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## Abstract

This report presents the results of an archaeological evaluation undertaken as part of pre-planning works for a proposed development at Tomaknock Farm, Crieff, Perth and Kinross.

The evaluation required a 5% trenching sample of the available development area. A total of 30 trenches of varying lengths and alignments were excavated.

Throughout the majority of the site no significant archaeological features or artefacts were encountered. Three potentially related pit features were encountered on the slope to the NE of the farmstead. Two of the pits were approximately 25 m from a post-medieval quarry road and may relate to the use of the area during this period. The third was further down the slope in a partially waterlogged part of the site.

## **1** INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Background

1.1.1 AOC Archaeology Group was commissioned by G-S Brown Construction Ltd. to undertake an archaeological evaluation prior to a planning application for a proposed development at Tomaknock, Crieff, Perth and Kinross. The evaluation was undertaken in order to satisfy the requirements of the local planning authority, Perth and Kinross Council who are advised on archaeological matters by the Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust (PKHT). The works were conducted according to the terms of a *Written Scheme of Investigation* (AOC 2014) approved on behalf of Perth and Kinross Council by PKHT and in accordance with the principles set out in *Scottish Planning Policy* (Scottish Government 2014) and *PAN 2/2011 Planning & Archaeology* (Scottish Government 2011).

### 1.2 Location

1.2.1 The site (centred on NGR NN 8770 2710) is situated within fields surrounding Tomaknock farmstead to the N, E and W (Figure 1). Dollerie Terrace bounds the site to the South, with fields to the E and N and the housing estate of Ritchie Place to the W.

### 1.3 Archaeological Background

- 1.3.1 There are no known archaeological sites within the development area. A listed building, the 'whitehouse' (NMRS NN82SE 51) lies on the southern boundary. Further post-medieval buildings occur to the E at Tomaknock (NMRS NN82SE 120) and to the S (NMRS NN82SE 119). The former is shown on the 1st edition OS map (Perthshire 1866 XCV) as an unnamed roofed building. It currently survives as a fragmentary single wall. The latter is depicted as 'Cornton' on the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition OS map (Perthshire 1901 XCV SE) and is described as a 'Cothouse' one storey in height'. This site is now marked by a scatter of stones.
- 1.3.2 An earthwork of 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> century date is located to the NE of the development area at Callum's Hill (NMRS NN82SE8). This is thought to be a military camp attributed to the army of Montrose in 1645 (Hunter 1892). It is also stated that the earthworks were constructed by the Duke of Montrose in 1715 (Name Book 1863).
- 1.3.3 Prehistoric archaeology within the immediate vicinity is represented by an Early Bronze Age Cinerary urn (NMRS NN82SE 39) also recorded on Callum's Hill (Hall & Sheridan 2008). This contained the remains of two children, an adult and the partial remains of a goat. A Neolithic polished stone axe (NMRS NN82SE 42) was also recorded to the NE of the site.

## 2 **OBJECTIVES**

- 2.1 The objectives of the archaeological evaluation were:
  - i) to determine and assess the character, extent, condition, quality, date and significance of any buried archaeological remains within the proposed development area;
  - ii) should significant archaeological deposits be discovered, to prepare a mitigation strategy compliant with *Scottish Planning Policy* (2014) and *Planning and Archaeology* 2/2011 (2011).

## 3 METHODOLOGY

- 3.1 The evaluation was to consist of machine excavated trenches equating to a minimum 5% sample of the 8.8 hectare development area. This total area was reduced due to the eastern edge of the development not having access permission; two areas of marshy ground designated as flood plain areas that will not be impacted by the development; and the farmstead and access track were not available as the farm buildings are still in use, and are surrounded by overhead service cables. This reduced the total available area to approximately 6.5 hectares (Figure 2).
- 3.2 In total, 1540 m of linear trench was completed using a 16 tonne tracked excavator with a 2.2 m wide ditching bucket. Excavation was undertaken in shallow units/spits until the first significant archaeological horizon. All machine excavation was supervised by an experienced field archaeologist and according to AOC Archaeology Group's standard operating procedures, and as per the methodology within the *Written Scheme of Investigation* (AOC 2014).

