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Summary

Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by Lafarge Cement UK to undertake a second phase of archaeological evaluation in the area of the proposed limestone quarry extension at Cauldon, Staffordshire. LCUK (centred on NGR 408800 348100, 'the Site'). The evaluation was undertaken in response to a condition attached to the planning permission for the development.

No archaeological features or finds were identified during the evaluation, suggesting that the archaeological potential of the Site is negligible. The fieldwork demonstrated that modern soil material had been deposited on top of the topsoil across the eastern half of the Site in recent decades, which LaFarge Cement confirmed subsequent to the investigation.

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The fieldwork was directed in the field by Kevin Ritchie, aided by Barry Hennessy, Paul Armour, Owen Batchelor and Darren Baker.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Project background

- 1.1.1 Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by Lafarge Cement UK (LCUK) to undertake a second phase of archaeological evaluation of 8.6ha of land immediately south of existing limestone quarry works at Cauldon, Staffordshire and north of Rue Hill (centred on NGR 408800 348100, hereafter 'the Site', **Figure 1**). LCUK propose to expand their quarry works into the area of the Site, and the evaluation was undertaken in response to a condition attached to the planning permission for the development.
- 1.1.2 The fieldwork follows on from trial trenching undertaken by Wessex Archaeology in an area adjacent to the west in 2006 (Report document reference **63500.03**).

1.2 Site Description

1.2.1 Underlying solid geology comprises Carboniferous limestone. The topography of the Site suggests it to be situated along a coombe, falling off steeply from the southwest to the northeast towards a dry stone wall running along the base of the coombe, and rising again more gently beyond it to the east. Local ground-levels in the wider environs vary considerably; within the Site, surface elevations ranged from a maximum of approximately 310m above Ordnance Datum (aOD) to a minimum of approx. 300m aOD.

1.3 Archaeological and Historical Background

- 1.3.1 The archaeological setting of the Site has previously been discussed in an Archaeological Desk-based Assessment undertaken by Wessex Archaeology for all proposed quarry extensions (**WA doc ref 53946.01, Revision 1**). The study identified several localised scatters of worked flint to the south and southwest of the Study Area, with material ranging in date from Mesolithic through to the Bronze Age. Evidence of historic quarrying had also been identified from historic mapping in parts of the Study Area.
- 1.3.2 A first phase of evaluation was undertaken by Wessex Archaeology in the area of the proposed limestone extension to the west of the Site in 2006. The evaluation identified no archaeological features or finds. Based on these results, Steve Dean, Principal Archaeologist for Staffordshire County Council (hereafter referred to as 'the Curator') reduced the required sample

percentage for this second phase of work to 3% of the proposed impact area of 8.6ha.

2 METHODS

2.1 Aims and objectives

- 2.1.1 The fieldwork methods, aims and objectives of the evaluation were established in the Project Design (WA doc ref 53946.02), supplemented by an Addendum (WA doc refs 63502.01) and are not re-iterated in full here. In summary, the aims of this phase of evaluation were:
 - To investigate the prehistoric potential of the proposed extension the limestone quarry
 - To record the remains of previous industrial exploitation of the landscape within the proposed extension to the limestone quarry
 - To give attention to remains of all periods, including palaeoenvironmental indicators

2.2 Methodology

- 2.2.1 Twenty-nine trial trenches measuring 50m by 1.8m in plan were excavated. A trench layout was agreed prior to the commencement of fieldwork (WA doc ref 63502.01), however none were specifically targeted on known archaeological features or anomalies.
- 2.2.2 Six trenches (**Trenches Nos 1, 4, 5, 6, 11 & 14**) required limited shortening due to obstruction by an extant northwest-southeast aligned field boundary wall (see **Figure 2**) which traverses the Site.
- 2.2.3 Upon completion of excavation, trench edges and bases, and the positions of drawn plans and sections were recorded using GPS survey equipment, allowing these to be located accurately within the Ordnance Survey National Grid.
- 2.2.4 After inspection by the Curator, the trenches were backfilled by LCUK. No specialist re-instatement was required or undertaken.

