, and is in fairly good condition.

Medieval and Later

The medieval and late pottery was recorded using the conventions of the Northamptonshire County Ceramic Type-Series (CTS), as follows:

F330: Shelly Coarseware, AD1100-1400. 1 sherd, 17g.

F426: Iron-Glazed Coarsewares, c late 17th – 18th century. 1 sherd, 37g.

The range of fabric types is typical of sites in the region (eg. Blinkhorn 2010). The sherds are both somewhat abraded, and may be residual.

CBM

A small assemblage of fired clay building material was noted. The occurrence by type is shown in Table 2. It mostly consisted of fragments of amorphous burnt daub in a fairly fine fabric. They are undateable. The fragment of tile is in an iron-rich, orange sandy fabric. It is unglazed and 11mm thick, and most probably of late medieval to early post-medieval date.

A fragment of burnt stone weighing 22g occurred in context 1706.

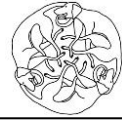


Table 1: Pottery occurrence by number and weight (in g) of sherds per context by fabric type

Cntxt	IAFS		IASh		RBSH		F330		F426		Feature type	Date
	No	Wt	No	Wt	No	Wt	No	Wt	No	Wt		
1516	1	1									Ditch	IA
1806			1	1							Ditch	IA
2201	1	5									Subsoil	IA
2404					1	18					Ditch	RB
2505			1	1							Ditch	IA
2507							1	17			Land drain	12thC
2508			3	4							Ditch	IA
2900									1	37	Topsoil	L17thC
Total	2	6	5	6	1	18	1	17	1	37		

Table 2: CBM occurrence by number and weight (in g) of fragments per context by type

Cntxt	Daub		Tile	
	No	Wt	No	Wt
200			1	15
2306	4	10		
2504	1	1		
2508	2	5		
Total	7	16	1	15

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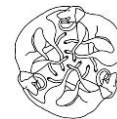
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Appendix 5: OASIS and Site Data

PROJECT DETAILS			
Project Name & Address	Land east of A6 and roundabout at Bedford Road, Rushden, Northamptonshire	Project Site Code	571/RHR
OASIS reference	kdkarcha1-412485	Event/Accession no	ENN109882
OS reference	SP 9705 6492	Study area size	17ha
Project Type	Evaluation	Height (mAOD)	c.97
Short Description	Between March and April 2021 KDK Archaeology Ltd undertook an Archaeological Evaluation at the Land east of A6 and roundabout at Bedford Road, Rushden, Northamptonshire as a condition of planning permission for the development of the site. A total of 30 trenches were excavated revealing a long history of agricultural activity taking place within the development area. Artefacts recovered from this investigation represented a large date range spanning from the mid-late Iron Age through to the Modern period. The features exposed on the site included 21 medieval Furrows, 40 Ditches/Irrigation Channels which possibly predate the medieval period, two gullies and 11 postholes/ small pits. In addition, a number of Victorian and modern land drains were observed throughout the site, many of which intercepted with earlier features on the site.		
Previous work	Geophysical survey	Site status	None
Planning proposal	Erection of new rugby club house with four playing pitches and provision of new access road from existing roundabout, including creation of new pedestrian crossing and 3m wide shared footway and cycleway on adjacent highway (Resubmission of 19/01974/FUL)	Current land use	Agricultural
Local Planning Authority	East Northamptonshire Council	Planning application ref.	20/01174/FUL
Monument type	Ditches, Postholes, furrows, land drains	Monument period	Poss Iron Age- Modern
Significant finds	None	Future work	TBA
PROJECT CREATORS			
Organisation	KDK Archaeology Ltd		
Project Brief originator	-	Project Design originator	KDK Archaeology Ltd
Project Manager	David Kaye	Director/Supervisor	Laura Dodd
Sponsor/funding body	Rushden Town Council		
PROJECT DATE			
Start date	15.03.2021	End date	13.04.2021
PROJECT ARCHIVES			
	Location	Content (e.g. pottery, animal bone, files/sheets)	
Physical	Northamptonshire Archaeological Research Centre	Pottery, Animal bone, Iron, CBM	
Paper		Report, WSI, Permatrace drawings, physical recording sheets	
Digital		All digital recording sheets, digital photographs, Digital files	



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