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Key Terms

The following terms or abbreviations are used throughout this report:

CBC	Central Bedfordshire Council
CBCA	Central Bedfordshire Council Archaeologist
DCLG	Department for Communities and Local Government
HER	Central Bedfordshire and Luton Historic Environment Record
I*f*A	Institute for Archaeologists
LPA	Local Planning Authority
WSI	Written Scheme of Investigation

Non-Technical Summary

The Central Bedfordshire Council BEaR Project has identified an area of land at Thorn Turn to the north-west of Houghton Regis as a potential waste management site and is engaged in the preparation of a planning application.

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Forty-four of the 50 excavated trenches contained archaeological features. These comprised ditches and pits, dating from at least the Roman period and through the medieval, post-medieval and modern periods. A number of undated features were also identified. No archaeological features were found in Trenches 5, 7, 8, 9, 21 and 22; although Roman tile was recovered from a colluvial deposit in Trench 7.

The majority of the features from the Roman period onwards appear to be associated with land division away from any main settlement focus. Evidence of this nature is of interest in light of regional research themes regarding the nature and evolution of rural settlement and field systems (Medlycott 2011, 70; Oake 2007, 14).

Very few datable artefacts were recovered from the site. However, potsherds from two of the ditches have been identified as Roman and Roman or medieval in date. Despite this general lack of direct evidence from datable artefacts, a sequence of land use changes, going back to the Roman period, is postulated based on the alignments of ditches with field boundaries marked on maps of the area (from 1762 onwards) and stratigraphic relationships with tentatively dated colluvial layers.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Project Background

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The CBCA issued a brief for the works (CBC 2012) which stipulated that the archaeological fieldwork should comprise:

- Stage I – geophysical survey.
- Stage II – trial trench evaluation.

Albion Archaeology produced a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) which set out the scope of the evaluation and the methods to be used for Stages I and II of the works (Albion Archaeology 2012).

The geophysical survey was carried out in September 2012 (Stratascan 2012). It identified a number of anomalies characteristic of former field systems

The results of the Stage II fieldwork are presented in this document. It also contains an assessment of the significance of the identified heritage assets.

1.2 Site Location and Description

The site lies to the north-west of Houghton Regis and south of the village of Thorn, centred on NGR TL 0002 2424 (Figure 1). It is bounded to the west by the A5 and to the north by a road leading to Thorn. A sewage works borders its eastern sides.

The site comprises *c.* 25ha of mainly arable land, together with an area of woodland at the southern end of the site and a firing range located at the northern end of the site. The site lies on relatively flat land at a height of *c.* 100m OD, overlooked by Chalk Hill to the south.

The underlying geology consists of the West Melbury Marly Chalk Formation.

1.3 Archaeological and Historical Background

Several desk-based assessments and archaeological investigations undertaken in recent years have shown that the site lies within an area rich in archaeological remains dating from the prehistoric to post-medieval periods. The known

historical and archaeological background to the site is summarised by period below.

1.3.1 Neolithic (c. 3200BC – 2000BC)

Little evidence for activity pre-dating the Bronze Age has been recorded within a 500m radius of the site (the Study Area), though several scatters of flintwork thought to be associated with Mesolithic and Neolithic seasonal hunting or pastoral farming have been found further to the east during fieldwalking adjacent to the M1 (BCAS 1993, 12).

The only evidence for activity of this period within the Study Area are pits recorded during quarrying operations undertaken between 1951 and 1975 to the south of the site (HER687). These were revealed along with evidence for extensive Bronze Age, Iron Age, Roman and Saxon occupation (see below).

1.3.2 Bronze Age (c. 2000BC – 700BC)

Excavations in advance of the quarrying to the south of the site (HER687) revealed ring ditches, settlement remains and a Beaker burial.

More recently, an isolated pit (HER18292) and four ditches (HER16541) thought to date to the Bronze Age were revealed to the north of the site during the A5-M1 Link Road evaluation in 2007, though the dating of the pottery was not entirely conclusive (Northamptonshire Archaeology 2008).

1.3.3 Iron Age (c. 700BC – AD43)

Several Iron Age settlement sites have been identified within the Study Area through a combination of fieldwalking, cropmark evidence, geophysical survey and excavation.

A number of Iron Age ditches, pits and postholes (HER14851) were excavated to the south of the site in 1987. The excavation results included evidence of probable pottery manufacturing, in the form of a pit containing layers of baked clay and substantial amounts of pottery and a pit thought to be the ploughed-out remains of a pottery kiln. Close by, and possibly associated with this activity, are the remains of a sub-rectangular ditched enclosure (HER15141) partially excavated in 1988.

