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Summary

Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by Bloor Homes to undertake an archaeological field evaluation on land around Hunters Moon Farm, Easton Lane, Chippenham, Wiltshire, centred on National Grid Reference (NGR) 390275 171620.

The site comprises approximately 30ha of agricultural land with nine fields under pasture, with a single arable field at the western limit. The site occupies a small hill (Hunter's Moon Hill), the top of which lies at a height of approximately 75m above Ordnance datum (aOD). The land slopes gently downwards in all directions to a height of approximately 55m aOD at the boundaries of the site.

The site is bordered by Easton Lane, the A350 Saltersford Lane, and the London Paddington to Bristol Temple Meads railway line beyond, and the West Cepen Way (A350). The site is being promoted for a mixed residential and commercial development and will be the subject of a planning application, which will be supported by an initial stage of geophysical survey and this subsequent stage of archaeological trial trench evaluation, which was targeted using the results of the geophysical survey.

The archaeological evaluation comprised the mechanical excavation of 75 trenches, each measuring 50m by 2m, with an overall 2.5% sample by area of the proposed development area. The trenches were positioned to investigate the results of a geophysical survey which identified a small number of potential archaeological features, with a concentration in the southern third of the site and areas which appeared to contain no archaeological potential.

The trial trenching evaluation confirmed the presence of a low background of small scattered clusters of archaeological features such as pits, possible postholes and boundary ditches, largely located along the southern, south-eastern and central areas of the site. The boundary ditches are likely to be post-medieval or later and appear to have formed part of the existing field boundary system.

Although the majority of the pits and postholes were undated, one pit at the south-eastern edge of the site contained later prehistoric and Romano-British pottery. A small quantity of prehistoric worked flint was also recovered. It appears likely that these features and recovered finds are likely to be related to low level fringe activity within the site which is associated with a concentrated group of Neolithic material, Bronze Age barrows and Iron Age/Romano-British settlement previously found immediately to the east of the Site.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Project Background

1.1.1 Wessex Archaeology (WA) was commissioned by Bloor Homes (the Client) to undertake an archaeological field evaluation on land around Hunters Moon Farm, Easton Lane, Chippenham, Wiltshire (**Figure 1**), centred on National Grid Reference (NGR) 390280 171670, (hereafter 'the Site').

1.1.2 It is intended that a planning application will be submitted later this year for outline planning permission for up to 600 homes, 2.5 ha of employment and school and a detailed first phase of 50 dwellings. As part of the supporting Environmental Statement, an archaeological assessment of the Site has been prepared, which includes a geophysical survey of the Site (Wessex Archaeology 2012a) and this trial trench evaluation report.

1.1.3 A Project Design (Wessex Archaeology 2012b) setting out the methodology for the field evaluation was prepared in accordance with standards and guidance of the in *Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment* (English Heritage 2006) and the Institute for Archaeologists' *Standards and Guidance for Archaeological Field Evaluation* (IfA 2008). It was submitted to and recommended for approval by the Wiltshire Council Archaeology Service (WCAS) prior to the commencement of works.

1.2 Site location, topography and geology

1.2.1 The Site is currently agricultural land; comprising nine fields under pasture (Fields A-C and E-J), with a single arable field (Field D) at the western limit. The Site occupies a small hill (Hunter's Moon Hill) which slopes in all directions. The top of which lies at a height of approximately 75m above Ordnance datum (aOD) with the land dropping gently in all directions to a height of approximately 55m aOD at the boundaries of the Site.

1.2.2 The Site is bordered by Easton Lane, the A350 Saltersford Lane, and the London Paddington to Bristol Temple Meads railway line beyond, and the West Cepen Way (A350). (**Figure 1**).

1.2.3 The solid geology of the area consists of Kellaways Clay Member (silty clay with sand lenses), which covers the majority of the Site and Cornbrash (rubbly limestone) which was present towards the southern limit of the Site. At the junction of the two geologies is the course of a canalised stream which eventually feeds to the River Avon, approximately 1km to the east.

1.2.4 Cartographic evidence suggested that apart from the tiny area occupied by buildings at Hunter's Moon Farm, and two small ponds, the Site does not appear to have ever been developed, with only the effects of ploughing to be considered as potentially destructive to sub-surface archaeological

deposits. The farm outbuildings at Taffswell Farm are unlikely to have caused much destruction.

- 1.2.5 The evaluation was undertaken between 24th September and 17th October 2012 during which standing water was present within the northern most fields and there was a very high ground water table, leading to the inundation of the trenches. Water gathered in all trenches excavated on the Kellway Clays. Only the trenches excavated on the Cornbrash remained dry.

2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

2.1 Introduction

- 2.1.1 A desk-based assessment (DBA) was carried out in 2009 (TVAS 2009) outlining the archaeological and historical background to the Site. The following is summarised from the DBA.
- 2.1.2 A search was made on the Wiltshire Sites and Monuments Record (SMR) in November 2009 covering an area of approximately a 1km radius around the site. The search identified 27 entries of interest from a variety of periods. None of the records are within the boundaries of the Site itself, though several are close to it, including the archaeological evaluation and excavations in 1999 at Showell Farm by Cotswold Archaeology, which lies immediately to the south-east of the Site.

Prehistoric

- 2.1.3 Almost half of the SMR entries relate to the prehistoric period. Mesolithic flint tools have been found in some quantity, with findspots to the west and south-east of the Site. The Neolithic period is represented at three or four locations including an area of possible occupation north-west of the Site revealed by a single dated pit. A leaf shaped flint arrowhead was located to the south-east while un-stratified pottery found to the north-west. A barbed and tanged flint arrowhead of late Neolithic/Bronze Age date was located to the north of the Site
- 2.1.4 Further Bronze Age activity was revealed during through the recovery of two scatters of Bronze Age flints tools to the south-east, but more significant is the excavation of two curving gullies, interpreted as the remains of burial mounds (round barrows), immediately beyond the south-eastern corner of the Site. These features contained Beaker style pottery and early Bronze Age flints, some human bone, and a hazel nutshell that yielded a radiocarbon date in the early 3rd millennium BC. These ring gullies were within an area where several possible ring ditches had been previously noted on an aerial photograph but, during investigation by Cotswold Archaeology in 1999, were not located at the position suggested.
- 2.1.5 The later prehistoric period is represented only by some unstratified Iron Age pottery from the north-west of the Site.

Romano-British

- 2.1.6 Romano-British settlement sites have been excavated in 1999 to the south-east and east of the site and both show several phases of development in

the early Romano-British period but were abandoned in the middle of the 3rd century. It is possible they were both parts of a single large complex extending over half a kilometre. The site immediately to the south-east included ditches, pits, field systems, a corn-drier, a well and several burials (some of the burials may have belonged to the Bronze Age phase at this site). To the west, one of two ditches recorded contained Romano-British pottery. North-west of the Site a findspot contained two Roman brooches and a coin of Nero was recovered.

Saxon

- 2.1.7 The remains of a Saxon sunken-featured building was revealed through excavation to the north-west of the Site in 1990.

Medieval-post-medieval

- 2.1.8 A series of earthworks and features visible on aerial photographs to the north-west of the Site have been interpreted as a possible deserted medieval village. The absence of any other medieval evidence (pottery, metalwork) from the area need not necessarily cast doubt on this interpretation, as little systematic investigation has taken place in the vicinity.
- 2.1.9 There are no SMR entries within 1km of the Site for post-medieval or modern features. Three undated ditches were revealed to the north-west of the Site during a watching brief close to the proposed deserted medieval village.
- 2.1.10 A cluster of supposed cropmarks on aerial photographs, whose interpretation were located to the south-west of the Site and two further cropmarks that may represent rectilinear enclosures were revealed to the west of the proposal site.
- 2.1.11 At the northern limit of the Site was the location of a brick works and much of Field A was occupied by a quarry associated with these works. The brick works and quarry are not recorded on any historical mapping but the site is visible on aerial images of the Site dating to 1945 (Google Earth). The quarry was backfilled sometime in the 1960s. A second extant quarry is situated on the eastern limit of the Site within Field F.

3 AIMS AND METHODS

3.1 Introduction and General Objectives

- 3.1.1 The WSI, (Wessex Archaeology 2012b), agreed by Wiltshire County Archaeology Service (WCAS), was prepared outlining the aims of the trial trench evaluation and the methods by which these aims would be achieved.

3.2 General

The aims of the programme of archaeological works was to:

- Locate, identify and to investigate and record the presence/absence of archaeological features or deposits,

- If significant archaeological features or deposits are located, then the evaluation would establish, where possible, the extent, date, character, relationship, condition and significance of archaeological features, artefacts and deposits, and
- Inform the scope and nature of any requirements from WCAS for potential future mitigation.

3.2.1 In particular, the evaluation aimed to:

- Target areas of potential identified within the geophysical survey and 'blank' areas and confirm the nature of these feature groups and the reliability of the geophysical survey.

4 METHODOLOGY

4.1.1 A total of 75 trenches (1-49 and 51-76) were excavated within Fields A-J as set out in **Figure 1**. Trench 50 was not excavated due to its location within woodland occupying an old quarry. A number of trenches were moved and shortened from their original locations as agreed with the Client and WCAS to avoid on-site constraints, mainly waterlogged areas and maintain access routes.

4.1.2 The trenches were located as follows:

Field	Trenches
A	3-9
B	1-2
C	10-16
D	17-21
E	25-44
F	45-58
G	22-24
H	59-63
I	64-72
J	73-76

4.1.3 The trenches were machine-excavated under constant archaeological supervision using a 360 degree tracked mechanical excavator fitted with a toothless grading bucket. Machine excavation proceeded until the top of the archaeological levels or the natural deposits were encountered.

- 4.1.4 Following the monitoring of the Site by the WCAS, the trenches were backfilled using the excavated material in the approximate order in which it was excavated by Wessex Archaeology and left level on completion with no further reinstatement or surface treatment undertaken.

4.2 Recording

- 4.2.1 All exposed archaeological deposits were recorded using Wessex Archaeology's *pro forma* recording system.
- 4.2.2 A complete drawn record of excavated archaeological features and deposits was compiled. This included both plans and sections, drawn to appropriate scales (1:20 for plans, 1:10 for sections), and with reference to a site grid tied to the Ordnance Survey National Grid. The Ordnance Datum (aOD) height of all principal features and levels was calculated and plans/sections were annotated with OD heights. A representative section from each trench was cleaned and recorded.
- 4.2.3 A photographic record was maintained during the evaluation using digital cameras equipped with an image sensor of not less than 10 megapixels. Digital images will be subject to managed quality control and curation processes which will embed appropriate metadata within the image and ensure long term accessibility of the image set. In addition, colour transparencies and black and white negatives (on 35mm film) were taken of archaeological features.

4.3 Monitoring

- 4.3.1 During the course of the evaluation the work was monitored by Melanie Pomeroy-Kellinger of Wiltshire Country Archaeological Services (WCAS).

5 ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESULTS

5.1 Introduction

- 5.1.1 The following sections provide a summary of the information held in the Site archive. Details of individually excavated contexts and features are retained in the Site archive and a detailed tabulated version of these can be found in **Appendix 1**.

- 5.1.2 The following results are presented by field and trench (**Figure 1**) with reference to the results of the geophysical survey and should be read in conjunction with **Appendix 1**.

5.2 Field A; Trenches 3-9

Stratigraphy and Geology

- 5.2.1 The stratigraphy of deposits was uniform within **Field A** except for where large-scale modern intrusion had greatly affected the underlying deposits.
- 5.2.2 The current turf and topsoil was recorded as between 0.10-0.23m thick and sealing a 0.14-0.19m thick B-horizon subsoil layer which in turn sealed a c.0.30m thick colluvium/hillwash deposit which in turn sealed the natural silty clay geology.

5.3 Archaeology

5.3.1 **Trenches 4, 5 and 7** revealed the remains of a large feature backfilled with modern material (**Figure 1**) and it was clear that this represented the location of a quarry for the removal of material for the brick works located just to the north of Field A in what is now the yard of MT Barnsley Hauliers. This disturbed ground was clear within the geophysical survey.

5.3.2 **Trench 4** was positioned to investigate curvilinear geophysical anomaly **4002**, identified as of possible archaeological interest due to the location of probable Bronze Age barrows to the south-east of the Site. No traces of this anomaly were identified, although a single undated ditch **404** was revealed in the trench which corresponded with a 'trend' within the geophysical survey. This ditch is in alignment with a hedgerow to the south west and is potentially the continuation of that boundary.

