

201302

Courtfield House
Trowbridge
Archaeological Evaluation
Scanned Site Archive

Day Book

Figure 5

Site Code: 201302	Site Name: Courtfield House, Trowbridge, Wiltshire
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Site sub-division:

Leaving time from office/accomodation: 0730	Leaving time from site:
Time of arrival on site: 0840	Time of arrival at office/accomodation:
Staff on site: td, pb Scott 360 driver	
Weather: dry hot	

Time	Occurrence
0700	in office, loading equipment ready for site then leave for Trowbridge.
0840	on site. meet with Chris and Scott who work for client. Scott will be driving 360 and Chris is here to see everything get underway. They have already dug a hole in the car park to remove tarmac but we agree to go and start the 3 in the rear garden first.
	Walking over site it's obvious there will be a few issues with space. we stake out the trenches and find that trench 4 is located on footprint of existing building with overhanging trees nearby.
	I also cat trenches and find services located alongside trench 2 and through the middle of trench 3. I pass this on to Bianca and we agree to do trench 1 while she sorts out trench relocations and issue if working under tree canopy, especially with regards to trench 4.
	We stake out and scan trench 1, which is in slightly different position to where they have removed tarmac, but this isn't a problem. we scan trench and as Scott's land rover is parked where the buffer zone for the overheads are I don't spray up the marker - the land rover makes a better solid demarcation anyway and Scott is leaving it there for the day regardless.
	we find natural at end of trench 1 and go for tea break.

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Last photograph number:	Last survey number:
Location of downloaded photographs:	
Location of downloaded survey:	

Recorded by: td

Date: 02/08/2022

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Time	Occurrence
	<p>After tea break we finish trench, which is blank except for a bump in the middle, which appears likely to be some kind of service, so we leave it - it is cut through the made ground below car park hard core.</p>
	<p>once trench 1 is finished we return to rear and sort out new locations - we have to be 3m from either side of the services located with the cat. this is just about possible for trench 2 and means we will lose some of trench 3. Still unsure of what we are doing with trench 4 as the client has relied saying the tree next to it has a TPO so it will have to be moved.</p>
	<p>We open trench 3, which is blank. I send pics through to Bianca and wait for approval to backfill. I would rather backfill than leave them open over night as there have been reports of people trying to break through the Hera's over the weekend, as well as various break ins recently.</p>
	<p style="text-align: right;">Figure 5</p>
	<p>Both trenches backfilled by the end of the day, we leave site at 1550.</p>

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Site sub-division:

Leaving time from office/accomodation: 0700	Leaving time from site: 1500
Time of arrival on site: 0830	Time of arrival at office/accomodation:
Staff on site: td, pb, Scott (360 driver)	
23401	
Weather: hot, overcast	

Time	Occurrence
0830	On site, meet up with Scott then head over to trench 2 and 4 in rear of property. Trench 2 is ready to excavate so we get on with that and then record it. We then wait for permission to excavate trench 4.
	having scanned trench 4 yesterday we start opening but immediately find another service right under the turf. I let Bianca (PM) know and try the cat on it again, but still can't pick it up. We commvia teams and agree to move it to a new location to keep a 3m buffer.
	Bianca gets in touch with Tori about moving it in order to check service plans. I go and cat scan area ready for when we get approval.
	Bianca gives us the all clear, we open trench 4 to the north east of trench 3. We find a small pit in the centre of trench (post medieval?) which we excavate and record. I send through pics to Bianca.
	After lunch we get permission to backfill the trenches so Scott gets this done by 1430.
	He lets me know the gate code as we will lock up while he loads his machine onto trailer. I also give him my email to forward his version of our cable strike earlier this morning so I can add it on to the incident report.