Investigations between 1951 and 1975 within the quarry (HER687) to the east of the above mentioned activity recorded Iron Age roundhouses, other buildings and associated pits.

Most recently, in 2007, ditches, pits and gullies thought to be associated with an Iron Age farmstead were identified to the north of the site (HER18290). Another possible farmstead was identified further north-east (HER16541) in the form of enclosure ditches, pits and a cobbled surface dating to the later Iron Age/early Roman period.

Iron Age pottery found during fieldwalking to the north-west of the site (HER16179) hints at further settlement activity in the vicinity.

1.3.4 Roman (AD43 – AD410)

The A5 road, which forms the western boundary of the site, follows the line of Roman Watling Street (HER5508). Several Roman findspots are recorded within the Study Area, including a silver coin found within the site itself (HER7491). The only confirmed settlement evidence is that found during the quarry investigations to the south (HER687), in the form of roundhouses, pits ditches and corn drying kilns. Iron Age and Roman pottery found through fieldwalking to the west of the site (HER16179) may be indicative of a farmstead in the vicinity; several farmsteads have been identified through fieldwalking on the chalk land around Houghton Regis to the east of the site.

1.3.5 Saxon – medieval (AD410 – AD1500)

The site lies within the parish of Houghton Regis to the south of the hamlet of Thorn.

Settlement at Houghton (as it was initially known) was already established by Domesday (Page 1912). The suffix 'Regis' was soon added to reflect the fact that it was owned by the Crown and to distinguish it from Houghton Conquest. However, the only known Saxon remains within the Study Area are those revealed during quarrying to the south of the site (HER687). These included buildings and two burial areas.

Houghton Regis remained the property of the king until Henry I granted the manor of Houghton to Hugh de Gurney in the 12th century. The manor passed through various families, eventually passing to the Bray family in the later 15th century.

A reference in 1324 to a manor at Thornbury, held in the parish by William la Zouche, may well correspond with the scheduled moated site at Thorn Spring (HER140) to the north-east of the site. It followed the same descent as the main manor of Houghton, but no further mention of it is found after 1471 (Page 1912). Ponds marked on the 1762 estate map (BLARS ref: B553; HER147) and earthworks (HER12269) to the south-east and east respectively of the scheduled moated site may also be related to the manor.

The hamlet of Thorn may have originated during the medieval period (HER16888) though there is no documentary evidence to support this (Scott Wilson 2006). Large areas of pasture marked as 'Little' and 'Great Thorn Green' on the 1762 estate map (HER12242) possibly refer to the site of a village green and extend into the area of the site. The map indicates that historically, the majority of the site lay within open fields and meadow. Ridge and furrow earthworks survive to the west of the site (HER5073) and were also recorded by aerial photography to the north of the site where they were seen to be cut through by some linear earthworks (HER12268).

Other medieval heritage assets recorded in the HER within the Study Area include a lead seal matrix of 13th–14th-century date (HER21064) found within the site and a scatter of pottery found to the south of the site (HER16280).

1.3.6 Post-medieval – modern (AD1500 – the present)

The enclosure map of 1796 (BLARS ref: MA84) indicates that the area of the site largely remained unchanged from that of the earlier estate map, consisting primarily of large open fields.

Heritage assets of the period recorded by the HER include a disused Baptist burial ground at Thorn (HER2433), located on the site of a meeting house built in 1740 and demolished *c*. 1801. A chapel was also built in the vicinity that was dismantled and moved to Houghton Regis in 1801 (Scott Wilson 2006). Close by, is the site of a now demolished 18th-century cottage (HER5690).

The industrial history of the area is represented by sites of a brick kiln (HER12233) and lime kiln (HER12234), along with the site of the 20th-century quarry and mineral railway (HER15318) to the south of the site.

A road cut in 1782 to avoid the steep slope of Puddlehill and abandoned by 1837 is still visible as a landscape feature to the south of the site (HER811).

A 20th-century rifle range (HER15319), still in use today, is located in the northern part of the site

1.4 Project Objectives

The general aims of the archaeological field evaluation were to recover information on the:

- location, extent, nature, and date of any archaeological features or deposits that may be present within the application site;
- integrity and state of preservation of any archaeological features or deposits that may be present within the application site.

