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#### Summary

*This report presents the results of an archaeological evaluation undertaken by AOC Archaeology Group at Whytefield, Port Ellen, Islay (NGR: NR 36159 45858).* 

The evaluation required the machine trenching of 2000 linear metres. However, existing ground conditions and live services restricted the evaluation to 822 linear metres.

A localised distribution of thirteen pits was recorded providing evidence of early prehistoric occupation. A flint blade was recovered from the fill of one of the features.

#### **1** INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Background

- 1.1.1 A programme of archaeological works was required by Mr Alasdair Whyte in respect to a proposed residential development at Whytefield, Port Ellen, Islay. The archaeological works were necessary as part of the planning condition on the development (Planning Reference No: 13/02675/PPP). The need for and scope of the archaeological works was determined by the Argyll and Bute Council, who are advised on archaeological matters by the West of Scotland Archaeology Service (WOSAS).
- 1.1.2 The programme of archaeological works was in keeping with the policies outlined in Scottish Planning Policy (2010) and PAN 2/2011 Planning and Archaeology (2011) in order to record the extent and significance of any archaeological remains which may be present within the development area.
- 1.1.3 Thirteen localised pit/post-hole features were recorded. The majority of these features are probably of early prehistoric date. A flint blade was recovered from the fill of Pit [009].

#### 1.2 Site location

1.2.1 The development area is located on the NW edge of Port Ellen, Islay and is currently a disused area of land. It is bounded to the SW by the A846, housing to the NW and SE as well as field systems to the north and is centred at NGR: NR 36159 45858.

#### 1.3 Archaeological background

- 1.3.1 The development site lies within a relatively archaeologically rich and diverse surrounds according to the RCAHMS database. A hut circle exists approximately 370m to the NW (NGR NR 3596 4618), remains of a longhouse exist NE of the site at NGR NR 3625 4595 and numerous listed buildings exist along the south coast.
- 1.3.2 To the SE lies Crois Tigh Chargaman, The cross of Tighcargaman (NGR NR 3629 4580, HER 2138).

#### 2 OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The objectives of the archaeological evaluation were:
  - to determine and assess the character, extent, condition, quality, date and significance of any buried archaeological remains within the proposed development area though evaluation trenching
  - to advise and implement an appropriate form of mitigation, formulated with the approval of WOSAS, such as excavation (Phase 2), post-excavation analyses and publication (Phase 3), given the infeasibility of preserving the archaeological material *in situ*, should significant archaeological remains be encountered
  - iii) to report on the results of the evaluation.

#### 3 METHODOLOGY

- 3.1 The *Written Scheme of Investigation* proposed the excavation of trenches equating to a 10% sample of the development area (5 ha) thus requiring the excavation of trenching up to 2000 linear metres (AOC Archaeology 2015).
- 3.2 Due to a combination of existing ground conditions (including areas of marsh and out-croppings of bed-rock) and live service buffer zones the evaluation was restricted to a total of 822 linear metres.
- 3.3 All trenches were excavated with a 20 tonne excavator using a 2.0 m wide ditching bucket. The trench details are summarised in Appendix 1. Machine excavation was conducted in shallow units/spits through topsoil/overburden to the upper surface of the underlying geological deposits. The evaluation trial trenching was undertaken according to AOC Archaeology Group's standard operating procedures as detailed with the *Written Scheme of Investigation* (AOC 2015).

### 4 **RESULTS**

- 4.1 The various detailed data gathered from the evaluation is presented as a series of appendices:
  - Appendix 1 trench summaries;
  - Appendix 2 context register;
  - Appendix 3 finds register
  - Appendix 4 photographic register
  - Appendix 5 'Discovery and Excavation in Scotland' (DES) entry.
- 4.2 Figure 2 identifies the position and orientations of all excavated trenches. The works were conducted between 13<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> April 2014. The weather conditions during the evaluation were favourable and overall archaeological visibility was good.
- 4.3 The development area was covered by an improved peaty top-soil varying in depth from 0.15 m to 0.30 m. The natural geology was mottled brown sandy clay with occasional patches of gravel. There were many areas where the natural bedrock was either exposed as a natural out-crop or was exposed by the evaluation trenching.
- 4.4 Occasional rubble land drains were present draining into the marshy southern part of the development area.
- 4.5 Within the northern part of the development lay a flattish area of land which contained the remains of a 19<sup>th</sup> century cottage. The evaluation of this area revealed 13 pit features of probable early prehistoric date. The pit features were found within three trenches located between the buffer zones associated with overhead power cables. This prevented a wider examination of the archaeology.

