



Worlington Quarry, Phases 6 and 9 (2016)

Worlington, Suffolk

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HER Information

Site Code: WGN 058
Parish: Worlington
Site Name: Worlington Quarry, Phases 6 and 9 (2016)
Report Number 2016/083
Planning Application No: F/2004/0227/CCA
Date of Fieldwork: 31st August – 26th September 2016
Grid Reference: TL 6957 7137
Oasis Reference: Suffolka1-266358
Curatorial Officer: Kate Batt
Project Officer: Simon Cass
Client/Funding Body: Frimstone Ltd.
Address: Worlington Quarry, Elms Road, Worlington, Suffolk

Digital report submitted to Archaeological Data Service:

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Date: 24/10/2016
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Introduction

Several visits were made to the site to record the stripping of plough soil prior to quarrying of the sand and gravel geology for aggregate in Phases 6 and 9 of the quarry. Previous work on two partial areas within these phases was completed last year and reported on at the time (SACIC report no. 2015/072 / OASIS report no. 225124). The site was between two areas already stripped and cleared previously under HER codes WGN 038 and 047 (Fig. 1) and on land previously evaluated under HER code WGN 034. This report forms an addendum to the earlier works, which should be addressed for further details regarding archaeological and historical background and methodology (Brooks, 2014). The groundworks were undertaken by Frimstone Ltd., and the work is now under the supervision of Kate Batt (Suffolk County Council Archaeological Service Curatorial Team). An OASIS form has been completed for this report (reference no. suffolka1-266358) and a digital copy submitted for inclusion on the Archaeology Data Service database (<http://ads.ahds.ac.uk/catalogue/library/greylit>).

Groundworks

The two stripped areas combined cover approximately 4.3ha and between 0.3m and 0.4m of topsoil was stripped off using a 34-tonne tracked excavator with a flat-bladed bucket down to the top of the gravel natural with spoil stockpiled in a bund along the western edge of Area 6 on land monitored in 2011

Results

No archaeological features or finds were recorded across the site and no further stripping is to take place at the present time; as with earlier phases of the quarry the whole area is anticipated to be stripped intermittently as aggregate is required and land is released by the farm. The geology was pale yellow to mid orange sandy gravel in the southern area, while the northern area had a sandier consistency. Two large hollows were observed crossing the northern area can passing through the eastern end of the southern area but on investigation were determined to be natural depressions/eroded channels through the sand/gravel. Natural geological levels varied from 13.2m to 15.2m OD across the site.



Figure 1. Site outline (red) relative to previous phases of monitoring (grey)

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Bibliography

Brooks, R., 2014, *Worlington Quarry, 2014 Phase, Worlington, WGN 047, Archaeological Monitoring Report v0.2*, SCCAS Report No. 2014/113, Bury St Edmunds: SCCAS

Appendix 1. Oasis Form

Project details

Project name	WGN 058 Worlington Quarry Phases 6 and 9 (2016)
Short description of the project	Archaeological monitoring on the remainder of Phases 6 and 9 being stripped in 2016 (earlier work in 2015 is recorded under OASIS no. 225124) revealed no features or artefacts of archaeological relevance.
Project dates	Start: 31-08-2016 End: 26-09-2016
Previous/future work	Yes / Yes
Any associated project reference codes	225124 - OASIS form ID
Any associated project reference codes	WGN 058 - HER event no.
Any associated project reference codes	WGN 034 - HER event no.
Any associated project reference codes	2016/083 - Contracting Unit No.
Type of project	Recording project
Site status	None
Current Land use	Cultivated Land 2 - Operations to a depth less than 0.25m
Monument type	NONE None
Significant Finds	NONE None
Investigation type	"Recorded Observation", "Watching Brief"
Prompt	Direction from Local Planning Authority - PPG16

Project location

Country	England
Site location	SUFFOLK FOREST HEATH WORLINGTON WGN 058 Worlington Quarry Phases 6 and 9 (2016)
Postcode	IP28 8XA
Study area	4.3 Hectares
Site coordinates	TL 6957 7137 52.31377480562 0.487914977513 52 18 49 N 000 29 16 E Point
Height OD / Depth	Min: 13.2m Max: 15.2m

Project creators

Name of Organisation	Suffolk Archaeology CIC
Project brief originator	Local Authority Archaeologist and/or Planning Authority/advisory body
Project design originator	Kate Batt
Project director/manager	Jo Caruth
Project supervisor	Simon Cass

Type of sponsor/funding body	Developer
Name of sponsor/funding body	Frimstone Ltd

Project archives

Physical Archive Exists?	No
Digital Archive recipient	Suffolk HER
Digital Contents	"Survey","other"
Digital Media available	"Images raster / digital photography","Survey"
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Paper Contents	"Survey","other"
Paper Media available	"Photograph","Plan","Report","Survey "

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