5.3.3 No features of archaeological significance were observed within **Field A**.

5.4 Field B; Trenches 1 and 2

Stratigraphy and Geology

5.4.1 The stratigraphy of deposits was uniform within **Field B**. The current turf and topsoil heavily disturbed by shrubs and overgrown brambles and was recorded as between 0.10-0.18m thick and sealing a 0.15-0.21m thick B-horizon subsoil layer which in turn sealed between 0.10-0.11m thick colluvium/hillwash deposit which in turn sealed the natural silty clay geology.

5.5 Archaeology

5.5.1 Within **Trench 1** two parallel roughly north south aligned undated ditches **104** and **107** were identified cutting the natural geology at the north-western end of the Trench; the function of these features is unclear and due to the sterile natural erosion deposits within them it is likely they represent water channels associated within agriculture.

5.5.2 No features of archaeological significance were observed within **Field B**.

5.6 Field C; Trenches 10-16

Stratigraphy and Geology

5.6.1 The stratigraphy of deposits was relatively uniform within **Field C**. The current turf and topsoil was recorded as between 0.10-0.18m thick and sealing a 0.07-0.18m thick B-horizon subsoil layer which in turn sealed a c.0.15m thick colluvium/hillwash deposit which in turn sealed the natural silty clay geology.

5.6.2 In **Trenches 10, 12, 13 and 15** the B-horizon deposit sealed the natural geology with no hillwash observed.

5.6.3 No archaeological features of any kind were observed in **Field C**.

5.7 Field D; Trenches 17-21

Stratigraphy and Geology

- 5.7.1 The stratigraphy of deposits was relatively uniform within **Field D**. The current turf and topsoil was recorded as between 0.06-0.20m thick and sealing a 0.08-0.14m thick B-horizon subsoil layer which in turn sealed a colluvium/hillwash deposit up to 0.22m thick in parts which in turn sealed the natural silty clay geology. No colluvium/hillwash was observed in **Trench 18**.
- 5.7.2 No archaeological features of any kind were observed in **Field D**.

5.8 Field E; Trenches 25-44

Stratigraphy and Geology

- 5.8.1 **Field E** occupied the summit and steep southern facing slope of Hunters Moon Hill and the stratigraphy of overlying deposits differ depending on the location of the trenches. Those trenches located on the summit of the hill revealed c.0.20m of overlying turf and topsoil overlying a B-horizon deposit of subsoil c.0.20m thick which in turn sealed the natural geology composed of silty clay with sandy patches. On the southern slope of the hill a colluvium/hillwash deposit was revealed beneath the subsoil and as one would expect this deposit increased in thickness as towards the base of the slope.

5.9 Archaeology

- 5.9.1 The trenches were positioned to investigate a number of geophysical anomalies of possible archaeological interest; the most obvious being **4008/4009/4010** a north-east/south-west aligned anomaly, which is clearly aligned with the north-western and south-eastern hedgerows of **Field E**. The course of this anomaly was identified in **Trenches 28, 27 (2705) and 31 (3107)**. A second ditch was revealed aligned with anomaly **4008/4009/4010** and was recorded in **Trenches 32 (3205) and 33**, while a third parallel ditch was revealed in **Trench 43 (4305)**.
- 5.9.2 These parallel ditches aligned with the existing hedgerows would suggest that **Field E** was once divided into strip fields and subsequently the hedgerows were removed to create a single large field.
- 5.9.3 A small cluster of features were recorded on the summit of the hill in **Trench 26**, which were not previously identified through the geophysical survey due to their small size. Three small discrete pits (two of which were excavated and recorded as **2607** and **2611**) and the terminus of roughly east/west aligned ditch (**2604**) were identified, however all were undated. An isolated and undated possible pit (**3105**) was also identified in **Trench 31** further to the south east.
- 5.9.4 **Trench 30** was positioned to investigate an east-west aligned anomaly **4012** which appeared associated with the pond located on the summit of Hunters Moon Hill. Local tradition indicates the pond marks the location of a partially subterranean survey station which was demolished and thus created the pond. No trace of this structure is recorded in the historical mapping. No archaeological features were observed in **Trench 30**.

5.10 Field F; Trenches 45-58

Stratigraphy and geology

5.10.1 **Field F** was 'L' shaped and located on the eastern limit of the Site occupying the summit and northern slope of Hunter's Moon Hill while the southern portion of the field occupied the base of the southern slope of the hill to the north of the small stream. It would appear the stream marked the course of perhaps a much wider water course, subsequently narrowed. The overlying deposits were relatively uniform with c.0.13m of topsoil and turf sealing the B-horizon of subsoil which was c.0.20m thick. Below the subsoil was a colluvium/hillwash layer which increased in thickness the further down slope the trench was located. This sealed the natural geology.

5.10.2 Within **Trenches 55** and **56** a possible buried ground surface was revealed below the colluvium/hillwash layer while in **Trench 57** a probable alluvial deposit was revealed indicating the course of an earlier water course.

5.11 Archaeology

5.11.1 **Trenches 54-58** which were located along the base of the southern slope and all contained a single archaeological feature. **Trench 54** contained a small pit or posthole **5402**, from which burnt animal bone was recovered (although the feature was initially thought to be a human cremation burial). **Trench 55**; a small east/west aligned gully **5506**, **Trench 56**; a small pit **5606**, **Trench 57**; small feature **5707** which showed evidence of *in situ* burning and **Trench 58** which contained small pit **5805**. This group of trenches appeared to indicate the presence of features along the line of the old water course.

5.11.2 On the summit, **Trench 49** contained a single very shallow pit **4905** which contained two sherds of pottery; the first dating to the later prehistoric while the second was a sherd of Romano-British greyware.

5.11.3 Two undated roughly parallel gullies **5105** and **5205** were revealed in **Trenches 51** and **52** respectively and were interpreted as probable drainage channels and further agricultural activity could be seen in the form of a series of lynchets on the northern and southern slopes of Field F which were investigated by **Trenches 45, 46** and **47** on the northern slope and **Trenches 51** and **53** on the southern slope. No indication of date for the lynchets was observed however they are likely to be medieval or later.

5.12 Field G; Trenches 22-24

Stratigraphy and Geology

5.12.1 Field G was located at the western limits of the Site. The overlying deposits were uniform with c.0.20m of topsoil and turf sealing the B-horizon of subsoil which was c.0.15m thick. Below the subsoil was a colluvium/hillwash layer c.0.15m thick which sealed the natural geology of clay silt.

5.13 Archaeology

5.13.1 **Trenches 22, 23** and **24** were positioned to investigate geophysical anomaly **4005** which was revealed as a shallow undated ditch recorded as **2205, 2305** and **2405**.

5.13.2 A second feature was revealed in **Trench 22** and recorded as **2222**. This feature was not fully excavated due to water inundation and was either a large pit or watering hole or the terminus of a large ditch. A single small abraded sherd of Romano-British pottery was recovered from a secondary silting deposit (**2213**) within **2222**; however this is likely to be residual and does not date the feature.

5.13.3 Adjacent to **2305** was a small isolated feature; pit **2307** which was in filled with charcoal rich deposits indicating the likelihood of settlement activity in the vicinity, unfortunately **2307** was undated.

5.14 Field H; Trenches 59-63

Stratigraphy and Geology

5.14.1 Field H was located at the south-western corner of the Site. The overlying deposits were uniform with 0.22-0.29m of topsoil and turf sealing the B-horizon of subsoil which was c.0.15m thick. The natural geology was revealed as a limestone 'cornbrash'-type material, which was very well drained. **Trench 62** revealed no subsoil, just topsoil and turf sealing natural geology.

5.14.2 No archaeological features or finds were recovered from **Field H**.

5.15 Field I; Trenches 64-72

Stratigraphy and Geology

5.15.1 **Field I** was located at the southern limit of the Site. The overlying deposits were relatively uniform with 0.22-0.29m of topsoil and turf sealing the B-horizon of subsoil which was c.0.15m thick. The natural geology was revealed as a limestone 'cornbrash'-type material, which was very well drained. **Trenches 64** and **66** revealed a possible alluvium deposit sealing the natural, an indication of their proximity to the edge of the water channel, subsequently narrowed.

5.16 Archaeology

5.16.1 **Trenches 69, 71** and **72** were targeted upon geophysical anomaly **4022** which was revealed as a large northwest southeast aligned ditch recorded as **6904, 7104** and **7204**. Analysis of the historical mapping presented within the DBA (TVAS 2009) revealed that this feature was a field boundary ditch, associated with a hedgerow which was removed and the ditch filled in following the construction of the A350 West Cepen Way after 1985. The hedgerow is clearly visible in images dating to 1945 (Google Earth image).

5.16.2 All other potential archaeological anomalies revealed in the geophysics were proved to be geological in nature.

5.17 Field J; Trenches 73-76

Stratigraphy and Geology

5.17.1 **Field J** was located at the southern limit of the Site. The overlying deposits were uniform with 0.10-0.30m of topsoil and turf sealing the B-horizon of subsoil which was 0.08-0.15m thick and sealed the natural geology of limestone 'cornbrash'-type material.

5.18 Archaeology

- 5.18.1 The continuation of field boundary anomaly **4022** was revealed in **Trench 75** and recorded as **7504**.

6 FINDS

6.1 Introduction

- 6.1.1 A very small quantity of finds was recovered from the evaluation, deriving from contexts within just eight of the 76 trenches excavated. The assemblage includes material of prehistoric, Romano-British and post-medieval date.
- 6.1.2 All finds have been quantified by material type within each context, and the results are presented in **Table 1**.

6.2 Pottery

- 6.2.1 Pottery provides the primary dating evidence for the site, but these sherds are largely small and (apart from the post-medieval material) abraded, and too much confidence should not be placed in their use as chronological indicators for the contexts in which they were found.
- 6.2.2 One sherd has been tentatively dated as later prehistoric, perhaps Iron Age. This is in a coarse, heavily leached fabric that originally contained shell temper (pit **4905**); the sherd is undiagnostic, and has been dated on fabric grounds alone. A second sherd from the same context is a Romano-British coarse greyware, as are two other small sherds, from Trench 36 topsoil and feature **2222** (fill **2213**) respectively. Three sherds from Trench 53 topsoil are post-medieval/modern (18th-20th century).

6.3 Other Finds

- 6.3.1 Other finds comprise some tiny fragments of burnt animal bone (Pit/hearth **5405**, fill **5406**); four worked flint waste flakes, not chronologically distinctive within the prehistoric period (pit **2307**; Trench 37 subsoil); and a few small fragments of undiagnostic fired clay, of unknown date and function (pit **4905**, colluvial layer **5803**; feature **2222**).
- 6.3.2 Feature **5405** (fill **5406**) was excavated and sampled as containing potential cremated human remains. However, an initial assessment of the very small quantity of material discounted a human origin for the material which, where identifiable, was derived from sheep/goats.

Table 1: All finds by context (number / weight in grammes)

Context	Animal Bone	Fired Clay	Worked Flint	Pottery
2212		1/3		
2213				1/1
2309			1/2	
3601				1/5
3702			2/10	
4906		3/9		2/21
5301				3/21
5406	17/1		1/1	
5803		1/36		
TOTAL	17/1	5/48	4/13	7/48

6.3.3 Trace fragments of burnt bone, together with abundant charcoal, were recovered from a small pit **5405** (fill **5406**) in Trench **54**,

7 PALAEOENVIRONMENTAL EVIDENCE

7.1 Introduction

Environmental samples taken

7.1.1 Nine bulk samples were taken from the evaluation trenches. Eight were associated with a hearth feature **5405** (fill **5406**), originally thought to contain a possible cremation burial, in **Trench 54** while a further sample came from small pit **4905** (fill **4906**) in **Trench 49** which contained late prehistoric and Romano-British pottery. The samples were processed for the recovery and assessment of charred plant remains and charcoals and a rapid assessment to check for human material.

7.2 Charred Plant Remains

7.2.1 Bulk samples were processed by standard flotation methods; the flot retained on a 0.5 mm mesh, residues fractionated into 5.6 mm, 2mm and 1mm fractions and dried. The coarse fractions (>5.6 mm) were sorted, weighed and discarded. Flots were scanned under a x10 – x40 stereobinocular microscope and the preservation and nature of the charred plant and wood charcoal remains recorded in **Table 2**.

7.2.2 The flots were generally small. However, very few roots or modern seeds were recorded within them, and as such the samples appear to have come from well sealed deposits.

