

## Prehistoric Pottery

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A total of nine sherds weighing 87g were recovered from pit [2804] in trench 28. The sherds are of Later Iron Age date, from the base of a single handmade vessel in sandy fabric with common fine to medium sub-angular white quartzite inclusions. The pottery is similar to Iron Age pot found locally at Fincham (Percival 1995) and dates to c.350BC-50BC

### Methodology

The assemblage was analysed in accordance with the guidelines for analysis and publication recommended by the Prehistoric Ceramic Research Group (PCRG 2010). The total assemblage was studied and a full catalogue prepared. The sherds were examined using a binocular microscope (x10 magnification) and were divided into fabric groups defined on the basis of inclusion types. Vessel form was recorded and the sherds were counted and weighed to the nearest whole gram. Decoration, condition, food residues and sooting were also noted.

### Bibliography

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## Appendix 1: Quantity, weight and date of pottery by context

Tr	Context	Feature	Feature type	Fabric	Description	Pot date	Quantity	Weight (g)
28	2805	2804	Pit	QQuCFM	base of a single handmade vessel in sandy fabric with common fine to medium sub-angular white quartzite inclusions	350BC-50BC	9	87