#### 4.6 Trench 9 [003-005-007-009-011-013-015-023-025-027]

4.6.1 Ten associated pit and posthole features were recorded within Trench 9. With the exception of [015] these features were circular in plan and ranged from 0.28 m to 0.96 m in diameter. All of the pits appeared truncated with none of the excavated examples being deeper than 0.18 m. The features had short, steeply sloping sides and gently concave bases. The pits were all filled by similar charcoal rich deposits of dark grey/brown silty sand with inclusions of rounded stones. A flint blade of early prehistoric date was recovered from the fill (010) of Pit [009]. The pit [015] was oval in shape measuring 1.63 m by 1.06 m in plan and contained modern ceramics and glass. It is probable that this is a 19<sup>th</sup> century rubbish pit associated with the nearby cottage.



Plate 1: Features in Trench 9 prior to trench extension

#### 4.7 Trench 8 [017]

4.7.1 The excavation of Trench 8 revealed a single sub-circular pit [017]. This feature was 0.72m by 0.78m and was 0.19m in depth. As with the features in Trench 9, the pit was gently concave in profile and filled by a charcoal rich deposit of dark grey sandy silt with numerous stone inclusions.



Plate 2: Post ex pits [009], [007], and [005] (left to right)

#### 4.8 Trench 14 [019-021]

4.8.1 Two further truncated circular pit features were revealed in Trench 14. These features were again very similar in plan measuring 0.60m and 0.75m respectively. The excavation of [019] revealed the same gently concave profile with a charcoal rich dark grey sandy fill



Plate 3: NW facing section [017]



Plate 4: SW elevation of cottage

### 5 CONCLUSION

- 5.1 The majority of trenches contained no significant archaeological features. However, three closely grouped trenches excavated within the northern field contained archaeological remains in the form of thirteen large charcoal rich pits. These features most likely represent the truncated remains of early prehistoric occupation. The archaeological features lay between the buffer zones associated with overhead power cables. Given the topographical position of the recorded archaeology it is likely that further associated archaeological evidence will extend within these buffer zones.
- 5.2 Substantial archaeological remains of probable early prehistoric date were recorded within the northern part of the development area. These findings were relatively localised and did not extend into the southern portion of the development area which appeared archaeologically sterile. It is likely that further works would be deemed necessary if the area containing the archaeology was to be subject to development. This recommendation will require confirmation by WoSAS on behalf of Argyll and Bute Council.

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Section 2: Appendices

# **APPENDIX 1: Trench Register**

#### Trench 1

| Dimensions           | 53 m by 2.0 m   |
|----------------------|---|
| Total Area           | 106 m²  |
| Orientation          | NNE-SSW   |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.1m and 0.3m   |
| Significant Features | None  |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown – grey sandy gravel with frequent small stones, pebbles and boulders |
| Finds                | None  |
|                      |   |

#### Trench 2

| Dimensions           | 55 m by 2.0 m   |
|----------------------|---|
| Total Area           | 110 m²  |
| Orientation          | NNE-SSW   |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.1 m and 0.5 m   |
| Significant Features | None  |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown – grey sandy gravel with frequent small stones, pebbles and boulders |
| Finds                | None  |
|                      |   |

#### Trench 3

| Dimensions           | 40 m by 2.0 m   |
|----------------------|---|
| Total Area           | 80 m <sup>2</sup>   |
| Orientation          | NW-SE   |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.1 m and 0.3 m   |
| Significant Features | None  |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown – grey sandy gravel with frequent small stones, pebbles and boulders |
| Finds                | None  |
|                      |   |

#### Trench 4

| Dimensions           | 30 m by 2.0 m   |
|----------------------|---|
| Total Area           | 60 m²   |
| Orientation          | NW-SE   |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.15 m and 0.3 m  |
| Significant Features | None  |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown – grey sandy gravel with frequent small stones, pebbles and boulders |
| Finds                | None  |