7.2.3 No charred remains were recorded other than wood charcoal. Charred tubers of onion couch grass (*Arrhenatherum elatius* var. *bulbosus*) are often recorded from cremations, particularly within the Bronze Age, along with rootlets. However, no such remains were present within the samples examined.

7.3 Wood Charcoal

7.3.1 Wood charcoal was noted in low quantities from the flots of the bulk samples and is recorded in **Table 1**. Most of the wood charcoal was from

the upper spit of the hearth feature **5405**, but most was within the 2mm fraction rather than the 4mm fraction.

7.3.2 The wood charcoal from the **4905** could be seen to be ring porous and therefore probably of oak.

Table 2: Assessment of the charred plant remains and charcoal

Samples			Flot									
Feature	Context	Sample	Vol. Ltrs	Flot (ml)	% roots	Charred Plant Remains				Charcoal >4/2mm	Other	Analysis
						Grain	Chaff	Other	Comments			
Trench 49 - Pit 4905												
4905	4906	9	1	60	1	-	-	-	has oak charcoal	5/3ml	-	-
Trench 54 – hearth 5405												
Upper 0-0.1m spit												
NE quad	5406	1	2	60	1	-	-	-	-	2/10ml	-	-
SE quad	5406	2	3	60	1	-	-	-	-	5/8ml	-	-
SW quad	5406	3	2	55	2	-	-	-	-	4/5ml	-	-
NW quad	5406	4	4	60	1	-	-	-	-	4/3ml	-	-
Lower 0.1m+ spit												
NE quad	5406	5	1	10	-	-	-	-	-	1/1ml	-	-
SE quad	5406	6	1	15	-	-	-	-	-	1/1ml	-	-
SW quad	5406	7	1	20	-	-	-	-	-	0.5/0.5ml	-	-
NW quad	5406	8	2	25	-	-	-	-	-	1/1ml	-	-

Key: A*** = exceptional, A** = 100+, A* = 30-99, A = >10, B = 9-5, C = <5; Charcoal volumes are given in ml for material greater than 4mm and 2mm. sab/f = small animal/fish bones, Moll-t = terrestrial molluscs, Moll-f = freshwater molluscs; Analysis: C = charcoal, P = plant, M = molluscs, C14 = radiocarbon

8 CONCLUSIONS

- 8.1.1 The evaluation within the land at Hunters Moon was successful in its stated aims and has indicated a low to moderate archaeological potential within the Site, despite its location within a relatively rich archaeological landscape as indicated in the **Section 2: Archaeological and Historical Background**.
- 8.1.2 The trial trenching evaluation confirmed the presence of a low background of small scattered clusters of archaeological features such as pits, possible postholes and boundary ditches, largely located along the southern, south-eastern and central areas of the site.
- 8.1.3 The boundary ditches are likely to be post-medieval or later and formed part of the existing field boundary system.
- 8.1.4 Although the majority of the pits and postholes were undated, one pit **4905** in **Trench 49** at the eastern edge of the Site contained late prehistoric/early Romano-British material with a small quantity of prehistoric worked flint also recovered across the Site. The date of these finds correlates well with the concentrated group of Neolithic material, Bronze Age barrows and Iron Age/Romano-British settlement activity previously found immediately to the east of the Site at Showell Farm.
- 8.1.5 However, the relatively lower concentration of features and recovered finds from the Site does strongly suggest that the activity within the Site is at the fringes of the main focus of funereal and settlement activity at Showell Farm.
- 8.1.6 In the event that any planning application is successful, further archaeological mitigation in those areas which have been shown to contain the potential for archaeological remains is likely to be required. However, the full scope and methodology of any required mitigation would need to be confirmed and agreed with WCAS, who advise the Local Planning Authority.
- 8.1.7 Any information gained would be valuable in dating and identifying the actual extent of the known prehistoric and Romano-British activity in the general area.

9 ARCHIVE

9.1 Preparation and Deposition

- 9.1.1 The project archive will be prepared in accordance with the guidelines outline in Appendix 3 of Management of Archaeological Projects (English Heritage 1991) and in accordance with the UKIC Guidelines for the preparation of excavation archives for long term storage (Walker 1990).
- 9.1.2 The archive is currently held at the offices of Wessex Archaeology in Salisbury under the WA project code **86510**. The completed archive, which will include all paperwork, will on the completion of the all fieldwork and post-excavation reporting ultimately, be deposited for permanent storage with the Devizes Museum.

- 9.1.3 Digital images will be curated under arrangements agreed for the Wessex Archaeology Digital Image Archive Trial and will be deposited with the Archaeology Data Service (University of York) as part of the submission of an OASIS record for the project.

9.2 Copyright

- 9.2.1 The full copyright of the written/illustrative archive relating to the Site will be retained by Wessex Archaeology Ltd under the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 with all rights reserved. The Museum, however, will be granted an exclusive licence for the use of the archive for educational purposes including academic research, providing that such use shall be non-profit making, and conforms to the Copyright and Related Rights regulations 2003.

9.3 Security Copy

- 9.3.1 In line with current best practice, on completion of the project a security copy of the paper records will be prepared, in the form of microfilm. The master jackets and one diazo copy of the microfilm will be submitted to the National Monuments Record Centre (Swindon); a second diazo copy will be deposited with the paper records at the Museum, and a third diazo copy will be retained by Wessex Archaeology.

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APPENDIX 1: TRENCH SUMMARIES

Bgl: below ground level
aOD: above Ordnance Datum

Trench 1	Dimensions :	32.08 x 1.60 x 0.37m	Ground surface level:	65.04 – 68.02m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390173.36, 171921.19 390200.74, 171904.49		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
101	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown sandy silty loam containing common rooting and rare sub-rounded coarse components (<0.03m).	0 – 0.10m	
102	Layer	Subsoil – Mid yellowish brown clay silt containing common rooting and very rare sub-rounded coarse components (<0.03m).	0.10 – 0.25m	
103	Layer	Colluvium – Mid brownish grey silty clay with sparse rooting and no coarse components.	0.25 – 0.35m	
104	Cut	Cut of a north – south aligned ditch located at the north-western end of the trench. Measures 1.83m in width and 0.14m in depth.	0.14m deep	
105	Fill	Secondary fill of 104 – Mid greyish yellow silty clay containing rare sub-rounded flint (<0.03m).	0.14m thick	
106	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay containing no coarse components.	0.35m+	
107	Cut	Cut of a north – south aligned ditch located at the northwestern end of the trench and measuring 1.24m in width. Unexcavated due to flooding.	-	
108	Fill	Secondary fill of 107 – Mid greyish yellow silty clay containing rare sub-rounded flint (<0.03m).	-	

Trench 2	Dimensions :	48.70 x 1.60 x 0.54m	Ground surface level:	68.80 – 71.21m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390182.73, 171875.66 390228.44, 171889.83		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
201	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown sandy silt loam containing common rooting and rare sub-rounded flint (<0.04m).	0 – 0.18m	
202	Layer	Subsoil – Dark yellowish brown silty clay containing occasional rooting and no coarse components.	0.18 – 0.39m	
203	Layer	Colluvium – Mid brownish grey silty clay containing no coarse components and rare rooting.	0.39 – 0.48m	
204	Layer	Natural – Light brownish yellow clay containing no coarse components.	0.48m+	
205	Cut	Cut of a modern land drain.	-	
206	Fill	Backfill of land drain.	-	
207	Cut	Cut of a modern land drain.	-	
208	Fill	Backfill of land drain.	-	
209	Cut	Cut of a modern land drain.	-	
210	Fill	Backfill of land drain.	-	
211	Cut	Cut of a modern land drain.	-	
212	Fill	Backfill of land drain.	-	

Trench 3	Dimensions :	50 x 1.60 x 0.72m	Ground surface level:	59.10 – 66.69m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390230.92, 171926.03 390246.64, 171971.48		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
301	Layer	Topsoil – Mid brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and common rooting.	0 – 0.14m	
302	Layer	Subsoil – Pale greyish brown silty clay containing no coarse components and occasional rooting.	0.14 – 0.32m	
303	Layer	Colluvium – Pale yellowish brown silty clay containing rare manganese and charcoal flecks.	0.32 – 0.68m	
304	Layer	Natural – Pale yellowish brown clay with spare grey mottling.	0.68m+	

Trench 4	Dimensions :	50 x 1.60 x 0.50m	Ground surface level:	65.42 – 70.05m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390304.78, 171873.50 390309.46, 171922.06		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
401	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing occasional rooting and rare sub-rounded flint (<0.03m).	0 – 0.10m	
402	Layer	Subsoil – Mid brownish grey silty clay loam containing rare sub-rounded flint (<0.04m).	0.10 – 0.29m	
403	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay containing very rare sub-rounded to sub-angular stone (<0.04m).	0.29m+	
404	Cut	Cut of an east – west aligned linear gully located at the southern end of the trench. Measures 0.59m in width and 0.05m deep.	0.06m deep	
405	Fill	Secondary fill of 404 – Light greyish brown sandy clay containing no coarse components.	0.06m thick	
406	Layer	Made ground – Mid grey silty clay containing moderate amounts of red brick rubble and other modern inclusions.	0.10 – 0.28m+	

Trench 5	Dimensions :	50 x 1.60 x 3.00m	Ground surface level:	62.58m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390326.79, 171949.81 390371.89, 171932.14		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
501	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay containing common rooting and occasional building rubble and other modern inclusions.	0 – 0.12m	
502	Layer	Made ground – Mid grey silty clay containing moderate amounts of red brick rubble and other modern inclusions. Sondage at the northwestern end of the trench saw it continue to at least 1.20m and at the southeastern end to 3.00m.	0.12m+	

Trench 6	Dimensions :	50 x 1.60 x 0.43m	Ground surface level:	63.79 – 67.59m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390343.61, 171877.46 390387.71, 171898.33		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
601	Layer	Topsoil – Mid brown silty clay loam containing common rooting and no coarse components.	0 – 0.13m	
602	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay containing rare tabular stone (<0.05m) at the interface with 603.	0.13 – 0.30m	
603	Layer	Colluvium – Pale yellowish brown silty clay loam with no coarse components.	0.30 – 0.38m	
604	Layer	Natural – Pale yellowish brown clay with slight grey mottling and no coarse components.	0.38m+	

Trench 7	Dimensions :	23.13 x 1.60 x 0.92m	Ground surface level:	64.08 – 65.12m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390345.28, 171925.26 390352.61, 171904.45		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
701	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing occasional modern demolition rubble and common rooting.	0 – 0.13m	
702	Layer	Made ground – multiple layers of modern ground consisting of thin bands of clay and clinker and a thick layer of sub-angular stone and red brick (<0.1m).	0.13 – 0.63m	
703	Layer	Buried soil – Compact pale brownish grey silty clay containing no coarse components.	0.63 – 0.72m	
704	Layer	Colluvium – Light brownish grey silty clay loam containing sparse manganese flecks	0.72 – 0.88m	
705	Layer	Natural – Mottled orange brown clay silt with grey patches.	0.88m+	

Trench 8	Dimensions :	50 x 1.60 x 0.40m	Ground surface level:	58.71m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390435.98, 171923.73 390434.50, 171971.56		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
801	Layer	Topsoil – Mid brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and common rooting.	0 – 0.16m	
802	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay containing no coarse components and occasional rooting.	0.16 – 0.30m	
803	Layer	Colluvium – Pale yellowish brown silty clay containing rare rooting and no coarse components.	0.30 – 0.40m	
804	Layer	Natural – Pale yellowish brown clay containing rare sub-angular stone (<0.05m)	0.40m+	

Trench 9	Dimensions :	49.80 x 1.60 x 0.48m	Ground surface level:	58.58m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390452.39, 171952.15 390499.74, 171965.54		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
901	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and common rooting.	0 – 0.23m	
902	Layer	Natural – Mottled orange brown clay silt with grey patches.	0.23m+	

Trench 10	Dimensions :	28.50 x 1.60 x 0.32m	Ground surface level:	68.60m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390359.07, 171844.43 390384.88, 171833.96		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
1001	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing common rooting and rare sub-rounded CBM fragments (<0.03m).	0 – 0.12m	
1002	Layer	Subsoil – Mid to light greyish brown silty clay loam containing occasional rooting and rare sub-rounded CBM fragments (<0.04m).	0.12 – 0.21m	
1003	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay silt containing no coarse components.	0.21m+	