This information will be used to determine the nature, function and character of any archaeological remains in their cultural and environmental setting. These characteristics are what form the significance of an archaeological heritage asset, from which we derive its value for this and future generations (as defined by the *National Planning Policy Framework* (DCLG 2012, Annex: 2).

National and regional planning policies and research frameworks provide the context within which heritage assets that are affected by proposed development can be characterised, and their significance assessed. Research frameworks that have been devised for the region are *Research and Archaeology Revisited: a revised framework for the East of England* (Medlycott 2011) and specifically for Bedfordshire: *Bedfordshire Archaeology. Research and Archaeology: Resource Assessment, Research Agenda and Strategy* (Oake *et al* 2007).

2. METHODOLOGY

The trial trenching took place between 24th September and 26th October 2012. The trenches were positioned so as to investigate areas and features of archaeological potential identified by the geophysical survey. Other areas of the site that appeared blank from the geophysical results were also investigated.

An initial layout of 50 trenches measuring 50m by 2m was agreed with the CBCA (Figure 1). In addition to the 50 trenches, a total of 15 geotechnical pits were also monitored during the course of the evaluation.

The trenches were opened by a mechanical excavator fitted with a toothless ditching bucket, under close archaeological supervision. Overburden was removed down to the top of the archaeological deposits or undisturbed geological deposits, whichever was encountered first. The spoil heaps were also scanned for artefacts recovery.

Any potential archaeological features were investigated by hand and recorded using Albion Archaeology's *pro forma* sheets. Each trench was subsequently drawn and photographed as appropriate. All deposits were recorded using a unique number sequence, commencing at 101 for Trench 1, 201 for Trench 2 *etc*. Context numbers in square brackets refer to the cuts [***] and round brackets to fills or layers (***). The trenches were inspected by the CBCA prior to their backfilling.

A full methodology is provided in the WSI (Albion Archaeology 2012).

The project adhered throughout to the standards and requirements set out in the following documents:

• Albion Archaeology	*Procedures Manual: Volume 1 Fieldwork* (2nd edn, 2001).
• Bedford Borough Council	*Preparing Archaeological Archives for Deposition in Registered Museums in Bedford (2010)*
• EAA	*Standards for Field Archaeology in the East of England (Gurney 2003)*
• English Heritage	*Management of Research Projects in the Historic Environment (MoRPHE) Project Managers' Guide (2009)* *Environmental Archaeology: A guide to the theory and practice of methods, from sampling and recovery to post-excavation, 2nd edition (2011)*
• IfA[1]	*By-Laws and Code of Conduct* *Standard and Guidance for Archaeological Field Evaluation (updated 2009) and finds (updated 2008)*

[1] All IfA codes, standards and guidelines are available at: http://www.archaeologists.net/codes/ifa.

Standard and Guidance for Historic Environment Desk-Based Assessment (2011)

The project archive will be deposited with Luton Museum (Accession No. LUTNM: 2012.21). Details of the project and its findings will be submitted to the OASIS database (ref: albionar1-131918) in accordance with the guidelines issued by English Heritage and the Archaeology Data Service.

3. RESULTS OF THE TRIAL TRENCH EVALUATION

3.1 Introduction

At the time of the fieldwork, the land being evaluated was divided into four fields; two on either side of the Ouzel Brook. The archaeological remains uncovered within the evaluation trenches also lent themselves to three sub-divisions as shown on Figure 2.

The area to the north-west of the Brook (Area 1) encompassed both fields. It was characterised by an abundance of ditches on several different alignments that must have defined a number different field systems that altered their layout over the course of time.

The area to the south-east of Ouzel Brook can be divided into a larger L-shaped area (Area 2), which included the land immediately adjacent to the brook and the field adjacent to the A5, and a smaller rectangular area (Area 3), which was wholly contained within the south-eastern field.

Area 2 was located on ground that sloped down to the north-west. It was characterised by sequences of colluvial and alluvial deposits that increased in depth and complexity the closer they were to the brook in the north-west and by a general sparseness of archaeological remains.

Area 3 was a smaller, flatter, rectangular area in the south-east corner of the site, away from the brook and without the colluvial deposits that characterised Area 2. It contained a series of NE-SW aligned furrows.

3.2 Area 1: Land to the North-west of the Ouzel Brook

3.2.1 Introduction

Although a large number of archaeological features were excavated and recorded within evaluation trenches in Area 1 (Figures 5 – 10), very few of them contained datable finds. It is therefore not possible to produce a sequence of events based on the artefacts recovered. The positions of ditches identified in trenches can, however, be compared with field boundaries shown on historical maps. It is, therefore, possible to establish a relative chronology based on identifying ditches that were likely to be earlier than, contemporary with, or later than a particular map.

