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Summary

Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by J.S. Bloor Homes Ltd (the Client) to undertake an Archaeological Trial Trench Evaluation on Phase 3 land (Kings Gate), Boscombe Down, Amesbury, Wiltshire (National Grid Reference 416150 140130). The fieldwork was carried out to inform an Environmental Statement which is currently being prepared in support of a planning application for approximately 15ha of residential development (Phase 3: King's Gate (460 units) which is due to be submitted in early 2011. The evaluation was undertaken between November 2010 and January 2011.

A total of ninety-nine trial trenches measuring on average 30m x 2m were sited to investigate the results of a recent geophysical survey and to provide an indication of the density of archaeological features across the proposed development area. The evaluation revealed areas of archaeological activity dating from the Neolithic to post-medieval periods.

The site was bounded to the north and south by two northeast to southwest aligned dry valleys. Concentrations of archaeological remains were located in the southeast of the site along the edge of the southern of these valleys and on the plateau in the centre of the site. At the northern limit of the development area a seemingly isolated crouched inhumation of probable Bronze Age was identified along the northern edge of the northern valley.

The fieldwork produced limited evidence in the southeastern area of the site for Neolithic activity, pottery and worked flint dating to this period was recovered from a pit, although further material was recovered as residual artefacts within tree holes and natural hollows. In addition, fragments from three Early Bronze Age Beakers associated with animal bone were found within a shallow pit. The pottery from both the Neolithic and Beaker features has been identified as amongst the earliest Neolithic and Beaker material found so far within the Boscombe Down Area and are, therefore, potentially of very high archaeological significance.

Three concentrations of intercutting Iron Age quarry pits were identified within the northern section of the evaluation area and may be associated with the settlement on Southmill Hill to the north. This date of activity is relatively rare in the Boscombe Down area and is of potential significance in tracing activity within this period. However, despite the proximity of a number of known large Romano-British cemeteries immediately to the east of the evaluation area, no evidence was found for any further Romano-British burials.

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Trial Trench Evaluation

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Project Background

1.1.1 Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by J.S. Bloor Homes Ltd (the Client) to undertake an archaeological trial trench evaluation on a 15ha block of land referred to as the Phase 3 Land (Kings Gate), Boscombe Down, Amesbury, Wiltshire (hereafter 'the Site') centred on National Grid Reference 416150 140130 (**Figure 1**).

1.1.2 An Environmental Statement is currently being prepared in support of a planning application for approximately 15ha of residential development (Phase 3: King's Gate (460 units) which is due to be submitted in early 2011.

1.1.3 The Phase 3: King's Gate area lies immediately to the southwest of the Archer's Gate development area, which has been the subject of an intensive archaeological investigation since 2002 and which has been shown to contain a very significant number of prehistoric and Romano-British remains. The evaluation has been undertaken to inform the heritage chapter of the Environmental Statement.

1.1.4 A Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) for a rapid (approximately 40ha) and detailed (approximately 15ha) geophysical survey was prepared in October 2010. After consultation with the Wiltshire Council Archaeology Service (WCAS) and based on the initial geophysical survey, an updated WSI for field evaluation was submitted to, and subsequently approved by, WCAS in November 2010 before the commencement of the evaluation (Wessex Archaeology 2010b).

1.1.5 This report presents the results of the evaluation which will be used to inform the scope, extent and nature of any subsequent mitigation which may be required in the future.

2 THE SITE

2.1 The Site, Location and Geology

2.1.1 The Site comprises an irregular block of open rough ground approximately 15ha in area, immediately to the east of the Salisbury to Amesbury road (A345), to the north of the new link road, to the south of Southmill Hill and to the west of the completed Boscombe Down residential development (Archer's Gate) (**Figure 1**).

2.1.2 The Site is located at a height of approximately 108m above Ordnance datum (aOD) within the northern and southern edges of the plateau area which is flanked by dry valleys to the north and south, with a gentle westwards downward slope edge, which extends beyond the Site boundaries. The underlying geology of the area is Upper Chalk of the Cretaceous Period (Geological Survey 1976).

3 ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

3.1 Introduction

3.1.1 The 100ha Boscombe Down site has already been the subject of widespread archaeological survey, evaluation and mitigation.

3.1.2 A full account of the background and results of the previous fieldwork has already been detailed in four assessment reports covering:

- The initial excavations on the new school Site (Wessex Archaeology 2002)
- Large scale excavations to the east of Byway 20 (Wessex Archaeology 2005)
- The excavation of the Byway 20 Romano-British cemetery (Wessex Archaeology 2008)
- Subsequent excavations at the northern edge of the development area and other minor works (Wessex Archaeology 2009), and
- Development of the Phase 1 and 2 Playing fields (Wessex Archaeology 2011)

3.1.3 In summary, the Site lies within an area which is known to contain significant Later Neolithic, Early Bronze Age, Iron Age and Romano-British archaeological remains.

3.1.4 The majority of the archaeological works have been focused on the Archer's Gate development: immediately to the northeast of the Site, along the line of the new link road to the south of the Site and within the Phase 1 and 2 Playing fields area in the centre of the Site (Wessex Archaeology 2005, 2008, 2009 and 2011). However, some limited trial trench evaluation of landscaping areas and a balancing pond was undertaken within the Site during works along the link road (Wessex Archaeology 2005b).

3.1.5 In 2007, an excavation along the eastern edge of the Site along the line of a haul road and refurbishment of the existing Byway 20 identified a large unenclosed Romano-British cemetery, which forms the (presently) western-most element of a group of five enclosed and unenclosed late Romano-British cemeteries (**Figure 1**, Wessex Archaeology 2008).

3.1.6 The Site appeared to contain a significant potential for further archaeological remains. Within the northern half of the Site, there was a high potential for further late Romano-British cemeteries, while in the central and southern areas there is a high potential for further evidence of monuments, barrows and pit features dating from the Late Neolithic to the Iron Age.

4 METHODOLOGY

4.1 Evaluation Strategy

4.1.1 The evaluation was carried out in accordance with the methodology detailed in the Written Scheme of Investigation (Wessex Archaeology 2010a) and consisted of the excavation of 99 trenches, comprising a 4% sample by area, targeted on geophysical anomalies.

4.2 Aims and Objectives

4.2.1 The objectives of the trial trench evaluation as set out in the Standards and guidance for an archaeological evaluation (Institute for Archaeologists 2008) were to;

- clarify the presence/absence and extent of any buried archaeological remains within the development area
- identify, within the constraints of the evaluation, the date, character and condition of any surviving remains within the Site.
- assess the degree of existing impacts to sub-surface horizons and to document the extent of archaeological survival of buried deposits.
- target trenches on anomalies identified as a result of the geophysical survey in order to clarify the nature and presence/absence of the underlying remains.

4.3 Trial Trenching

4.3.1 All trenches were marked out on the ground prior to the commencement of work and located relative to the Ordnance Survey (OS) National Grid. Topsoil and overburden were removed using a 360° tracked excavator fitted with a toothless bucket, working under the continuous direct supervision of a suitably experienced archaeologist. Spoil was stockpiled at a safe distance from the edge of trenches, with topsoil and subsoil stockpiled separately.

4.3.2 Topsoil and modern overburden were removed in a series of level spits down to the top of the first significant archaeological horizon. Excavation ceased at a depth of 1.2m in accordance with Health and Safety guidelines, or at the top of archaeological features or deposits if encountered.

4.3.3 Following excavation and recording, all trenches were carefully backfilled on completion using excavated material in accordance with best practice, but not otherwise reinstated.

4.3.4 The crouched inhumation burial exposed in Trench **341** was left *in-situ* and carefully covered and marked after recording, prior to the trench being backfilled.

4.4 Archaeological Excavation and Recording

4.4.1 All archaeological and potentially archaeological features exposed in the trial trenches were cleaned and recorded in plan at an appropriate scale. Care was taken to be minimally intrusive and where possible and not to compromise the integrity of archaeological features or deposits, which might better be investigated under the conditions pertaining to full excavation.

4.4.2 All archaeological features and deposits encountered were recorded using WA *pro forma* recording sheets and a continuous unique numbering system. Plans at appropriate scales were prepared, showing the areas investigated and their relation to more permanent topographical features. The plans show the location of contexts observed and recorded in the course of the investigation. Other plans, sections and elevations of archaeological

features and deposits were drawn at 1:10, 1:20 and 1:50 (as appropriate). All drawings were made in pencil on permanent drafting film.

4.4.3 The spot height of all principal features and levels was calculated in metres relative to Ordnance Datum, correct to two decimal places. Plans, sections and elevations were annotated with spot heights as appropriate.

4.4.4 Photographs were taken as necessary to produce a photographic record consisting of 35mm monochrome prints and colour slides. Digital images were also taken to support report preparation. Photographs were taken of areas prior to trenching and after backfilling.

4.5 Finds Collection

4.5.1 All finds were recorded by context and significant objects recorded in three dimensions. All recovered objects have been retained unless they are undoubtedly of modern or recent origin. The presence of modern objects was, however, noted on context records. In these circumstances sufficient material was retained to elucidate the date and function of the deposit from which it was recovered. Animal bones were recovered by hand during excavation and processed as part of the finds assemblage. Animal bone recovered from bulk samples was also retained for analysis.

4.6 Environmental Sampling and Processing

4.6.1 The environmental sampling strategy followed the guidance set out in *Environmental Archaeology: a guide to the theory and practice of methods, from sampling and recovery to post-excavation* (English Heritage 2002). Bulk environmental soil samples were taken from sealed archaeological features for plant macrofossils, small animal bones and small artefacts.

5 RESULTS

5.1 Introduction

5.1.1 The archaeological evaluation was undertaken between Monday 29th November 2010 and Friday 7th January 2010. A total of 99 trenches, each on average, 30m x 2m, were excavated during the evaluation (**Figures 2 to 6**).

5.1.2 The evaluation revealed targeted areas of archaeological activity dating from the Late Bronze Age to post-medieval periods. The results are discussed below in chronological period order. A number of features and deposits remain undated, but are described, along with their possible association and significance to other positively dated archaeological features.

5.1.3 There was good correlation between the results of the geophysical survey and the evaluation. The majority of the targeted geophysical anomalies which had been classified as *probable archaeology* were positively confirmed as archaeological features. In contrast, the vast majority of the targeted geophysical anomalies which had been classified as *possible archaeology* were shown to be either geological or natural in origin. Neither the crouched inhumation (Trench **341**) nor the Bronze Age Beaker pit (Trench **423**) was identified during the geophysical survey.

- 5.1.4 The underlying natural deposits comprised predominately Upper Chalk of the Cretaceous with angular to fine soliflucted chalk with periglacial 'tiger' stripping and/or hollows of reddish brown clay with flint. This was overlain on the plateau in the centre and west of the Site by an intermittent layer of reddish brown silty loam subsoil through which modern plough scarring was evident. A thin topsoil of mid to dark grey brown silty loam with sparse to occasional small to medium sub-angular chalk and flint inclusions sealed the subsoil.
- 5.1.5 Two northeast to southwest aligned dry valleys were identified at the northwestern and southeastern extents of the Site. Where trenches intersected with these dry valleys a colluvial layer of mid to dark brown silty loam separated the subsoil from the underlying chalk. The extent of the colluvium varied but was at its deepest was approximately 0.8m deep and was characterised by defined flint gravel bands present along both the upper and lower horizons, resulting from post-depositional particle sorting.
- 5.1.6 This report provides a summary of the information derived from the trial trench evaluation. Detailed trench summaries containing a brief description of all of the features uncovered are provided in **Appendix 1**. It should be noted that to avoid any duplication in context numbers between this and previous phases of fieldwork, trench numbers used were **340-441** with context numbers in the range **60,100-60,700**.
- 5.1.7 The results are presented in chronological period order, numbers in bold are deposit and feature context numbers. A phased interpretation is provided in the Discussion (see Section 8 below).

5.2 Results

Neolithic (4000-2400 BC)

- 5.2.1 One pit feature (**60541** in Trench **392**) containing Earlier Neolithic pottery was identified in the southeast corner of the evaluation area, with a small quantity of residual pottery found in a tree hole (**60632** in Trench **438**) also in the southeast area and within a possible natural geological feature (**60341** in Trench **353**) within the northern part of the evaluation area.
- 5.2.2 The isolated pit **60541** measured 3.39m in length, 1.8m in width and 0.8m in depth (**Figure 5, Plate 3**) and it is likely that the pit was originally very steep sided but that the unstable chalk natural eroded rapidly resulting in fairly irregular sides. Abraded pottery fragments dating to the Neolithic together with several pieces of animal bone were found within the basal fill which was deposited prior to the collapse of the feature sides. It is possible that the pit, which lies approximately 10m north of a dry valley, may have been a reused tree hole.
- 5.2.3 To the west of pit **60541** a fragment of similar Neolithic pottery was also recovered from the tertiary fills of tree hole **60632** in Trench **438** (**Figure 4**). This feature was a sub-oval irregular hollow (2.5m x 1.6m x 0.82m) and was filled with a moderately sorted deposit of weathered/disturbed chalk and collapsed topsoil from an upturned root bole. A larger tree hole **60630** recorded at the northern end of the trench was not found to contain any artefacts.

Bronze Age (2400-700BC)*Beaker Pit 60444*

5.2.4 A shallow sub-rectangular pit **60444** measuring 1.3m north to south and 1m east to west and surviving to 0.2m in depth was recorded within the centre of Trench **423** in the southern part of the evaluation area (**Figure 5, Plate 1**). Fragments of three Beaker (Early Bronze Age) vessels (one of these being largely complete, Object **12500**) and several heavily abraded fragments of animal bone were recovered from the pit. Due to the extremely cold and icy conditions and the shallow profile of the pit it was deemed necessary to block lift the largely complete vessel and its immediate fills as one unit.

5.2.5 The pit had been deliberately backfilled with a loose mixed deposit of mid-light brown silty loam with small to medium sub-angular chalk and flint inclusions derived from the initial upcast of topsoil and soliflucted chalk created during the excavation of the pit. The pit was sealed by a thin layer of subsoil which appeared as an intermittent layer along the length of the trench. Fine rooting was noted throughout the pit backfill and a root/animal burrow was recorded in the northwest corner of the pit.

Burial 60222

5.2.6 At the northern edge of the northern evaluation area, a crouched human inhumation was recorded within a small shallow grave **60222** towards the eastern end of Trench **341** (**Figures 3 and 5, Plate 2**). The inhumation was sealed by a 0.02m deep mid to light grey silty clay and was only partially exposed within the feature. The exposed remains were identified as human and recorded *in-situ* and protected prior to backfilling. The eastern end of Trench **342** intersected with the upper edge of a dry valley and it is thought likely that the burial survived the modern ploughing that scarred the exposed chalk at the western end of the trench due to the presence of colluvial material sealing the grave. Trench **342** was extended southwards however no further inhumations were identified. Though no pottery was observed within the exposed part of the grave, the nature of the burial was similar to those recorded previously at Boscombe which were dated to the Late Bronze Age.