Trench 11	Dimensions :	48.60 x 1.60 x 0.49m	Ground surface level:	63.07m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390435.32, 171871.84 390461.04, 171831.53		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
1101	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing common rooting and rare sub-rounded CBM fragments (<0.03m).	0 – 0.14m	
1102	Layer	Subsoil – Mid to light greyish brown silty clay loam containing occasional rooting and rare sub-rounded CBM fragments (<0.04m).	0.14 – 0.21m	
1103	Layer	Colluvium – Light yellowish brown silty clay containing no coarse components.	0.21 – 0.32m	
1104	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay silt containing no coarse components.	0.32m+	

Trench 12	Dimensions :	50 x 1.60 x 0.39m	Ground surface level:	61.25m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390498.35, 171835.53 390539.57, 171810.01		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
1201	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing common rooting and rare sub-rounded CBM fragments (<0.05m).	0 – 0.10m	
1202	Layer	Subsoil – Mid to light greyish brown silty clay loam containing occasional rooting and rare sub-rounded CBM fragments (<0.03m).	0.10 – 0.31m	
1203	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay silt containing no coarse components.	0.31m+	

Trench 13	Dimensions :	50 x 1.60 x 0.27m	Ground surface level:	66.31m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390435.76, 171808.50 390471.60, 171775.54		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
1301	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing common rooting and rare sub-rounded CBM fragments (<0.04m).	0 – 0.12m	
1302	Layer	Subsoil – Mid to light greyish brown silty clay loam containing occasional rooting and rare sub-rounded CBM fragments (<0.06m).	0.12 – 0.25m	
1303	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay silt containing no coarse components.	0.25m+	

Trench 14	Dimensions :	50 x 1.60 x 0.47m	Ground surface level:	57.32 – 61.42m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390509.65, 171788.08 390557.95, 171776.17		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
1401	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-rounded CBM fragments (<0.04m) and common rooting.	0 – 0.18m	
1402	Layer	Subsoil – Mid to light greyish brown silty clay containing rare sub-rounded CBM fragments (<0.03m) and sparse rooting.	0.18 – 0.29m	
1403	Layer	Colluvium – Light yellowish brown silty clay containing no coarse components.	0.29 – 0.45m	
1404	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay silt containing no coarse components.	0.45m+	

Trench 15	Dimensions :	50 x 1.60 x 0.32m	Ground surface level:	58.61 – 64.04m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390489.72, 171759.30 390539.48, 171761.05		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
1501	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare CBM fragments (<0.04m) and occasional rooting.	0 – 0.14m	
1502	Layer	Subsoil – Mid to light greyish brown silty clay containing rare CBM fragments (<0.03m).	0.14 – 0.30m	
1503	Layer	Natural – Mid yellow brown clay silt containing no coarse components.	0.30m+	

Trench 16	Dimensions :	50 x 1.60 x 0.32m	Ground surface level:	61.38 – 67.49m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390459.49, 171716.69 390506.28, 171732.66		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
1601	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare CBM fragments (<0.04m) and common rooting.	0 – 0.10m	
1602	Layer	Subsoil – Mid to light greyish brown silty clay containing rare CBM fragments and sparse rooting (<0.05m).	0.10 – 0.18m	
1603	Layer	Colluvium – Light yellowish brown silty clay containing no coarse components.	0.18 – 0.26m	
1604	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay silt containing no coarse components.	0.26m+	

Trench 17	Dimensions :	44.55 x 1.80 x 0.46m	Ground surface level:	66.59m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390112.03, 171812.40 390128.51, 171852.65		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
1701	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.04m).	0 – 0.06m	
1702	Layer	Subsoil – Mid bluish grey silty sandy loam containing no coarse components.	0.06 – 0.18m	
1703	Layer	Colluvium – Light yellowish brown silty clay containing sparse sub-rounded to sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.06m).	0.18 – 0.41m	
1704	Layer	Natural – Light yellowish brown clay containing rare sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.06m).	0.41m+	

Trench 18	Dimensions :	58.45 x 1.80 x 0.38m	Ground surface level:	67.16 – 71.95m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390145.97, 171794.61 390191.19, 171807.15		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
1801	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and occasional rooting.	0 – 0.15m	
1802	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish blue silty clay containing no coarse components.	0.15 – 0.26m	
1803	Layer	Natural – Light yellowish brown clay silt containing no coarse components.	0.26m+	

Trench 19	Dimensions :	50 x 1.60 x 0.38m	Ground surface level:	66.46m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390098.11, 171761.58, 390142.18, 171762.02		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
1901	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay containing no coarse components and common rooting.	0 – 0.20m	
1902	Layer	Subsoil – Mid brown silty clay containing no coarse components.	0.20 – 0.28m	
1903	Layer	Colluvium – Pale brown silty clay containing occasional sub-angular stone (<0.05m) and charcoal flecks.	0.28 – 0.36m	
1904	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay containing no coarse components.	0.36m+	

Trench 20	Dimensions :	50 x 1.80 x 0.45m	Ground surface level:	63.21m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390045.81, 171761.89 390082.73, 171731.56		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
2001	Layer	Topsoil – Mid brownish grey silty clay containing moderate rooting and no coarse components.	0 – 0.15m	
2002	Layer	Subsoil – Mid grey silty clay containing sparse sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.03m).	0.15 – 0.24m	
2003	Layer	Colluvium – Mid brownish grey silty clay containing moderate sub-rounded to sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.04m).	0.24 – 0.30m	
2004	Layer	Natural – Mid orange brown clay silty with grey patches. No coarse components.	0.30m+	

Trench 21	Dimensions :	50 x 1.80 x 0.50m	Ground surface level:	61.79m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390048.84, 171697.13 390094.47, 171698.02		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
2101	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay containing no coarse components and moderate rooting.	0 – 0.19m	
2102	Layer	Colluvium – Pale yellowish brown silty clay containing occasional sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.03m).	0.19 – 0.38m	
2103	Layer	Natural – Mid yellow brown clay containing occasional sub-angular stone (<0.05m).	0.38m+	

Trench 22	Dimensions :	42.85 x 1.80 x 0.54m	Ground surface level:	58.93m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	389985.43, 171664.55 390003.90, 171702.39		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
2201	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and common rooting.	0 – 0.16m	
2202	Layer	Subsoil – Mid yellowish brown silty clay containing no coarse components and occasional rooting.	0.16 – 0.25m	
2203	Layer	Colluvium – Light yellowish brown silty clay containing no coarse components.	0.25 – 0.41m	
2204	Layer	Natural – Mid to light yellowish brown clay silt with sparse pale grey patches and no coarse components.	0.41m+	
2205	Cut	Cut of a northwest – southeast ditch located at the south western end of the trench. Measures 1.02m in width and 0.18m deep. This feature was observed in the geophysics and recorded in Trench 23 as 2305.	0.38m deep	
2206	Fill	Secondary fill of 2205 – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam contains occasional manganese flecks and very rare charcoal flecks.	0.18m thick	
2207	VOID	VOID	VOID	
2208	Fill	Fill of 2222 , greyish orange silty clay redeposited natural from the slumping of the feature edges. Seals 2221.	0.10m thick	
2209	Fill	Secondary fill of 2205 – Mid orange brown containing occasional to moderate manganese flecks.	0.17m thick	
2210	Fill	Primary fill of 2205 – Dark greyish brown silty clay containing no coarse components.	0.03m thick	
2211	Fill	Secondary fill of 2222. Grey brown with orange patches, clay. Low energy repeated depositions of similar material over time. Seals 2212 and overlain by 2208.	0.52m thick	
2212	Fill	Fill of 2222. grey brown with orange patches, dense silt clay m low energy slumping deposit.	0.16m thick	
2213	Fill	Secondary fill of 2222. grey brown clay silt slumping deposit. Seals 2215 and 2217 and overlain by 2212.	0.35m thick	
2214	VOID	VOID	VOID	
2215	Fill	Fill of 2222, slumping of material at the feature edges. Brown grey silty clay.	0.10m thick	
2216	Fill	Fill of 2222, brown orange compact clay deposit redeposited natural material from the feature edges. Seals 2219 and overlain by 2215.	0.13m thick	
2217	Fill	Secondary fill of 2222, reddy grey clay silt with manganese fragments indicating possible decayed organic matter, seals 2219/2220 and overlain by 2213.	0.23m thick	
2218	VOID	VOID	VOID	
2219	Fill	Fill of 2222 however feature not bottomed due to water inundation, alluvial deposit reddy grey silty clay sealed by 2217. probably equal to 2220	0.35m thick	
2220	Fill	Fill of 2222, reddy grey silty clay slumping deposit seals 2221 and probably equal to 2219.	0.17m thick	
2221	Fill	Possible primary fill of 2222, sealed by 2220, orange grey silty clay slumping of the feature edges.	0.09m thick	
2222	Cut	Cut of feature of unknown function of date, recorded as irregular in plan with steep concave sides, feature not bottomed due to	1.55m deep	

		water inundation. Recorded as 1.72m long by 0.57, wide and 1.55m deep. The feature would appear to be an isolated pit however it may also be the terminus for a large ditch, though no trace of it was observed in the initial geophysical survey and so an isolated feature is most likely. Possible watering hole but unclear as not fully seen.	
2223	VOID	VOID	VOID

Trench 23	Dimensions :	46.60 x 1.80 x 0.66m	Ground surface level:	58.68m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390000.38, 171661.59 390043.91, 171646.03		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
2301	Layer	Topsoil – Mid grey silty clay loam containing no coarse components and moderate rooting.	0 – 0.19m	
2302	Layer	Subsoil – Light yellowish brown silty clay loam containing rare flecks of charcoal (0.02m).	0.19 – 0.26m	
2303	Layer	Alluvium/Colluvium – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing occ manganese flecks.	0.26 – 0.44m	
2304	Layer	Natural – Mottled; mid orange clay silty with blue grey patches. Is quite tabular for the majority of the trench.	0.44m+	
2305	Cut	Cut of a northwest - southeast shallow ditch measuring 0.96m in width and 0.17m deep. This feature was observed in the geophysics and recorded in Trench 22 as 2205.	0.17m deep	
2306	Fill	Secondary fill of 2305 – Mid yellowish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and artefacts.	0.17m thick	
2307	Cut	Cut of a sub-ovoid pit on a northwest - southeast alignment measuring 1.08m in diameter, 0.66m in length, and 0.41m in depth.	0.41m deep	
2308	Fill	Secondary fill of 2307 – Mid greyish brown silty clay containing sparse charcoal flecks.	0.23m thick	
2309	Fill	Deliberate backfill of 2307 – A combination of redeposited natural clay and charcoal rich material.	0.19m thick	

Trench 24	Dimensions :	50 x 1.80 x 0.55m	Ground surface level:	57.77m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390051.84, 171617.12 390089.56, 171634.19		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
2401	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and common rooting.	0 – 0.20m	
2402	Layer	Subsoil – Pale brown silty clay containing no coarse components and rare rooting.	0.20 – 0.35m	
2403	Layer	Colluvium – Mid to pale greyish brown silty clay with moderate manganese flecks. Derived from hill wash material.	0.35 – 0.55m	
2404	Layer	Natural – Pale yellowish brown clay silt containing no coarse components.	0.55m+	
2405	Cut	Cut of an east-west gully measuring 0.43m in width and 0.11m deep.	0.11m deep	
2406	Fill	Secondary fill of 2405 – Mid greyish brown silty clay containing occasional manganese fleck.	0.11m thick	

Trench 25	Dimensions :	46.85 x 1.80 x 0.56m	Ground surface level:	74.39m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390263.26, 171839.42 390309.40, 171839.70		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
2501	Layer	Topsoil – Dark brownish grey silty clay loam containing no coarse components and moderate rooting.	0 – 0.19m	
2502	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty sandy clay containing no coarse components on sparse rooting.	0.19 – 0.39m	
2503	Layer	Natural – Light greyish orange clay silty sand containing no coarse components.	0.39m+	

