

**HS2 site at Culworth
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The Flint
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Just six pieces of worked flint, weighing 85g, were recovered from six separate contexts during the archaeological investigations at Culworth (*Table 1*).

Table 1. Summary of flint by type and context

Flint category	1004	1009	1013	1020	1038	1042	Total	Total Weight (g)
Flake	1		1	1	1	1	5	7
Multiplatform flake core		1					1	78
Total	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	85

Methodology

The worked flint was catalogued according to a standard debitage, core or tool type (as published by Butler 2005). Information about burning, breaks, condition, raw material and technology was recorded and, where possible, dating was attempted.

Assessment of assemblage

All the flakes, except one, are secondary removals with retained cortex, including two pieces with cortical butts. Three of the flakes are broken and one is heavily burnt. The multiplatform flake core, from context (1009), is minimally worked, with irregular flake removals on all sides. It exhibits incipient cones of percussion from mishits, retained cortex and weighs 85g.

The condition of the flint is good with most of the assemblage being in a fresh condition and remaining uncorticated. The exception is the flake from context (1042) that exhibits slight post-depositional damage and a light cortication.

Discussion and Recommendations

The worked flint from Culworth is chronologically undiagnostic, but its significance lies in its representation of human activity at the site during prehistory. Further work is not required.

References

BUTLER, C, 2005, *Prehistoric Flintwork*, Tempus

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Flint Catalogue

Flint ID	Context	Sample NO	Flint type	Total	Burnt	Broken	Weight (g)	Cortex	Comments	Spot date	Cortication	Damage
1	1013	1	Flake	1		1	0	Chalk	Distal break, secondary removal	-	Uncorticated	Fresh
2	1020	7	Flake	1		1	1	Chalk	Secondary removal, proximal break	-	Uncorticated	Fresh
3	1042	13	Flake	1		1	3		Proximal break, hinge termination	-	Light	Slight
4	1004		Flake	1	1		3	Chalk	Heavily burnt, cortical butt	-		
5	1038	11	Flake	1			0	Chalk	Smaller, cortical butt, hinge termination	-	Uncorticated	Fresh
6	1009	25	Multiplatform flake core	1			78	Chalk	Minimally worked, couple of flake scars and incipient cones, retained cortex	-	Uncorticated	Fresh