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Porcelain and slipware from the Isleworth pottery factory that operated at Railshead Creek from 1756 until its demolition in 1831. The site's significance was brought to the attention of the Greater London Archaeology Advisory service (GLAAS) by the English Ceramic Circle: it was one of only five factories making porcelain in London during the 18th Century, and is crucial to understanding early porcelain manufacture in Britain. Isleworth may well be the best preserved of the five London porcelain factories. Its porcelain is of great historical and aesthetic interest, with complete pieces commanding high prices in salerooms. GLAAS therefore advised Hounslow Borough Council that the site was of national importance and secured both further investigation and preservation within new residential development.  
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