#### Trench 5

| Dimensions           | 50 m by 2.0 m   |
|----------------------|---|
| Total Area           | 100 m²  |
| Orientation          | E-W   |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.1 m and 0.3 m   |
| Significant Features | None  |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown – grey sandy gravel with frequent small stones, pebbles and boulders |
| Finds                | None  |

### Trench 6

| Dimensions           | 45 m by 2.0 m   |
|----------------------|---|
| Total Area           | 90 m²   |
| Orientation          | N-S   |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.2 m and 0.4 m   |
| Significant Features | None  |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown – grey sandy gravel with frequent small stones, pebbles and boulders |
| Finds                | None  |
|                      |   |

#### Trench 7

| Dimensions           | 50 m by 2.0 m   |
|----------------------|---|
| Total Area           | 100 m <sup>2</sup>  |
| Orientation          | NE-SW   |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.15 m and 0.2 m  |
| Significant Features | None  |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown – grey sandy gravel with frequent small stones, pebbles and boulders |
| Finds                | None  |
|                      |   |

#### Trench 8

| 40 m by 2.0 m, plus extended by 5m by 4m                           |
|--|
| 100 m²   |
| E-W  |
| 0.25m  |
| Large plough furrow in East, pit in West                           |
| Mid orange/brown sandy gravel with frequent small to medium stones |
| None   |
|  |

65 m by 2.0 m, plus extended by 20m x 3m

Pits [003-005-007-009-011-013-015-023-025-027]

Mid orange/brown sandy gravel with frequent small to medium stones

#### Trench 9

Dimensions Total Area Orientation Depth of Topsoil Significant Features Subsoil Finds

#### Trench 10

| Dimensions           | 44 m by 2.0 m  |
|----------------------|--|
| Total Area           | 88 m²  |
| Orientation          | E-W  |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.3m and 0.5m  |
| Significant Features | None   |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown sandy gravel with frequent small to medium stones |
| Finds                | None   |

#### Trench 11

| Dimensions           | 50 m by 2.0 m            |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Total Area           | 100 m²                   |
| Orientation          | E-W                      |
| Depth of Topsoil     | 0.4m                     |
| Significant Features | None                     |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown sandy g |
| Finds                | None                     |
|                      |                          |

190 m²

0.25 m

None

E-W

#### Trench 12

Dimensions Total Area Orientation Depth of Topsoil Significant Features Subsoil Finds None Mid orange/brown sandy gravel with frequent small to medium stones None 72 m by 2.0 m

144 m<sup>2</sup> N-S Between 0.2m and 0.3m Two post medieval postholes 8m from S Mid orange/brown sandy gravel with frequent small to medium stones None

#### Trench 13

| Dimensions           | 55 m by 2.0 m  |
|----------------------|--|
| Total Area           | 110 m <sup>2</sup>   |
| Orientation          | NE-SW  |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.3 m and 0.45 m   |
| Significant Features | Rubble drain aligned NE-SW at 4 m, Geotech pit at 39 m and furrows aligned NE-SW at 25 m, 32 m |
|                      | and 41 m   |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown sandy gravel with frequent small to medium stones                             |

Finds

#### Trench 14

| Dimensions           | 30 m by 2.0 m  |
|----------------------|--|
| Total Area           | 100 m²   |
| Orientation          | E-W  |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.25m and 0.3m   |
| Significant Features | Pits [019-021] 6m and 18 m and drainage ditch aligned NE-SW 21 m from West |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown sandy gravel with frequent small to medium stones         |
| Finds                | None   |
|                      |  |

#### Trench 15

| Dimensions           | 58 m by 2.0 m  |
|----------------------|--|
| Total Area           | 116 m²   |
| Orientation          | NE-SW  |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.15m and 0.4m   |
| Significant Features | Drains running NW-SE   |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown sandy gravel with frequent small to medium stones |
| Finds                | None   |

None

#### Trench 16

| Dimensions           | 20 m by 2.0 m   |
|----------------------|---|
| Total Area           | 40 m <sup>2</sup>   |
| Orientation          | N-S   |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.3m and 0.4m   |
| Significant Features | None  |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown – grey sandy gravel with frequent small stones, pebbles and boulders |
| Finds                | None  |