Trench 26	Dimensions :	46.08 x 1.80 x 0.50m	Ground surface level:	75.18m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390224.62, 171781.02 390260.32, 171751.95		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
2601	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and moderate rooting.	0 – 0.21m	
2602	Layer	Subsoil – Mid brownish grey silty sandy clay containing sparse rooting and no coarse components.	0.21 – 0.42m	
2603	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay silt with greyish blue patches and no coarse components.	0.42m+	
2604	Cut	Cut of a western terminus of an east – west linear located at the northwestern end of the trench. Measures 0.88m in width and 0.26m deep.	0.44m deep	
2605	Fill	Secondary fill of 2604 – Dark bluish grey silty sandy loam containing no coarse components.	0.26m thick	
2606	Fill	Secondary fill of 2604 – Mid greyish brown silty clay sandy with orange patches. Contains no coarse components.	0.19m thick	
2607	Cut	Cut of a moderately sized pit located just south of 2604. Measures 0.67m in diameter and 0.23m deep.	0.23m deep	
2608	Fill	Secondary fill of 2607 – Dark bluish grey silty sandy loam containing no coarse components.	0.16m thick	
2609	Fill	Secondary fill of 2607 – Mid orange brown silty sandy clay. Redeposited natural resulting from side collapse.	0.09m thick	
2610	Fill	Secondary fill of 2607 – Mid brownish grey silty clay sand containing no coarse components.	0.09m thick	
2611	Cut	Cut of a moderately sized pit located west of 2604. Measures 0.72m in diameter and 0.21m deep.	0.21m deep	
2612	Fill	Secondary fill of 2611 – Mid grey silty clay sandy containing no coarse components.	0.21m thick	

Trench 27	Dimensions :	46 x 1.80 x 0.68m	Ground surface level:	74.58m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390279.13, 171803.87 390301.57, 171764.91		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
2701	Layer	Topsoil – Dark greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and common rooting.	0 – 0.23m	
2702	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components. Slight reddish hue resulting from iron oxide staining.	0.23 – 0.34m	
2703	Layer	Colluvium – Mid yellowish brown silty clay with grey patches containing no coarse components.	0.34 – 0.44m	
2704	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown sandy clay silt with pale yellowish grey patches. Contains no coarse components.	0.44m+	
2705	Cut	Cut of a southwest – northeast aligned linear ditch located in the middle of the trench. Measures 1.44m in width and 0.27m deep.	0.27m deep	
2706	Fill	Primary fill of 2705 – Light grey silty sand with yellow brown patches containing no coarse components.	0.08m thick	
2707	Fill	Secondary fill of 2705 – Mid greyish brown silty sandy containing no coarse components.	0.22m thick	
2708	Cut	Cut of a land drain which cuts through 2707. Measures 0.12m in width and 0.54m deep.	0.54m deep	
2709	Fill	Deliberate backfill of 2708 – Mid brownish grey sandy loam containing no coarse components.	0.54m thick	

Trench 28	Dimensions :	47.79 x 1.80 x 0.42m	Ground surface level:	73.59m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390309.17, 171821.58 390346.84, 171793.83		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
2801	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing moderate rooting and no coarse components.	0 – 0.12m	
2802	Layer	Subsoil – Mid brownish grey silty clay loam containing sparse rooting and no coarse components.	0.12 – 0.30m	
2803	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay silt sand with grey patches containing no coarse components.	0.30m+	
2804	Cut	Cut of a southwest – northeast aligned ditch located at the northwestern end of the trench. Measures 1.06m in width but was not investigated due to flooding in the trench.	-	
2805	Fill	Secondary fill of 2804 – Mid greyish brown silty sandy clay containing no coarse components.	-	

Trench 29	Dimensions :	47.42 x 1.80 x 0.46m	Ground surface level:	66.40 – 71.44m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390161.69, 171710.72 390189.73, 171748.05		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
2901	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.04m) and common rooting.	0 – 0.10m	
2902	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing sparse sub-rounded to sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.06m) and occasional rooting.	0.10 – 0.17m	
2903	Layer	Colluvium – Mid greyish blue silty clay containing	0.17 – 0.29m	

		no coarse components.	
2904	Layer	Natural – Light yellowish brown clay containing rare sub-angular stone (<0.04m).	0.29m+

Trench 30	Dimensions :	48.30 x 1.80 x 0.50m	Ground surface level:	64.95 – 71.64m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390163.53, 171683.61 390198.83, 171715.25		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
3001	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.03m) and common rooting.	0 – 0.10m	
3002	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing sparse sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.05m) and occasional rooting.	0.10 – 0.18m	
3003	Layer	Colluvium – Mid greyish blue silty clay containing no coarse components.	0.18 – 0.30m	
3004	Layer	Natural – Light yellowish brown clay containing rare sub-rounded to sub-angular stone (<0.05m).	0.30m+	

Trench 31	Dimensions :	47.60 x 1.80 x 0.32m	Ground surface level:	74.70m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390226.27, 171710.51 390273.99, 171710.28		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
3101	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.04m) and common rooting.	0 – 0.15m	
3102	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish blue silty clay loam containing no coarse components and occasional rooting. Colour due to waterlogged conditions during formation.	0.15 – 0.20m	
3103	Layer	Natural – Light yellowish brown clay containing rare sub-rounded to sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.05m).	0.20m+	
3104	Cut	Cut of a sub-circular feature of unknown function located at the eastern end of the trench. Measures 2.02m in diameter and 0.49m deep.	0.49m deep	
3105	Fill	Primary fill of 3104 – Mid yellowish grey silty clay containing rare sub-rounded to sub-angular flint (<0.04m).	0.12m thick	
3106	Fill	Secondary fill of 3104 – Mid greyish brown silty clay containing sparse sub-rounded to sub-angular flint inclusions (<0.03m).	0.37m thick	
3107	Cut	Cut of a northeast – southwest linear ditch located at the western end of the trench. Measures 1.23m in width but it was not investigated due to flooding of the trench.	-	
3108	Fill	Secondary fill of 3107 – Mid greyish brown silty sandy clay containing no coarse components.	-	

Trench 32	Dimensions :	46 x 1.80 x 0.50m	Ground surface level:	74.30m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390300.86, 171709.51 390345.41, 171716.29		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
3201	Layer	Topsoil – Friable mid greyish brown sandy clay loam containing rare sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.04m).	0 – 0.10m	
3202	Layer	Subsoil/colluvium – Mid bluish brown sandy clay with no coarse components. Colour is due to water being unable to drain below this layer.	0.10 – 0.27m	
3203	Layer	Natural – Light yellowish brown clay containing no coarse components.	0.27m+	
3204	Cut	Cut of a linear ditch running on a northwest-southeast alignment measuring 0.60m in width and 0.24m deep.	0.23m deep	
3205	Fill	Secondary fill of 3204 – Light greyish brown sandy silt containing no coarse components.	0.23m thick	

Trench 33	Dimensions :	47.55 x 1.80 x 0.54m	Ground surface level:	73.54m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390340.70, 171774.50 390360.34, 171732.84		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
3301	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and common rooting.	0 – 0.12m	
3302	Layer	Subsoil – Mid brownish grey silty clay containing rare sub-rounded to sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.03m) and occasional rooting.	0.12 – 0.30m	
3303	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay silt containing sparse sub-rounded to sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.05m)	0.30m+	
3304	Cut	Cut of a northeast to southwest aligned ditch located at the southeastern end of the trench. Measures 1.94m in width but was not investigated due to flooding.	-	
3305	Fill	Secondary fill of 3304 – Mid greyish brown silty sandy clay containing no coarse components.	-	

Trench 34	Dimensions :	47.70 x 1.80 x 0.54m	Ground surface level:	73.08m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390380.84, 171737.52 390407.62, 171698.91		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
3401	Layer	Topsoil – Dark greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and moderate rooting.	0 – 0.25m	
3402	Layer	Subsoil – Mid brownish grey silty clay loam with reddish hue. Containing no coarse components and occasional rooting.	0.25 – 0.47m	
3403	Layer	Natural – Mid orange brown clay silt with grey patches containing no coarse components.	0.47m+	

Trench 35	Dimensions :	46.70 x 1.80 x 0.53m	Ground surface level:	60.12 – 64.18m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390124.93, 171649.57 390167.79, 171665.32		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
3501	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing occasional rooting and rare sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.03m).	0 – 0.10m	
3502	Layer	Subsoil – Mid brownish grey silty clay loam containing sparse sub-rounded to sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.06m).	0.10 – 0.16m	
3503	Layer	Colluvium – Mid bluish grey silty clay containing no coarse components.	0.16 – 0.27m	
3504	Layer	Natural – Light yellowish brown clay silt containing rare sub-rounded to sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.04m)	0.27m+	

Trench 36	Dimensions :	46.60 x 1.80 x 0.56m	Ground surface level:	65.04m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390182.05, 171655.06 130221.84, 171631.65		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
3601	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.03m).	0 – 0.09m	
3602	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing sparse sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.03m) .	0.09 – 0.18m	
3603	Layer	Colluvium – Mid bluish brown silty clay containing no coarse components. Developed in waterlogged conditions.	0.18 – 0.28m	
3604	Layer	Natural – Light yellowish brown clay containing no coarse components.	0.28m+	

Trench 37	Dimensions :	47.61 x 1.80 x 0.51m	Ground surface level:	68.33 – 73.44m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390231.05, 171650.78 390268.16, 171679.72		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
3701	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.04m).	0 – 0.12m	
3702	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing sparse sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.03m).	0.12 – 0.27m	
3703	Layer	Colluvium – Mid yellowish grey silty clay containing no coarse components.	0.27 – 0.43m	
3704	Layer	Natural – Light yellowish brown clay containing no coarse components.	0.43m+	

Trench 38	Dimensions :	47.85 x 1.80 x 0.49m	Ground surface level:	73.84m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390290.09, 171653.14 390334.53, 171670.56		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
3801	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.04m).	0 – 0.11m	
3802	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components.	0.11 – 0.17m	
3803	Layer	Colluvium – Mid bluish brown silty clay containing no coarse components. Developed in waterlogged conditions.	0.17 – 0.28m	
3804	Layer	Natural – Light yellowish brown clay containing no coarse components.	0.28m+	

Trench 39	Dimensions :	28.43 x 1.80 x 0.32m	Ground surface level:	72.78m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390392.79, 171672.73 390418.77, 171668.39		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
3901	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and common rooting.	0 – 0.10m	
3902	Layer	Subsoil – Mid brownish grey silty clay loam containing occasional rooting and sparse sub-rounded to sub-angular flint inclusions (<0.04m).	0.10 – 0.24m	
3903	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay silty with orange grey patches containing no coarse components.	0.24m+	

Trench 40	Dimensions :	47.81 x 1.80 x 0.53m	Ground surface level:	73.43m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390341.55, 171640.80 390388.08, 171640.79		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
4001	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and common rooting.	0 – 0.12m	
4002	Layer	Subsoil – Mid brownish grey silty clay loam containing sparse rooting and occasional sub-rounded to sub-angular flint inclusions (<0.06m).	0.12 – 0.34m	
4003	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay silty with orange patches containing no coarse components.	0.34m+	

Trench 41	Dimensions :	44.57 x 1.80 x 0.58m	Ground surface level:	59.32m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390143.29, 171620.27 390184.39, 171602.60		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
4101	Layer	Topsoil – Dark greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and slight bioturbation.	0 – 0.10m	
4102	Layer	Subsoil – Dark greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-rounded stone (<0.03m) and bioturbation.	0.10 – 0.25m	
4103	Layer	Colluvium – Mid yellowish brown silty clay containing low bioturbation and no coarse components.	0.25 – 0.39m	
4104	Layer	Natural – Light yellowish brown clay containing no coarse components.	0.39m+	

Trench 42	Dimensions :	48.63 x 1.80 x 0.61m	Ground surface level:	59.00 – 63.47m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390223.96, 171584.16 309270.37, 171599.63		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
4201	Layer	Topsoil – Mid to dark greyish brown silty clay loam containing occasional rooting and no coarse components.	0 – 0.22m	
4202	Layer	Colluvium – Mid greyish brown to brownish yellow silty clay loam containing no coarse components. Increases in thickness as the trench goes down the hill to 0.12m (originally 0.04m thick).	0.22 – 0.34m	
4203	Layer	Natural – Mottled orange clay with patches of grey containing no coarse components.	0.34m+	

Trench 43	Dimensions :	49.02 x 1.80 x 0.64m	Ground surface level:	69.87m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390311.66, 171623.71 391350.88, 171594.99		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
4301	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing common rooting and rare sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.04m).	0 – 0.38m	
4302	Layer	Subsoil – Mid yellowish brown silty clay loam containing occasional rooting and rare sub-rounded to sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.05m).	0.38 – 0.64m	
4303	Layer	Natural – Light yellowish brown clay silt containing occasional manganese flecks.	0.64m+	
4304	Cut	Cut of a northeast – southwest linear gully located at the northwestern end of the trench. Measures 0.38m in width and 0.17m deep.	0.17m deep	
4305	Fill	Secondary fill of 4304 – Mid greyish brown silty clay containing no coarse components.	0.17m thick	

Trench 44	Dimensions :	48.20 x 1.80 x 0.52m	Ground surface level:	59.26 – 63.81m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390292.10, 171551.27 390338.75, 171562.79		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
4401	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and common rooting.	0 – 0.20m	
4402	Layer	Subsoil – Mid brownish grey silty clay containing rare sub-rounded to sub-angular flint (<0.04m) and occasional rooting.	0.20 – 0.38m	
4403	Layer	Natural – Mid yellowish brown clay silt with light grey patches containing no coarse components.	0.38m+	

Trench 45	Dimensions :	41.60 x 1.80 x 0.74m	Ground surface level:	60.91m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390531.92, 171713.77 390572.94, 171713.57		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
4501	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid grey silty clay loam containing moderate rooting.	0-0.15m	
4502	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing sparse rooting and rare CBM flecks.	0.15-0.28m	
4503	Layer	Colluvium – Pale greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components.	0.28-0.40m	
4504	Layer	Natural – Mottled, mid orange clay silt with light grey patches.	0.40m	
		NB- trench located on earthworks-probably remains of lynchets or field boundaries.		