5.2.7 After recording, the human remains were covered with terram and backfilled. No human material was retained.

Iron Age (700BC-AD43)

5.2.8 Three groups of intercutting quarry pits were identified in Trenches **360** (**60377**), **369** (**60378**) and **380** (**60379**), all located on the higher plateau in the northern part of the evaluation area (**Figures 3 and 6, Plates 4 and 5**). The quarry pits recorded in Trenches **360** and **369** were both identified accurately by the geophysical survey and the pits in Trench **380** were identified as a small cropmark in the aerial photographic survey.

5.2.9 Feature **60377** was identified in the geophysical survey as measuring 30m north northwest to south southeast and 13.5m east to west (**Figure 6**). Trench **360** exposed part of the centre of the feature. Excavation revealed a series of intercutting pits measuring between 0.2 and 0.6m deep which were recognisable only after the removal of associated fills. Limited quantities of occupation debris including pottery and bone fragments were recovered predominately from the lower fills of these shallow pits. A deliberate dump of burnt flint and charcoal (**60155**) survived in the undercut edge of one of the

earliest pits in this concentration and highlights the potential for concentrations of deliberately deposited occupation and settlement debris to survive later quarrying. The undulation or hollow created by the quarry pitting was sealed by a tertiary deposit (**60151** and **60166**) appeared to have accumulated after abandonment and may reflect a change in land-use to a more extensive agricultural use.

- 5.2.10 Dominating the eastern half of Trench **369**, a second pit group **60378** was identified in the geophysical survey as measuring 18m north to south and 7.5m east to west (**Figure 2**). A small section was excavated at the eastern end of the feature revealing a shallow undulating profile indicative of quarrying. An east to west aligned auger transect was then undertaken across the width of the feature. Results demonstrated a slightly undulating profile extending to 0.6m at its deepest point in the centre of the feature. A series of three principal deposits were noted comprising a basal layer of weathered chalk, intermittently overlain by a secondary deposit of eroded topsoil chalk. A tertiary topsoil derived layer of mid yellow brown silty clay containing fragments of pottery capped the feature and is thought to have accumulated after abandonment (**Figure 6, Plate 4**).
- 5.2.11 A third pit group **60379**, measuring 8.3m in length and extending beyond the width of the Trench **380** was located approximately 120m to the southeast of the pit group in Trench **369** (**Figure 2**) This feature incorporated several quarry pits varying in size from 0.4 to 0.6m deep and 1m to 1.3m diameter (**Figure 6 Plate 5**) which were only distinguishable on excavation. At the southern end of this group a well defined 0.6m deep pit with steep concave sides and a flat base was encircled along its southern side by a shallow pitted gully. The pottery and animal bone recovered from associated pit fills indicate the re-use of these probable quarry pits for domestic rubbish disposal.

Modern features

- 5.2.12 The majority of Trench **349** within the northern evaluation area contained hard-standing (**60186**) relating to a construction haul road, possibly a passing place (**Figure 2**). The hard-standing cut through the upper surface of the chalk and was therefore left *in-situ*.
- 5.2.13 Two perpendicular shallow linear features (**60339**) and (**60341**) recorded in the northern end of Trench **353** within the center of the northern evaluation area (**Figure 2**) are likely to be either former ploughed out field boundary ditches or geological features. A residual sherd of Neolithic pottery was recovered from the fills of feature **60341** along with a fragment of post-medieval tile.
- 5.2.14 A 0.5m diameter posthole (**60436**) was recorded in the northern end of Trench **398** within the southeastern section of the evaluation area (**Figures 2 and 5**). Measuring 0.2m deep the colour and compaction of the slumped topsoil filling the hole was indicative of a modern origin.
- 5.2.15 A modern field boundary/track (**60688**) aligned northeast to southwest adjacent to the extant boundary was recorded in Trench **401** within the western part of the evaluation area, together with evidence of modern rutting/disturbance in Trench **400** (**Figure 4**).

- 5.2.16 A modern field ditch aligned east to west was recorded at the southern end of Trench **426** parallel to the extant farm access track. The ditch cut was visible within the base of the topsoil.

Undated features

- 5.2.17 A poorly defined possible posthole (**60132**) 0.6m in diameter and 0.2m deep was recorded in Trench **344** at the edge of the northern evaluation area and was cut through the base of colluvial deposits (**Figure 2** and **3**). No post-pipe was evident with the slumped re-worked colluvium filling the feature.
- 5.2.18 Also within the northern edge of the northern evaluation area was recorded a northeast to southwest aligned shallow concave ditch (**60538**) at the southern end of Trench **346** (**Figures 2** and **3**). The feature was observed as cutting only the subsoil and was 0.7m wide and 0.15m deep and extended across the width of the trench. The appearance and very loose compaction of the associated fill suggests a fairly modern origin for this feature.
- 5.2.19 Aligned north to south a shallow though well defined field ditch **60107** was recorded in Trench **347** (**Figures 2** and **3**). The ditch was 1.5m wide and 0.4m deep and filled with a fairly sterile secondary fill. A moderately large tree hole **60128** that lay adjacent to the ditch and was filled with a similar deposit is thought to be part of the same field boundary.
- 5.2.20 Towards the southeastern corner of the Site were the shallow remains of a probable field boundary. Recorded in Trenches **373**, **396**, **397** and **423**, a broadly north-south aligned 'u-shaped' ditch was found, represented by ditches **60589** (Trench **373**), **60460** (Trench **397**), **60429** (Trench **396**) and **60441** (Trench **423**) (**Figure 5**). In Trench **396** the shallow remains of a second perpendicular ditch, **60431** was also present. The ditch sections measured on average 1.15m in width and were between 0.1m and 0.4m deep. The boundary was deepest in Trenches **373**, **397** and **423** where the feature was sealed by subsoil. All the ditches were filled with primary weathering overlain by secondary silting. No anthropogenic components were noted. The lack of charcoal and burnt flint within the secondary sequence in addition to the absence of pottery and animal bone suggest that these ditches were not in close proximity to settlement when in use. A shallow irregular linear area of bioturbation **60446** was recorded parallel to ditch **60441** in Trench **423** and may be remnants of an associated hedge (**Figure 5**).
- 5.2.21 Within Trench **381** in the eastern part of the evaluation area, a 2m wide north to south aligned shallow pitted linear feature **60298**, is thought to be the remains of a hedge and is likely to be the remains of a modern field boundary (**Figure 3**). A 1.9m diameter steep sided pit **60360** which was 0.5m deep and filled with gradually accumulated weathered topsoil was located 7m to the west of the hedge.
- 5.2.22 A sub-circular probable pit **60423** recorded in Trench **385** had a diameter of 2.6m and was 0.6m deep (**Figure 4**). The colour of the reworked topsoil within the pit indicated the presence of degraded organic material, however no charcoal or artefacts were observed.

Natural Features

- 5.2.23 In the northwest of the Site a broadly northeast to southwest aligned dry valley was recorded in Trenches **340-345**. In the southeast of the Site a dry valley was recorded within Trenches **391, 425-428** and **441**.
- 5.2.24 A majority of the trial trenches contained features resulting from natural processes predominately water derived erosion hollows or disturbance from vegetation which formed as irregular undulating hollows filled by either reddish brown silty clay or light brown silty loam, both were predominately subsoil derived deposits.
- 5.2.25 Features including large tree holes to small c-shaped features indicative of rooting or burrowing were excavated in 44 trenches (Trenches: **341, 342, 344, 347, 348, 350, 351, 353, 361, 362, 364, 365, 367, 370, 371, 376, 379, 381, 382, 383, 385, 387, 398, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 408, 412, 413, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 423, 425, 431, 438** and **440**) (**Figure 2**).
- 5.2.26 Narrow, sinuous linear probable water erosion channels were recorded in Trenches **342** and **345**, on the southeast facing slope and Trench **353** on the northwest facing slope of the dry valley at the northern end of the Site (**Figure 2**). The channels formed as sinuous linear features with irregular pitted or concave bases and were filled with sterile clay loam deposits of eroded topsoil/subsoil and chalk.

6 FINDS

6.1 Introduction

- 6.1.1 The trial trenching produced a small finds assemblage, consisting almost entirely of three material types – animal bone, worked flint and pottery. Datable finds indicate that the overwhelming majority of the assemblage is of prehistoric date; there are a very few later objects. A finds summary is contained in **Appendix 1, Table 1**.
- 6.1.2 All finds were processed in accordance with the Institute for Archaeologists' *Standard and Guidance for the collection, documentation, conservation and research of archaeological materials* (IFA 2001, revised 2008). All artefacts were, as a minimum, washed, marked, counted, weighed and identified. Spot dating of finds was undertaken during the course of the fieldwork in order to inform excavation strategy. Objects that required immediate conservation treatment to prevent deterioration were treated according to guidelines laid down in *First Aid for Finds*.

6.2 Pottery

- 6.2.1 Of the 271 sherds recovered, all but four are prehistoric, and these range in date from the Neolithic to Iron Age. This includes 140+ sherds from a single context, representing the remains of two, perhaps three separate Beaker vessels. The remaining four sherds are Romano-British.
- 6.2.2 The condition of the assemblage is fair to poor; the prehistoric sherds are generally in soft-firing fabrics and have suffered relatively high levels of surface and edge abrasion.

Neolithic (Peterborough Ware)

- 6.2.3 Three contexts produced sherds of Peterborough ware. Three sherds (7g) in a shell-tempered fabric were recovered from pit **60541**. This includes a decorated body sherd and a rim with whipped cord maggot impressed decoration from an Ebbsfleet style bowl. The third sherd is plain. The use of Ebbsfleet Ware overlaps with the use of Decorated Bowl and is generally accepted as being of mid to late 4th millennium BC date (3550-3350 cal BC). This is the earliest pottery to be found at the current Boscombe Down excavations. A second rim and a body sherd (14g) from tree hole **60632**, in a similar shell-tempered fabric, could also be accommodated in the Ebbsfleet style. The rim is worn but appears to be decorated with possible bone impressions. A third small sherd (1g) (shallow linear feature **60341**) on the basis of its fabric (ill-sorted angular flint) could be of this date or slightly earlier however it should be noted that a fragment of post-medieval tile was also recovered from this context.
- 6.2.4 Very little Peterborough Ware has been found at Boscombe Down and therefore this, albeit, small quantity of pottery represents an important find. The only other Peterborough Ware from Boscombe was found on the east side of the link road.

Late Bronze Age (All-Over-Cord Beaker)

- 6.2.5 Forty sherds (212 g) and another 100+ fragments (98g) from at least two and possibly three vessels with All-Over-Cord (AOC) impressed decoration were found in pit **60444**. Most of the sherds appear to refit to form a relatively small low-carinated typically bell-shaped Beaker. The cord is all Z-twisted (S-impressed) and generally fine. One of at least two rims has internal decoration that consists of a twin or paired line of Z-twisted cord. Two fabrics are present: one is relatively fine with few inclusions and the other is heavily grog-tempered. In appearance this material is very close to the assemblage of AOC Beakers recovered from the Bowmen Beaker grave (Fitzpatrick *forthcoming*). This grave along with that of the Amesbury Archer contained some of the earliest Beaker burials from Britain (c. 2400 cal BC). These finds could represent important and equally early settlement or ritual activity of complementary date to the burials.
- 6.2.6 It has long been argued that the All-Over-Cord group is amongst the earliest styles as similar Beaker pottery is found across northwest Europe and at an equally early date (Needham 2005; Clarke 1976). The presence of at least one low-carinated vessel and possibly a second with internal rim decoration would certainly be consistent with a late 25th or 24th century BC date. This is the fourth feature at Boscombe Down to produce AOC pottery, which within the wider context of the Stonehenge landscape is quite exceptional (see Fitzpatrick *forthcoming*). To what extent this reflects the scale of works is a moot point.
- 6.2.7 Paired cord impressions, as noted on the rim above, are quite rare in Britain but do occur on a sherd from Stonehenge, on a sherd found at Downton and on a number of vessels from the henge site at Mount Pleasant, Dorset (Fitzpatrick *forthcoming*).

Late prehistoric

- 6.2.8 Just under half of the assemblage (121 sherds) has been dated as Iron Age. These sherds are mostly in sandy fabrics, some also containing sparse shell inclusions; three sherds are in shelly fabrics. There are three diagnostic forms, comprising two rim sherds from short-necked furrowed bowls (both from fill **60584**, pit **60687** in quarry hollow **60387** Trench **360**), and a fingertip impressed shoulder (secondary fill of pit **60310**, quarry pits **60389** Trench **380**). Forms and fabrics combined indicate a date range in the Early Iron Age; the short-necked furrowed bowls fall within Cunliffe's Early All Cannings Cross style, dated as 8th to 7th centuries BC (Cunliffe 1991, fig. A:2).

Romano-British

- 6.2.9 Four sherds are Romano-British. One of these is a coarse greyware from topsoil in Trench **341**; the other three, all from a secondary fill of natural hollow **60139**, are in Oxfordshire colour coated ware.

6.3 Ceramic Building Material

- 6.3.1 Two pieces of CBM were recovered, one from a Romano-British tile of undiagnostic form (pit **60423**) and one from a post-medieval roof tile (shallow linear feature **60341**).

6.4 Worked and Burnt Flint

- 6.4.1 Worked flint consists largely of miscellaneous flake debitage; there is one possible crudely made scraper, and a possible fabricator. Raw material is in all cases flint derived from the upper chalk, dark grey with a white cortex, and most pieces have a heavy mottled, bluey-white patination. The levels of edge damage are high, consistent with a degree of reworking and redeposition. Neither of the two possible tools are chronologically distinctive, and the assemblage can only be broadly dated as Late Neolithic or later. The characteristics, however, are not dissimilar to the lithic assemblage recovered from previous phases of fieldwork at Boscombe Down, associated with Grooved Ware and Beaker ceramics.
- 6.4.2 Burnt, unworked flint was recovered from a single context (a deliberate dump of hearth debris in pit **60156** Trench **360**). This material type is intrinsically undatable, although frequently taken as an indicator of prehistoric activity. In this instance there was no other dating evidence from the pit, but the preponderance of other prehistoric finds from the Site supports a prehistoric date for the burnt flint.

6.5 Animal Bone

Introduction

- 6.5.1 A total of 110 fragments (or 362g) of animal bone were recovered from 11 separate contexts during the evaluation. Once conjoins are taken into account this figure falls to just 41 fragments, most (76%) of which were recovered by hand during the normal course of excavation, the rest were retrieved from the sieved residues of two bulk soil samples (**11001** and **11002**). The material is poorly preserved (i.e. root etched) and fragmented, and as a result only a small fraction (36%) could be identified to species and skeletal element.

Method

- 6.5.2 The assemblage was rapid scanned and the following information quantified where applicable: species, skeletal element, preservation condition, fusion data, tooth ageing data, butchery marks, metrical data, gnawing, burning, surface condition, pathology and non-metric traits. This information was directly recorded into a relational database (in MS Access) and cross-referenced with relevant contextual information and spot dating evidence.

