

Finds Quantification

Find Type	No.	Weight
Animal bone	27	1398.5
CBM	43	1769.9
Clay pipe	8	25.9
Cu Alloy	1	1.2
Fe Metal	50	468.1
Fired clay	1	4.7
Glass	24	283.7
Lithic	19	152.8
Misc.	1	68
Pottery	334	3659.8
Slag	6	864.4
Stone	1	145.7
Wood	1	37

There are 569 items currently retrieved from the evaluation. Table 1 above shows the break down by material type, whilst table 2 shows the spot dates and pottery descriptions.

Animal Bone

Recommended for discard by specialist.

Lithic

The lithic assemblage is indicative of flint blade-working technology, and should be retained.

Metal

The majority of the iron is unidentifiable at this time and requires further specialist assessment, including by x-ray. There was a single copper-alloy buckle plate with foliate decoration that dates from the medieval period. Retention of the metal finds assemblage will be discussed with the local collections repository.

Pottery and CBM

There was a total of 334 sherds of pottery, weighing 3.6kg, with a further 43 fragments of Ceramic Building material, weighing 1.7kg. The majority of pottery and CBM has been provisionally dated to the post-medieval period, dating from the 17th century. Earlier sherds were recorded and discussed below; all prehistoric and roman pottery sherds should be retained.

Methodology

The pottery was rapidly assessed visually (by eye) and sorted into broad ware classes and periods which included: prehistoric, Romano-British, medieval, and post-medieval wares. Each ware class was quantified by count, weight, and broad spot date. Identified sherds were recorded using national guidance in accordance with national guidelines *A Standard for Pottery Studies in Archaeology* (Barclay et al 2016). Where possible, nationally distributed and regional products were identified, and

broad date ranges provided. A catalogue of all material provided in Appendix 1 (associated Excel spreadsheet). No in-depth fabric analysis or background research was undertaken, and date ranges may change upon further work.

Prehistoric

There were 85 sherds of possible prehistoric pottery weighting 285g that were retrieved from 6 contexts from trenches 87, 171, 304, 491 and 533. The pottery consists of coarse handmade vessels, with erratic stone, flint, and occasional grog temper. A single sherd from context 17111 was a small flat rimmed jar with incised/slashed decoration on the rim. Whilst 53303 and 55305 had an everted rim jar also hand made with erratic stone and flint temper.

Roman

There were 22 fragments of Romano-British pottery, weighing 436g, that date from the 2nd century onwards, recovered from Trenches 87, 302, and 1243. Spot dates were given based on rim profiles and identifiable features such as mortaria trituration grits. Only key vessels have been recorded in detail. The majority of the sherds were locally made greywares or were unidentifiable to type at this stage.

Context 87 contained a Black burnished ware, bead and flange conical bowl that dates from the 3rd century, and a necked beaded jar in a local grey fabric. Context 8708 contained a fragment of an Oxfordshire red slipped ware mortaria, also dating from the 3rd century.

Context 30205 also had a fragment of a bead and flanged bowl dating from the 3rd century, whilst context 30206 had the base of an indented fine ware beaker in a grey fabric with black slip that dates from the mid-to-late 2nd century

Context 124309 had a fragment of an oxidised sandy bodysherd with a handle scar of a tankard, possibly produced locally (South West Oxidised ware), along with a fragment of a box flue tile with combed surface. This context also contained 3 sherds of brown-glazed oxidised ware dating to the post-medieval period.

A full breakdown of contexts with spot dates can be found in Table 2, with a basic quantification of the possible medieval and post medieval wares. It should also be noted this was a rapid assessment for broad spot dates based on identifiable features such as decoration and or rim profile. Erroneous bodysherds were noted by feel and main inclusion if seen.