Trench 46	Dimensions :	48.20 x 1.80 x 0.52m	Ground surface level:	65.99 – 70.43m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390459.85, 171677.86 390505.76, 171677.81		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
4601	Layer	Turf/Topsoil – Mid grey silty clay loam containing moderate rooting.	0-0.13m	
4602	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing sparse rooting and rare CBM flecks.	0.13-0.36m	
4603	Layer	Colluvium – Pale greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components.	0.36-0.52m	
4604	Layer	Natural-mottled mid orange clay silt with light grey patches. Brick earth clay.	0.52m+	

Trench 47	Dimensions :	46.80 x 1.80 x 0.53m	Ground surface level:	62.14 – 66.99m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390502.91, 171649.03 390544.53, 171669.64		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
4701	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid grey/brown silty clay loam-frequent rooting.	0-0.13m	
4702	Layer	Subsoil – Mid grey/blue silty sandy loam.	0.13-0.27m	
4703	Layer	Colluvium – Mid to light orange/brown silty clay loam- probable hillwash.	0.27-0.46m	
4704	Layer	Natural – Mid orange silty clay loam with light grey patches. Brickearth .	0.46m+	

Trench 48	Dimensions :	31.70 x 1.80 x 0.47m	Ground surface level:	70.20m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390448.04, 171624.69 390476.22, 171610.67		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
4801	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Light brownish grey silty sandy loam with abundant rooting.	0-0.18m	
4802	Layer	Subsoil – Mid bluish grey silty sandy loam possibly derived from having standing water in it.	0.18-0.32m	
4803	Layer	Colluvium – Mid orange silty clay loam with occasional rooting.	0.32-0.44m	
4804	Layer	Natural – Mottled orange clay silt. Brickearth clay.	0.44m+	

Trench 49	Dimensions :	49 x 1.80 x 0.70m	Ground surface level:	69.51 – 72.18m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390409.95, 171571.98 390438.87, 171609.09		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
4901	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with frequent root disturbance.	0-0.14m	
4902	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with occasional manganese patches, more grey than brown.	0.14-0.31m	
4903	Layer	Colluvium – Mottled mid to light brown and mid grey sandy silty loam, Manganese inclusions near top.	0.31-0.50m	
4904	Layer	Natural – Mottled mid orange and light grey silty clay loam. Brickearth .	0.50m+	
4905	Cut	Possible pit- shallow remnants of feature (possible pit base). Measures 0.34m in diameter and 0.04m deep.	0.04m deep	
4906	Fill	Secondary fill of 4905 – Mid grey silty loam with manganese inclusions.	0.04m thick	

Trench 51	Dimensions :	49.10 x 1.80 x 0.45m	Ground surface level:	63.89m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390384.81, 171535.03 390429.16, 171533.73		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
5101	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid grey/brown silty clay loam with frequent root disturbance.	0-0.10m	
5102	Layer	Subsoil – Mid grey/brown silty clay loam with no coarse components.	0.10-0.26m	
5103	Layer	Colluvium – Light brown silty sandy loam, probable hillwash.	0.26-0.45m	
5104	Layer	Natural – Mottled mid to light orange and light grey silty clay loam.	0.45m+	
5105	Cut	North - south aligned shallow gully running across trench, very shallow, probable drainage ditch. Measures 0.48m in width and 0,05m deep.	0.05m deep	
5106	Fill	Secondary fill of 5105 – Light brown silty sandy loam and very similar to hillwash 5103.	0.05m thick	

Trench 52	Dimensions :	49.80 x 1.80 x 0.56m	Ground surface level:	58.71 – 65.89m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390454.69, 171545.12 390469.12, 171499.29		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
5101	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with frequent root disturbance and no coarse components.	0-0.13m	
5102	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components or rooting	0.13-0.24m	
5103	Layer	Colluvium – Mid to light brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components.	0.24-0.42m	
5104	Layer	Natural – Mottled mid to light orange with light grey patches. Brickearth.	0.42m+	
5104	Cut	Possible gully-runs approximately east – west across the trench. Measures 0.32m in width and 0.05m deep.	0.05m deep	
5105	Fill	Secondary fill of 5104 – Mid to light brown silty clay loam, probably derived from hillwash.	0.05m thick	

Trench 53	Dimensions :	49 x 1.80 x 0.57m	Ground surface level:	56.74m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390421.77, 171490.50 390467.32, 171472.26		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
5301	Layer	Topsoil – Mid grey silty clay loam containing occasional rooting and no coarse components.	0-0.12m	
5302	Layer	Subsoil – Mid to light grey silty clay loam containing rare rooting.	0.12-0.20m	
5303	Layer	Colluvium – Mid to light greyish brown silty clay loam, most likely derived from hillwash.	0.20-0.26m	
5304	Layer	Natural – Mottled mid to light orange with light grey patches. Brickearth clay.	0.26m+	

Trench 54	Dimensions :	35.50 x 1.80 x 0.69m	Ground surface level:	53.52m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390435.23, 171437.16 390468.14, 171448.93		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
5401	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components and frequent rooting.	0 – 0.15m	
5402	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components.	0.15 – 0.32m	
5403	Layer	Colluvium – Mid to light brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components.	0.32 – 0.53m	
5404	Layer	Natural – Mottled mid to light orange with light grey patches. Brickearth.	0.53m+	
5405	Cut	Cut of a circular feature located at the south-western end of the trench measuring 0.55m in diameter and 0.14m deep. Burnt bone was recovered suggesting a cremation grave but at present it is awaiting conformation that it is human.	0.14m deep	
5406	Fill	Fill of 5405 – Pale yellowish brown silty clay containing common charcoal flecks, fired clay and rare burnt bone inclusions. Unknown whether it is a secondary fill or deliberate backfill.	0.14m thick	

Trench 55	Dimensions :	48.90 x 1.80 x 0.77m	Ground surface level:	56.66m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390361.65, 171495.40 390398.13, 171466.03		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
5501	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with frequent rooting disturbance.	0-0.12m	
5502	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with no coarse components.	0.12-0.20m	
5503	Layer	Colluvium – Mid to light brown silty clay loam with some sand inclusions. Probable hillwash.	0.20-0.48m	
5504	Layer	Buried soil? – Mid to light greyish brown silty clay loam, very similar to subsoil and probably a buried soil.	0.48-0.60m	
5505	Layer	Natural - Mid orange clay with light grey mottling.	0.60m+	
5506	Cut	Cut of an east - west aligned gully running across the middle of the trench. Measures 0.40m in width and 0.05m deep.	0.05m deep	
5507	Fill	Secondary fill of 5506 - Light greyish brown silty clay loam, probably derived from hillwash.	0.05m thick	

Trench 56	Dimensions :	48 x 1.80 x 0.63m	Ground surface level:	55.28m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390274.84, 171511.99 390318.21, 171493.77		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
5601	Layer	Topsoil/turf – Mid to dark greyish brown silty clay loam containing moderate rooting.	0-0.13m	
5602	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing occasional rootlets.	0.13-0.24m	
5603	Layer	Colluvium – Pale brownish grey silty clay loam, no coarse components (some evidence of animal burrows).	0.24-0.42m	
5604	Layer	Buried soil? – Mid grey silty loam containing occasional manganese flecks, maybe alluvial deposits from flooding events.	0.42-0.56m	
5605	Layer	Natural – Mottled mid orange clay silt with patches of grey.	0.56m+	
5606	cut	Cut of moderately sized pit measuring 0.74m in diameter and 0.26m deep.	0.26m deep	
5607	Fill	Secondary fill of 5606 – Mid grey silty clay with occasional manganese and sparse charcoal flecks.	0.26m thick	

Trench 57	Dimensions :	50 x 1.80 x 1.00m	Ground surface level:	55.74m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390191.11, 171523.55 390233.07, 171543.97		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
5701	Layer	Topsoil/turf – Mid grey silty clay loam containing abundant rooting.	0-0.11m	
5702	Layer	Subsoil – Pale greyish brown silty clay loam containing sparse rooting.	0.11-0.23m	
5703	Layer	Colluvium – Pale brown silty clay loam with slight traces of manganese staining.	0.23-0.42m	
5704	Layer	Colluvium/alluvium – Pale brown silty clay with manganese staining. Could be derived from either hillwash or flooding events.	0.42-0.61m	
5705	Layer	Alluvium – Pale blueish grey silty clay with occasional manganese flecks (possible deposit within a palaeochannel).	0.61-1.00m	
5706	Layer	Natural – Mottled orange brown clay with grey patches.	1.00m+	
5707	Cut	Cut of shallow feature of unknown date and function. Measures 0.87m in diameter and 0.08m deep. The feature was investigated but the trench flooded before any recording took place.	0.08m deep	
5708	Fill	Deliberate backfill – Burnt clay and charcoal backfill.	0.08m thick	

Trench 58	Dimensions :	49 x 1.80 x 0.77m	Ground surface level:	56.40m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390112.60, 171573.41 390147.70, 171554.56		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
5801	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with frequent rooting.	0-0.11m	
5802	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing no coarse components.	0.11-0.20m	
5803	Layer	Colluvium - Thick layer of hillwash, mid-light brown silty clay with a diffuse horizon with 5802.	0.20-0.70m	
5804	Layer	Natural – Mid orange and light grey silty clay loam, some stone inclusions <0.10m.	0.70m+	
5805	Cut	Possible pit, containing charcoal fill 5806 and redeposited natural 5807, could be a dump deposit within a rubbish pit. Measures 1.24m in diameter and 0.32m deep.	0.32m deep	
5806	Fill	Deliberate backfill of 5805 – Mid to dark grey silty clay loam with moderate number of inclusions and occasional sub angular burnt stone inclusions (<0.10m).	0.30m thick	
5807	Fill	Redeposited natural – Mid to light brown silty clay loam, redeposited natural with moderate manganese.	0.30m thick	

Trench 59	Dimensions :	42.30 x 1.80 x 0.42m	Ground surface level:	56.12m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390113.86, 171538.97 390131.20, 171501.61		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
5901	Layer	Turf and topsoil – Mid grey brown silty clay loam with common rooting and rare sub-rounded stones (<0.03m).	0 – 0.29m	
5902	Layer	Subsoil – Dark orange brown silty clay loam containing sparse sub-angular stones (<0.05m).	0.29 – 0.39m	
5903	Layer	Natural – Corn-brash type deposit comprising of medium to large broken limestone with orange brown silty clay loam in between.	0.39m+	

Trench 60	Dimensions :	43.50 x 1.80 x 0.43m	Ground surface level:	55.89m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390157.12, 171490.36 390168.87, 171453.37		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
6001	Layer	Turf and topsoil – Mid grey brown silty clay loam with common rooting and rare sub-angular stones (<0.03m).	0 – 0.23m	
6002	Layer	Subsoil – Dark orange brown silty clay loam containing sparse sub-angular to angular stones (<0.05m).	0.23 – 0.32m	
6003	Layer	Natural – Corn-brash type deposit comprising of medium to large broken limestone with orange brown silty clay loam in between.	0.32m+	