Results

Late Neolithic/Early Bronze Age

- 6.5.3 Sixteen bone fragments were recovered from the fills of the Beaker and Neolithic pits **60444** and **60541**, respectively (Trenches **423** and **392**). Only one fragment could be identified to species, the rest are too small and abraded. The identified bone is a proximal fragment of cattle tibia shaft from pit **60541**.

Early Iron Age

- 6.5.4 Nineteen bone fragments were recovered from the fills of five Iron Age pits. The identified fragments are listed below by feature:

- pit **60147** sheep/goat - distal metacarpal shaft fragment and two upper molars,
- pit **60157** cattle - one upper molar and a fragment of right proximal tibia shaft,
- pit **60158** cattle - horn core from an immature individual,
- pit **60310** cattle – one upper molar and a near complete right radius, sheep/goat – distal metacarpal shaft fragment and left proximal tibia shaft,
- pit **60687** sheep/goat – lower first or second molar.

Post-medieval/modern

- 6.5.5 A complete sheep/goat mandible was recovered from fill **60537** of post-medieval ditch **60538**. Tooth wear analysis suggests the animal was c.6-8 years of age (MWS H after Payne 1973). Modern posthole **60436** produced one unidentifiable fragment of bone.

Undated

- 6.5.6 Three fragments of bone were recovered from undated tree hole **60225** and pit **60315**. The identified fragments include a piece of cattle-sized scapula blade and the distal shaft of a sheep/goat metacarpal.

Conclusions

- 6.5.7 The assessment results indicate that soil conditions within the evaluation area are generally unfavourable for bone preservation. It is likely therefore that any animal bone recovered from the proposed development site will have limited potential beyond basic species and element identifications.

7 PALAEOENVIRONMENTAL

7.1 Introduction

Environmental samples taken

7.1.1 Five bulk samples were taken from a Beaker pit **60444** in Trench **423** and two Neolithic/Iron Age pits **60156** and **60541** in Trenches **360** and **392** to evaluate the presence and preservation of palaeo-environmental remains. The samples were processed for the recovery and assessment of charred plant remains and charcoals and this information can assist in providing an indication of the significance of the archaeological site as a whole.

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 stereo-binocular microscope and the preservation and nature of the charred plant and wood charcoal remains recorded in **Appendix 2, Table 2**. Preliminary identifications of dominant or important taxa are noted below, following the nomenclature of Stace (1997).

7.2.2 The flots were generally small with high numbers of roots and modern seeds, in particular those of goosefoot (*Chenopodium* sp.), that are indicative of stratigraphic movement and the possibility of contamination by later intrusive elements. Charred material comprised varying degrees of preservation.

7.2.3 The few charred remains recovered from Beaker pit **60444** comprised a grain of free-threshing wheat (*Triticum turgidum/aestivum* type) and a seed of meadow grass/cat's tail (*Poa/Phleum* sp.), together with a number of seeds of goosefoot, which were probably modern intrusions.

7.2.4 The Neolithic pit **60541** from Trench **392** contained a charred grain of possible wheat (*Triticum* sp.) and a moderate number of hazelnut (*Corylus avellana*) shell fragments.

7.2.5 These assemblages are similar to others seen during previous work in the Boscombe Down area. The presence of charred free-threshing wheat in the Beaker pit is likely to represent intrusive material, given the high number of roots.

7.3 Wood Charcoal

7.3.1 Wood charcoal was noted from the flots of the bulk samples and is recorded in **Table 2**. Wood charcoal fragments were only retrieved in small quantities from these features.

7.4 Land Snails

7.4.1 Land snails were noted within the bulk sample flots. These flots were rapidly assessed by scanning under a x 10 – x 40 stereo-binocular microscope to provide some information about species representation, with nomenclature

according to Kerney (1999). The presence of these shells may aid in broadly characterising the nature of the wider landscape.

- 7.4.2 The molluscs observed in the samples from Beaker pit **60444** included the shade-loving species *Discus rotundatus*, *Clausilia bidentata*, *Carychium tridentatum*, *Acanthinula aculeata* and *Oxychilus cellarius*, the intermediate species *Cepaea* sp., *Trichia hispida*, and *Punctum pygmaeum* and the open-country species *Helicella itala*, *Vallonia* spp., *Pupilla muscorum* and *Vertigo pygmaea*.
- 7.4.3 The mollusc assemblage from Iron Age pit **60156** was more dominated by open-country species. These included shells of *Vallonia* spp., *Helicella itala*, *Pupilla muscorum* and *Vertigo pygmaea* together with a few shells of the intermediate species *Trichia hispida* and *Punctum pygmaeum*. Whereas there were more shade-loving and intermediate species in the assemblage from Iron Age pit **60541**. These species included the shade-loving species *Discus rotundatus*, *Oxychilus cellarius*, *Clausilia bidentata*, *Carychium tridentatum*, *Aegopinella nitidula*, *Acanthinula aculeata* and *Vitrea* spp. and the intermediate species *Cepaea* sp., *Trichia hispida* and *Pomatias elegans*. There were also a number of open-country species present, including *Vallonia* spp., *Pupilla muscorum* and *Helicella itala*.
- 7.4.4 These mollusc assemblages are reflective of a generally open environment with some areas of shade in the vicinity, such as long grass or micro-habitats within the pits themselves. They are similar to other assemblages seen else where in the Boscombe area.

8 DISCUSSION

8.1 Overview

Early prehistoric features

- 8.1.1 The archaeological evaluation which was carried out across the 15ha proposed development area has identified a number of significant concentrations of archaeological activity of both Neolithic/Bronze Age and Iron Age date spread through the evaluation area.
- 8.1.2 The previous extensive excavations undertaken from 2004 to 2010 within the Playing fields and land to the northeast corner of the Boscombe Down development area had identified a large number of Neolithic, Early and later Bronze Age monuments, barrows and burials, ritual pits and settlement activity. This activity was largely concentrated within the area of the central plateau and high land at the northern edge of the development area.
- 8.1.3 The discovery of isolated Neolithic and Beaker pits (Trench **392**, pit **60541** and Trench **423**, pit **60444**), together with a number of residual sherds of similar Neolithic material within tree holes is not unexpected and fits in with the general pattern of earlier prehistoric activity within the Site.
- 8.1.4 However, although the number of early prehistoric features found in the southeastern area is low, the finds assessment has emphasised the very high significance of the Neolithic and Beaker pottery, which comprises some of the earliest material from these periods found within the Boscombe Down area.

- 8.1.5 Although there may be some potential for further similar features, especially within the southeast evaluation area, it should be noted that the low number of identified features is likely to reflect a diminishing level of prehistoric activity as you approach the edges of the plateau area.
- 8.1.6 The discovery of the undated but likely Bronze Age crouched burial **60222** in Trench **341** is also not unexpected. A large number of similar prehistoric burials – up to 38 individuals – have been excavated within and immediately adjacent to the Site (Barclay 2010). Although the majority of these burials were located within the main plateau area or the high land immediately at the northern edge of the development area, this burial is situated on the lower slopes of the northern dry valley, a similar position to one Beaker burial (**12125**) which was identified within the base of the southern dry Valley during works on the western end of the link road (Wessex Archaeology 2009).
- 8.1.7 Recent updated cropmark and geophysical survey evidence has identified a number of potential new barrow sites within Southmill Hill and to the west of the Playing field area (**Figure 1**). This evidence reinforces the existing potential for new prehistoric burials, at least within the northern section of the evaluation area.

Iron Age features

- 8.1.8 One interesting result of the evaluation was the identification of the Iron Age quarry pit clusters **60377**, **60378** and **60379** (Trenches **360**, **369** and **380**, respectively) found within the northern section of the evaluation area. The previous excavations at Boscombe Down had revealed relatively few features dated to the Iron Age, despite the proximity of the significant but poorly understood Iron Age enclosed settlement on Southmill Hill, immediately to the north (**Figure 1**).
- 8.1.9 A similar cluster of Iron Age pits was found during evaluation on the Playing field area (Wessex Archaeology 2011). The features exhibited undulating profiles typical found of successive intercutting quarrying. None of the pits extended far into the underlying solid chalk suggesting the deliberate extraction of the soliflucted looser material prevalent in this area. Relatively little anthropogenic material was found within the subsequent quarry pit fills which implies that extracted material was removed from the immediate vicinity and that these extraction hollows were sited away from the principal settlement/ activity areas.
- 8.1.10 The potential Early Iron Age date of some of the recovered material is important in the understanding of the nature and date of Iron Age activity within the Site and has possible implications regarding the origins of the enclosed settlement. The quarry features were easily identified in the geophysical survey and there appears little potential for further features, although investigation of the identified features will have significant potential in understanding the date and nature of Iron Age activity within the Site.

Romano-British features

- 8.1.11 Perhaps the largest surprise from the evaluation results was the complete absence of any evidence for Romano-British Burials, especially within the northern evaluation area. Previous work has uncovered over 300 burials from this period, with a large number of these burials being contained within

well defined enclosed and unenclosed cemetery areas (**Figure 1**) (Wessex Archaeology 2002, 2005 and 2008).

- 8.1.12 Given the nature and size of the cemeteries, it appears highly unlikely that any further large cemeteries are located within the evaluation area. It is possible that isolated or single Romano-British burials may be present, although it should be noted that this type of burial accounts for only a very small proportion of the burials found to date. Accordingly, the results of the evaluation appear to suggest a substantial reduction in the potential for further Romano-British burials within the proposed development area.

9 STORAGE AND CURATION

9.1 Museum

- 9.1.1 The archive is currently stored at Wessex Archaeology's office in Salisbury under the project code 65534. The complete project archive will be prepared in accordance with the relevant standards set out in 'Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment' (MoRPHE), English Heritage (2006), Wessex Archaeology's Guidelines for Archive Preparation and in accordance with *Guidelines for the preparation of excavation archives for long-term storage (UKIC 1990)*. In due course the complete archive will be deposited with Salisbury and South Wiltshire Museum.

9.2 Preparation of Archive

- 9.2.1 The complete Site archive, which will include paper records, photographic records, graphics, artefacts and ecofacts, and digital data, will be prepared following the standard conditions for the acceptance of excavated archaeological material, and in general following nationally recommended guidelines (Walker 1990; SMA 1995; Richards and Robinson 2000; Brown 2007).
- 9.2.2 All archive elements are marked with the Site code (65534), and a full index will be prepared.

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APPENDIX 1: FINDS AND PALAEO-ENVIRONMENTAL TABLES
Table 1: All finds by context (number/weight in grammes)

Context	Animal Bone	Worked Flint	Pottery	Other Finds
60141			3/10	
60149	1/28		28/111	
60150			44/191	
60152		1/17		
60155	3/1			1585g burnt flint
60160	12/17	2/19		
60162	14/90			
60164			26/114	
60185			1/3	
60215		1/4		
60220			1/9	
60226	20/27			
60261		2/12		
60309	6/116	1/6	9/116	
60314	6/5		4/19	
60341				1 CBM
60343		1/1	1/1	
60356			1/27	
60424				1 CBM
60437	1/1			
60445	19/13	1/27	140/310	
60480		4/46		
60482		3/22		
60489		3/18		
60491		3/29		
60497		1/1		
60498		1/1		
60537	17/27			
60543	8/35		3/7	
60584	3/2		8/27	
60633			2/14	
Unstrat.		1/33		
TOTAL	110/362	25/236	271/959	

CBM = ceramic building material

Table 2: Assessment of the charred plant remains and charcoal

Samples				Flot							
Feature	Context	Sam ple	Vol. Ltrs	Flot (ml)	% roots	Charred Plant Remains				Charcoal >4/2mm	Other
						Grain	Chaff	Other	Comments		
Tr 423											
Beaker Pit/Grave											
60444	60445	11001	18	30	50	C	-	C	F-t wheat grain frag, <i>Poa/Phleum, Chenopodium</i> (prob. modern)	1/1 ml	Moll-t (A*)
60444	60248	11003	0.5	1	35	-	-	-	-	-	Moll-t (B)
60444	60445	11004	4	10	50	-	-	-	<i>Chenopodium</i> modern) (prob.	0/<1 ml	Moll-t (A)
Tr 360											
Iron Age Pit											
60156	60155	11000	4	30	30	-	-	-	-	4/5 ml	Moll-t (A*), Sab (C)
Tr 392											
Neolithic Pit											
60541	60543	11002	9	15	50	C	-	B	?Wheat grain frag, <i>Corylus</i> <i>avellana</i> shell frags	0/1 ml	Moll-t (A*)

Key:

A*** = exceptional, A** = 100+, A* = 30-99, A = >10, B = 9-5, C = <5; Sab = small animal bones, Moll-t = terrestrial molluscs

APPENDIX 2: TRENCH SUMMARIES

Trench 340	Dimensions: 10m x 2m x 1.2m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 415970.569, 140412.370, 101.3m aOD; (NE) 415977.614, 140418.639, 101.7m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60372	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60373	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.25-0.35m
60374	Colluvium	Mid – dark reddish brown silty loam. Post-depositional particle sorted resulting in upper and lower flint gravel interfaces	0.35-1.1m
60375	Natural	Loose-fine soliflucted chalk with reddish brown clay with flint	1.1-1.2m
Trench shortened at NE end due to footpath. Modern field boundary present at SW end. Majority of the trench within dry valley.			