Tr	Context	Find type	No.	Weight (g)	Comments	Broad period	Spot Date
1	101	Pottery	3	3.5	Sandy /gritty oxidised fragments	No date	ND
8	803	Pottery	2	30	Grey and orange sandy fabric, with patchy olive-green glaze (int/external)	Med?	15th?
32	3202	CBM	1	12.5	No Id	No date	
87	8706	Pottery	7	256.5	Bead and flanged BBW bowl burnt (C3), Greyware necked beaded jar (local) Three fragments of hand made very coarse gritted body sherds with grog? Flint and stone? (Prehist?)	Roman	Prehistoric - C3?
87	8708	Pottery	5	49.3	4 fragments of locally made Greyware, one sherd of OXFRSM mortaria	Roman	C3+
87	8708	CBM	2	83.5	fragment of fired clay with impressions possible wattle? Structure lining? Some shaping	No date	ND
90	9008	Pottery	3	46.4	fragment of CBM tile. Blue and white ware, and a possible body sherd with strap handle, internal green glaze in a red and grey fabric with external dark red slip.	Post-Med	17th+
97	09705	Pottery	1	1.2	small fragment of glazed white ware	Post-Med	19th
171	17111	Pottery	1	10	Handmade flat topped rim ar with incised slashed dec.	Prehistoic	Prehistoric
274	27402	Pottery	3	32.4	slipped wares	Post-Med	17th+
278	27802	Pottery	1	16.9	Brownish red glazed oxidised ware everted rim jar	Post-Med	17th+
290	29007	Pottery	1	5.9	black and whote transfer print white ware	Post-Med	19th

302	30205	Pottery	1	5.4	Bead and flanged BBW? Bowl	Roman	C3+
302	30206	Pottery	8	48.8	Base of indented beaker (Nene Valley?) (F00) black slip and grey fabric, local grey sandy beaded rim bowl, possible small fragments of BBW	Roman	L2nd+
304	30402	Pottery	1	8	Oxidised highly fired body sherd	Post-Med	15th+
304	30402	Pottery	1	6	Handmade gritty oxidised body sherd	Prehistoric	Prehist-Med
306	UNSTRAT	CBM	1	5.4	Trench 306	No date	
312	31206	CBM	2	38		No date	
312	31207	Pottery	7	58.2	Yellowish brown glazed earthen wares with single rim of large jar	Post-Med	17th+
312	31207	CBM	1	149.1	50mm thick heavily abraded handmade brick	No date	
330	33001	Pottery	1	10.4	Brown, yellow and white slipped ware bowl/plate	Post-Med	17th+
330	33005	Pottery	3	61	From field drain	No date	
330	33702	Pottery	2	25.5	Oxidised fabrics, one with brown glaze and the other bright green	Post-Med	16th+
371	37105	Pottery	1	3.2	Heavily abraded patchy red glaze?	Post-Med	17th+
395	39505	CBM	2	99	No Id	No date	
395	39507	CBM	2	94.1	Flat roof tile, no serving edges and field drain	Post-med	Post-med
395	39509	CBM	1	1.6	No Id	No date	
465	46505	Pottery	2	34.1	one oxidised fragment of possible field drain, and base sherd of oxidised vessel with internal greenish brown glaze	Post-Med	16th+

465	46507	Pottery	3	90.8	White ware cup, oxidised coarse ware with internal brown glaze, large fragment of sandy oxidised ware with grey core, and olive green glaze (both ex and int) 15th?	Post-Med	L18th+
491	49105	Pottery	2	4.7	Hand made gritty oxised body sherd	Prehistoic	Prehistoric
492	49201	Pottery	1	6	Brownish green glazed bifid jar	Post-Med	16th+
493	49301	Pottery	3	12.7	Oxidised with iridescent brown glaze	Post-Med	17th+
494	49401	Pottery	3	8.1	Gritty bodysherds and single oxidised brown glaze sherd	Post-Med	Med-Post-med
495	49501	Pottery	1	3.1	Yellow brown glazed sandy ware (internal only)	Post-Med	L16th+
496	49601	Pottery	3	19	Brown glazed oxidised ware, and the rim of an glazed earthen ware bottle?	Post-Med	18th+
496	49617	Pottery	1	10.9	Slipware plate?	Post-Med	17th+
497	49701	Pottery	4	19	Patched glazed oxidised ware, heavy abraded	Post-Med	17th+
499	49901	Pottery	4	16.4	Partially glazed/Slip ware	Post-Med	17th+
499	49901	CBM	1	12.6	No Id	No date	
501	50101	Pottery	7	58	brown glazed body sherds, one slipped ware? Glazed and painted rim of a beaded bowl, and a developed bead and flanged bowl	Post-Med	L16th-19th
516	51601	CBM	1	82.4	No Id	No date	
527	Trench 527 SUBSOIL	Pottery	1	53	abraded brown glazed oxised ware	Post-Med	18th+