Trench 61	Dimensions :	39.70 x 1.80 x 0.59m	Ground surface level:	55.47m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390180.43, 171439.11 390168.87, 171472.05		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
6101	Layer	Turf and topsoil – Mid grey brown silty clay loam with common rooting and rare sub-angular stones (<0.03m).	0 – 0.22m	
6102	Layer	Subsoil – Dark orange brown silty clay loam containing sparse angular stones (<0.05m) and rare manganese flecks.	0.22 – 0.46m	
6103	Layer	Natural – Corn-brash type deposit comprising of medium to large broken limestone with orange brown silty clay loam in between.	0.46m+	

Trench 62	Dimensions :	49.10 x 1.80 x 0.37m	Ground surface level:	55.71m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390207.35, 171443.20 390216.98, 171395.98		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
6201	Layer	Turf and topsoil – Mid grey brown silty clay loam with common rooting and sparse sub-angular stones (<0.03m).	0 – 0.25m	
6202	Layer	Natural – Corn-brash type deposit comprising of medium to large broken limestone with orange brown silty clay loam in between.	0.25m+	

Trench 63	Dimensions :	32.60 x 1.80 x 0.45m	Ground surface level:	55.43m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390224.82, 171448.08 390224.18, 171416.72		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
6301	Layer	Turf and topsoil – Mid grey brown silty clay loam with common rooting.	0 – 0.22m	
6302	Layer	Subsoil – Dark orange brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-angular stones (<0.05m).	0.22 – 0.32m	
6303	Layer	Natural – Corn-brash type deposit comprising of medium to large broken limestone with orange brown silty clay loam in between.	0.32m+	

Trench 64	Dimensions :	49 x 1.80 x 0.72m	Ground surface level:	54.33m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390260.45, 171434.84 390298.87, 171462.03		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
6401	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with frequent rooting	0-0.06m	
6402	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with no coarse components.	0.06-0.24m	
6403	Layer	Alluvium? – Mid to light greyish brown silty clay, A thick layer of possible alluvial material with dense patches of manganese near bottom	0.24-0.72m	
6404	Layer	Natural – At the eastern end of trench it is probable alluvial material, mid greyish brown silty clay. The rest of trench is limestone corn brash.	0.72m+	

Trench 65	Dimensions :	49 x 1.80 x 0.38m	Ground surface level:	55.28m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390269.10, 171383.85 390289.13, 171422.29		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
6501	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with frequent rooting.	0-0.11m	
6502	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with no coarse components.	0.11-0.19m	
6503	Layer	Natural – Limestone corn brash.	0.19m+	

Trench 66	Dimensions :	48.90 x 1.80 x 0.55m	Ground surface level:	54.04m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390311.79, 171437.62 390339.33, 171401.89		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
6601	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with frequent rooting.	0-0.13m	
6602	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with occasional sub angular stone inclusions (<0.05m).	0.13-0.18m	
6603	Layer	Alluvium? – A more of diffuse band between natural and subsoil, a mid to light brown silty clay with moderate sub angular stone inclusions (<0.03m).	0.18-0.30m	
6604	Layer	Natural – Limestone corn brash.	0.30m+	

Trench 67	Dimensions :	48.40 x 1.80 x 0.48m	Ground surface level:	52.97m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390367.67, 171430.43 390408.51, 171406.73		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
6701	Layer	Turf/subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with frequent rooting.	0-0.09m	
6702	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with no coarse components.	0.09-0.20m	
6703	Layer	Alluvium? – Light brown silty clay with light grey patches, possible alluvial deposit.	0.20-0.48m	
6704	Layer	Natural - Mid brown orange silty clay for the majority of the trench with the south eastern end of trench being limestone corn brash.	0.48m+	

Trench 68	Dimensions :	48.70 x 1.80 x 0.38m	Ground surface level:	53.91m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390348.09, 171387.62 390393.61, 171402.12		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
6801	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with frequent rooting.	0-0.15m	
6802	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay with occasional rooting and very occasional sub angular stone inclusions (<0.04m).	0.15-0.28m	
6803	Layer	Natural – Limestone corn brash.	0.28m+	

Trench 69	Dimensions :	49.80 x 1.80 x 0.36m	Ground surface level:	54.66m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390277.41, 171364.64 390325.71, 171375.95		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
6901	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with frequent rooting.	0-0.15m	
6902	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay with occasional sub angular stone inclusions (<0.04m).	0.15-0.28m	
6903	Layer	Natural – Limestone corn brash.	0.28m+	
6904	Cut	Large boundary ditch aligned roughly northwest – southeast across the western end of the trench and measures 1.73m in width. Unexcavated.	-	
6905	Fill	Secondary fill of 6904 – Mid brown silty clay loam with moderate sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.09m).	-	

Trench 70	Dimensions :	48.94 x 1.80 x 0.33m	Ground surface level:	54.33m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390349.75, 171359.12 390392.39, 171359.71		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
7001	Layer	Topsoil – Mid grey brown silty clay loam with frequent rooting.	0-0.12m	
7002	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay containing frequent sub angular stone inclusions (<0.05m).	0.12-0.22m	
7003	Layer	Natural – Limestone corn brash.	0.22m+	

Trench 71	Dimensions :	48.90 x 1.80 x 0.45m	Ground surface level:	55.31m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390291.38, 171318.81 390323.52, 171353.91		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
7101	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with common rooting.	0 – 0.22m	
7102	Layer	Subsoil – Mid brown silty clay loam containing moderate sub-angular stones (<0.06m).	0.22 – 0.40m	
7103	Layer	Natural – Limestone corn brash.	0.40m+	
7104	Cut	Large boundary ditch aligned roughly northwest – southeast across the western end of the trench and measures 3.05m in width and 1.10m deep.	1.10m deep	
7105	Fill	Secondary fill of 7104 – mid brown silty clay loam containing moderate sub-angular stones (<0.06m).	0.97m thick	
7106	Fill	Primary fill of 7104 – light yellowish brown silty clay containing common sub-angular stones (0.08m).	0.17m thick	

Trench 72	Dimensions :	48.12 x 1.80 x 0.34m	Ground surface level:	55.15m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390332.47, 171292.56 390362.57, 171330.04		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
7201	Layer	Turf/topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam with frequent rooting.	0-0.17m	
7202	Layer	Subsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay with frequent sub angular stone inclusions (<0.05m).	0.17-0.26m	

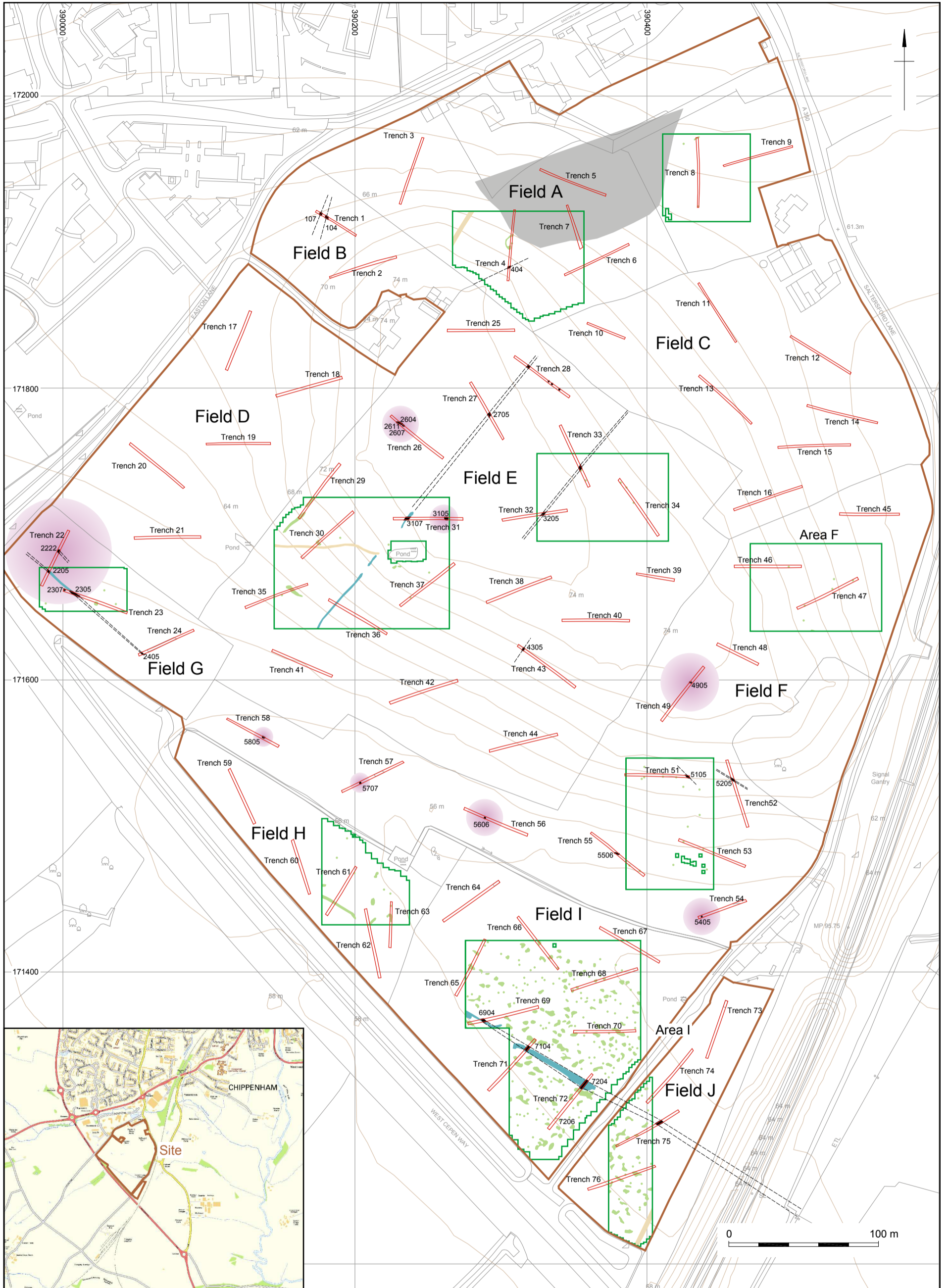
7203	Layer	Natural – Limestone corn brash.	0.26m+
7204	Cut	Large field boundary running roughly northwest – southeast across the northeast end of the trench and measuring 3.29m in width. Unexcavated.	-
7205	Fill	Secondary fill of 7204 – Mid orange brown silty clay loam with moderate sub angular stone inclusions (<0.08m).	-
7206	Cut	Deep steep sided linear running roughly east west at the southwestern end of the trench. Most likely some kind of land drains.	0.68m deep
7207	Fill	Deliberate backfill of 7206 – Consists of large broken stone slabs derived from natural and some mid brown silty clay elements also, quite voidy.	0.68m thick

Trench 73	Dimensions :	41.66 x 1.80 x 0.65m	Ground surface level:	52.66m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390441.32, 171341.19 390454.59, 171380.29		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
7301	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay containing rare sub-rounded to sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.03m).	0 – 0.30m	
7302	Layer	Subsoil – Mid yellowish brown silty clay containing sparse sub-angular to sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.05m)	0.30 – 0.46m	
7303	Layer	Natural - Limestone corn brash	0.46m+	

Trench 74	Dimensions :	48.30 x 1.80 x 0.36m	Ground surface level:	53.40m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390399.86, 171310.50 390431.34, 171346.87		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
7401	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-angular to sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.03m)	0 – 0.10m	
7402	Layer	Subsoil – Mid yellowish brown silty clay containing sparse sub-angular to sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.04m)	0.10 – 0.18m	
7403	Layer	Natural – Limestone corn brash.	0.18m+	

Trench 75	Dimensions :	49.30 x 1.80 x 0.40m	Ground surface level:	54.70m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390378.84, 171280.70 390421.78, 171304.89		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
7501	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-rounded to sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.04m)	0 – 0.17m	
7502	Layer	Subsoil – Mid yellowish brown silty clay containing sparse sub-angular to sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.06m)	0.17 – 0.25m	
7503	Layer	Natural – Limestone corn brash.	0.25m+	
7504	Cut	Cut of a northwest – southeast field boundary ditch.	-	
7505	Fill	Secondary fill of 7504 – Mid brown silty clay containing occasional sub-angular stone inclusions.	-	

