Zoe Allvey Schofield Archaeology 1

Essex County Council - EHER Summary Form - Appendix 1

Site Name/Address: 12-18 PUMP HILL, LOUGHTON, ESSEX IG10 1RU	
Parish: LOUGHTON	District: EPPING FOREST
NGR: TQ 42662 9709	Site Code: EPF 2449/13
Type of Work: TRIAL TRENCHING	Site Director/Group: ZOE ALLVEY SCHOFIELD
Date of Work: 24 TH JULY 2014	Size of Area Investigated: 14.4SQM OF 500 SQM
Location of Finds/Curating Museum: EPPING FOREST	Funding source: OWNER
Further Seasons Anticipated? NO	Related EHCR No's: 4061 & 18372
Final Report: EPF14	OASIS number: 186339

Periods Represented: 17TH/18TH/19th/20th Century

SUMMARY OF FIELDWORK RESULTS:

THE SITE IS LOCATED BETWEEN TWO NEIGHBOURING HOUSES IN A RESIDENTIAL STREET THAT CONTAINS SEVERAL LISTED BUILDINGS DATING TO 18TH CENTURY.

A SINGLE TRIAL TRENCH (1.2M X 12.0M) WAS CUT ACROSS THE CENTRAL AXIS OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT (DIRECTION NORTH - SOUTH) TO SUB SOIL DEPTH (70CM).

THERE WERE THREE LAYERS IN THE STRATIGRAPHY.

- 001 SUB-SOIL (50CM)
- 002 MIXED LAYER OF SUB-SOIL & NATURAL CLAY (10CM)
- 003 NATURAL CLAY 10CM >

CONTEXT 001 WAS A DARK BROWN SOIL WITH A LOOSE, DRY CONSISTENCY AND ORGANIC, STONE, CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSEHOLD DEBRIS DEPOSITS.

CONTEXT 002 WAS A MIXED LAYER OF NATURAL SANDY CLAY AND SUB-SOIL WITH STONE AND CHARCOAL DEPOSITS.

CONTEXT 003 WAS NATURAL CLEAN SANDY CLAY WITH STONE DEPOSITS BUT NO EVIDENCE OF OCCUPATION.

CONTEXT 002 WAS A MIXED LAYER OF CONTEXTS 001 & 003 AND THE DEPOSITS IN CONTEXT 001 & 002 RANGED FROM 19TH TO 21ST CENTURY. INDICATING THAT THE SITE HAD SUFFERED PAST DISTURBANCE.

ONE SHERD OF LATE MEDIEVAL POTTERY AND SEVERAL SHERDS OF 18TH & 19TH CENTURY POTTERY SHERDS WERE FOUND UNSTRATIFIED IN THE SPOIL HEAP BUT THERE WERE NO FINDS IN SITU IN TRENCH 1.

STRATIGRAPHIC PRESENTATION AND SITE SURFACE AND SPOIL HEAP DEPOSITS INDICATED THAT THE SITE HAD SUFFERED SIGNIFICANT DISTURBANCE, PROBABLY DURING PAST CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY.

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