3.2.2 Overburden and geological deposits

The overburden generally comprised a topsoil of dark brown-grey clay silt. This overlay generally firmer subsoil that varied from light yellow-white chalky clay to mid grey-brown silty clay. The thickness of the overburden varied from 0.3–0.9m but was generally thickest within the trenches located close to the Ouzel Brook (Trenches 24, 26 and 27).

3.2.3 Palaeochannel

A palaeochannel was recorded in Trenches 24, 27 and 41 as [2416], [2707], [4106] (Figure 5 and 7). It was located close to the south-east margin of Area 1 and the canalised course of the Ouzel Brook. The course of the palaeochannel

corresponds well with the pre-canalised brook marked on the 1762 estate map (Figure 12). No artefacts were recovered from it.

3.2.4 Roman

A possible, rectangular field system was identified. It comprised three NE-SW aligned ditched boundaries, dividing the land into 70–100m wide parcels aligned perpendicular to nearby Watling Street. Ditches at right-angles to the larger NE-SW boundary ditches subdivided the land into up to 15 NW-SE aligned strips. Pottery recovered from one of the latter was identified as Roman or medieval in date. It is, therefore, possible to suggest that this was, originally, a Roman rectangular field system. This tentative dating is based solely on the alignment of the ditches relative to the Roman road, its distinctiveness from later layouts, and the small quantity of pottery recovered.

3.2.4.1 Northern NE-SW boundary

Two NE-SW aligned ditches [3603] and [3605] were recorded in the north-west of Area 1 (Figure 8). It is likely that they may have formed the northern NE-SW boundary of a Roman field system. They were 1.59–2.55m wide and up to 0.3m deep with concave sides and flat bases. No artefacts were recovered from them.

3.2.4.2 Southern NE-SW boundary

Nine NE-SW aligned ditches were recorded as [2404], [2406], [2408], [2410], [2412], [2414], [2420], [2505], [2606], [2705] in the south of Area 1 (Figure 5). They were 0.4–1.95m wide and up to 0.34m deep with concave or 45 degree sides and concave or flat bases. All were close to the palaeochannel and only one of them could be excavated due to persistent flooding. The seven ditches in Trench 24 were located within a distance of 35m of each other. Historical flooding and subsequent silting is likely to explain why this boundary shifted so many times in the past. Six abraded, indeterminate animal bone fragments (4g) were recovered from the fill of ditch [2406].

3.2.4.3 Central NE-SW boundary

A central NE-SW ditch [2803]/[3003]/[3113]/[3005] was recorded in the south-west half of Area 1 (Figures 6–7). It was located between the northern and southern boundary ditches at a distance of 70–100m. It was 0.5–2.1m wide and up to 0.38m deep with asymmetric, concave or 45 degree sides and concave bases. Two abraded pottery sherds in a coarse sand-tempered fabric (4g) were recovered from the feature. They may be of either Romano-British or medieval date, supporting the interpretation of the feature as part of a Roman or medieval field system.

3.2.5 Medieval

It is possible that the Roman rectangular field system was later incorporated into a medieval strip system of land divisions. Remnants of this system are shown on the 1762 estate map (Figure 12) immediately to the north of the Ouzel Brook. However, the strip system shown does not extend as far north-west as the majority of the parallel ditches that were found.

If the medieval system was based on the earlier Roman alignments, then a major curvilinear field boundary ditch shown on the map represents a departure from

the original system. As such, this could well have been accompanied by a change of use from the strip system to enclosed fields or grazing.

3.2.5.1 Continuation of the central NE-SW boundary

The line of the central NE-SW boundary ditch continued into the north-east half of Area 1 as ditches [2805], [2807], [3907], [4407], [4709], [4907], [4909], [4911], [4913]. However, here, it was on the same line as the boundary ditch that was still present during the time of the 1762 estate map, later removed by the enclosure. In this half of the area it had been re-established at least four times. The ditches on this line were 1.3–3.65m wide and 0.42–0.84m deep with asymmetrical, convex or 45 degree sides and concave or flat bases. No datable artefacts were recovered from this set of boundary ditches.