Trench 76	Dimensions :	49.03 x 1.80 x 0.43m	Ground surface level:	55.11m aOD
	Centre Line Coordinates (NGR):	390359.59, 171251.16 390405.70, 171266.94		
Context	Category	Description	Depth (bgl)	
7601	Layer	Topsoil – Mid greyish brown silty clay loam containing rare sub-rounded to sub-angular stone inclusions (<0.03m).	0 – 0.15m	
7602	Layer	Subsoil – Mid yellowish brown silty clay containing sparse sub-angular to sub-rounded stone inclusions (<0.05m).	0.15 – 0.25m	
7603	Layer	Natural – Limestone corn brash.	0.25m+	



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Site location plan, detailing geophysical survey and trenches

Figure 1

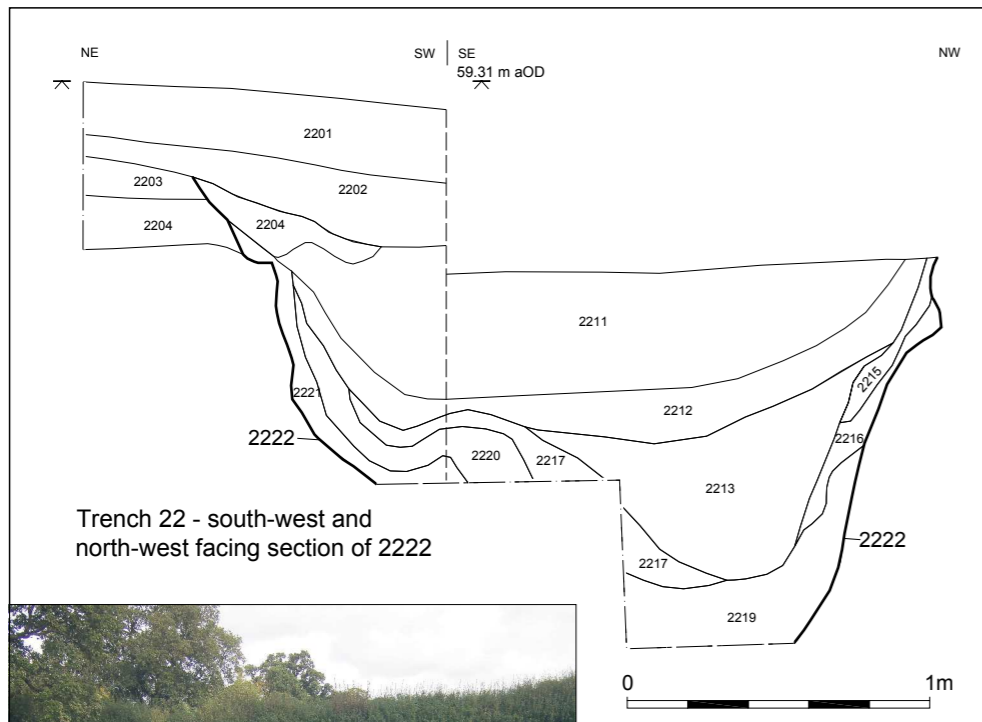


Plate 1: Trench 22, view from south-west (scale 2m, 1m)

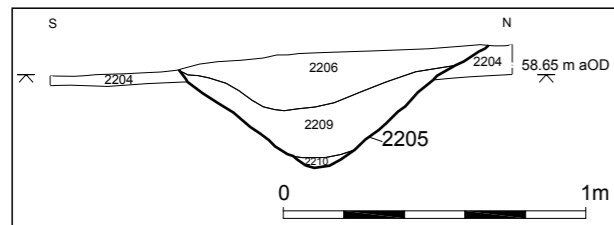


Plate 2: Trench 22 - south-east facing section of ditch 2205 (scale 2m)

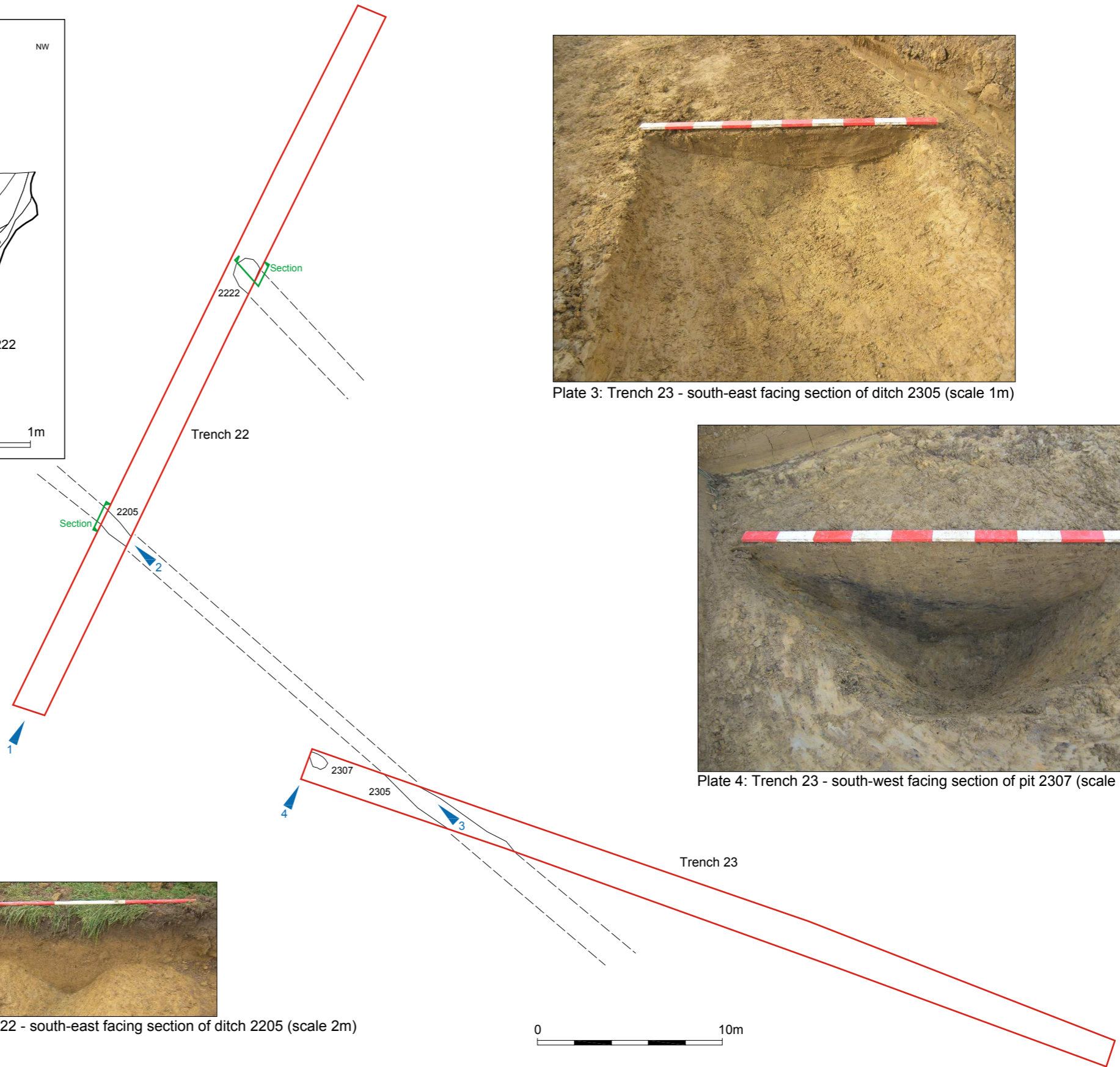


Plate 3: Trench 23 - south-east facing section of ditch 2305 (scale 1m)



Plate 4: Trench 23 - south-west facing section of pit 2307 (scale 1m)

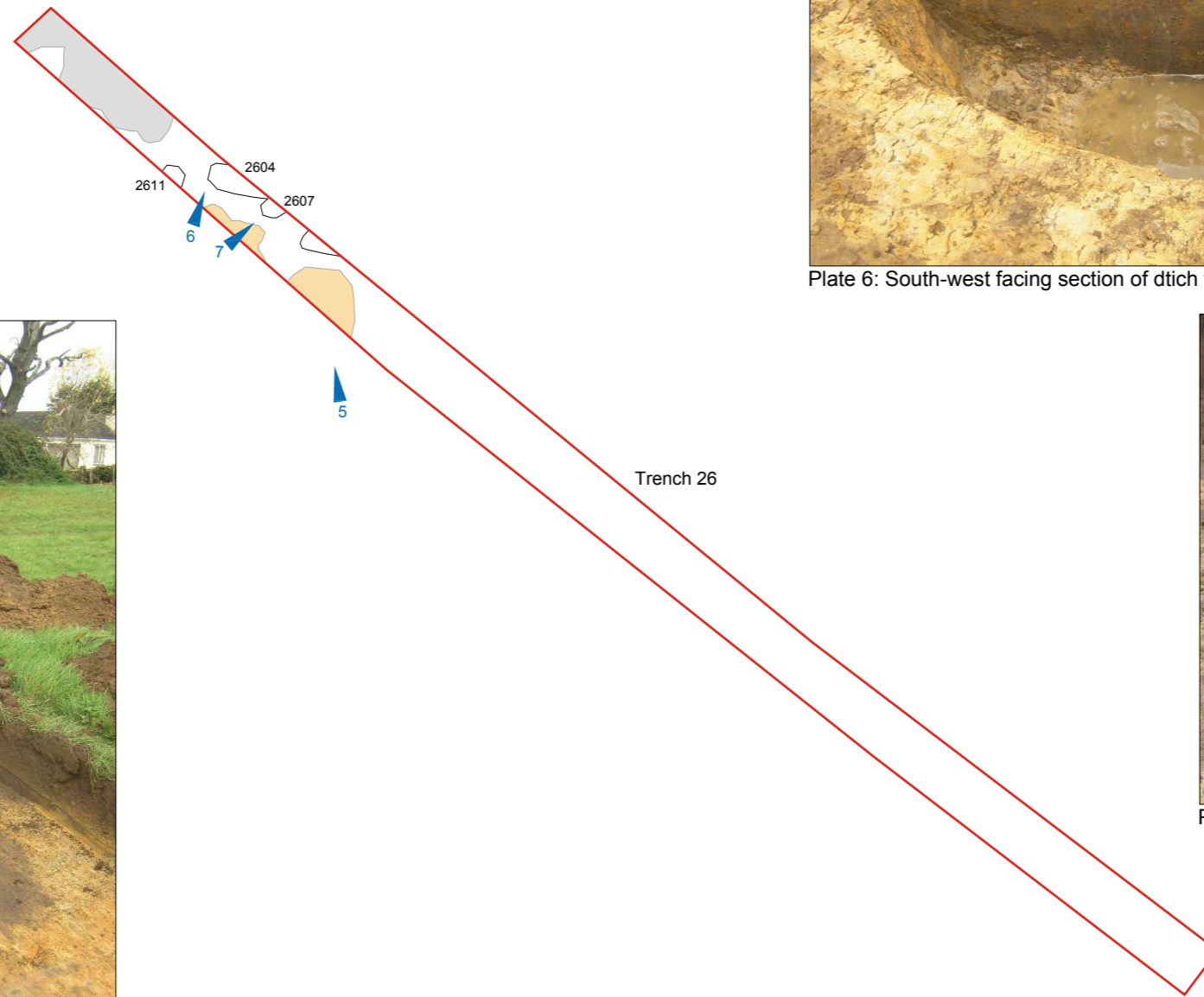


Plate 6: South-west facing section of ditch terminus 2604 (scale 0.5m)



Plate 7: South-west facing section of pit 2607 (scale 0.5m)



Plate 5: Trench 26, view from south-east (scale 2m, 1m)



Plate 8: Trench 20 from the north-west (scale 2m, 1m)



Plate 9: South-west facing representative section of Trench 20 (scale 1m)



Plate 10: South-east facing section of hedgerow ditch 2705 cut by field drain 2708 (scale 1m)



Plate 11: East facing representative section of Trench 47 (scale 1m)



Plate 12: Trench 52 from the north (scale 2m, 1m)



Plate 13: East facing section of 5406 (scale 0.5m)



Plate 14: North-east facing representative section of Trench 55 (scale 1m)



Plate 15: North facing representative section of Trench 56 (scale 1m)



Plate 16: East facing section of pit 5606 (scale 0.5m)



Plate 17: East-north-east facing representative section of Trench 62 (scale 1m)



Plate 18: Trench 66 from the south-west (scale 2m, 1m)



Plate 19: South-east facing section of hedgerow ditch 7104 (scale 1m)



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