2.3 Confidence rating

2.3.1 Despite some heavy rain during the fieldwork period, archaeological visibility was considered good, with a high degree of confidence regarding the observation of archaeological deposits. At the outset, the fieldwork was slightly hampered by the presence of livestock in the field which also caused damage to one trench (**Trench 13**) through trampling in such a way that it could not be recorded accurately (**Figure 3, Plate 1**). However, no archaeological deposits had been observed in this trench during machine excavation, and a lack of unstratified finds from the excavated spoil supported this assessment.

3 RESULTS

3.1 Introduction

3.1.1 Trench locations are indicated in **Figure 2**, and deposit data from all trenches is presented in the trench summary tables included in **Appendix 1**.

3.2 General deposit sequence

- 3.2.1 The Site was under pasture at the time of the investigation. All trenches were covered with a 0.2-0.3m deep modern topsoil. Beneath this, a thin layer of subsoil had developed in the majority of trenches.
- 3.2.2 Ten trenches (**Trench Nos 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 & 14**) revealed dump deposits (mostly of imported soils), some of considerable depth (**Figure 3, Plate 2**). The approximate area of the dumped material extrapolated from the results of the fieldwork is marked on **Figure 1**.
- 3.2.3 A number of the trenches containing dumped material featured a buried soil horizons on top of which the materials had been deposited (**Figure 3, Plate 3**). The nature of the deposits suggested them to be modern (with inclusions of very occasional modern artefacts which were not retained), and to have been laid down comparatively recently. Subsequent to the investigation, LaFarge confirmed that approximately 0.5m depth of topsoil had been spread across the area marked in green in **Figure 2** in around 1993/4. The material spread had also served to infill some existing hollows.
- 3.2.4 No archaeological features were observed in any of the trenches, and no archaeological finds were recovered, including from the excavated trench overburden.

4 FINDS

4.1.1 No finds were recovered from the trial trenches.

4.1.2 ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLING

4.1.3 No features or deposits suitable for environmental sampling were identified.

5 CONCLUSIONS

- 5.1.1 The evaluation demonstrated that, despite good preservation conditions, no archaeological activity is likely to be present within the limits of the Site, confirming that its potential is negligible.
- 5.1.2 Most trenches in the eastern half of the Site showed evidence of a recent deposition of imported soils, which has subsequently been confirmed to date

from around 1993/4. These materials were demonstrably laid down on top of the existing topsoil at the time. This operation is likely to have caused negligible disturbance to any lower deposits, such as they may exist, on the Site.

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APPENDIX 1: Trench summary tables

TRENCH 1				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 48.6 m	Width: 2.1 m	Max	. Depth: 1.05 m
Context	Description			Depth BGL
100	Natural; orange with clay with bright oran panning and mangane inclusions. Localised of rubble	ge veins of sand wirese forming. 0.1% ob	th iron	0.77m+
101	Subsoil 1 ; pale gr inclusions, clear conta (302), high level of bid	act interface with (30		0.68-0.77m
102	Subsoil 2; mid greyi inclusions of limest mottling		•	0.5-0.68m
103	Subsoil 3; dumped ov silty clay; no visible interface with (304), (302), a narrow bar forming at lower bioturbation	e inclusions, clear of some areas diffused and of reddish sand	contact e with y clay	0.5-0.19m
104	Active topsoil; friable clay; under pasture, 0 of 0.01m diameter;			0-0.19m

TRENCH 2				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50.0 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 1.1 m
Context	Description	-		Depth BGL
200		e pale greyish brown s 2% inclusions of limest		0-0.38m
201		mpact mid greyish brousions of limestone, so		0.38-0.72m
202	clay with bright orangane	m mottled pink hue; sa ge veins of sand with is se forming. 0.1% obser occurrence of rare limest	iron ved	0.72-1.1m+

TRENCH 3				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 2 m	Max	. Depth: 1.1 m
Context	Description			Depth BGL
300	clay with bright oran	h mottled pink hue; san ige veins of sand with it ese forming. 0.1% obsert occurrence of rare limest	iron ved	0.75m+
301	clay, somewhat diff	natural; pale yellow sar use contact interface v ed bioturbated contact v	vith	0.54-0.75m