Trench 341	Dimensions: 30m x 5m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416022.392, 140462.691, 102.4m aOD, (NE) 416022.706, 140462.597, 102.346m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60220	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.28
60221	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint. Layer increased in depth west to east depicting edge of fry valley	0.28-0.8m
60376	Natural	Loose-fine soliflucted chalk	0.28m+
60222	Grave	Oval shallow grave. Not fully excavated. FB 60223, 60224	
60223	Deliberate deposit	A mid grey brown clay loam with occasional small sub-angular chalk and flint. Derived from original upcast. FO 60222	
60224	Inhumation	A crouched inhumation. Sealed by 60223 within grave 60222. Partially exposed. Recorded and left <i>in-situ</i>	
60230	Natural hollow	Irregular feature with undulating base and moderate irregular sides. Investigated due to proximity to grave 60222	
60231	Primary deposit	Initial weathering of feature sides. FO 60230	
60232	Tertiary deposit	Weathering of surrounding topsoil within undulation. FO 60230	

Trench 342	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.86m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416010.437, 140431.226, 101.547m aOD; (NE) 416037.285, 140439.317, 101.855m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60527	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60528	Colluvium	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint. Post-depositional particle sorted resulting in upper and lower flint gravel interfaces	0.25-0.86m
60529	Tertiary deposit	Mid reddish brown clay loam with frequent sub-angular flint. FO 60533	-
60530	Tertiary deposit	Grey brown loam with sparse small sub-angular flint. FO 60533	-
60531	Tertiary deposit	Dark reddish brown clay loam with occasional sub-angular flint. FO 60534	-
60532	Natural hollow	Erosion hollow at base of dry valley	-
60533	Natural hollow	Erosion hollow at base of dry valley	-
60573	Natural	Loose-fine soliflucted chalk	0.86m+

Trench 343	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.97m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416042.521, 140459.226, 102.058m aOD; (NE) 416035.67, 140484.977, 102.799m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60194	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.18m
60195	Colluvium	Mid - dark reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.18-0.88m
60196	Colluvium	Mid – dark reddish brown silty loam. Post-depositional particle sorted resulting in this lower flint gravel interfaces	0.88-0.97m
60197	Natural	Loose-fine soliflucted chalk	0.97m+
60198	Pit	Sub-circular possible pit. Moderate-steep concave sides to shallow concave base. FB 60199	-
60199	Primary deposit	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Moderate small-medium sub-angular flint. Mixed appearance suggests weathering of feature sides	-
60200	Tree hole	1.2m x 0.7m x 0.34m. Irregular feature.	
60201	Tertiary deposit	Mid brown silty clay. FO 60200	
Steep N-S gradient through trench. Overburden at N end = c0.25m. Broadly demarcates the edge of the dry valley associated with Trenches 340, 342 and 344			

Trench 344	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.9m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416053.398, 140473.835, 102.325m aOD; (NE) 416074.439, 140490.49, 102.865m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60130	Natural hollow	Irregular hollow cause by the erosion of water at base of dry valley. Sealed by colluvium	-
60131	Natural hollow	Irregular hollow cause by the erosion of water at base of dry valley. Sealed by colluvium	-
60132	Posthole	Circular possible posthole. Moderate – steeply concave sides and flat base.	
60133	Tertiary deposit	Tertiary infill - no postpipe. FO 60132	
60190	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.24m
60191	Colluvium	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.24-0.75m
60192	Colluvium	Mid – dark reddish brown silty loam. Post-depositional particle sorted resulting in this lower flint gravel interfaces	0.75-0.89m
60193	Natural	Loose-fine soliflucted chalk	0.89m+
Depth of trench consistent throughout. Located along the base of the dry valley associated with Trenches 340, 342 and 343			

Trench 345	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.6m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416092.531, 140498.226, 102.8898m aOD; (NE) 416099.816, 140524.216, 103.82m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60100	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.2m
60101	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.2-0.3m
60102	Colluvium	Mid – dark reddish brown silty loam. Post-depositional particle sorted resulting in this lower flint gravel interfaces	0.3-0.56m
60103	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.56m+
60104	Erosion channel	N-S aligned following gradient. Initially thought to be ditch however irregular sides and base + sterile fill suggests water erosion channel.	-
60105	Primary deposit.	Sterile disturbed chalk. FO 60104	-
60106	Tertiary deposit	Sterile deposit – eroded subsoil and chalk. FO 60104.	-
60250	Erosion channel	Poorly defined E-W aligned. Irregular sides and base and sterile fills. Probable erosion/natural channel	-
60251	Primary deposit	Sterile disturbed chalk. FO 60250	-
60252	Tertiary deposit	Sterile deposit – eroded subsoil and chalk. FO 60250.	-

Trench 346	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.5m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416126.524, 140543.669, 104.303m aOD; (SE) 416152.496, 140533.603, 104.131m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60535	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60536	Subsoil	Light brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.3-0.5m
60537	Secondary deposit	Mid grey brown silty loam with occasional small sub-angular flint and chalk. Appearance and loose compaction suggests a fairly modern origin. FO 60538	0.5-0.65m
60538	Ditch	NNE-SSW aligned shallow ditch. Moderate concave sides with an undulating base.	0.5-0.65m
60574	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.5m+

Trench 347	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.5m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SE) 416159.28, 140484.149, 103.65m aOD; (NW) 416170.262, 140509.058, 103.956m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60330	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.12m
60331	Subsoil	Dark brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.12-0.24m
60332	Colluvium	Mid – dark reddish brown silty loam. Post-depositional particle sorted resulting in this lower flint gravel interfaces	0.24-0.48m
60107	Ditch	N-S aligned shallow field ditch. Moderate concave sides to a narrow undulating base. Well defined.	0.48-0.87m
60108	Secondary deposit	Mid reddish brown silty clay with occasional small – medium sub-angular flint. FO 60107	0.48-0.87m
60128	Tree hole	Large sub-rounded tree hole. Tap root visible at base.	0.48-1.12m
60129	Tertiary deposit	Reddish brown silty clay + disturbed chalk. FO 60128	0.48-1.12m
60333	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.48m+

Trench 348	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.4m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416117.217, 140459.619, 102.959m aOD; (NE) 416139.108, 140475.961, 103.224m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60134	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60135	Subsoil	Dark brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.25-0.4m
60136	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.4m+
60137	Geology	Reddish brown silty clay loam. Poor definition, slightly curvilinear. Sterile deposit.	0.4-0.64m
60138	Tree hole	Reddish brown silty clay + disturbed chalk. Shallow irregular undulating sides and base	0.4-0.65m

Trench 349	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.5m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416204.181, 140485.752, 104.705m aOD; (SE) 416219.726, 140467.069, 105.399m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60293	Made ground	Levelling layer comprising topsoil and re-deposited chalk.	0-0.13m
60294	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0.13-0.37m
60295	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.37-0.43m
60686	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.43m+
60186	Made ground	Hard standing relating to disused construction haul road	0.13-0.45m+
The trench contained hard-standing relating to construction haul road – a possible passing place. Hard standing truncated the upper surface of the natural and was therefore left <i>in-situ</i> .			

Trench 350	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.45m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416167.69, 140474.168, 103.888m aOD; (SE) 416192.741, 140462.308, 104.834m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60208	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.27m
60209	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.27-0.4m
60210	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.4m+

Trench 351	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.65m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416139.234, 140428.67, 104.031m aOD; (NE) 416166.936, 140429.867, 104.659m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60211	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.22m
60212	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.22-0.63m
60213	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.63m+
60214	Tree hole	Poorly defined shallow undulating sides. Sterile deposit of reddish brown silty clay with disturbed chalk.	0.63-0.75m

Trench 352	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.65m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416106.32, 140434.057, 103.127m aOD; (SE) 416123.335, 140411.098, 104.074m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60202	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.22m
60203	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.22-0.63m
60204	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.63m+

Trench 353	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.4m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416071.433, 140421.578, 102.578m aOD; (SE) 416080.279, 140395.915, 103.908m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60334	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.22m
60335	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.22-0.36m
60336	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.36m+
60337	Hollow/pit	Possible pit – Sub-circular feature with convex sides. Cuts side of linear 60339	0.36-0.98m
60338	Secondary deposit	Mid reddish brown silty clay. Occasional sub-angular flint and moderate chalk. Lenses of fine chalk indicating gradual weathering. A sterile deposit. FO 60337.	-
60339	Linear feature	Broadly aligned E-W a wide shallow linear with irregular slightly sinuous grooves along base. Ploughed out field boundary or erosion channel.	-
60340	Secondary deposit	Sterile mid reddish brown silty clay. Occasional sub-angular flint and moderate chalk. Lenses of fine chalk indicating gradual weathering. FO 60339	-
60341	Linear feature	Broadly aligned N-S a shallow linear with irregular slightly sinuous grooves along base. Ploughed out field boundary or	-

		erosion channel.	
60342	Secondary deposit	Sterile mid reddish brown silty clay. Occasional sub-angular flint and moderate chalk. Lenses of fine chalk indicating gradual weathering. FO 60341	-
60406	Linear feature	Alignment corresponds to gradient. Thought to have been a ditch terminus however sterile fills suggest erosion channel	-
60407	Primary deposit	Disturbed chalk. FO 60406	-
60408	Secondary deposit	Sterile mid reddish brown silty clay. Occasional sub-angular flint and moderate chalk. Lenses of fine chalk indicating gradual weathering. FO 60406	-
This trench encompasses two slopes – south-east to northwest and south to north. Sterile fills of the two linear features may therefore and the broad irregular profiles may be the result of water derived erosion			

Trench 354	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416035.81, 140381.585, 102.914m aOD; (NE) 416052.171, 140405.078, 102.598m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60125	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.2m
60126	Subsoil	Mid brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0.2-0.35
60127	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.35m+

Trench 355	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.4m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416005.341, 140378.35, 101.857m aOD; (NE) 416033.356, 140372.495, 103.125m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60116	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60117	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0.25-0.4
60118	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.4m+

Trench 356	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416017.193, 140347.518, 103.235m aOD; (NE) 416038.594, 140363.198 (103.636m aOD)		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60257	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.24m
60258	Subsoil	Light brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.24-0.35m
60259	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.35m+

Trench 357	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.4m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416023.117, 140333.882, 103.782m aOD, (SE) 416.037.263, 140309.845, 104.659m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60113	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.2m
60114	Subsoil	Mid - light brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.2-0.37m
60115	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.37m+

Trench 358	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SE) 416047.761, 140320.627, 104.668m aOD; (NW) 416054.803, 140345.163, 104.426m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60119	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.2m
60120	Subsoil	Mid - light brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.2-0.35m
60121	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.35m+

Trench 359	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.25m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416058.65, 140362.591, 104.036m aOD; (SE) 416078.355, 140341.971, 104.92m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60122	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.15m
60123	Subsoil	Mid -light brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.15-0.25m
60124	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.25m+

Trench 360	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SE) 416088.003, 140364.918, 104.711m aOD (NW) 416063.38, 140383.296, 103.777m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60143	Secondary deposit	Upper fill of Quarry Grp 60377 – No taken for Auger survey	
60144	Secondary deposit	Upper fill of Quarry Grp 60377 – No taken for Auger survey	
60145	Secondary deposit	Upper fill of Quarry Grp 60377 – No taken for Auger survey	
60146	Secondary deposit	Upper fill of Quarry Grp 60377 – No taken for Auger survey	
60147	Pit	Base of large pit. Majority of features cut away by later pitting. 1.8m width by 0.8m length excavated.	
60148	Secondary deposit	Light brown sandy silt with frequent chalk fragments. FO 60147	

60149	Secondary deposit	Mid brown silty clay with occasional angular flint and moderate chalk fragments. Pottery frags and horn core recovered. FO 60158	
60150	Secondary deposit	Dark – mid brown silty clay. Frequent chalk, medium to large flint fragments and charcoal. Burnt flint and pottery recovered. FO 60158	
60151	Tertiary deposit	Light brown silty clay with moderate chalk and flint. FO 60158	
60152	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.3-0.35m
60153	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60154	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.35m+
60155	Deliberate deposit	Mid brown silty clay with frequent chalk and flint. Abundant charcoal and burnt flint. <i>Environmental Sample 11000</i> . FO 60156. Majority of deposit cut away by later pitting. This deliberate dump of fire debris survived in an undercut edge.	
60156	Pit	Very little of this pit survives later re-cutting. The pit 1.3m x 0.9m x 0.45m predominately encompasses an undercut southern side.	
60157	Pit	Large rubbish pit. Small hand dug intervention.	
60158	Pit	A shallow pit 0.2m deep 0.65m dia. Moderate concave to convex sides	
60159	Secondary deposit	Mid brown silt with occasional chalk flecking, FO 60158	
60160	Secondary deposit	Light brown sandy silt with occasional chalk fragments and animal bone. Gradual accumulation of eroded silts. FO 60147	
60161	Primary deposit	Re-deposited disturbed chalk. FO 60147	
60162	Tertiary deposit	Light brown clay with frequent chalk and chalk grit and occasional animal bones. Gradual accumulation after use. A fairly fine deposit. FO 60157	
60163	Secondary deposit	A thin layer of weathered chalk rapidly formed. FO 60157	
60164	Secondary deposit	Mid reddish brown silty clay with frequent chalk fragments and chalk grit. A banded deposit indicating episodic deposition. Pottery recovered. FO 60157	
60165	Secondary deposit	Mid-dark brown silty clay with moderate chalk and flint fragments. Fairly mixed deposit thought to be derived from erosion of earlier truncated deposits. FO 60157	
60166	Tertiary deposit	Mid reddish brown silty clay with moderate chalk and flint. Gradual deposit after abandonment. FO 60157	
60167	Secondary deposit	Light brown silty clay with abundant large chalk and flint. A mixed deposit of eroded natural deriving from the collapse of undercut edge. FO 60147	

60377	Quarry Hollow	Group number for quarry hollow – Includes 60147, 60159, 60157 and 60158	
Trench extended to SW to ascertain orientation of intercutting pit group.			

Trench 361	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.4m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SE) 416105.384, 140367.323, 104.881m aOD; (NW) 416119.718, 140338.834, 104.418m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60382	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60383	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.3-0.48m
60384	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping and hollows of reddish clay	0.48m+
60385	Natural hollow	Irregular hollow	0.48-0.55m

Trench 362	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.52m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416143.551, 140378.474, 104.771m aOD, (NE) 416142.878, 140407.209, 104.441m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60253	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.32m
60254	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.52m+
60255	Subsoil	Mid brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.32-0.41m
60256	Subsoil	Mid brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular flint, abundant fine to angular chalk. Interface between subsoil and soliflucted chalk natural	0.41-0.52m
60263	Hollow	Sub-circular irregular shallow hollow – Poorly defined. Initially thought to be a pit. One of four in N-S alignment through trench - ? demarcating tree/hedge line?	-
60264	Tertiary deposit	Sterile deposit of mid brown silty clay with occasional small sub-angular chalk and flint. Derived from eroded natural and topsoil. FO 60263	-
60265	Hollow	Sub-circular irregular shallow hollow – Poorly defined. Initially thought to be a pit. One of four in N-S alignment through trench - ? demarcating tree/hedge line?	-
60266	Primary deposit	Sterile deposit of eroded/disturbed chalk. FO 60265	-
60267	Tertiary deposit	Sterile deposit of mid brown silty clay with occasional small sub-angular chalk and flint. Derived from eroded natural and topsoil. FO 60265	-
60268	Hollow	Sub-circular irregular shallow hollow – Poorly defined. Initially thought to be a pit. One of four in N-S alignment through trench - ? demarcating tree/hedge line?	-

60269	Tertiary deposit	Sterile deposit of mid brown silty clay with occasional small sub-angular chalk and flint. Derived from eroded natural and topsoil. FO 60268	-
60270	Hollow	Sub-circular irregular shallow hollow – Poorly defined. Initially thought to be a pit. One of four in N-S alignment through trench - ? demarcating tree/hedge line?	
60271	Tertiary deposit	Sterile deposit of mid brown silty clay with occasional small sub-angular chalk and flint. Derived from eroded natural and topsoil. FO 60270	-

Trench 363	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.46m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SE) 416154.515, 140401.118, 104.615m aOD; (NW) 416177.605, 140417.3, 104.906m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60281	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.33m
60282	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0.33-0.44m
60283	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.44m+
60284	Natural hollow	Sub-rounded hollow with irregular sides and base containing sterile reddish brown silty loam and disturbed chalk.	0.44-0.53m

Trench 364	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.47m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416194.235, 140412.997, 105.363m aOD; (NE) 416179.858, 140436.364, 104.88m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60215	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.21m
60216	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.21-0.42m
60217	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.42m+
60218	Tree hole	Partially exposed large sub-circular tree hole.	-
60219	Tertiary deposit	Sterile deposit of mid brown silty clay with occasional small sub-angular chalk and flint. Derived from eroded natural and topsoil. FO 60218	-
60280	Primary deposit	Sterile deposit of eroded/disturbed chalk. FO 60218	-

Trench 365	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.42m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 4165205.527, 140422.295, 105.444m aOD; (NE) 416227.559, 140439.561, 105.676m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60285	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60286	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.3-0.39m
60287	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.39m+
60288	Natural hollow	Irregular feature with undulating and pitted sides and base. Poor definition containing a mixed deposit of reworked subsoil and chalk.	0.39-0.59m

Trench 366	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416217.831, 140395.197, 105.906m aOD, 416224.081, 140422.868, 105.872m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60289	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60290	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.25m+

Trench 367	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.33m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SE) 416200.028, 140374.541, 105.632m aOD; (NW) 416192.762, 140401.108, 105.26m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60300	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.33m+
60301	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.33m
60370	Natural hollow	Sub-ovular features with poorly defined weathered chalk sides containing light grey brown chalky silt. Likely to be silt crescent of large tree hole.	0.33-0.6m
60371	Natural hollow	Sub-ovular features with poorly defined weathered chalk sides containing light grey brown chalky silt. Likely to be silt crescent of large tree hole.	0.33-0.54m
Trench extended to the west to investigate features 60370 & 60371. Found to be large sub-rounded tree holes.			