## 4 **RESULTS**

- 4.1 The archaeological evaluation was undertaken between the 11<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup> November 2014. Overall weather conditions were fair allowing for good archaeological visibility throughout the evaluation. In total, 30 trenches were excavated, varying in alignment and length (Figure 2).
- 4.2 The topsoil throughout the site consisted a dark brown silty clay with occasional small stones and rare large stone inclusions. Coal flecks, modern ceramic fragments and modern rubbish were encountered within the top 0.2 m of topsoil throughout the majority of the trenches. The underlying geology was a mixture of pink clay bedrock, orange clayey sand and gravel and reddish brown sandy clay with frequent large boulders (Plate 1).
- 4.3 Three features were recorded within Trenches 18 and 19, either side of the gas main buffer (Figure 3). Two adjacent pits, [1801] and [1803] were revealed in Trench 18 (Plate 2). The trench was extended to revela their full extent, but was limited due to the presence of the gas main. Pit [1801] was oval shaped with shallow sides and a flat base, measuring 2.5 m by 0.9 m by 0.06 m. It was filled by deposit [1802], which was a mid brown sandy clay with abundant charcoal lumps, visible within the bottom 0.1 m of topsoil. Pit [1803] was only 0.5 m NE of [1801] and was sub-circular with steep sides and a concave base measuring 3.1 m by 2.4 m by 0.4 m. The fill of the pit [1804] was a dark grey silty clay with occasional large stones near the base of the pit. No artefacts were recovered from either pit to allowing for an approximate date.
- 4.4 The other pit [1901] in Trench 19 was sub-oval with steep sides and a flat base measuring 2.1 m by 1.1 m by 0.23 m (Plate 3). It was filled by deposit [1902] which consisted of dark grey gravelly silty sand with occasional coal/charcoal flecks.
- 4.5 All three pits were located on a slope to the east of a former quarry track that runs through the field to the north of the farmstead (Figure 2). The lack of artefactual material within the pits, the existence of deposit [1802] within the topsoil, and the lack of other associated archaeology in the area predating the post medieval period would suggest that the pits are related to the quarry activity in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century (Roy 1793, OS 1866).

## 5 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 From the trenches excavated within the development area, it has been demonstrated that the majority of the area is archaeologically sterile. To the E of the quarry track, the three pits are most likely post medieval pits related to the quarries use in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century.

5.2 No further works are considered necessary within the development area. These recommendations will have to be approved by PKHT on behalf of Perth and Kinross Council.

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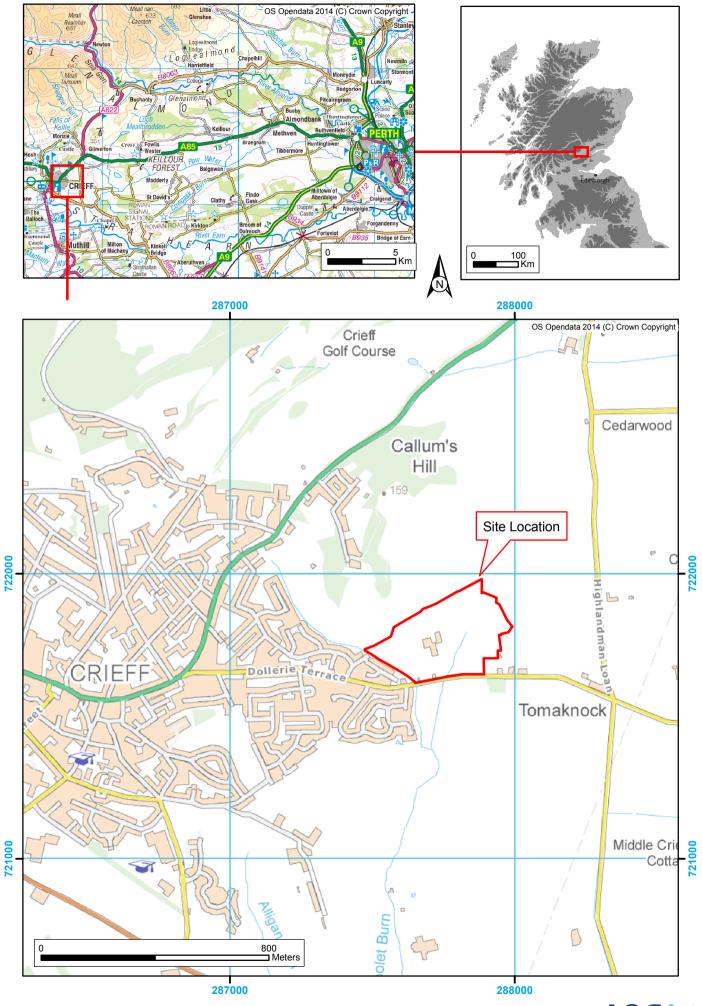
Plate 1 - Post ex view of Trench 27