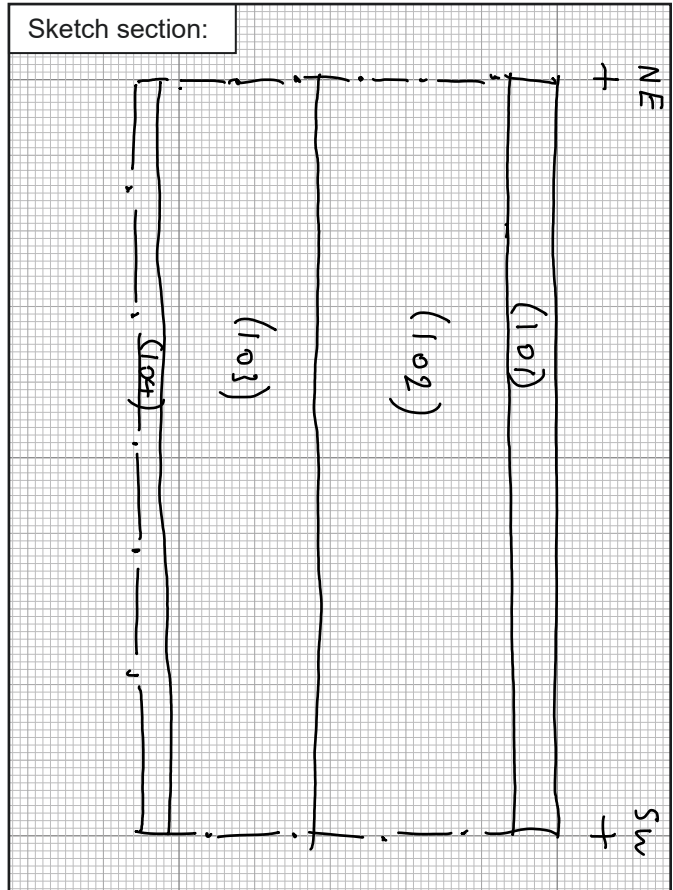
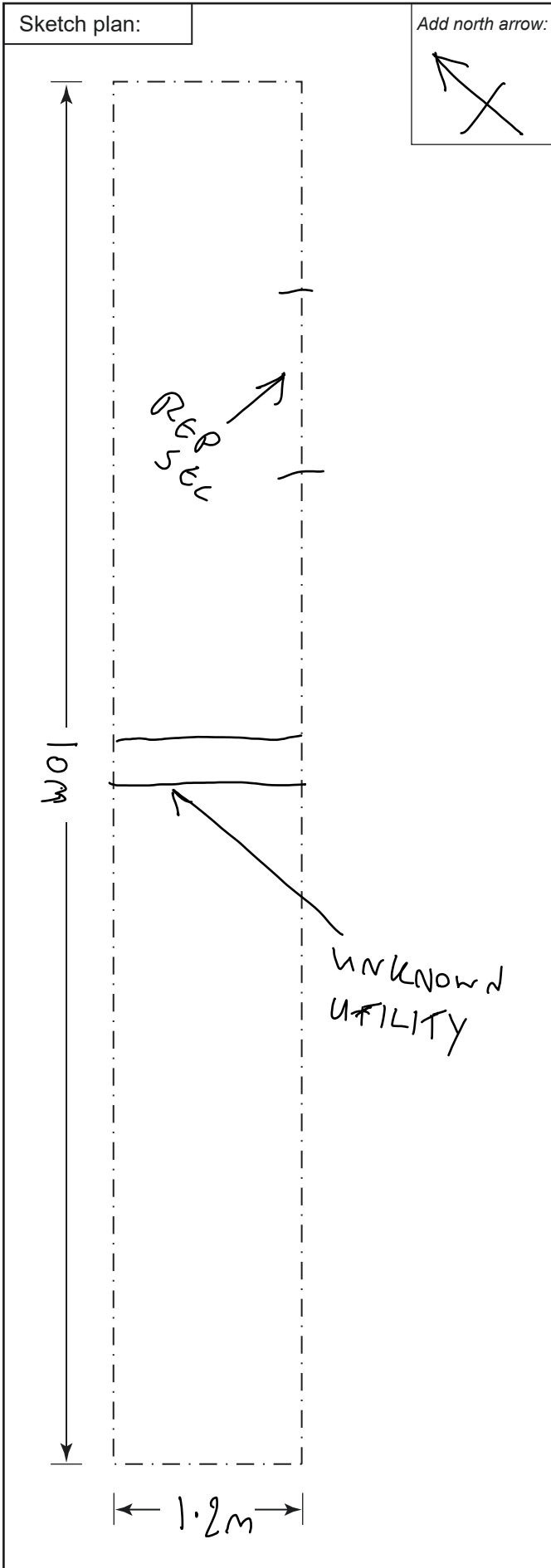
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Test Pit/Trial Trench Records