#### Trench 17

| Dimensions           | 20 m by 2.0 m   |
|----------------------|---|
| Total Area           | 40 m <sup>2</sup>   |
| Orientation          | NW-SE   |
| Depth of Topsoil     | Between 0.4m and 0.5 m  |
| Significant Features | None  |
| Subsoil              | Mid orange/brown – grey sandy gravel with frequent small stones, pebbles and boulders |
| Finds                | None  |
|                      |   |

#### Trench 18

| Dimensions           |
|----------------------|
| Total Area           |
| Orientation          |
| Depth of Topsoil     |
| Significant Features |
| Subsoil              |
| Finds                |
|                      |

75 m by 2.0 m 150 m² NW-SE Between 0.2 m and 0.3 m None Mid orange/brown sandy gravel with frequent small to medium stones None

# **APPENDIX 2: Photographic Register**

Digital Film

| Frame | Trench | Description                         | From    |
|-------|--------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1-7   | -      | Plant arrival onsite                | Various |
| 8-10  | Tr.1   | Start Trench 1                      | Various |
| 11-12 | -      | Site general shots                  | Various |
| 13-14 | Tr.1   | Rock exposed trench 1               | Various |
| 15    | Tr.1   | End trench 1                        | S       |
| 16    | -      | General Shot                        | S       |
| 17-18 | Tr.2   | Trench 2 working shots              | Various |
| 19-21 | Tr.2   | End Trench 2                        | Various |
| 22-23 | -      | Rocky Outcrops                      | Various |
| 24    | -      | Site general shots                  | Various |
| 25-26 | Tr.3   | General trench 3 shots              | Various |
| 27-28 | Tr.3   | Rubble drain trench 3               | Various |
| 29-32 | -      | Obstacles – gorse, boulders etc     | Various |
| 33-35 | Tr.5   | Start trench 5                      | Various |
| 36    | Tr.5   | End trench 5                        | SE      |
| 37-40 | -      | Gorse height                        | Various |
| 41-43 | Tr.6   | Trench 6 working shots              | Various |
| 44-45 | -      | Working shots                       | Various |
| 46    | Tr.7   | Bedrock trench 7                    | w       |
| 47    | Tr.7   | End trench 7                        |         |
| 48    | Tr.7   | End trench 7                        | S       |
| 49    | -      | Boulder                             | -       |
| 50    | -      | Boulder and gorse                   | -       |
| 51    | Tr.8   | Start trench 8                      | E       |
| 52    | -      | Small building onsite               | SW      |
| 53    | -      | Rocky outcrop and overheads         | N       |
| 54-56 | Tr.9   | Features in trench 9                | Various |
| 57    | Tr.11  | Commencing trench 11 showing buffer | NW      |
| 58    | Tr.8   | Trench 8 end                        | SE      |
| 59    | Tr.9   | Trench 9 end                        | SE      |
| 60    | Tr.10  | Trench 10 end                       | NW      |
| 61    | Tr.11  | Start trench 11                     | NW      |
| 62-66 | -      | Site general pre ex V               |         |
| 67-68 | Tr.14  | Features in trench 14 Var           |         |