Plate 2 - View of Pits [1801] and [1803]

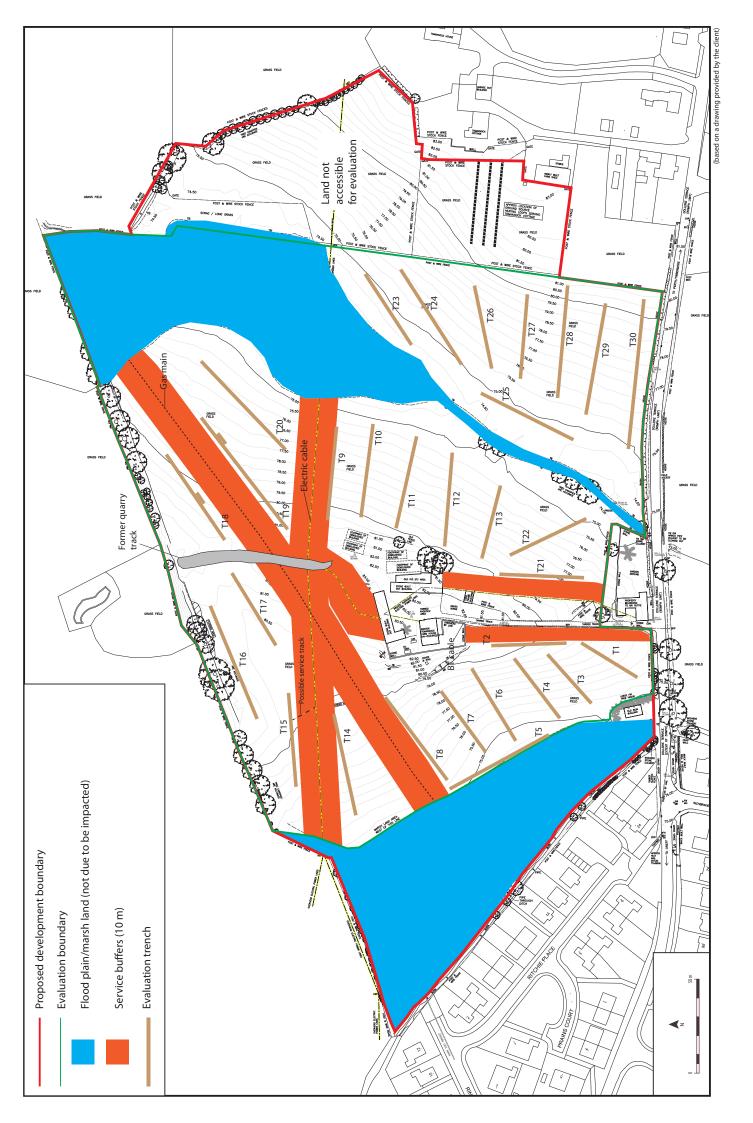


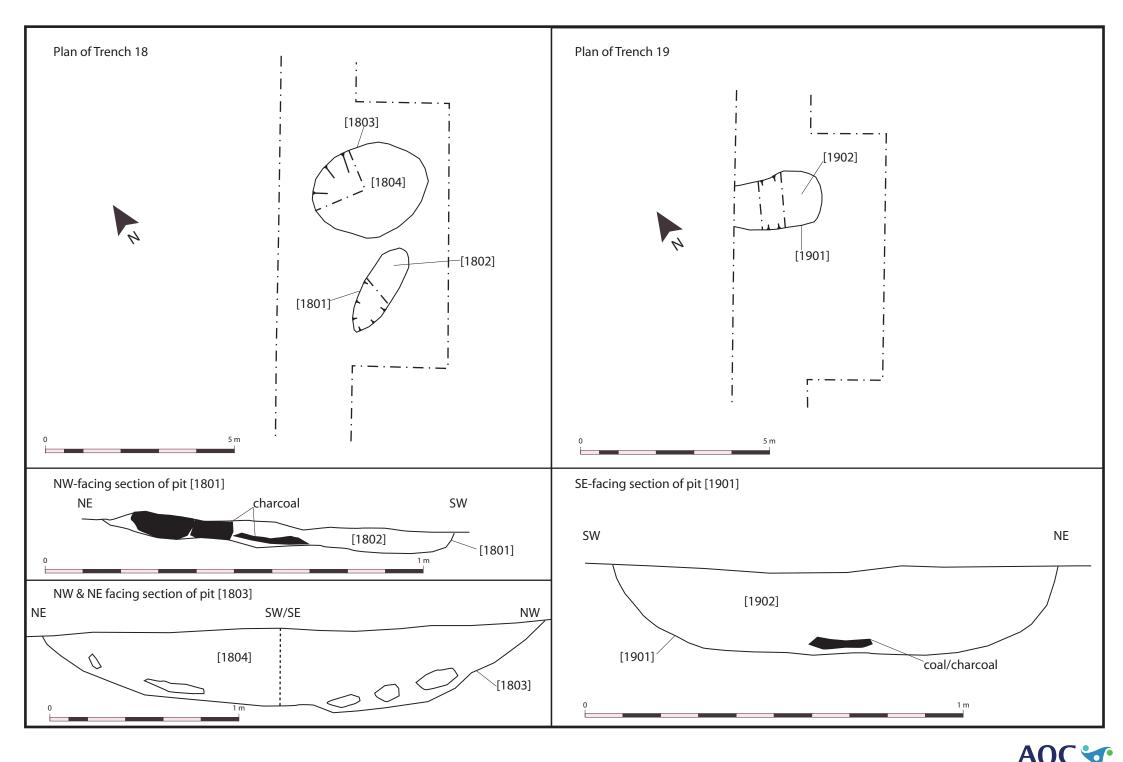
Plate 3 - View of Pit [1901]



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**Section 2: Appendices** 

# **APPENDIX 1:** Trench Descriptions

Trench 1	
Dimensions	35 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	77 m²
Excavated Orientation	SSW to NNE
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.65 m
Depth of Excavation	0.65 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	Post medieval ditch at 3.1 m to 4.4 m aligned NE-SW measuring 0.4 m wide by 0.13 m deep, containing white ce and crushed (??) red tile fragments.
Natural Subsoil	Reddish brown silty clay until 4.8 m then pink bedrock
Finds	None
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Trench 2	
Dimensions	40 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	88 m <sup>2</sup>
Excavated Orientation	S to N
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.37 m
Depth of Excavation	0.37 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Pink bedrock with some patches of yellow sand until 12.2 m then yellow sand and gravel until 17.6 m then pink bedrock
Finds	None
Trench 3	
Trench 3 Dimensions	35 m by 2.2 m
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Total Area	132 m²
Excavated Orientation	SE to NW
Soil Make-up	Topsoil - dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.48 m
Depth of Excavation	0.48 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	Rubble Drain at 25.7 m aligned NE-SW; Rubble drain at 35 m to 45 m aligned SSE-NNW
Natural Subsoil	Orange sandy clay and reddish brown sandy clay with occasional boulders to 30 m then
	reddish brown sandy clay to 52 m then grey clay
Finds	None

### Trench 6

Dimensions	45 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	99 m <sup>2</sup>
Excavated Orientation	SW to NE
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.48 m
Depth of Excavation	0.48 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Reddish brown sandy clay to 40 m then pink bedrock
Finds	None
Trench 7	
Dimensions	40 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	88 m²
Excavated Orientation	SW to NE
Soil Make-up	Topsoil - dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.51 m
Depth of Excavation	0.51 m
Significant Features	None

Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Reddish brown sandy clay
Finds	None