	both (302) and (303). No visible inclusions.	
302	Iron panning between (301) and (303). Very sandy orangey clay. No inclusions.	0.52-0.54m
303	Subsoil 2 ; pale greyisch brown silty clay.0.2 % visible inclusions of average diamteter of 0.02m. Some limestone pieces; occasional flecks of charcoal. Heavily bioturbated.	0.22-0.52m
304	Subsoil 3 ; old turf line; mid orangey brown silty clay band, clear interface with (303) and (304)	0.2-0.22m
305	Active topsoil ; friable pale greyish brown silty clay; under pasture, 0.2% inclusions of limestone of 0.01m diameter	0-0.2m
TRENCH 4		
Max. Dimensions	Length: 34.5 m Width: 1.1 m Max	. Depth: 1.1 m
Context	Description	Depth BGL
400	Natural; orange with mottled pink hue; sandy clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone rubble	0.35m+
401	Modern Subsoil ; compact mid greyish brown silty clay; 0.2% inclusions of limestone, some localised red mottling; dips down to 0.6m BGL in places	0.19-0.35m
402	Active topsoil; friable pale greyish brown silty	0-0.19m

TRENCH 5				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 40 m	Width: 2.09 m	Max. Depth: 0.7 m	
Context	Description		Depth BGL	
500		e pale greyish brown s 2% inclusions of limes	~	
501	silty clay; 0.2% incl	Modern Subsoil; compact mid greyish brown silty clay; 0.2% inclusions of limestone, some localised red mottling; dips down to 0.6m BGL in		
502	clay with bright orange panning and mangane	n mottled pink hue; sa ge veins of sand with se forming. 0.1% obser- occurrence of rare limest	iron rved	
503	Cut of modern quarry	pit/rut, cuts 502	1.4 x 0.5 x 0.85	m
504	Fill of 503		0.85m	•
505	Dump/levelling depos	sit, over 503, below 501	0.23m	

TRENCH 6				
Max. Dimensions	Length:41 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	Depth: 1.2 m
Context	Description	Description		
600	Active topsoil ; friable pale greyish brown silty clay; under pasture, 0.2% inclusions of limestone of 0.01m diameter			0-0.12m
601	Modern Subsoil; con	mpact mid greyish bro	wn	0.12-0.43m

	silty clay; 0.2% inclusions of limestone, some localised red mottling; dips down to 0.6m BGL in places	
602	Modern Subsoil ; orangey-greyish brown silty clay, mottled, laminated with thin layers of ironpanned sand. No inclusions. Diffuse interface with 603.	0.43-0.9m
603	Natural ; orange with mottled pink hue; sandy clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone rubble	0.9-1.1m+

TRENCH 7				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 48 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 1.2 m
Context	Description			Depth BGL
700	Active topsoil; friabl	e pale greyish brown	silty	0-0.45m
	clay; under pasture, 0	.2% inclusions of limes	tone	
	of 0.01m diameter			
701	Buried Topsoil; fria	able, dark brownish-b	lack	0.45-0.7m
	clayey silt; sharp inter	face; no inclusions		
702	Subsoil; friable, ligh	nt brown silty clay;	very	0.7-1.0
	sparse inclusions; clea	r interfaces		
703	Natural; orange with	n mottled pink hue; sa	andy	1.0-1.1m+
	clay with bright oran	ge veins of sand with	iron	
	panning and mangane	ese forming. 0.1% obser	rved	
	inclusions. Localised	occurrence of rare limes	tone	
	rubble			

TRENCH 8		
Max. Dimensions	Length: 47 m Width: 1.9 m Max	. Depth: 1.54 m
Context	Description	Depth BGL
800	Active topsoil ; friable pale greyish brown silty clay; under pasture, 0.2% inclusions of limestone of 0.01m diameter	0-0.39m
801	Buried Topsoil ; friable, dark brownish-black clayey silt; sharp interface; no inclusions	0.39-0.64m
802	Subsoil ; friable, light brown silty clay; very sparse inclusions; clear interfaces	0.64-1.06m
803	Natural; orange with mottled pink hue; sandy clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone rubble	1.06-1.54m+

TRENCH 9		
Max. Dimensions	Length: 52.1 m Width: 2.70 m Max	. Depth: 0.61 m
Context	Description	Depth BGL
900	Active topsoil ; friable pale greyish brown silty clay; under pasture, 0.2% inclusions of limestone of 0.01m diameter	0-0.21m
901	Subsoil 2 ; friable, mid-dark greyish brown silty clay; clear interfaces; very rare inclusions; high level of bioturbation	0.21-0.38m