Trench 368	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.5m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SE) 416175.444, 140368.505, 105.326m aOD; (NW) 416159.594, 140392.418, 104.819m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60205	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.38m
60206	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-	0.38-

		angular chalk and flint	0.46m
60207	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.46m+

Trench 369	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.4m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416123.429, 140343.277, 105.513m aOD; (NE) 416.150.249, 140350.684, 105.333m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60185	Secondary deposit	Light yellow brown silty clay with abundant chalk and flint fragments and occasional charcoal. Overlain by 60584. Pottery recovered. FO 60687	
60187	Secondary deposit	Mid brown silty clay with occasional chalk and flint. FO 60588	
60581	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60582	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.25-0.32m
60583	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.32m+
60584	Secondary deposit	Recorded by auger survey. Mid grey brown silty clay with occasional chalk fragments. Upper fill. FO 60687	
60586	Primary deposit	Light brown silty clay with abundant chalk fragments. Recorded during auger survey. Lowest fill within hollow. FO 60687	
60588	Quarry hollow	Large irregular quarry hollow likely to have been formed by a concentration of intercutting pits.	
60687	Quarry hollow	Large irregular quarry hollow likely to have been formed by a concentration of intercutting pits.	
60378	Quarry hollow	Group number for large quarry hollow created by successive intercutting pits. Includes 60687 and 60588	
Trench contained a large irregular hollow likely to be a concentration of intercutting shallow pits – feature was identified during the geophysical survey and is similar to that recorded in Trench 360. Notable			

Trench 370	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416109.545, 140324.504, 105.621m aOD; (NE) 416109.39, 140355.268, 105.131m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60579	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60580	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.25m+
60139	Natural hollow	Initially thought to be a pit – probable tree hole. Moderate – steep slightly concave sides to undulating concave base	-
60140	Primary deposit	Weathered chalk. FO 60139	-
60141	Secondary deposit	Mid reddish brown silty clay with frequent chalk and flint inclusions. Pottery. FO	-

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60142	Secondary deposit	Weathered chalk and reddish brown silty clay with occasional chalk and flint inclusions. FO 60139	-
60260	Natural hollow	Initially thought to be a pit – probable tree hole. Moderate – steep slightly concave sides to undulating concave base	-
60261	Secondary deposit	Mixed deposit of weathered chalk and eroded topsoil FO 60261	-

Trench 371	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.4m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416070.25, 140314.67, 105.168m aOD; (NE) 416098.612, 140320.004, 105.492m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60577	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.37m
60578	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.37m+
60225	Tree hole	Large sub-circular tree hole.	-
60226	Tertiary deposit	Dark brown clay loam – Topsoil derived – Fragment of animal bone recovered. FO 60225	-
60227	Tertiary deposit	Light yellow brown silty loam with abundant chalk. Weathering of sides & topsoil. FO 60225	-
60228	Primary deposit	Angular disturbed chalk. FO 60225	-
60229	Tertiary deposit	Re-deposited chalk – collapse of upturned chalk from root ball. FO 60225	-

Trench 372	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416071.766, 140281.459, 105.692m aOD; (NE) 416063.965, 140310.773, 105.08m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60570	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60572	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.3m+
60575	Natural hollow	Irregular sub-rounded hollow.	-
60576	Tertiary deposit	Sterile mid brown silt and disturbed chalk. FO 60575	-

Trench 373	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416514.693, 140094.493, 104.586m aOD; (NE) 416540.24, 140102.892, 104.432m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60589	Ditch	N-S 'U-shaped' field ditch. Steep concave sides and flat base. 100%	0.28-0.68m
60590	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.17
60591	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.17-0.28m

60592	Secondary deposit	Mid-light brown silty clay with frequent chalk and flint fragments. Gradual silting. Greater degree of disturbed chalk fragments towards base. FO 60589	0.28-0.68m
60593	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.28m+
Trench repositioned due to trees and factory storage.			

Trench 374	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.37m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SE) 416064.365, 140275.268, 105.559m aOD; (NW) 416043.448, 140291.414, 104.918m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60539	Topsoil	Mid grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.37
60571	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.37m+

Trench 375	Dimensions: 13m x 2m x 0.		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416076.827, 140380.902, 104.1m aOD; (SE) 416089.780, 140376.351, 104.4m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60380	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60381	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.3m+
Trench moved due to presence of a topsoil storage heap. Relocated to the NE of Trench 360 to investigate extent of intercutting pitting.			

Trench 376	Dimensions: 30m x 2m 0.4m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416164.818, 140348.854, 105.524m aOD; (NE) 416191.3192, 140362.269, 105.678m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60272	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.28m
60273	Subsoil	Mid brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0.28-0.36m
60274	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.36m
60275	Tree hole	Large irregular feature with poorly defined irregular sides and pitted concave base.	0.36-0.75m
60276	Tertiary deposit	Mid brown silt clay with occasional small – medium flint and chalk inclusions. FO 60275	0.36-0.75m
60277	Tree hole	Large irregular feature with poorly defined irregular sides and pitted concave base.	0.36-0.7m
60278	Tertiary deposit	Mid brown silt clay with occasional small – medium flint and chalk inclusions. FO 60276	0.36-0.7m

Trench 377	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Overgrown pasture		
	Coordinates: 416240.97, 140339.234, 106.796m aOD; (NE) 416246.682, 140366.464, 106.827m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60329	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.14m
60302	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.32m+
60303	Subsoil	Mid grey brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.14-0.32m

Trench 378	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Overgrown pasture		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416264.021, 140.68.637, 107.166m aOD; 416277.615, 140342.038, 107.582m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60304	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60305	Subsoil	Light grey brown silty loam. Occasional – frequent small chalk and flint.	0.25-0.35m
60306	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.35m+
Trench divided into two so a footpath could be maintained			

Trench 379	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Overgrown pasture		
	Coordinates: 416.264.576, 140331.246, 107.439m aOD; (SE) 416271.214, 140302.312, 107.51m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60291	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.27m
60292	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.27m+
60351	Tree hole	Large <i>c4.5m dia</i> tree hole – identified on geophysics.	0.27-0.5m
60352	Primary deposit	Disturbed chalk. FO 60351	-
60353	Primary deposit	Disturbed/collapsed chalk and topsoil. FO 60351	-
60354	Tertiary deposit	Gradual erosion of topsoil and exposed chalk. FO 60351	-

Trench 380	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.45m		
	Land use: Overgrown pasture		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416254.509, 140290.644, 107.447; (SE) 416270.691, 140264.712, 107.624m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60307	Topsoil	Dark brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60308	Subsoil	Mid grey brown silty loam. Moderate sub-angular chalk and flint	0.25-0.45m
60309	Secondary deposit	Mid-light brown silt with frequent sub-angular flint and chalk. Pottery, animal bone and burnt flint recovered. FO 60310	

60310	Pit	1.3m excavated width and 0.65m deep. Steep concave sides and flat base. A well defined rubbish pit.	
60311	Primary deposit	Weathered chalk FO 60310	
60312	Secondary deposit	Diffuse interface with 60311. A mid brown silty clay with abundant weathered chalk. FO 60313	
60313	Gully	Well defined southern side. Moderate convex sides and a flat to concave base. Diffuse inner (northern) side. Appears to form a lip around pit 60310	
60314	Secondary deposit	Fairly sterile mid-light brown silty clay with moderate chalk flecking, sub-angular chalk and flint. Gradual infilling. FO 60315	
60315	Pit	0.5m deep sub-circular pit with steep concave sides and a flat base.	
60316	Pit	Small 1m dia x 0.4m deep cutting through a small gully or lip around southern side. Steep undulating sides and base.	
60317	Secondary deposit	Fairly sterile mid-light brown silty clay with moderate chalk flecking, sub-angular chalk and flint. Gradual infilling. Increase in chalk along southern side resulting from increased rate of weathering through disturbed gully deposits. FO 60316	
60318	Primary deposit	Collapse of feature sides – disturbed chalk. FO 60315	
60319	Primary deposit	Collapse of feature sides – disturbed chalk. FO 60315	
60320	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.45m+
Contains group of intercutting pits. Iron Age in date. Feature identified in aerial photo's.			

Trench 381	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Overgrown pasture		
	Coordinates: (W) 416285.421, 107.841m aOD; (E) 416311.051, 140291.496, 108.011m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60296	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.35m
60297	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.35m+
60298	Hedge	N-S aligned linear c.2m wide. Very shallow and pitted. Considered to be base of a fairly modern hedge. Lies parallel to extant eastern field edge.	0.35-0.5m
60299	Secondary deposit	Mixed deposit of weathered topsoil and disturbed chalk. FO 60298	0.35-0.5m
60360	Pit	Sub-circular possible pit c1.9m dia. Fairly well defined steep concave sides to narrow concave base.	0.35-0.85m
60361	Tertiary deposit	Mid – dark brown silty loam with well sorted small – medium sub-angular flint. Gradual accumulation after abandonment.	0.35-0.85m

Trench 382	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Overgrown pasture		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416306.449, 140231.878, 107.789m aOD; (SE) 416322.195, 140208.888, 107.800m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60343	Tree hole	Large sub-circular 3.4m dia tree bole.	0.3-0.98m
60344	Primary deposit	Root disturbed <i>in-situ</i> chalk	-
60345	Tertiary deposit	Initial topsoil derived silting	-
60346	Tertiary deposit	Collapsed chalk from base of uprooted tree bole	-
60347	Tertiary deposit	Final weathering. FO 60343	-
60348	Topsoil	Mid brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.16m
60349	Subsoil	Mid -light brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.16-0.3m
60350	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.3m+

Trench 383	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Overgrown pasture		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416353.292, 140229.146, 107.933m aOD; (SW) 416333.386, 140207.663, 107.931m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60279	Topsoil	Dark brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.16m
60401	Subsoil	Mid brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.16-0.33m
60402	Tree hole	Irregular tree hole	0.33-0.73m
60403	Tertiary deposit	Disturbed chalk and weathered topsoil. FO 60402	-
60404	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.33m+

Trench 384			
Trench not opened due to its location on a landscaped footpath			

Trench 385	Dimensions: 28m x 1.8m x 0.4m		
	Land use: Overgrown grassland		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416415.268, 140206.018, 108.148m aOD; (NE) 416437.298, 140223.279, 108.562m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60420	Topsoil	Dark brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60421	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.3-0.4m
60422	Natural	Soliflucted angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.4m+
60423	Pit	A sub-circular probable pit 2.6m dia. Moderately defined with steep concave sides to a concave base. Undated	0.37-0.97m
60424	Secondary deposit	Mid brown clay silt. Gradual weathering.	-

		FO 60423	
60425	Secondary deposit	Dark brown clay silt. Colour indicates possible degraded organics. A probable dump deposit. FO 60423	-

Trench 386	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.5m		
	Land use: Overgrown grassland		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416451.029, 140508.047, 108.259m aOD; (SE) 416468.980, 140184.565, 107.872m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60450	Topsoil	Mid grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60451	Subsoil	Mid yellow brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0.25-0.49m
60452	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.49m+

Trench 387	Dimensions: 22m x 1.8m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Overgrown grassland		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416504.726, 140190.698, 107.786m aOD; (SW) 416486.731, 140176.532, 107.557m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60453	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.26m
60454	Subsoil	Mid yellow brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.26-0.33m
60455	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.33m+
60456	Tree hole	Sub-oval 2.3m width. Poor – moderate definition. Moderate concave sides to concave base – slightly irregular. Possible natural/tree hollow	0.3-0.75m
60457	Secondary deposit	Yellow brown silty loam Weathering of topsoil/subsoil. FO 60456	-
The trench was repositioned. Original location was within landscaped lawn.			

Trench 388			
Trench not opened due to its location on a landscaped lawn area			

Trench 389	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.34m		
	Land use: Overgrown pasture		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416237.618, 140316.795, 106.874m aOD; (SE) 416260.883, 140304.731, 107.373m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60609	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.26m
60610	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.26m+
Trench repositioned as its original location was on a landscaped lawn area. Moved to investigate likely continuation of pits recorded within Trench 380.			

Trench 390	Dimensions: 17m x 2m x 0.37m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416631.86, 140134.086, 103.387m aOD; 416630.699, 140116.433, 102.438m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60613	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.17m
60614	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.17-0.25m
60615	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.25m+
Trench repositioned as its original location was on a landscaped lawn area. Moved to investigate likely continuation of pits recorded within Trench 392.			