### Trench 8

Dimensions	55 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	121 m <sup>2</sup>
Excavated Orientation	SW to NE
Soil Make-up	Topsoil - dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.48 m
Depth of Excavation	0.48 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Orange clayey sand and gravel with occasional bedrock seams
Finds	None

### Trench 9

Dimensions	50 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	110 m²
Excavated Orientation	W to E
Soil Make-up	Topsoil - dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.56 m
Depth of Excavation	0.56 m

Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Orange clayey sand and gravel
Finds	None

### Trench 10

Dimensions	50 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	110 m²
Excavated Orientation	W to E
Soil Make-up	Topsoil - dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout - max depth 0.4 m; Colluvium from 45 m - reddish
	brown silty clay with frequent small stone inclusions – max depth 0.55 m
Depth of Excavation	0.95 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Orange clayey sand and gravel
Finds	None

#### Trench 11

Trench 11	
Dimensions	50 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	110 m²
Excavated Orientation	W to E
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.43 m; Colluvium from 36 m – reddish brown silty clay with frequent small stone inclusions – max depth 0.55 m
Depth of Excavation	0.9 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Orange clayey sand and gravel
Finds	None
Trench 12	
Dimensions	50 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	110 m <sup>2</sup>
Excavated Orientation	W to E
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.43 m; Colluvium from 33 m – reddish brown silty clay with frequent small stone inclusions – max depth 0.55 m
Depth of Excavation	0.9 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Orange clayey sand and gravel
Finds	None
Trench 13	
Dimensions	40 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	88 m²
Excavated Orientation	W to E
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.42 m; Colluvium from 27 m – reddish brown silty clay with frequent small stone inclusions – max depth 0.6 m
Depth of Excavation	0.9 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	None

Natural Subsoil Finds <b>Trench 14</b> Dimensions	Compact orange gravel None 55 m by 2.2 m 121 m <sup>2</sup> ENE to WSW Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
Trench 14 Dimensions	55 m by 2.2 m 121 m² ENE to WSW
Dimensions	121 m <sup>2</sup> ENE to WSW
	121 m <sup>2</sup> ENE to WSW
	ENE to WSW
Total Area	
Excavated Orientation	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
Soil Make-up	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.34 m; Colluvium from 45 m – reddish brown silty clay with frequent small stone inclusions – max depth 0.47 m
Depth of Excavation	0.9 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Reddish brown sandy clay and gravel with bedrock and yellow sand and gravel to 24 m then pink bedrock to 41 m then orange sand and gravel.
Finds	None
Trench 15	
Dimensions	50 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	110 m <sup>2</sup>
Excavated Orientation	E to W
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.36 m
Depth of Excavation	0.36 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	Rubble drain at 0 m to 7 m aligned NE-SW; Rubble drain at 37 m to 40.6 m aligned NW-SE.
	Modern service track at 15 m aligned N-S, possibly leading from electric pole.
Natural Subsoil	Reddish brown sandy clay with occasional stone to 10 m then orange sand and gravel
Finds	None
Trench 16	
Dimensions	65 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	143 m <sup>2</sup>
Excavated Orientation	SW to NE
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – mid greyish brown sandy clay loam with occasional small stone and frequent coal fleck inclusions – max depth 0.51 m
Depth of Excavation	0.51 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	Rubble drain at 61.5 m to 64.3 m aligned N-S
Natural Subsoil	Very compact orange sand and gravel and bedrock to 24 m then reddish brown sandy clay
Finds	None
Trench 17	
Dimensions	45 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	99 m <sup>2</sup>
Excavated Orientation	NE to SW
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
Depth of Execution	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.45 m 0.45 m
Depth of Excavation Significant Features	None
Other Features	Rubble drain at 34.4 m to 41.5 m aligned N-S the E-W
Natural Subsoil	Reddish brown sandy clay
Finds	None