902	Redeposited Natural; reddish-brown sandy clay with occasional limestone inclusions; follows slope uphill	0.38-0.55m
903	Buried Topsoil ; friable, dark brownish-black clayey silt; sharp interface; no inclusions	0.55-0.81m
904	Subsoil 1 ; pale reddish-brown silty clay; very rare inclusions, some bioturbation with 303; weathered natural	0.81-1.35m
905	Natural; orange with mottled pink hue; sandy clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone rubble	1.35+

TRENCH 10				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 2 m	Max	. Depth: 1.7 m
Context	Description			Depth BGL
1000	Active topsoil; friable	e pale greyish brown s	silty	0-0.26m
	clay; under pasture, 0.	2% inclusions of limest	one	
	of 0.01m diameter			
1001	Modern Subsoil; compact mid greyish brown			0.26-0.38m
	silty clay; 0.2% inclusions of limestone, some			
	localised red mottling; dips down to 0.6m BGL in			
	places			
1002	, .	mottled pink hue; sa	_	0.38-0.9m
	clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron			
	1 0	panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone		
		occurrence of rare timest	one	
	rubble			

TRENCH 11				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 34 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 1.35 m
Context	Description			Depth BGL
1100		friable pale greyish brow re, 0.2% inclusions of lin r		0-0.55m
1101		; compact mid greyish inclusions of limestone tling		0.55-0.87m
1102	clay, mottled, ran	I; orangey-greyish brow re inclusions; weathered re plastic pipe at 0.6m BGL	_	0.87-1.1m
1103	clay with bright panning and mar	with mottled pink hue; orange veins of sand wing aganese forming. 0.1% of ised occurrence of rare lin	ith iron	1.1m+

TRENCH 12				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 1.22 m
Context	Description			Depth BGL
1200		e pale greyish brown s 2% inclusions of limest		0-0.28m

1201	Modern Subsoil; compact mid greyish brown	0.28-0.59m
	silty clay; 0.2% inclusions of limestone, some	
	localised red mottling	
1202	Modern Subsoil; orangey-greyish brown silty	0.59-0.76m
	clay, mottled, rare inclusions; weathered natural;	
	contains modern plastic pipe at 0.6m BGL	
1203	Natural; orange with mottled pink hue; sandy	0.76-1.17m+
	clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron	
	panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed	
	inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone	
	rubble	

TRENCH 13				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max.	Depth: 0.6 m
Context	Description			Depth BGL
1300	1 0 1	brown slightly clayish but with rare-occasion		0-0.3m
1301	Subsoil : Variable mid-light yellowish to orange-brown clayish silt, usually stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.			0.3-0.6m
1302	clay with bright oran panning and mangane	n mottled pink hue; sa ge veins of sand with it se forming. 0.1% obser- occurrence of rare limest	iron ved	0.6m+

This trench was trampled by livestock overnight and could not recorded in detail. No archaeology was observed in the trench during machining. The information given here is approximate.

TRENCH 14				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 40 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 1.03 m
Context	Description	-		Depth BGL
1400		brown slightly clayish but with rare-occasion	-	0-0.2m
1401		-light yellowish to oran sually stone-free but wone fragments.		0.2-0.78m
1402	clay with bright orang panning and mangane	mottled pink hue; sa ge veins of sand with it se forming. 0.1% obser occurrence of rare limest	iron ved	0.78-0.89m+

TRENCH 15				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 0.75 m
Context	Description	-		Depth BGL
1500		brown slightly clayish s but with rare-occasion		
1501	Subsoil: Variable mid	l-light yellowish to oran	ge-	0.32-0.75m

	brown clayish silt, usually stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.	
1502	Natural; orange with mottled pink hue; sandy clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone rubble	

TRENCH 16		
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m Width: 1.9 m Max	a. Depth: 0.75 m
Context	Description	Depth BGL
1600	Topsoil : Mid-greyish brown slightly clayish silt, generally stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.	0-0.22m
1601	Subsoil : Variable mid-light yellowish to orange-brown clayish silt, usually stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.	0.22-0.55m
1602	Natural; orange with mottled pink hue; sandy clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone rubble	0.55m+

