

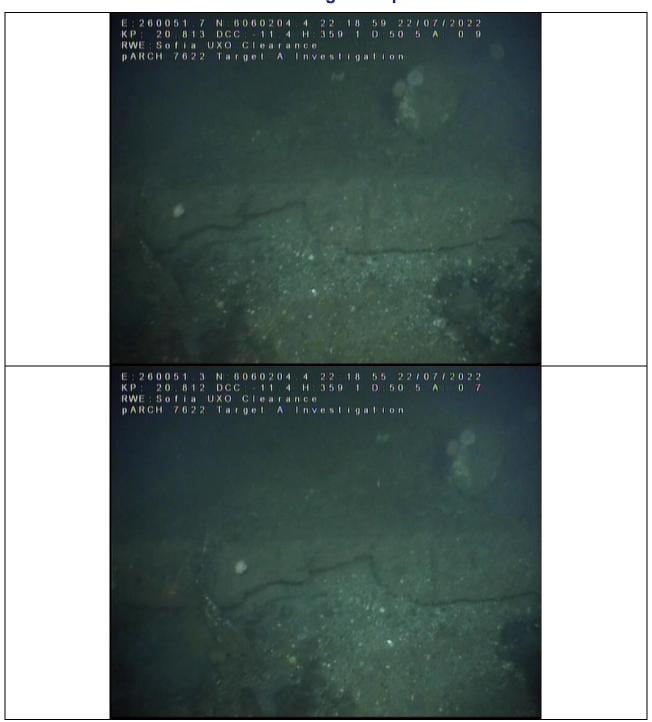
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Discovery information

Date discovered:

Anomaly 7622 was identified from assessment of geophysical data by Wessex Archaeology in 2020.

ROV inspection was conducted on 23 July 2022

Circumstances of discovery:

ROV inspection of pARCH target

Position of discovery: 258551 E 6060078 N (WGS84 UTM31N)

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Description

Distinct, short linear dark reflector with distinct shadow, located in an area of small boulders and mobile bedforms. On a slightly different alignment to natural features in the area. No corresponding MBES or Mag. contact. May represent possible non-ferrous linear debris, or could be an exposed section of cable. (Archaeological Method Statement. Doc. Ref. 003552692; 211051.04).

Target was half buried and identified as made of metal with a magnetic signature. Target 7622A measured 9 m long x 0.3 m wide and 0.03 m thick. Target left *in situ*.

Subsequent archaeological review of the ROV inspection video footage shows a long fragment of a thin, flat ferrous plate lying almost flush with the seabed. The fragment is highly corroded. A bent fragment of a ferrous bar survives across the short axis of the main plate. It is not clear how this is attached to the main plate.

Interpretation and advice

Possible fragment of a frame and longitudinal plating. Unknown archaeological value.

No further action required.

Period	19th century / Modern	Date Range	1800 - modern

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