Trench 18	
Dimensions	55 m by 2.2 m plus 7 m by 2 m extension to SE
Total Area	135 m <sup>2</sup>
Excavated Orientation	NE to SW
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.39 m
Depth of Excavation	0.39 m
Significant Features	Pit [1801]/[1802] and Pit [1803]/[1804]
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Orange sand and gravel to 2 m then reddish brown sandy clay to 10 m then orange brown sandy clay
Finds	None
Trench 19	
Dimensions	75 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	165 m <sup>2</sup>
Excavated Orientation	SW to NE
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
Jon Manu-up	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.35 m; Colluvium from 45 m – reddish
	brown silty clay with frequent small stone inclusions – max depth 0.27 m
Depth of Excavation	0.6 m
Significant Features	Pit [1901]/[1902]
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Pink bedrock until 20 m then orange clayey sand and gravel
Finds	None
Fillus	None
Trench 20	
Dimensions	65 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	143 m²
Excavated Orientation	NE to SW
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.4 m
Depth of Excavation	0.4 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Reddish brown sandy clay to 12 m then orange clayey sand and gravel
Finds	None
Trench 21	
Dimensions	45 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	99 m²
Excavated Orientation	N to S
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.45 m
Depth of Excavation	0.45 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Pink bedrock until 10 m then orange sand and gravel
Finds	None
Trench 22	
Dimensions	45 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	00 m²

Total Area Excavated Orientation

99 m²

NNW to SSE

Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.6 m			
Depth of Excavation	0.6 m			
Significant Features	None			
Other Features	None			
Natural Subsoil	Orange sand and gravel			
Finds	None			
Trench 23				

Dimensions	45 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	99 m²
Excavated Orientation	SW to NE
Soil Make-up	Topsoil - dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.4 m
Depth of Excavation	0.4 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	Ce tile drain at 6.9 m to 9.1 m; 14.5 m to 16.3 m; 29 m to 31.5 m; 37.1 m to 39.2 m aligned E-
	W
Natural Subsoil	Yellow and orange sandy clay with occasional stone and seams of grey clay
Finds	None

### Trench 24

Dimensions	60 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	132 m²
Excavated Orientation	NE to SW
Soil Make-up	Topsoil - dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.49 m
Depth of Excavation	0.49 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	Ce tile drain at 6.7 m to 8.8 m; 14.5 m to 16.5 m; 22.7 m to 25 m; 30.3 m to 32.8 m; 38.3 m to
	40.2 m; 46 m to 48.7 m; 53.9 m to 56.1 m aligned E-W
Natural Subsoil	Reddish brown sandy clay to 8 m then orange sandy clay
Finds	None
Trench 25	
Dimensions	55 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	121 m²

Total Area	121 m <sup>2</sup>
Excavated Orientation	NNE to SSW
Soil Make-up	Topsoil - dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.42 m
Depth of Excavation	0.42 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	Ce tile drain at 4.3 m; 10.2 m; 16 m; 21.5 m aligned E-W
Natural Subsoil	Yellow and orange sandy clay and occasional boulders

### Trench 26

None

Finds

Dimensions	45 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	99 m²
Excavated Orientation	WSW to ENE
Soil Make-up	Topsoil - dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.42 m
Depth of Excavation	0.42 m
Significant Features	None

Other Features	Ce tile drain at 1.7 m to 5.8 m; 14 m to 18.3 m; 26.8 m to 30 m aligned E-W
Natural Subsoil	Yellow and orange sandy clay to 6 m then reddish brown sandy clay
Finds	None
Trench 27	
Dimensions	45 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	45 m by 2.2 m 99 m <sup>2</sup>
Excavated Orientation	W to E
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.35 m
Depth of Excavation	0.35 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	Ce tile drain at 5.9 m to 14.5 m aligned WNW-ESE
Natural Subsoil	Orange sandy clay and occasional boulders to 19 m then pink clay and bedrock to 36 m then orange sandy clay and gravel
Finds	None
Trench 28	
Dimensions	60 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	132 m²
Excavated Orientation	E to W
Soil Make-up	Topsoil - dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.36 m
Depth of Excavation	0.36 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	Ce tile drain at 0 m to 5.4 m aligned ESE-WNW
Natural Subsoil	Pink bedrock to 11 m then orange clayey gravel to 24 m then reddish pink and orange sandy clay
Finds	None
Trench 29	
Dimensions	60 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	132 m²
Excavated Orientation	W to E
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.36 m
Depth of Excavation	0.36 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Pink and orange sandy clay and boulders to 26 m then pink bedrock
Finds	None
Trench 30	
Dimensions	80 m by 2.2 m
Total Area	176 m²
Excavated Orientation	E to W
Soil Make-up	Topsoil – dark brown silty clay with occasional small angular stones and rare large stone
	inclusions with coal flecks throughout – max depth 0.38 m ; Colluvium from 63 m – reddish
	brown silty clay with frequent small stone inclusions – max depth 0.5 m
Depth of Excavation	0.85 m
Significant Features	None
Other Features	None
Natural Subsoil	Pink bedrock to 19 m then pink and orange sandy clay to 28 m then orange sandy clay to 65
	m then reddish brown sandy clay