TRENCH 17				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 0.75 m
Context	Description	-		Depth BGL
1700	1 0 3	sh brown slightly clayish te but with rare-occasion.		0-0.23m
1701		nid-light yellowish to oran usually stone-free but vestone fragments.	_	0.23-0.75m
1702	clay with bright or panning and manga	ange veins of sand with the sange veins of sand with the sange forming. 0.1% observed occurrence of rare limes.	iron rved	0.75m+

TRENCH 18				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 0.75 m
Context	Description			Depth BGL
1800		brown slightly clayish but with rare-occasion	-	0-0.32m
1801		d-light yellowish to oran sually stone-free but wone fragments.	_	0.32-0.9m
1802	clay with bright oran	n mottled pink hue; sa ge veins of sand with it se forming. 0.1% obser	iron	0.9m+

inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone	
rubble	

TRENCH 19				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 0.92 m
Context	Description	-		Depth BGL
1900	1 0 1	brown slightly clayish		0-0.35m
	generally stone-free	but with rare-occasion	onal	
	limestone fragments.			
1901	Subsoil : Variable mid-light yellowish to orange-brown clayish silt, usually stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.			0.355-0.48m
1902	Modern Subsoil; or clay, mottled, rare incl	angey-greyish brown s usions	silty	0.48-0.87m
1903	clay with bright orang panning and mangane	mottled pink hue; sa ge veins of sand with is se forming. 0.1% obser occurrence of rare limest	iron ved	0.87m+

TRENCH 20		
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m Width: 1.9 m Max	. Depth: 0.65 m
Context	Description	Depth BGL
2000	Topsoil : Mid-greyish brown slightly clayish silt, generally stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.	0-0.28m
2001	Subsoil : Variable mid-light yellowish to orange-brown clayish silt, usually stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.	0.28-0.63m
2002	Natural; orange with mottled pink hue; sandy clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone rubble	0.63m+

TRENCH 21				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 0.75 m
Context	Description	-		Depth BGL
2100		sh brown slightly clayish ee but with rare-occasi s.		0-0.32m
2101	brown clayish silt	Subsoil : Variable mid-light yellowish to orange-brown clayish silt, usually stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.		
2102	clay with bright or panning and manga	with mottled pink hue; sa range veins of sand with anese forming. 0.1% obseted occurrence of rare limes	iron rved	0.75m+

TRENCH 22

Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 0.85 m
Context	Description			Depth BGL
2200		brown slightly clayish but with rare-occasi		0-0.32m
2201		d-light yellowish to oran isually stone-free but one fragments.	_	0.32-0.7m
2202	clay with bright oran panning and mangane	n mottled pink hue; sage veins of sand with ese forming. 0.1% observed occurrence of rare limes	iron rved	0.7-0.83m+

TRENCH 23		
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m Width: 1.9 m Max. Depth: 1.12 m	
Context	Description Depth BGL	
2300	Topsoil : Mid-greyish brown slightly clayish silt, generally stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.	
2301	Subsoil: Variable mid-light yellowish to orange-brown clayish silt, usually stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.	
2302	Natural; orange with mottled pink hue; sandy clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone rubble	

TRENCH 24				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 0.8 m
Context	Description	-		Depth BGL
2400	Topsoil : Mid-greyish brown slightly clayish silt, generally stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.			0-0.15m
2401	Subsoil: Variable mid-light yellowish to orange-brown clayish silt, usually stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.			0.15-0.35m
2401	clay with bright orange panning and mangane	mottled pink hue; sa ge veins of sand with se forming. 0.1% obser occurrence of rare limest	iron rved	0.35m+

TRENCH 25				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 1.06 m
Context	Description			Depth BGL
2500	Topsoil : Mid-greyish brown slightly clayish silt, generally stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.		0-0.28m	
2501	Subsoil: Variable mid	l-light yellowish to orar	ige-	0.28-0.52m

	brown clayish silt, usually stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.	
2502	Natural; orange with mottled pink hue; sandy clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone rubble	