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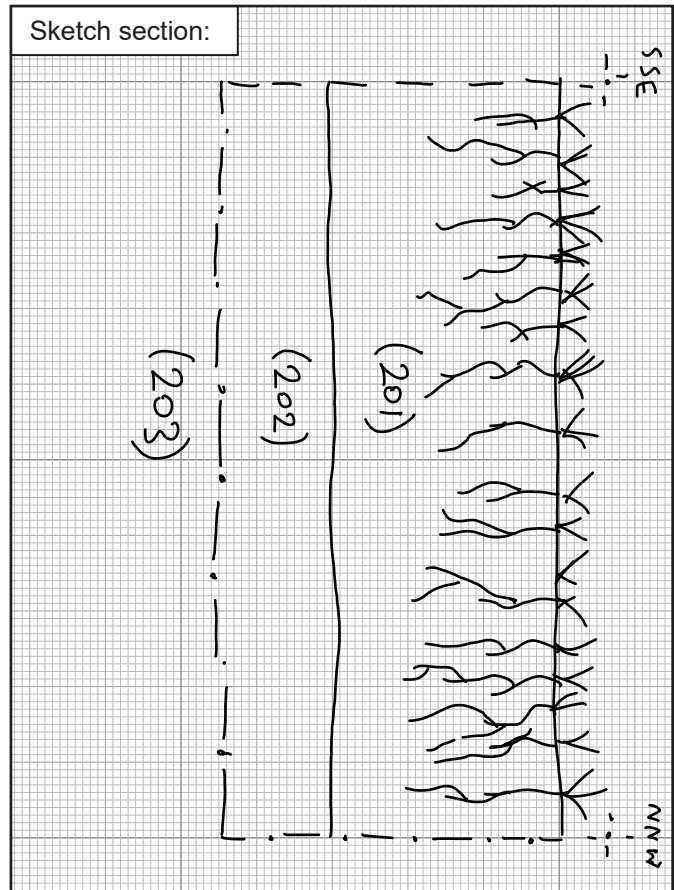
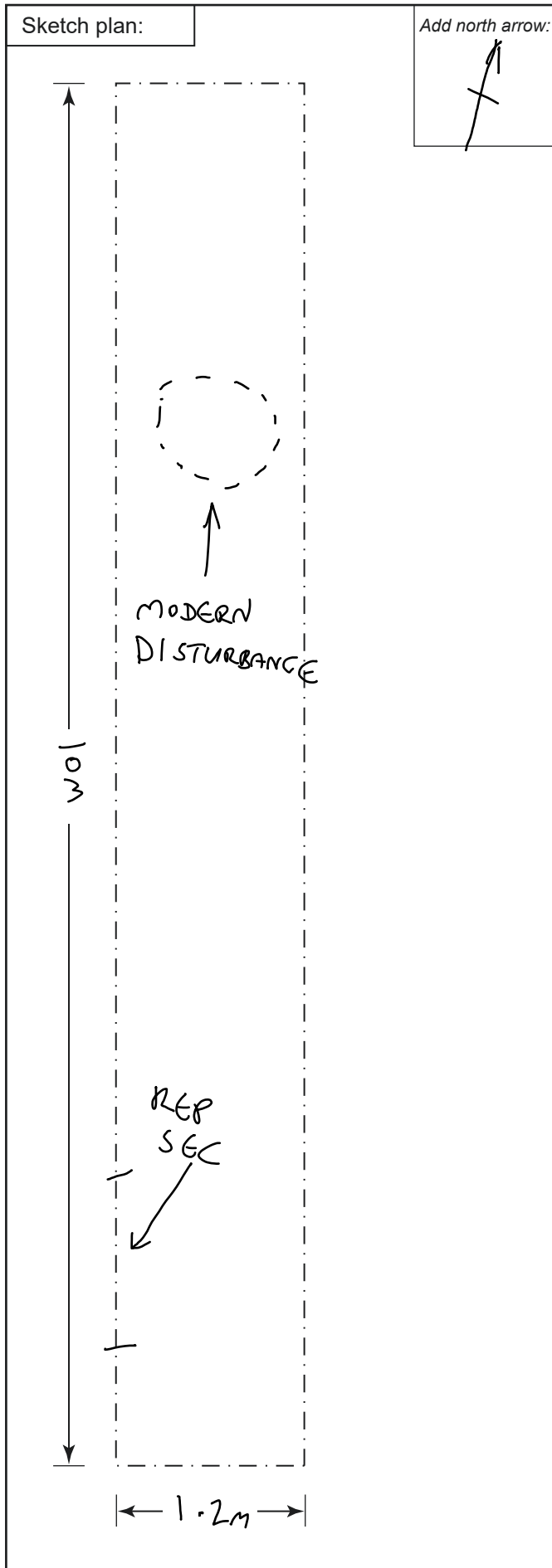
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Photos date: Backfilled:

