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Report on the clay tobacco pipes from Beaconsfield, A355 (BERR 18)

Clay tobacco pipes

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Two small pieces of clay pipe stem weighing 7g were recovered from two contexts. These have not been separately catalogued but are fully described below. The pipes are of little interest beyond their dating value - but it is quite likely, in view of their poor condition, that they are residual in their contexts.

Context (58) Spot-date: Late 17th to mid 18th century

Description: 1 stem fragment (4g). Fairly abraded/weathered. Length 50mm. Fairly slender with a stem bore diameter of c 2.8mm. The context is one of the fills of a large quarry in Area A.

Context (298) Spot-date: Late 18th to 19th century

Description: 1 stem fragment (3g). Fairly abraded/weathered. Length 35mm. Fairly slender with a stem bore diameter of c 2.1mm. Fill of a posthole (298) in Area C.

These pipe stems are not worthy of retention, and may be discarded