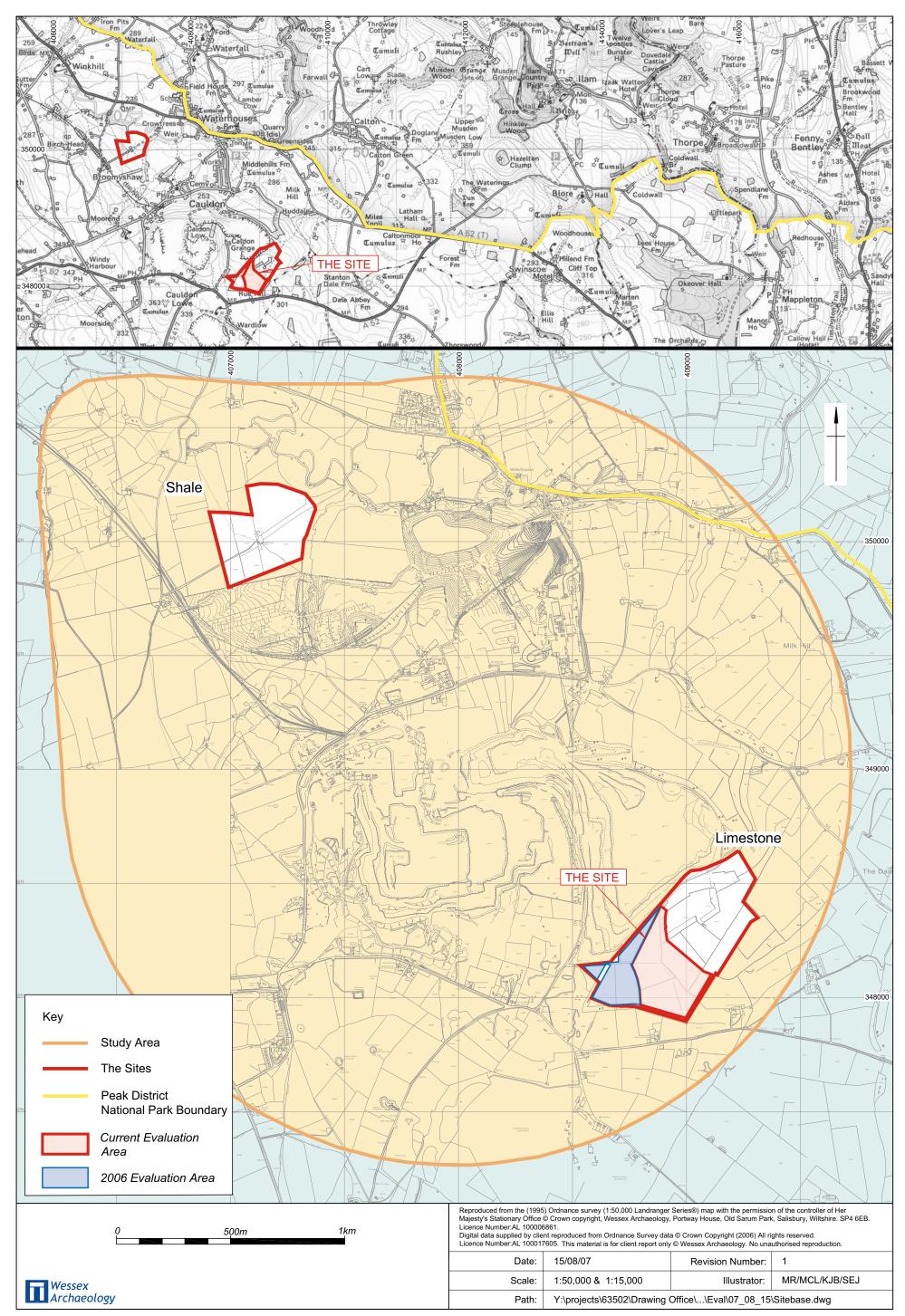
TRENCH 26	TRENCH 26				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 0.85 m	
Context	Description	-		Depth BGL	
2600		Topsoil : Mid-greyish brown slightly clayish silt, generally stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments			
2601	Subsoil: Variable mid brown clayish silt, u	Subsoil : Variable mid-light yellowish to orange-brown clayish silt, usually stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.			
2602	Modern Subsoil; or clay, mottled, rare incl	angey-greyish brown s usions	silty	0.29-0.45	
2603	clay with bright oran	n mottled pink hue; sa ge veins of sand with se forming. 0.1% obser occurrence of rare limest	iron ved	0.45-0.6m+	