530	53001	Pottery	1	13.8	incised decorated like twisted cord handle in oxidised fabric	Med?	Med?
530	53001	Pottery	1	4.8	Olive green glazed oxidised and grey sandy fabric	Med?	Med?
533	53303	Pottery	10	30	Handmade, very coarse, erratic temper flint stone grog? Slightly everted rim jar	Prehistoic	Prehistoric-saxon
533	53305	Pottery	68	224.4	Same as 53303	Prehistoic	Prehistoric-saxon
536	53602	CBM	2	30.9	No Id	No date	
546	54611	Pottery	9	26.2	No Id	No date	
1052	105205	Pottery	20	168.7	fragments of porcelain cup? Glazed white wares, and brown glazed oxidised wares. Sherd of a globular neckless jar in oxidised fragment, slightly everted rim and square impressions.	Post-Med	16th?
1052	105205	CBM	5	138.1	TSDS 2	No date	
1073	107307	Pottery	1	3	oxidised body sherd internal face survives only	No date	ND
1073	107307	CBM	9	349.2	No Id	No date	
1075	107505	Pottery	3	32.1	Small fragment of grey gritty ware, black glazed cream ware, decorated earthen war	Post-Med	15th-18th
1075	107505	CBM	1	466.2	65mm thick one complete edge probably later	Post-Med	18th?
1075	107506	Pottery	4	99.4	Various orang brown, yellow and green glazed wares one large vessel with external red and cream banded paint, one sherd of slipped ware plate? Smaller sherd of a sandy green glazed fragment (14th?)		14th-19th
1144	114401	Pottery	1	11.8	White ware with pattern	Modern	Modern

1218	121807	Pottery	1	2.8	Heavily araded red slipped?	Post-Med	17th+
1224	122406	Pottery	3	13	Oxidsed ware with brownish orange glaze	Post-Med	17th+
1236	123601	Pottery	4	46	Oxidesed sandy wares, one with external black glaze, another rim sherd of a lid seated jar with patched of dark red glaze on internal. Very abraded.	Post-Med	17th+
1237	123701	Pottery	1	5	Oxidised bodysherd	No date	ND
1238	123801	Pottery	1	12.5	Coarse white ware with internal black slip?	Med?	Med?
1238	123801	CBM	2	103.3	No Id	No date	
1240	124001	CBM	1	9.6	No Id	No date	
1243	124305	CBM	2	4.8	No Id	No date	
1243	124306	CBM	3	6.3	No Id	No date	
1243	124308	Pottery	4	43	three glazed and slip ware coarse wares, single small fragment of Roman Colour coated ware (M2nd C)	Post-Med	17th+
1243	124309	Pottery	3	2.7	Brown glazed oxidised ware, fragment of gritty oxidised sherd	Post-Med	Med-Post-med
1243	124309	CBM	1	68.3	Possible box flue tile, combed 6 incisions	Roman	Roman
1243	124309	Pottery	1	8	Sherd of possible Severn valley or southwest oxidised ware with handle scar	Roman	Roman
1265	126508	Pottery	1	27.4	Black glazed earthen ware	Post-Med	17th+
2702	UNSTRAT	Pottery	1	57	Sagging? Base of oxised jar, remains of dark grey slip towards base?	Med?	Roman-Med?
	UNSTRAT	Pottery	1	56.5	Large plate/bowl with slight abraded red paint on rim and glaze like sheen to body	Post-Med	17th+

	UNSTRAT	Pottery	1	14.4	Flat rimmed pink with grey core possible grog?	Med?	Med?
	UNSTRAT	Pottery	3	10	fragment of fine ware beaker (F00), to gritty bodysherd	Med?	Roman-Med
	UNSTRAT	Pottery	1	0.4	No Id	No date	