Trench 391	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.9m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416658.275, 140116.416, 102.384m aOD; (NE) 416680.76, 104132.478, 102.833m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60473	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.21m
60474	Subsoil	Mid yellow brown silty loam. Moderate sub-angular chalk and flint	0.21-0.47m
60475	Colluvium	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Frequent flint gravel, small- medium sub-angular. Post-depositional particle sorting evident, forming a gravel band at lower interface	0.47-0.83m
60476	Natural	Loose fine chalk with frequent reddish brown clay with gravel periglacial hollows	0.83m+
This trench was located towards the base of a NE-SW aligned dry valley			

Trench 392	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416640.724, 140119.949, 102.458m aOD; (NE) 416643.011, 1401503125, 103.796m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60541	Pit	Sub-oval pit with steep convex sides and flat base (3.9mx1.8mx0.8m)	0.27-1.07m
60542	Primary deposit	Chalk rubble	-
60543	Secondary deposit	Sample 11000. Finds abraded. Dark brown silty loam. Overlay 60542. Deposition occurring prior to collapse of pit sides. FO 60541	-
60544	Secondary deposit	Collapse of feature sides. FO 60541	-
60545	Secondary deposit	Largest deposit within the pit. Formed by gradual weathering. FO 60541	-
60546	Secondary deposit	Collapse of feature sides. FO 60541	-
60547	Topsoil	Mid- -dark brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint.	0-0.13m
60548	Subsoil	Mid brown silty loam. Moderate sub-angular chalk and flint.	0.13-0.27m
60549	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping.	0.27m+

Trench 393	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416604.166, 140110.04, 103.023m aOD; (NE) 416623.114, 140133.612m 103.576m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60471	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60472	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.25m+

Trench 394	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416569.885, 140140.314, 105.242m aOD; (NE) 416593.767, 140155.252, 105.374m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60469	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60470	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.3m+

Trench 395	Dimensions: 40m x 1.8m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416555.272, 140091.209, 103.699m aOD; (NE) 416575.313, 140125.782, 104.59m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60467	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.28m
60468	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.28m+
Trench extended 10m to SW to investigate geophysical survey anomaly			

Trench 396	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416498.386, 140139.123, 106.342m aOD; (SE) 416526.905, 140131.459, 105.807m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60426	Topsoil	Dark brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.22m
60427	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint. This layer was intermittent.	0.22-0.27m
60428	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping and reddish brown clay silt hollows.	0.22m+
60429	Gully	NNW-SSE aligned shallow field gully.	0.27-0.47m
60430	Secondary deposit	Reddish brown silty clay. Gradual infilling. FO 60429	-
60431	Gully	ENE-WSW aligned shallow field gully.	0.27-0.48m
60432	Secondary deposit	Reddish brown silty clay. Gradual infilling	-

Trench 397	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.27m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416499.561, 140103.217, 105.212m aOD; (NE) 416524.449, 140122.174, 105.483m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60458	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.26m
60459	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.26m+
60460	Gully	N-S aligned concave field gully.	0.26-0.72m
60461	Primary deposit	Predominately chalk rubble derived from weathering of sides.	-
60462	Secondary deposit	Mid brown silty clay. Gradual infilling	-

Trench 398	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.4m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416477.362, 140143.674, 106.679; (SE) 416494.954, 140119.542, 105.796m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60433	Topsoil	Dark brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.26m
60434	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0.26-0.4m
60435	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.4m+
60436	Posthole	0.5m dia posthole	0.4-0.6m
60437	Tertiary deposit	Slumped topsoil. Colour and compaction suggest modern origin. FO 60436	-
Three irregular anomalies also investigated. All were found to be natural hollows filled with subsoil.			

Trench 399			
Trench not opened due to its location on a landscaped footpath			

Trench 400	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416362.967, 140163.691, 107.427m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60233	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60234	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.3m+
Modern wheel rutting noted at NE end of trench adjacent to extant field track.			

Trench 401	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.27m		
	Land use: Overgrown pasture		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416334.980, 140178.351, 107.3504m aOD; (NE) 416340.711, 140203.569, 107.822m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60321	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.15m
60322	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.15-0.27m
60323	Tertiary deposit	Mid brown silty clay. Occasional chalk flecking and sub-angular flint. FO 60688	0.27-0.4m
60324	Tertiary deposit	Compact re-worked/disturbed chalk. FO 60688	0.35-0.4m
60325	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.27m+
60688	Farm track	Aligned ENE-WSW – broad shallow vehicle track running adjacent to and parallel with extant field boundary	0.27-0.4m

Trench 402	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Overgrown pasture		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416298.991, 140201.324, 107.564m aOD; (SE) 416310.349, 140174.274, 107.45m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60362	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60363	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.3m+

Trench 403	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.25m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416342.991, 140140.909, 106.959m aOD; (SW) 416319.853, 140123.377, 106.762m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60237	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60238	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.25m+

Trench 404	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416343.754, 140162.925, 107.247m aOD; (SE) 416361.783, 140139.087, 106.842m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60235	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60236	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.25m+

Trench 405	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.25m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416399.828, 140143.599, 106.778m aOD; (SW) 416373.585, 140135.376, 106.711m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60366	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60367	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.25m+

Trench 406	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416356.126, 140130.656, 106.671m aOD; (SW) 416348.672, 140103.360, 106.122m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60368	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60369	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.3m+

Trench 407	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416404.080, 140127.876, 106.427m aOD; (SW) 416401.975, 140099.621, 105.766m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60364	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.28m
60365	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.28m+

Trench 408	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Overgrown pasture		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416161.664, 140085.940, 106.483m aOD; (SE) 416180.504, 140068.891, 106.284m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60397	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.28m
60398	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.28m+
Trench was realigned slightly to avoid extant tree-lined field boundary			

Trench 409	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.25m		
	Land use: Overgrown pasture		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416213.425, 140101.463, 106.824m aOD; (SW) 416197.758, 140082.649, 106.555m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60399	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60400	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.25m+
Trench was realigned slightly to avoid extant tree-lined field boundary			

Trench 410	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.25m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416231.786, 140092.114, 106.585m aOD; (SE) 416248.819, 140068.999, 106.114m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60247	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60390	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.25m+

Trench 411	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.45m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416260.349, 140086.799, 106.366m aOD; (NE) 416.273.436, 140113.676, 106.814m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60242	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.2m
60243	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.2-0.45m
60244	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.45m+

Trench 412	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.4m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416290.289, 140110.445, 106.789m aOD; (SE) 416307.575, 140088.484, 106.055m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60239	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.26m
60240	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.26-0.38m
60241	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.38m+

Trench 413	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.25m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416319.296, 140087.551, 105.87m aOD; (SW) 416304.281, 140063.801, 105.52m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60480	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.24m
60481	Natural hollow	Sub-circular hollow with irregular concave sides and base	0.24-0.46m
60482	Primary deposit	Mid reddish brown silty loam. FO 60481	-
60483	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.24m+

Trench 414	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416268.921, 140071.676, 106.012m aOD; (SW) 416286.682, 140048.309, 105.316m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60245	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.26m
60246	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.26m+

Trench 415	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.26m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416256.640, 140062.319, 105.939m aOD; (SW) 416236.736, 140038.675, 105.541m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60391	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.26m
60392	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.26m+

Trench 416	Dimensions: 30m x 1.8m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416217.348, 140053.037, 105.96m aOD; (SW) 416209.889, 140024.501, 105.438m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60393	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Occasional sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.28m
60394	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.28m+

Trench 417	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416170.684, 140040.329, 105.7m aOD; (NE) 416194.757, 140058.467, 106.047m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60510	Natural hollow	Irregular and shallow sides and base.	-
60511	Tree hole	Investigation revealed 60511 & 60518 were part of the same large tree hole.	
60512	Primary deposit	Mid – light grey brown silty clay with abundant chalk and flint inclusions. Disturbed chalk. FO 60518	-
60513	Primary deposit	Mid – light grey brown silty clay with abundant chalk and flint inclusions. Disturbed chalk. FO 60511	-
60514	Primary deposit	Greyish brown silty clay with frequent chalk fragments. Primary weathered chalk. FO 60510	-
60515	Tertiary deposit	Light reddish brown silty clay with frequent chalk flecking. FO 60510	-
60516	Tertiary deposit	Light reddish brown silty clay with frequent chalk flecking. FO 60511	-
60517	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.15m
60518	Tree hole	Appeared linear in plan however SW edge	-

		was disturbed chalk and is therefore thought to be part of a large tree hole with 60511.	
60519	Tertiary deposit	Orange brown sandy silt with frequent chalk inclusions. FO 60518	-
60520	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.15-0.33m
60521	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.33m+

Trench 418	Dimensions: 30m x 20m x 0.25m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416200.353, 140016.956, 105.224m aOD; (SE) 416217.852, 139993.695, 104.602m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60484	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60485	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping and patches of irregular – c-shaped reddish brown silty clay.	0.25m+
60486	Tree hole	Initially identified as a NE-SW aligned ditch. Investigation proved this to be part of a tree large tree hole.	0.25-0.75m
60487	Primary deposit	Disturbed chalk within a loam matrix. FO 60486	-
60488	Tertiary deposit	Reddish brown silty loam with occasional small-medium sub-angular chalk and sparse flint. FO 60488	-
60489	Tertiary deposit	Reddish brown silty loam with sparse small-medium sub-angular chalk and sparse flint. FO 60488	-
60490	Natural hollow	Irregular hollow containing mid-light brown silty loam. Subsoil derived deposits	0.25-0.5m

Trench 419	Dimensions: 28m x 2m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416240.264, 140021.258, 105.14m aOD; (SE) 416257.291, 139999.93, 104.416m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60491	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.23m
60492	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.23m+
60493	Natural hollow	Irregular hollow containing mid-light brown silty loam. Subsoil derived deposits	0.23-0.41m
60494	Natural hollow	Irregular hollow containing mid-light brown silty loam. Subsoil derived deposits	0.23-0.43m
60495	Tree hole	Irregular sub-circular tree hole, c3m dia.	0.23-0.72m
60496	Primary deposit	Disturbed chalk. FO 60495	-
60497	Tertiary deposit	Reddish brown silty loam with occasional small-medium sub-angular chalk and flint. Sterile deposit. FO 60495	-

Trench 420	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (SW) 416273.508, 140013.307, 104.703; (NE) 416295.158, 140030.034, 104.80m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60523	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.13m
60524	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.13-0.28m
60525	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.28m+
60526	Natural hollow	Irregular hollow containing mid-light brown silty loam. Subsoil derived deposits	
60587	Natural hollow	Irregular hollow containing mid-light brown silty loam. Subsoil derived deposits	

Trench 421	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416391.803, 140095.119, 105.711m aOD; (SW) 416370.167, 140078.514, 105.288m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60179	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.2m
60180	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.2-0.3m
60181	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.3m+

Trench 422	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (W) 416406.824, 140087.704, 105.288m aOD; (E) 416434.106, 140084.757, 104.957m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60170	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.19m
60171	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.19-0.27m
60172	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.27m+

Trench 423	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (W) 416498.968, 140078.455, 104.197m aOD; 416527.849, 140075.453, 103.556m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60438	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.24m
60439	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint. Subsoil horizon was very thin and intermittent. Sealed deposit 60445.	0.24-0.27m
60440	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.27m+

60441	Ditch	N-S aligned field boundary ditch	0.27-0.64m
60442	Secondary deposit	Weathering of feature sides. FO 60441	-
60443	Secondary deposit	Weathering of topsoil. FO 60441	-
60444	Pit	Sub-rectangular pit – possible grave. A shallow isolated feature	0.27m-0.43m
60445	Deliberate deposit	Deliberately backfilled upcast within pit/grave. Contained fragments of heavily abraded animal bone, a fragment of beaker and a deliberately placed Beaker vessel. FO 60444	-
60446	Bioturbation	Remains of possible hedge parallel to ditch 60440.	0.27-0.3m
60447	Tree hole	Irregular tree hole at western end of trench filled with mixed deposit of weathered chalk and disturbed topsoil.	0.27-0.62m

Trench 424	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416539.06, 140081.878, 103.61m aOD; 416556.859, 140059.681, 101.962m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60465	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.24m
60466	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.24m+

Trench 425	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416607.874, 140104.419, 102.635m aOD; (SW) 416598.236, 140076.322, 101.618m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60357	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.13m
60358	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.13-0.26m
60359	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.26m+
60355	Dry valley	Initially thought to be a ditch however location/orientation and profile suggest this is the edge of the dry valley.	-
60356	Tertiary deposit	Mid-dark reddish brown silty loam with moderate small-medium sub-angular flint and chalk. FO 60555. An abraded fragment of pottery recovered.	-
60540	Colluvium	Mid reddish brown silty clay. Occasional sub-angular flint and chalk.	-
60550	Tree hole	A large sub-circular tree hole.	-
60551	Primary deposit	Collapse/disturbed chalk. FO 60550	-
60552	Primary deposit	Collapse/weathering of root ball comprising reworked topsoil and chalk. FO 60550	-

Trench 426	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.9m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416622.267, 140105.815, 102.295m aOD; (SW) 416640.110, 140081.952, 101.347m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60506	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60507	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.3-0.55m
60508	Colluvium	Mid – dark reddish brown silty loam. Post-depositional particle sorted resulting in upper and lower flint gravel interfaces	0.55-0.9m
60509	Natural	Fine/loose chalk with frequent periglacial hollows	0.9m+

Trench 427	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 1.1m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (W) 416601.325, 140038.755, 100.185m aOD; (E) 416624.734, 140043.322, 100.452m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60502	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60503	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.3-0.5m
60504	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.9m+
60505	Colluvium	Mid – dark reddish brown silty loam. Post-depositional particle sorted resulting in upper and lower flint gravel interfaces	0.5-0.9m
Trench was repositioned to avoid access track to factory buildings.			