Date of decision not to excavate as planned:



Notes:

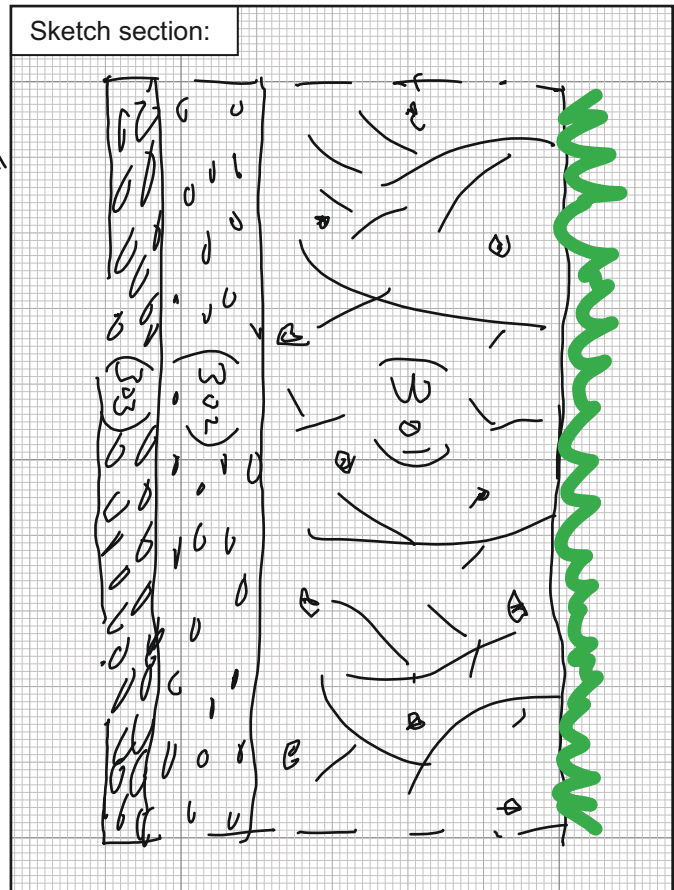
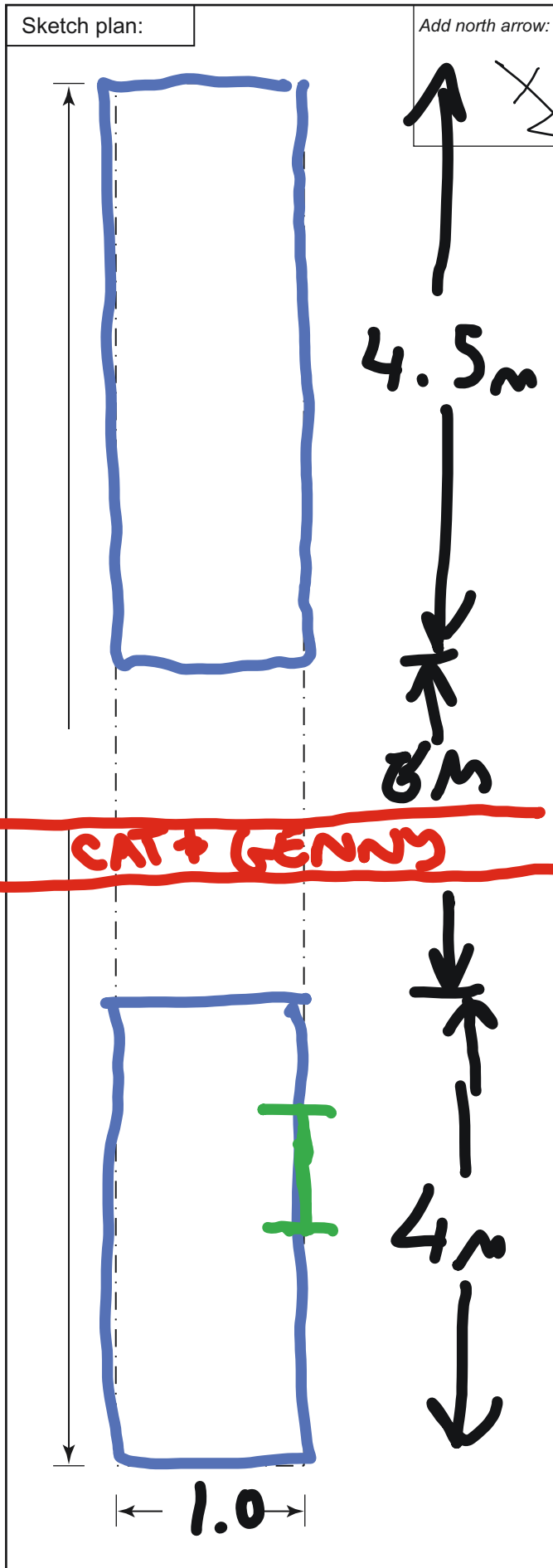
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Notes:

Trench moved to accommodate service buffer as strong signal found on CAT.

10M length not quite reached due to surrounding trees as we cannot excavate under canopy.

Project specific operational fields

No archaeology: Recording completed:

Date Surveyed: Signed off:

Photos date: Backfilled:

Date of decision not to excavate as planned:

Context Records

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Site sub-division: TR4	Cut <input type="checkbox"/> Layer <input type="checkbox"/> Fill <input type="checkbox"/> (tick)	Context number: 404
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Stratigraphically above: 403 - natural	
Cut by:	
Fill of:	
Filled with: 405	
Cuts:	
Component of:	
Same as:	

Shape in plan: Sub-circular	Side shape: Straight
Base shape: Flat	Side slope: Vertical

Type of intervention: half-section				
Intervention dimensions:	Length (m): 0.47	Width (m): 0.42	Diameter (m):	Thick/depth (m): 0.46
Feature dimensions:	Length (m): 0.47	Width (m): 0.42 +	Diameter (m):	Thick/depth (m): 0.46

Soil colour:
Textural class:
Coarse components:
Archaeological components:
Object nos:

Additional description: A small, neat, steep-sided pit. Probably half-sectioned CV but disappears beneath south edge of trench. Pit is 0.23m below machined level. Clearly cut through the subsoil.	Samples: <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
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Plans:	Sections:	Photographs:
402B	SL402A	D45 - 874-7

Interpretative category: Pit
Interpretation (including relationship to other features): A pit of unknown purpose, probably post-medieval in date.