TRENCH 27				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max.	Depth: 1.1 m
Context	Description	<u>-</u>		Depth BGL
2700	clay with bright ora	Natural ; orange with mottled pink hue; sandy clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron		
		panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone rubble		
2701	brown clayish silt,	Subsoil : Variable mid-light yellowish to orange-brown clayish silt, usually stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.		
2702	Topsoil : Mid-greyis generally stone-free limestone fragments	e but with rare-o	-	0-0.2m

TRENCH 28				
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m	Width: 1.9 m	Max	. Depth: 1.25 m
Context	Description			Depth BGL
2800	1 0 3	brown slightly clayish		0-0.28m
	, ,	but with rare-occasion	nal	
	limestone fragments.			
2801			0.28-0.74m	
2802		mottled pink hue; sar ge veins of sand with i		0.74-1.17m+

	panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed	
	inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone	
	rubble	

TRENCH 29					
Max. Dimensions	Length: 50 m Width: 1.9 m Max	x. Depth: 1.25 m			
Context	Description	Depth BGL			
2900	Natural; orange with mottled pink hue; sandy clay with bright orange veins of sand with iron panning and manganese forming. 0.1% observed inclusions. Localised occurrence of rare limestone rubble	0.8m+			
2901	Subsoil 1 ; mottled pinkish orange sandy clay; 0.1% inclusions; diffuse interface with natural	0.54-0.8m			
2902	Iron panning lens forming at lower interface of 2901	0.52-0.54m			
2903	Layer; pale white greyish silty clay; no inclusions; dumped quarry material	0.43-0.52m			
2904	Layer; blackish silty clay; in contour follows 2903 and is likely to be part of same dumped deposit	0.4-0.43m			
2905	Subsoil ; pinkish brown silty clay, redeposited subsoil	0.12-0.4m			
2906	Topsoil : Mid-greyish brown slightly clayish silt, generally stone-free but with rare-occasional limestone fragments.	0-0.12m			



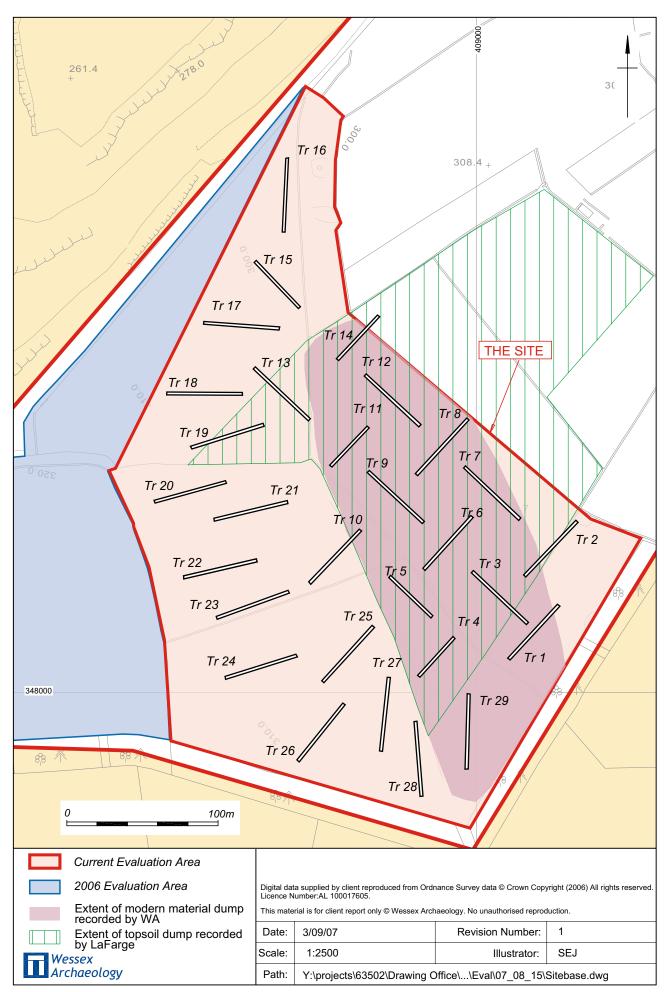




Plate 1: Trample damage from livestock, Trench 13



Plate 2: Trench 9, showing depth of imported material



Plate 3: Representative section, Trench 9, showing buried modern soil horizon

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