Trench 428	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416599.482, 140057.704, 100.689m aOD; (SW) 416578.052, 140042.580, 100.423m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60500	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.35m
60501	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.35m+
Trench was repositioned to avoid access track to factory buildings			

Trench 429	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416543.172, 140043.991, 101.529m aOD; (SW) 416564.188, 140033.137, 100.299m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60463	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.29m
60464	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.29m+
Trench was repositioned to avoid access track to factory buildings			

Trench 430	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.25m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 4164454.649, 140064.973, 104.11m aOD; (SE) 416480.966, 140056.239, 103.432m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60168	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.2m
60169	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.2-0.25m
60188	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.25m+

Trench 431	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.4m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416491.017, 140041.333, 102.732m aOD; (SW) 416478.871, 140015.546, 101.671m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60182	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.21
60183	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.21-0.33
60184	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.33m+
Trench was repositioned to avoid farm access track			

Trench 432	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.45m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416446.838, 140047.738, 103.459m aOD; (SE) 416464.976, 140025.523, 102.448m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60600	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60601	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.25-0.39m
60602	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.39m+

Trench 433	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.4m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416428.323, 140063.171, 104.185m aOD; (SW) 416406.106, 140045.486, 103.716m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60173	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60174	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.25-0.35m
60175	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.35m+

Trench 434	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.25m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416387.213, 140057.402, 104.446m aOD; (SW) 416364.767, 140040.284, 104.017m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60176	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.15m
60177	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.15-0.25m
60178	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.25m+

Trench 435	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.26m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416336.002, 140047.446, 104.727m aOD; (SE) 416353.123, 140024.785, 103.635m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60498	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.26m
60499	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.26m+

Trench 436	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416396.090, 140035.834, 103.433m aOD; (SE) 416414.446, 140011.714, 102.279m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60603	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.33m
60604	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.33m+
60605	Natural hollow	Irregular hollow filled with disturbed chalk and mid reddish brown clay loam.	0.29-0.52m

Trench 437	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.45m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NW) 416433.955, 140015.689, 102.33m aOD; (SE) 416457.527, 140000.161, 101.16m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60606	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.25m
60607	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.25-0.36m
60608	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.36m+
Trench repositioned to avoid farm access track			

Trench 438	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (N) 416541.656, 140148.207, 106.132m aOD; (S) 416547.791, 140119.431, 105.024m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60477	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.24m
60478	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.24-0.31m
60479	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.31m+
60630	Tree hole	Large sub-circular tree hole. C. 3.5m dia	
60631	Tertiary deposit	Deposits of weathered/disturbed chalk and collapsed topsoil and chalk from upturned rootbole	
60632	Tree hole	Sub-oval irregular hollow c.2.5mx 1.6m x 0.82m	
60633	Tertiary deposit	Deposits of weathered/disturbed chalk and collapsed topsoil and chalk from upturned rootbole. Abraded pottery fragment recovered.	
Trench relocated due to proximity of trees and factory storage area to investigate geophysical anomalies adjacent to field boundary ditch in Trench 396-397			

Trench 439	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.3m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (NE) 416616.511, 140153.054, 104.696; (SW) 416597.919, 140130.472, 104.161m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60611	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.3m
60612	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.3m+
Trench relocated due to proximity of trees and factory storage area to investigate geophysical curvilinear anomalies between Trenches 392-394			

Trench 440	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x 0.35m		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (W) 416510.913, 140063.570, 103.451m aOD; (E) 416537.287, 140063.382, 102.669m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60564	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.22m
60565	Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silty loam. Sparse sub-angular chalk and flint	0.22-0.32m
60566	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.32m+
Trench relocated due to proximity of trees and factory storage area to investigate potential for additional Beaker burials to south of Trench 423			

Trench 441	Dimensions: 30m x 2m x		
	Land use: Disused arable		
	Coordinates: (E) 416562.700, 140080.026, 102.852m aOD; (E) 416586.303, 140080.060, 101.99m aOD		
Context	Category	Description	Depth
60556	Topsoil	Dark grey brown silty loam. Sparse – rare sub-angular chalk and flint	0-0.22m
60557	Natural	Loose weathered angular chalk with frequent periglacial 'tiger' stripping	0.22m+
60558	Tree hole	Tree hole measuring c. 1.5m dia	-
60559	Tertiary deposit	Mixed deposit of weathered/disturbed chalk and topsoil	-
An additional trench located to investigate geophysical anomaly adjacent to edge of dry valley in the south-west of the Site			

APPENDIX 3: OASIS FORM

OASIS ID: wessexar1-93437

Project details

Project name	PHASE 3 LAND (KINGS GATE), BOSCOMBE DOWN, AMESBURY, WILTSHIRE
Short description of the project	Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by J.S. Bloor Homes Ltd (the Client) to undertake an Archaeological Trial Trench Evaluation on Phase 3 land (Kings Gate), Boscombe Down, Amesbury, Wiltshire (National Grid Reference 416150 140130). The fieldwork was carried out as part of an Environmental Statement which is currently being prepared in support of a planning application for approximately 15ha of residential development (Phase 3: King's Gate (460 units) which is due to be made in early 2011. The evaluation was undertaken between November 2010 and January 2011. A total of ninety-nine trial trenches measuring on average 30m x 2m were sited to investigate the results of a recent geophysical survey and to provide an indication of the density of archaeological features across the proposed development area. The evaluation revealed targeted areas of archaeological activity d
Project dates	Start: 01-11-2010 End: 05-01-2011
Previous/future work	Yes / Yes
Any associated project reference codes	65534 - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	65530 - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	65533 - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	65531 - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	56249 - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	56248 - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	56247 - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	56246 - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	56245 - Contracting Unit No.

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Any associated project reference codes	56244 - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	56243 - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	56242 - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	56241 - Contracting Unit No.
Any associated project reference codes	56240 - Contracting Unit No.
Type of project	Field evaluation
Site status	Area of Archaeological Importance (AAI)
Current Land use	Other 13 - Waste ground
Monument type	BURIAL Bronze Age
Monument type	PITS Late Prehistoric
Significant Finds	POTTERY Late Prehistoric
Significant Finds	ANIMAL BONE Late Prehistoric
Significant Finds	WORKED FLINT Late Prehistoric
Methods & techniques	'Aerial Photography - new','Geophysical Survey','Targeted Trenches'
Development type	Rural residential
Prompt	Direction from Local Planning Authority - PPG16
Position in the planning process	After outline determination (eg. As a reserved matter)
Solid geology	CHALK (INCLUDING RED CHALK)
Drift geology	ALLUVIUM
Techniques	Magnetometry

Project location

Country	England
Site location	WILTSHIRE SALISBURY AMESBURY Boscombe Down
Postcode	SP4 7WQ
Study area	15.00 Hectares
Site coordinates	SU 16150 40130 51.1596698538 -1.769027484210 51 09 34 N 001 46 08 W Point
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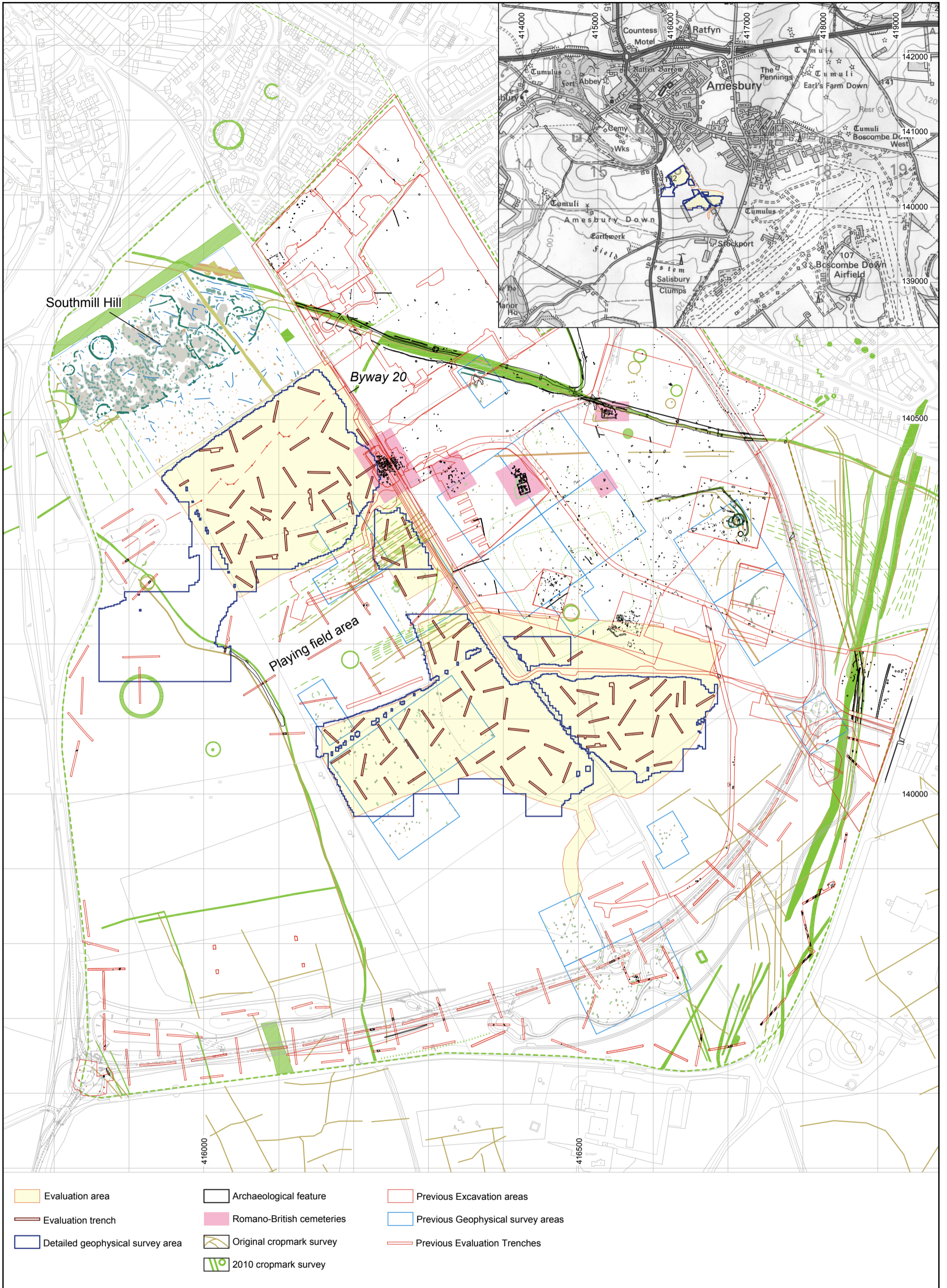
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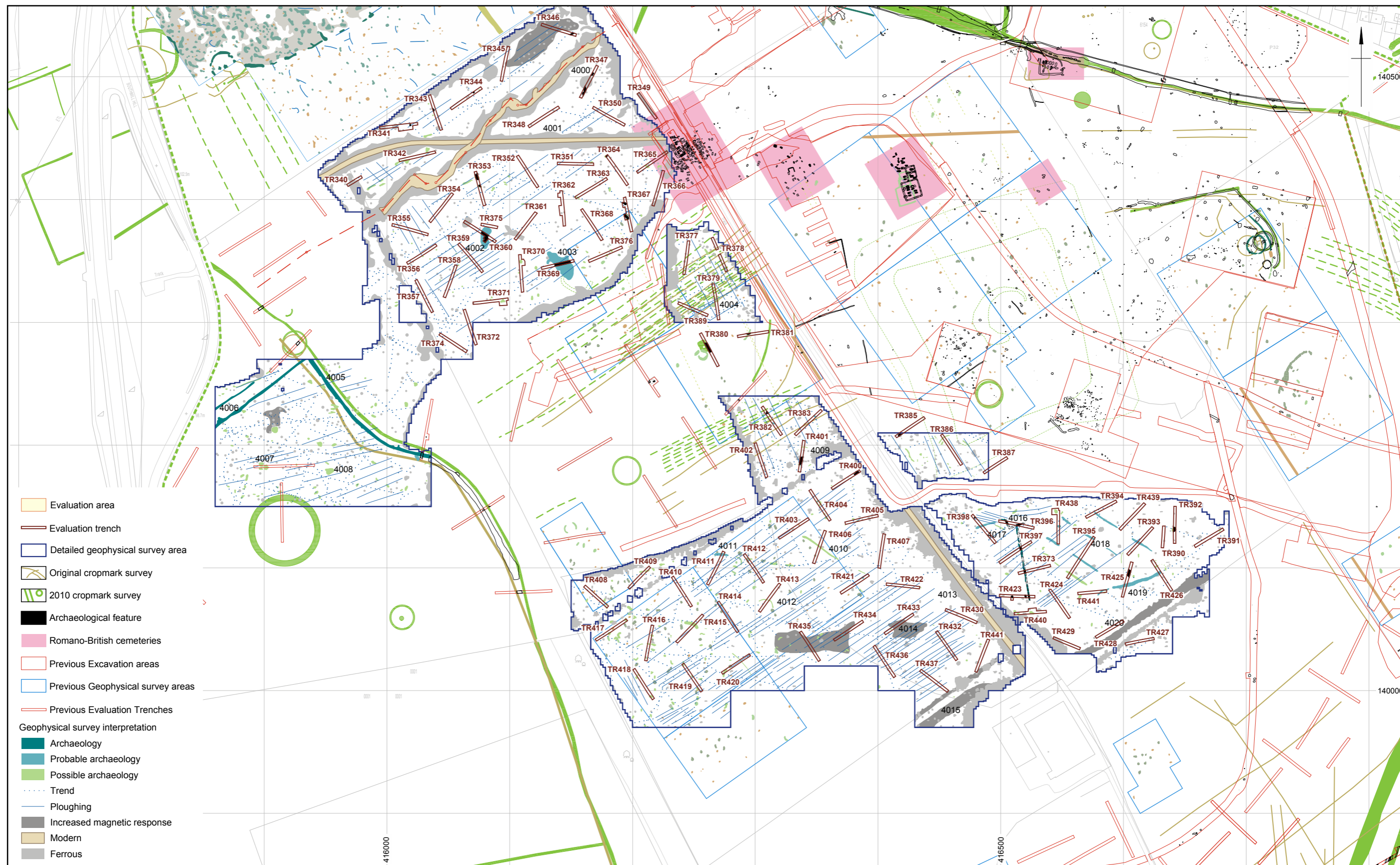


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Areas of proposed works and previous work

Figure 1



- Evaluation area
 - Evaluation trench
 - Detailed geophysical survey area
 - Original cropmark survey
 - 2010 cropmark survey
 - Archaeological feature
 - Romano-British cemeteries
 - Previous Excavation areas
 - Previous Geophysical survey areas
 - Previous Evaluation Trenches
- Geophysical survey interpretation
- Archaeology
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 - Trend
 - Ploughing
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 - Modern
 - Ferrous

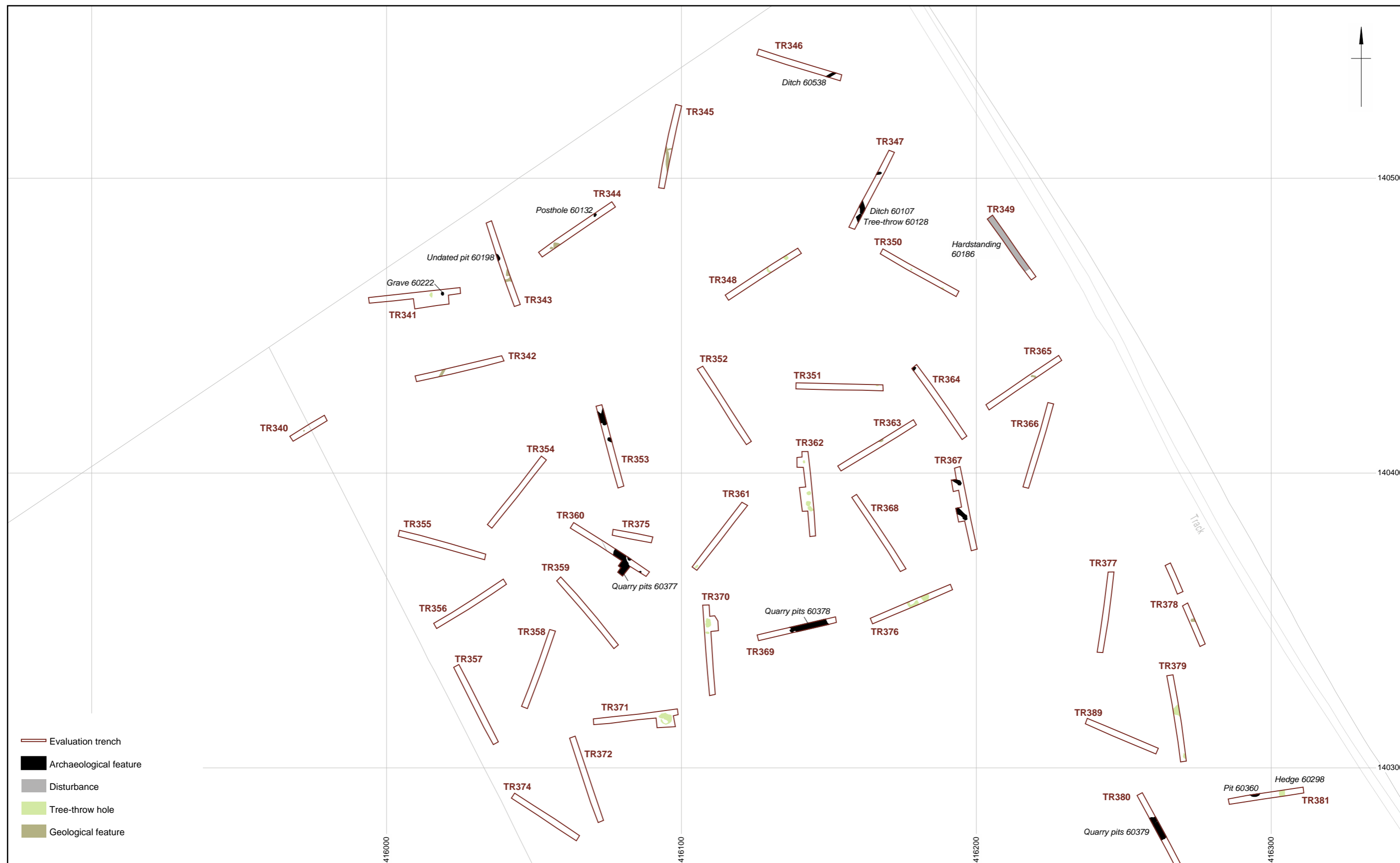


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Evaluation trench locations in relation to detailed geophysical survey