| 69      | Tr.11 | Trench 11 end                           | NW      |
|---------|-------|---|---------|
| 70      | Tr.12 | Trench 12 end                           | S       |
| 71      | Tr.13 | Trench 13 end                           | SE      |
| 72      | Tr.15 | Trench 15 end                           | SW      |
| 73      | Tr.14 | Trench 14 end                           | SW      |
| 74-76   | Tr.9  | Extending trench 9                      | SE      |
| 77-78   | Tr.9  | Features in trench 9                    | SW      |
| 79-80   | Tr.8  | Possible ring ditch in trench 8         | Various |
| 81      | Tr.8  | Ring ditch – plough furrow              | SE      |
| 82-83   | Tr.9  | Features in trench 9                    | SE      |
| 84      | Tr.16 | End trench 16                           | E       |
| 85      | Tr.17 | End trench 17                           | N       |
| 86-88   | -     | Bogged digger in soft area              | Various |
| 89      | -     | Crag                                    | NW      |
| 90-93   | -     | Panoramic from top of crag looking N-SW | Various |
| 94      | -     | Fenced off area                         | SW      |
| 95-97   | -     | Large bedrock/crag/trees                | Various |
| 98      | Tr.18 | End trench 18                           | N       |
| 99-100  | Tr.12 | Post ex post med posthole               | Various |
| 101-102 | Tr.13 | Furrow in trench 13                     | Various |
| 103-105 | Tr.13 | Post ex geotech pit                     | Various |
| 106-107 | Tr.14 | Post ex [019]                           | SW      |
| 108     | Tr.8  | Pre ex [017]                            | SW      |
| 109     | Tr.8  | NE facing section [017]                 | NE      |
| 110-111 | Tr.9  | Pre ex features in trench 9             | SE      |
| 112     | Tr.9  | Possible feature                        | S       |
| 113     | Tr.9  | Possible feature                        | S       |
| 114     | Tr.9  | SW facing section [009]                 | SW      |
| 115-116 | Tr.9  | Post ex [009]                           | Various |
| 117     | Tr.9  | SW facing section [009]                 | SW      |
| 118-119 | Tr.9  | SW facing section [005]                 | SW      |
| 120     | Tr.9  | Post ex [005]                           | NW      |
| 121     | Tr.9  | Working shot of excavation              | SW      |
| 122     | Tr.9  | Pre ex [027]                            | E       |
| 123     | Tr.9  | SW facing section [013]                 | SW      |
| 124     | Tr.9  | Post ex [013] pre ex [015]              | SW      |
| 125     | Tr.9  | SW facing section [013]                 |         |

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| 1       |      |   | 1       |
|---------|------|---|---------|
| 126     | Tr.9 | Post ex [023]                           |         |
| 127     | Tr.9 | SW facing section [005]                 |         |
| 128-129 | Tr.9 | General plan view shots                 | Various |
| 130     | Tr.9 | Post med artefacts in furrow            | NW      |
| 131-134 | -    | Site general shots                      | Various |
| 135     | -    | SE elevation cottage                    | SE      |
| 136     | -    | Cottage from South                      | S       |
| 137     | -    | SW elevation cottage                    | SW      |
| 138     | -    | NW elevation cottage                    |         |
| 139     | -    | Close up of window NW side of cottage   |         |
| 140     | -    | Cottage interior                        |         |
| 141     | -    | Rubbish and rock heap                   |         |
| 142     | -    | NE elevation cottage                    |         |
| 143     | -    | Close up NE elevation of cottage – door | NE      |
| 144-155 | -    | Site end of job shots Vari              |         |