Finds

None

# **APPENDIX 2: Context Register**

Context No.	Area	Description and Interpretation	
1801	T18	Oval shaped cut with moderate to steep, shallow sides and a flat base. Filled by	
		deposit [1802]. Measures 2.5 m by 0.9 m by 0.06 m.	
		Probable post medieval pit	
1802	T18	Mid brown sandy clay with abundant charcoal lumps throughout. Fill also seen at	
		base of topsoil.	
		Fill of [1801]	
1803	T18	Large sub-circular pit with steep sides and a concave base immediately NE of pit	
		[1801]. Measures 3.1 m by 2.4 m by 0.4 m	
		Probable post medieval pit	
1804	T18	Dark grey silty clay with frequent stone inclusions from medium to very large.	
		Measures 3.1 m by 2.4 m by 0.4 m	
		Fill of pit [1803]	
1901	T19	Oval/sub circular pit with steep sides and flat base measuring 2.11 m by 1.1 m by	
		0.23 m. Filled by deposit [1902].	
		Probable post medieval pit	
1902	T19	Dark grey gravelly silty sand measuring 2.11 m (+) by 1.1 m by 0.23 m.	
		Fill of pit [1901]	

# **APPENDIX 3: Photographic Record**

### **Digital Photographs**

Frame	Description	From	Date
1-6	General view of field (west)	Var	11/11/14
7	Septic tank next to house	W	11/11/14
8	Line of gas main	E	11/11/14
9-10	Overhead cables with bunting	Var	11/11/14
11	Disturbed area at back of farm	N	11/11/14
12	NE corner of site	SW	11/11/14
13	Demolished farm buildings	N	11/11/14
14-15	General view of field (east)	Var	11/11/14
16	Marsh area next to ditch	S	11/11/14
17	Livestock in fields to far east	W	11/11/14
18	Post ex T1		11/11/14
19	Post ex T2		11/11/14
20	Post ex T3		11/11/14
21	Post ex T4	SW	11/11/14
22	Post ex T5	NW	11/11/14
23	Post ex T6	NE	11/11/14
24	Ditch in T1	SW	11/11/14
25	SW-facing section of T1 ditch	SW	11/11/14
26	Post ex T7	NE	11/11/14
27	Post ex T8	NE	11/11/14
28	Post ex T9	E	11/11/14

29	Post ex T10	E	11/11/14
30	Post ex T11	E	11/11/14
31	Post ex T12	E	11/11/14
32	Post ex T13	E	11/11/14
33	Post ex T14	WSW	12/11/14
34-35	View of backfilled trenches (west)	Var	12/11/14
36	Post ex T15	W	12/11/14
37	Post ex T16	NE	12/11/14
38	Post ex T17	SW	12/11/14
39	Post ex T18	NE	12/11/14
40	Post ex T19	NE	12/11/14
41	General view of pit [1803]	Ν	12/11/14
42	General view of pit [1803]	W	12/11/14
43	General view of pit [1801]	W	12/11/14
44	View of pits [1801] and [1803]	W	12/11/14
45	NW-facing section of pit [1803]	NW	12/11/14
46	NW-facing section of pit [1801]	NW	12/11/14
47	NE facing section of pit [1803]	NE	12/11/14
48	Post ex T21	S	13/11/14
49	Post ex T22	SSE	13/11/14
50-52	View of backfilled trenches (east)	Var	13/11/14
53	Post ex T23	NE	13/11/14
54	Post ex T24	SW	13/11/14
55	Post ex T25	SSW	13/11/14
56	SE facing section of pit [1901]	SE	13/11/14
57	General view of pit [1901]	NE	13/11/14
58	Post ex T26	ENE	13/11/14
59	Post ex T27	E	13/11/14
60	Post ex T28	W	13/11/14
61	Post ex T30	W	13/11/14