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Site sub-division: TR4	Cut <input type="checkbox"/> Layer <input type="checkbox"/> Fill <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (tick)	Context number: 405
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Stratigraphically above: 404	
Cut by:	
Fill of: 404	
Filled with:	
Cuts:	
Component of:	
Same as:	
Orientation:	

Shape in plan:	Side shape:
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Base shape:	Side slope:
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Type of intervention: **Half-section**

Intervention dimensions:	Length (m): 0.47	Width (m): 0.42	Diameter (m):	Thick/depth (m): 0.12
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Feature dimensions:	Length (m): 0.47	Width (m): 0.42 +	Diameter (m):	Thick/depth (m):
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Soil colour: Dark brown

Textural class: friable slightly clay silt

Coarse components: Rare cornbrash fragments

Archaeological components: pot sherds, CBM, animal bone, residual flint, Fe frags	Object nos:
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Additional description:	Samples:						
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Plans:	Sections:	Photographs:
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Interpretative category: **deliberate backfill**

Interpretation (including relationship to other features):
Lower of two contexts of backfill.

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Stratigraphically above: 405	
Cut by:	
Fill of: 404	
Filled with:	
Cuts:	
Component of:	
Same as:	

Shape in plan:	Side shape:
Base shape:	Side slope:

Type of intervention: **Half-section**

Intervention dimensions:	Length (m): 0.47	Width (m): 42.00	Diameter (m):	Thick/depth (m): 0.36
Feature dimensions:	Length (m): 0.47	Width (m): 0.42 +	Diameter (m):	Thick/depth (m): 0.36

Soil colour: mid-dark brown

Textural class: slightly clay silt

Coarse components: Common cornbrash fragments ≤0.07mø, rare cornbrash cobbles 0.1-0.14mø