# **APPENDIX 3: Context Register**

| Context | Trench | Context Type  | Description  |  |
|---------|--------|---------------|--|--|
| 001     | All    | Deposit       | Mid to dark brown sandy silt with inclusions of small to large/boulder size stones, in top field boulders infrequent   |  |
| 002     | All    | Deposit       | Mid orange/brown sandy gravel with frequent small to medium stones, in lower field frequent patches of grey sandy clay and frequent boulders.  |  |
| 003     | Tr.9   | Cut of pit    | Sub circular in plan, 0.58m x 0.58m  |  |
| 004     | Tr.9   | Fill of [003] | Dark grey brown sandy silt with 2 large stones and flecks of charcoal  |  |
| 005     | Tr.9   | Cut of pit    | Sub circular in plan, 0.8m x 0.8m x 0.13m deep, shallow, concave sloping sides   |  |
| 006     | Tr.9   | Fill of [005] | Dark grey brown sandy silt with around 15% charcoal at base and bright orange soil mixed throughout with inclusions of small stones and rootlets                                       |  |
| 007     | Tr.9   | Cut of pit    | Sub circular in plan, 0.75m x 0.73m x 0.18m deep   |  |
| 008     | Tr.9   | Fill of [007] | Dark grey brown sandy silt with around 30% charcoal at base with inclusions of small stones and rootlets. Likely disturbed by later ploughing at south end.                            |  |
| 009     | Tr.9   | Cut of pit    | Sub circular in plan, 0.96m x 0.96m x 0.16m, sloping sides and concave base  |  |
| 010     | Tr.9   | Fill of [009] | Dark grey/brown sandy silt with inclusions of 30-40% charcoal and occasional small sub-rounded stones. Contains flint blade (SF 1).  |  |
| 011     | Tr.9   | Cut of pit    | Sub circular in plan, 0.48m x 0.48m  |  |
| 012     | Tr.9   | Fill of [011] | Dark grey brown silty sand with charcoal and small to medium stones  |  |
| 013     | Tr.9   | Cut of pit    | Sub circular in plan, 0.8m x 0.8m x 0.18m, sloping sides and concave base  |  |
| 014     | Tr.9   | Fill of [013] | Dark grey brown sandy silt with 30-40% charcoal inclusions around base and sides, some throughout and occasional small to medium stones  |  |
| 015     | Tr.9   | Cut of pit    | Sub oval in plan, 1.63m x 1.06m  |  |
| 016     | Tr. 9  | Fill of [015] | Dark grey/mid brown silty sand with medium stones and modern ceramic and glass   |  |
| 017     | Tr.8   | Cut of pit    | Sub circular in plan, 0.72m x 0.78m x 0.19m deep, disturbed by ploughing hitting large stones on NNW side  |  |
| 018     | Tr.8   | Fill of [017] | Dark grey sandy silt with inclusions of small to large sub-rounded and angular<br>stones and 20% charcoal concentrated at base and sides. Loose compaction at top,<br>friable at base. |  |
| 019     | Tr.14  | Cut of pit    | Sub circular in plan 0.6m x 0.6m x 0.09m deep, shallow concave profile   |  |
| 020     | Tr.14  | Fill of [019] | Dark grey brown silty sand, friable in compaction, inclusions of small pebbles and 15-20% charcoal   |  |
| 021     | Tr.14  | Cut of pit    | Sub circular in plan, 0.75m x 0.75m  |  |
| 022     | Tr.14  | Fill of [021] | Mid grey/brown silty sand with small stones  |  |
| 023     | Tr.9   | Cut of pit    | Sub circular in plan, 0.5m x 0.49m x 0.11m deep  |  |
| 024     | Tr.9   | Fill of [023] | Mid to dark brown friable silty sand with small stones and charcoal flecks.<br>Compacted stones at base.   |  |
| 025     | Tr.9   | Cut of pit    | Sub oval in plan, 0.28m x 0.38m  |  |
| 026     | Tr.9   | Fill of [025] | Dark grey brown sandy silt with inclusions of small stones and charcoal flecks   |  |
| 027     | Tr.9   | Cut of pit    | Sub oval in plan, 0.8m x 0.45m x 0.1m deep   |  |
| 028     | Tr.9   | Fill of [027] | Dark grey brown sandy silt with inclusions of small stones and 2-3% charcoal.<br>Friable to loose compaction.  |  |

# **APPENDIX 4: DRAWING REGISTER**

| Drawing No. | Details            | Scale |
|-------------|--------------------|-------|
| 1           | Section [007]      | 1:10  |
| 2           | Post ex plan [007] | 1:20  |
| 3           | Section [009]      | 1:10  |
| 4           | Post ex plan [009] | 1:20  |
| 5           | Section [005]      | 1:10  |
| 6           | Post ex plan [005] | 1:20  |
| 7           | Section [023]      | 1:10  |
| 8           | Post ex plan [023] | 1:20  |
| 9           | Section [013]      | 1:10  |
| 10          | Post ex plan [013] | 1:20  |
| 11          | Section [027]      | 1:10  |
| 12          | Post ex plan [027] | 1:20  |
| 13          | Section [017]      | 1:10  |
| 14          | Post ex plan [017] | 1:20  |
| 15          | Section [019]      | 1:10  |
| 16          | Post ex plan [019] | 1:20  |