Figure 2



- Evaluation trench
- Archaeological feature
- Disturbance
- Tree-throw hole
- Geological feature

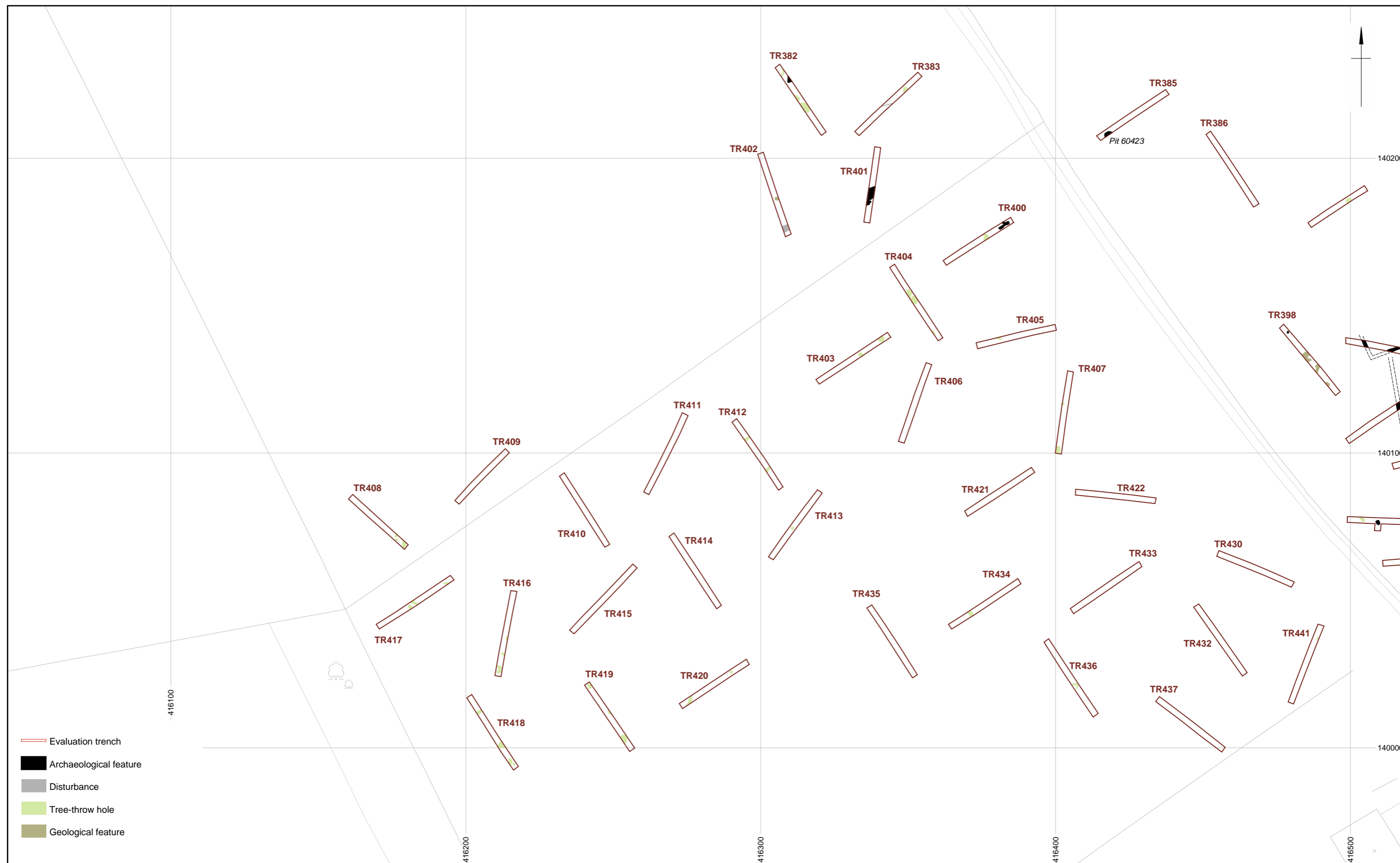


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Results of trial trenching in the north of Site

Figure 3



- Evaluation trench
- Archaeological feature
- Disturbance
- Tree-throw hole
- Geological feature



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Results of trial trenching in the west of the Site

Figure 4

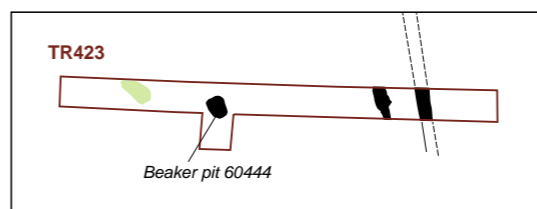
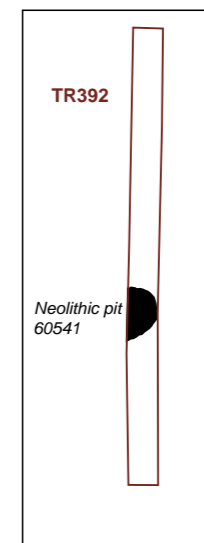
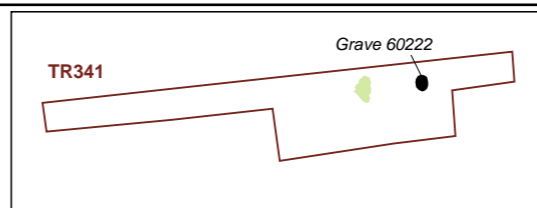
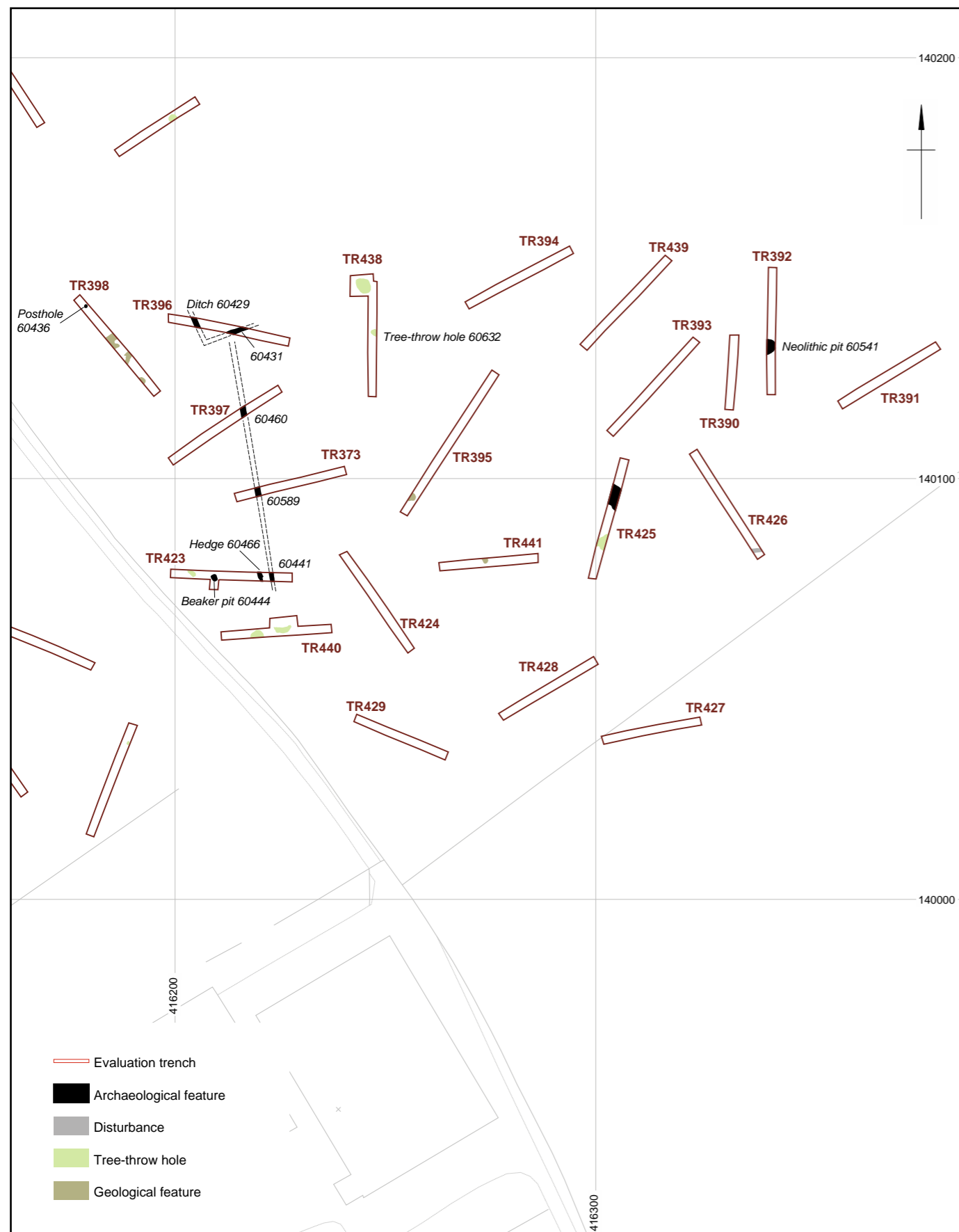


Plate 1: View of Beaker vessel Object 12500, pit 60444 from the north



Plate 2: Plan view of crouched inhumation 60224 in Trench 341 from the west



Plate 3: View of pit 60541 in Trench 392 from the north

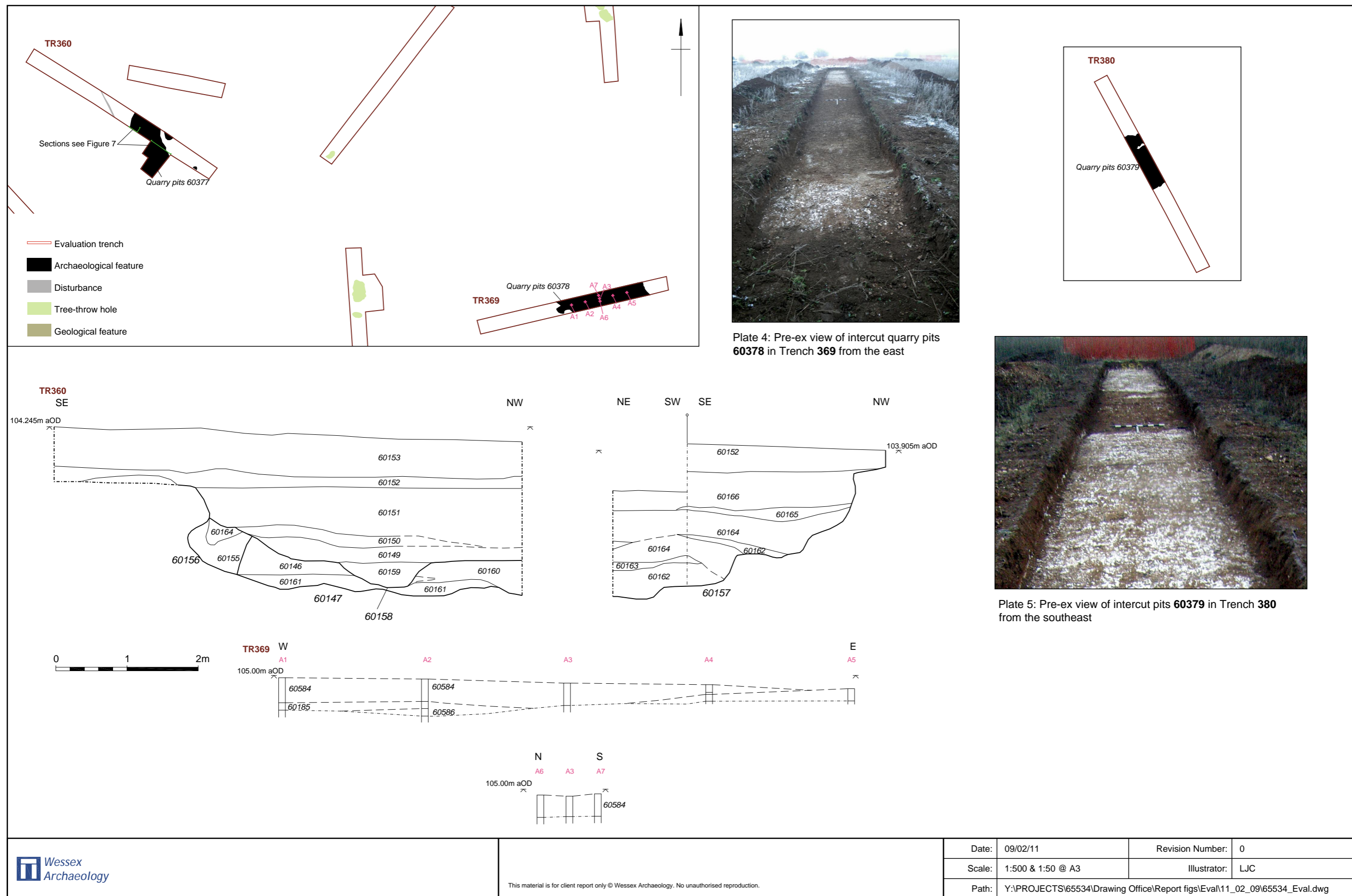


Plate 4: Pre-ex view of intercut quarry pits 60378 in Trench 369 from the east



Plate 5: Pre-ex view of intercut pits 60379 in Trench 380 from the southeast

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