Archaeological components: 1 pot sherd	Object nos:
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Additional description: This upper context of deliberate backfill has clearly cut through the subsoil, and thus lies directly beneath the topsoil.	Samples: <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
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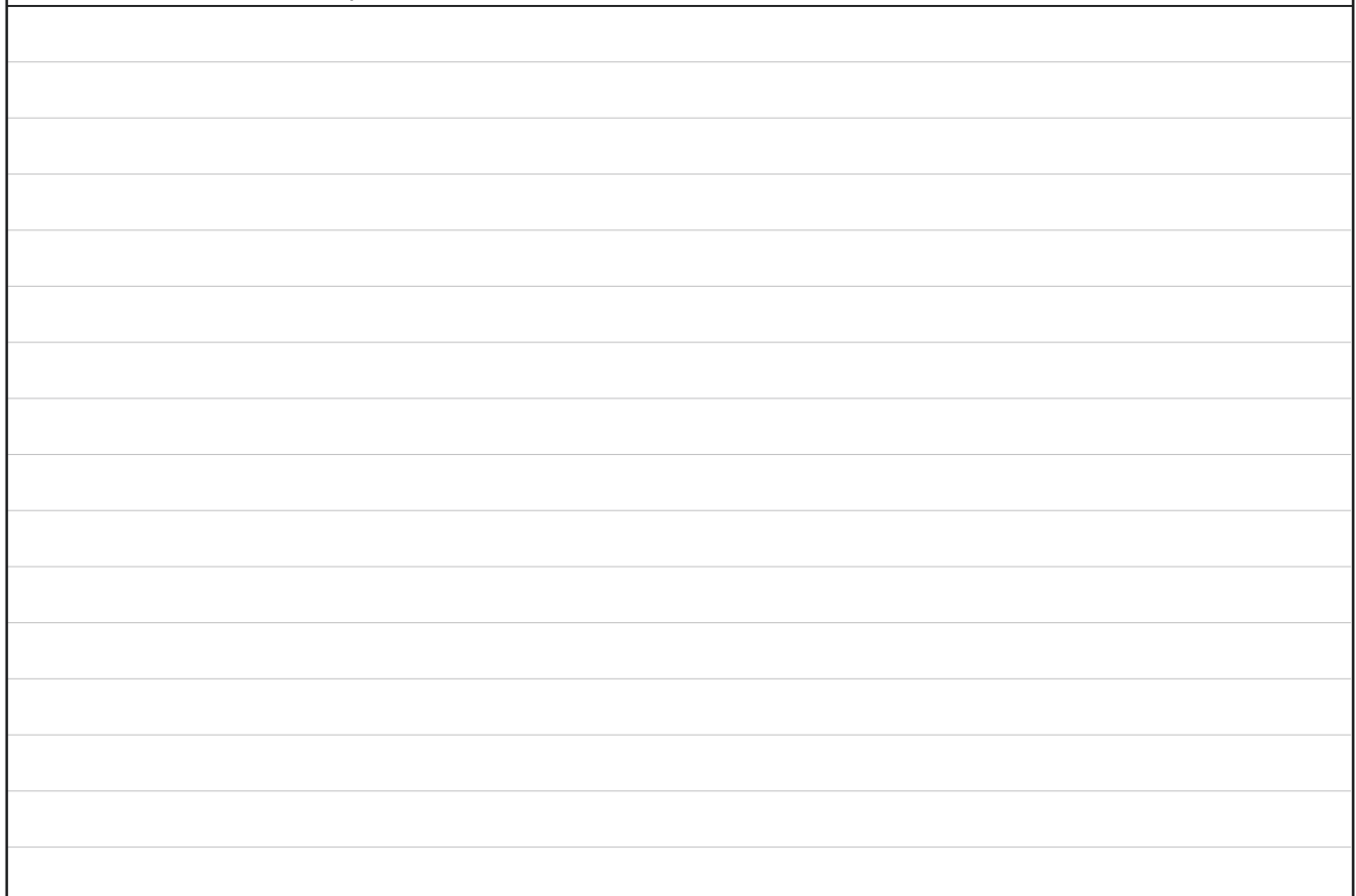
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Interpretation (including relationship to other features):
the upper context of deliberate backfill.