### **APPENDIX 5: FINDS REGISTER**

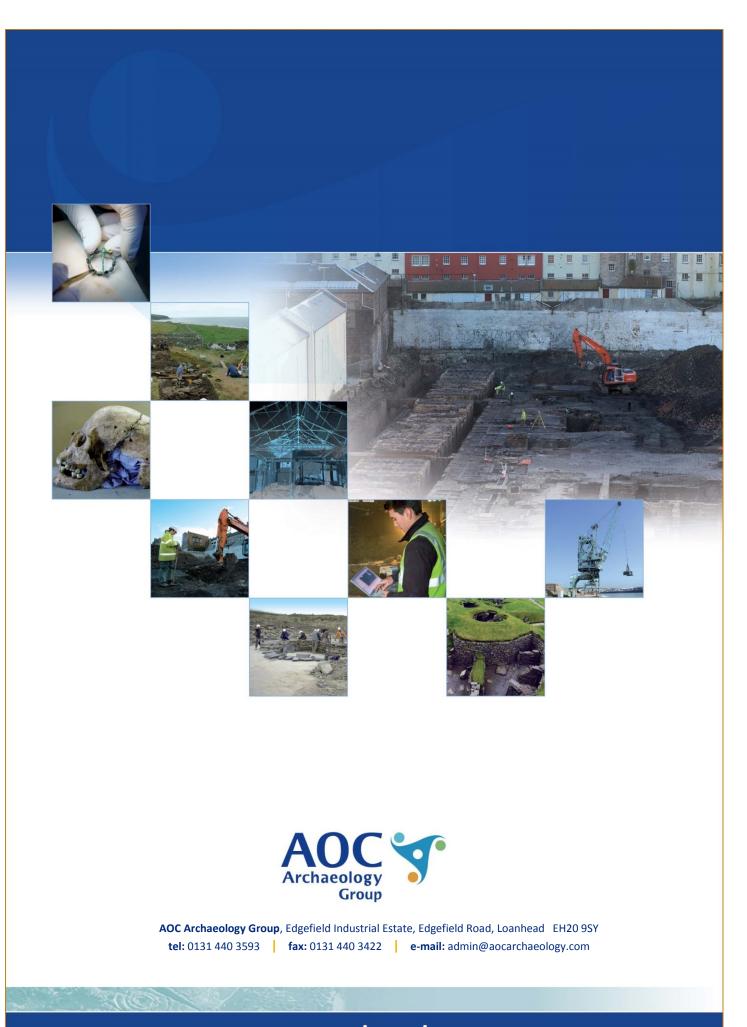
| Find No. | Context No. | Description     |
|----------|-------------|-----------------|
| 1        | [010]       | 1 x Flint blade |

# **APPENDIX 6: SAMPLES REGISTER**

| Context No. | Quantity<br>(litres) |
|-------------|----------------------|
| [006]       | 20                   |
| [008]       | 20                   |
| [010]       | 30                   |
| [014]       | 20                   |
| [018]       | 10                   |
| [020]       | 10                   |
| [024]       | 10                   |
| [026]       | 10                   |
| [028]       | 10                   |

# APPENDIX 7: 'Discovery and Excavation in Scotland' (DES) Report

| LOCAL AUTHORITY:  | Argyll and Bute Council  |
|---|--|
| PROJECT TITLE/SITE NAME   | Whytefield, Port Ellen, Islay,   |
| PROJECT CODE:   | AOC23053   |
| PARISH:   | Kildalton  |
| NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR:  | Jessica Lumb   |
| NAME OF ORGANISATION:   | AOC Archaeology Group  |
| TYPE(S) OF PROJECT:   | Evaluation   |
| NMRS NO(S)  | None   |
| SITE/MONUMENT TYPE(S):  | None   |
| SIGNIFICANT FINDS:  | Pit features, Flint blade  |
| NGR (2 letters, 6 figures)  | NJ 6780 6421   |
| START DATE (this season)  | 13/04/2015   |
| END DATE (this season)  | 17/04/2015   |
| PREVIOUS WORK (incl. DES ref.)  | None   |
| MAIN (NARRATIVE) DESCRIPTION:<br>(May include information from other<br>fields) | This report presents the results of an archaeological evaluation undertaken by AOC<br>Archaeology Group at Whytefield, Port Ellen, Islay (NGR: NR 36159 45858).<br>The evaluation required the machine trenching of 2000 linear metres. However,<br>existing ground conditions and live services restricted the evaluation to 822 linear<br>metres.<br>A localised distribution of thirteen pits was recorded providing evidence of early<br>prehistoric occupation. A flint blade was recovered from the fill of one of the features. |
| PROPOSED FUTURE WORK:   | None   |
| CAPTION(S) FOR ILLUSTRS:  | None   |
| SPONSOR OR FUNDING BODY:  | Mr Alasdair Whyte  |
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