

Pottery and CBM from Chattle Hill, Birmingham (Site 1N18CHTTT)

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Pottery

The pottery assemblage comprised 24 sherds with a total weight of 755g. It was all medieval or later apart from a single residual and very abraded Romano-British sherd. The post-Roman material was recorded using the codes and chronology of the Warwickshire Medieval and Post-Medieval Pottery Type-Series (Ratkai and Soden, in archive), as follows:

CIST:	Cistercian Ware , 1475-1550. 1 sherd, 2g.
CW:	Post-medieval Earthenwares , 17 th – 19 th century. 1 sherd, 9g.
MB01:	Midland Blackware , mid 16 th – 18 th century. 2 sherds, 5g.
MB02:	Late Midland Blackware , 1600-1900. 6 sherds, 574g.
MGW:	Modern Earthenwares , late 18 th century +. 1 sherd, 1g.
MP:	Midland Purple Ware , 15 th – mid 17 th century. 2 sherds, 16g.
RB:	All Romano-British . 1 sherd, 25g.
RS01:	Warwickshire Black Ware . late 12 th – 14 th century. 1 sherd, 11g.
Sq30.	Chilvers Coton 'C' Ware , 1300-1500. 2 sherds, 56g.
STE01:	Late English Stoneware , 1700 +. 1 sherd, 5g.
WW1:	Chilvers Coton 'A' Ware , 1250 -1300. 6 sherds, 51g.

The pottery occurrence by number and weight of sherds per context by fabric type is shown in Table 1. Each date should be regarded as a *terminus post quem*. Most of the material was unstratified, but the range of fabrics is fairly typical of sites in the region (eg. Ratkai 2009). The sherd of RS01 was from the rim of a jar and one of the sherds of Sg30 was from a jug rim. Both are common forms in their respective fabrics.

CBM

Four fragments weighing a total of 970g from a single medieval roof-tile occurred in Trench 52. They were all unstratified. The object is 170mm wide and survived to a length of at least 275mm. It is 14mm thick. It has a uniform orange sandy fabric with rare ironstone and calcareous material up to 2mm. There was no trace of glaze. The fabric is different to the tiles which occurred at the Birmingham Bull-ring site (*ibid.* 187) but similar to examples from Coventry (eg. Chapman 2017).

Table 1: Pottery and CBM occurrence

Context	Sample	Material	Fabric Code	Fabric Name	Sherds	Weight (g)	Notes	Spot Date
6205		Pottery	STE01	Late English Stoneware	1	5		18thC
140005		Pottery	MGW	Modern Earthenwares	1	1		MOD
280015		Pottery	WW1	Chilvers Coton 'A' Ware	2	23		M13thC
510009		Pottery	MB02	Late Midland Blackware	1	19		18thC
Tr 52 U/S		Pottery	CIST	Cistercain Ware	1	2		U/S
Tr 52 U/S		Pottery	CW	Post-medieval Earthenwares	1	9		U/S

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Tr 52 U/S		Pottery	MB01	Midland Blackware	2	5		U/S
Tr 52 U/S		Pottery	MB02	Late Midland Blackware	5	555		U/S
Tr 52 U/S		Pottery	MP	Midland Purple Ware	2	16		U/S
Tr 52 U/S		Pottery	RB	Roman	1	25		U/S
Tr 52 U/S		Pottery	RS01	Warwickshire Black Ware	1	11		U/S
Tr 52 U/S		Pottery	Sq30	Chilvers Coton 'C' Ware	2	56		U/S
Tr 52 U/S		Pottery	WW1	Chilvers Coton 'A' Ware	4	28		U/S
Tr 52 U/S		Roof Tile			4	970		U/S

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