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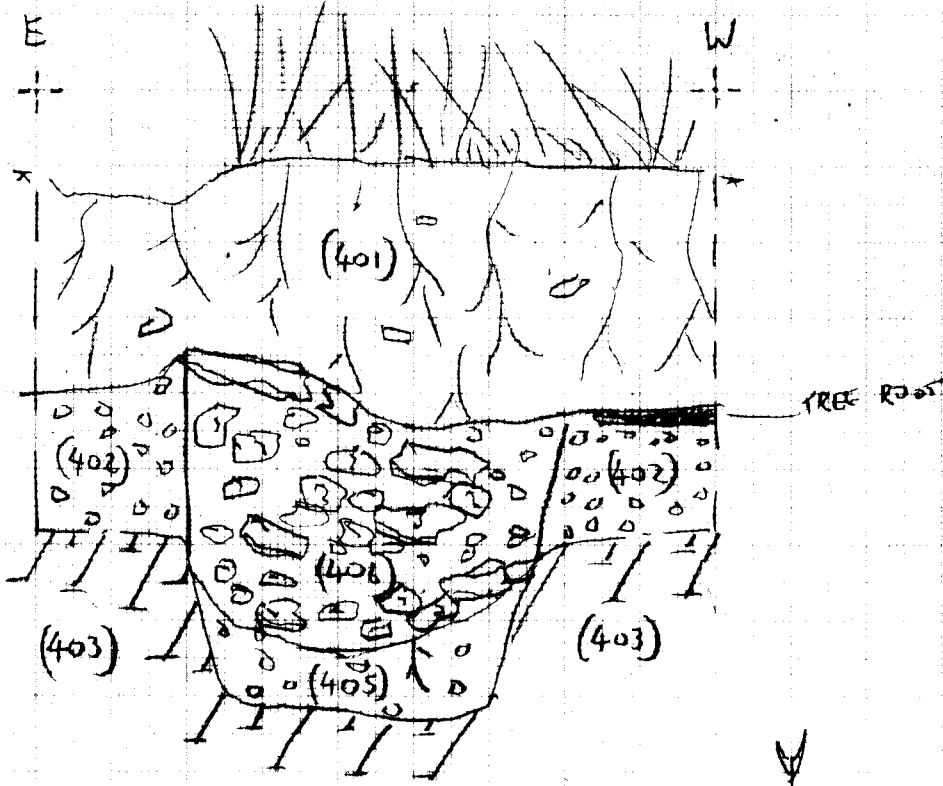
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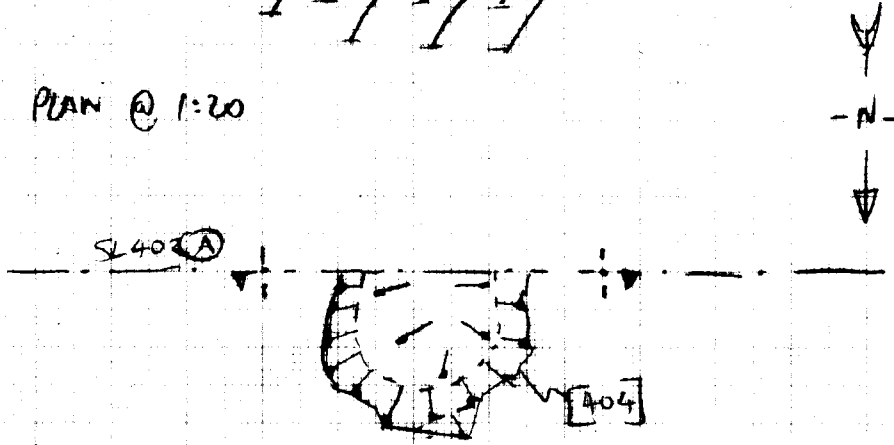
Additional discussion/interpretation:				
				

Site Drawings

(A) N FACING SECTION OF PIT 404 @ 1:10



(B) PLAN @ 1:20



NOTES	SCALE 1:10/1:20
CONTEXT Nos.	DRAWN BY TD
OBJECT Nos.	DATE 02/08/20

Photographic Record

Site Code: 201302 Site Name: COURTFIELD HOUSE, TROWBRIDGE, WILTSHIRE

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4	04	" " " "	"	"	"	Figure 9
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6	06	" " " "	"	"	"	Figure 4
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20	866 15	TR2 - TRENCH SHOT	1m/2m	BNW	PS 02/05/22	
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22	868 17	TR2 - TRENCH SHOT		WSW		Figure 2
23	869 18	WORKING SHOT	\	NNW		
24	870 19	NE FACING REP SEC OF TR 2	1m	NE	TD 02/05/22	Figure 3
25	871 20	DISTURBANCE IN TRENCH 2	0.5m	S		✓
26	872 21	TR4 - TRENCH SHOT	1m/2m	W	PS 2/8/22	Figure 7
27	873 22		-	E		
28	874 23	TR4 - REP SEC	1m	N	TD 2/8/22	✓
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32	878 27	TR4 - BACKFILLED WORKING SHOT OF ABOVE		NNW	PS 2/8/22	
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	883 32	TR 4 - " "	-			

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