# **APPENDIX 4: Drawing Register**

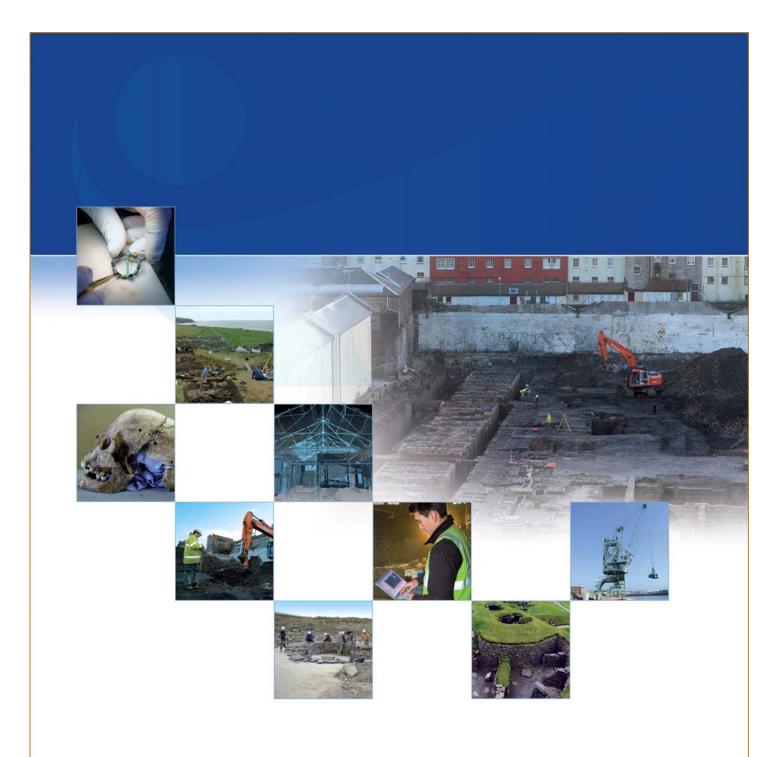
Drawing No.	Area	Details	Scale
1	T18	Plan of Trench 18	1:50
2	T18	NW and NE facing section of pit [1803]	1:20
3	T18	NW facing section of pit [1801]	1:10
4	T19	Plan of Trench 19	1:50
5	T19	SE facing section of pit [1901]	1:10

# **APPENDIX 5: Samples Register**

Context No.	Trench	Quantity (litres)
[1802]	T18	5
[1804]	T18	5
[1902]	T19	5

APPENDIX 6: 'Discove	ry and Excavation in Scotland' Report
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LOCAL AUTHORITY:	Perth and Kinross Council	
PROJECT TITLE/SITE NAME	Tomaknock, Crieff	
PROJECT CODE:	AOC 22919	
PARISH:	Crieff	
NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR:	Kevin Paton	
NAME OF ORGANISATION:	AOC Archaeology Group	
TYPE(S) OF PROJECT:	Archaeological Evaluation	
NMRS NO(S)	None	
SITE/MONUMENT TYPE(S):	N/A	
SIGNIFICANT FINDS:	N/A	
NGR (2 letters, 6 figures)	NN 8770 2170	
START DATE (this season)	11 <sup>th</sup> November 2014	
END DATE (this season)	14 <sup>th</sup> November 2014	
<b>PREVIOUS WORK</b> (incl. DES ref.)	None	
MAIN (NARRATIVE) DESCRIPTION: (May include information from other fields)	An archaeological evaluation was undertaken as part of pre-planning works for a proposed development at Tomaknock Farm, Crieff, Perth and Kinross. The evaluation required a 5% trenching sample of the available development area. A total of 30 trenches of varying lengths and alignments were excavated. Throughout the majority of the site no significant archaeological features or artefacts were encountered. Three potentially related pit features were encountered on the slope to the NE of the farmstead. Two of the pits were approximately 25 m from a post medieval quarry road and may relate to the use of the area during this period. The third was further	
	down the slope in a partially waterlogged part of the site.	
PROPOSED FUTURE WORK:	None	
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