3.2.5.2 NW-SE subdivision ditches

Fourteen NW-SE aligned ditches [2507], [2608], [2610], [2612], [3305], [3307], [3403], [3405], [3510], [3607], [3609], [3703], [3707], [3807], [4305], [4307], [4405], [4705], [4707], [4805] were recorded within Area 1. The gaps between the ditches varied from 10m to 85m. They were 0.45–1.67m wide and 0.11–0.45m deep with concave to steep sides and concave or flat bases. Four abraded sherds of early Roman coarse ware pottery (fabric type R06C[2], 21g) were recovered from ditch [3609] (Figure 8). They derive from a single vessel, with a worn black-slipped surface.

The majority of these ditches were identified in the north-west of Area 1. However, their pattern and spacing is similar to the medieval strip boundaries marked on the 1762 estate map (Figure 12). This may indicate that, in the earlier medieval period, the open field system extended further north than the mapping suggests. The presence of some Roman pottery in one of the ditches and the alignment of the ditches parallel with the Roman road may suggest that some were originally part of a Roman field system that was modified into a medieval strip system.

3.2.5.3 Furrows

Three NW-SE aligned furrows [3803] were recorded in Trench 38 (Figure 6) and one N-S aligned furrow [2509] was recorded in Trench 25 (Figure 7). They were 2.25–2.7m wide and 0.11–0.23m deep with shallow concave sides and flat bases. No datable artefacts were recovered from them.

3.2.5.4 Pits / postholes

Two pits [3105], [3205] and a possible posthole [3504] were recorded in Area 1 (Figures 6 and 8). Pit [3105] was 2m long, at least 1.15m and 0.6m wide. It was irregular in plan and in profile. Pit [3205] could not be excavated because Trench 32 was continuously flooded by land drains. It was sub-circular in shape with a maximum diameter of 4.6m.

Possible posthole or small pit [3504] was 0.46m wide and 0.17m deep with convex sides and a concave base.

[2] Pottery fabric identified in accordance with the Bedfordshire Ceramic type series, currently maintained by Albion Archaeology.

No datable artefacts were recovered from these features.

3.2.6 Post-medieval (1500-1750)

The following archaeological features correlate with cartographic features shown on the 1762 estates map (Figure 12). They include a trackway and two curvilinear boundary ditches that cut across the earlier field system. No artefacts were present to confirm the dating.

3.2.6.1 Trackway to Thorn

A possible NE-SW aligned trackway, bounded by a ditch on either side, was recorded in three trenches [3105], [3108], [3303], [3407], [3410], [3507], [3514], [3705]. It would have lead directly from the south-west corner of the rectangular field system to the settlement at Thorn, which dates to the 16th century or possibly earlier. The trackway is not shown on the 1762 estates map (Figure12), suggesting that it had been removed, perhaps when the field was extended to the south. However, it reappears as a right of way on the 1796 enclosure map and as a footpath on the 1st edition OS map 1878-9 (Figure 13). A patinated brown-grey flint multiplatform core of possible early Neolithic date (40g) was collected from ditch [3108].

3.2.6.2 Curvilinear field boundary to west

A curvilinear field boundary [2511], [2906] was recorded in the south-west half of Area 1. It corresponds with the location of a boundary ditch shown on the 1762 estate map (Figure 13). It was 2.4–2.85m wide. Its main fill comprised backfilled blocks of chalk stone with chalk and modern brick rubble. Since the ditch is shown on the 1762 estate map, was marked for removal on the 1796 enclosure map and had disappeared by the time of the 1898-9 edition OS map, it must have been backfilled between 1762 and 1898.

3.2.6.3 Curvilinear field boundary to east

A ditch recorded in Trenches 39 and 43 [3905], [4309] was on a similar alignment to a curvilinear field boundary shown of the 1762 estate map (Figure 12). It was 0.58–0.81m wide and up to 0.37m deep with concave sides and a flat or concave base. No datable artefacts were recovered from it.

3.2.7 Modern (1750 onwards)

The following archaeological features correlate with cartographic features shown on the 1798 enclosure map or later OS editions. They comprise modern agricultural field boundary ditches not present on the earlier estate map. No artefactual dating was recovered to confirm this interpretation.

3.2.7.1 Field boundary

Ditches in the north-west of Area 1 corresponded well with a rectangular field boundary present on 1878 1st edition OS map (Figure 11). They were recorded as ditches [2904], [3007], [3103], [3111], and [3805]. They were 0.8–2.55m wide and up to 0.33m deep with convex or 45 degree sides and flat or concave bases. They were, coincidentally, on very similar alignments to the earlier, possibly Roman, rectangular field boundaries.

3.2.8 Undated

Two ditches [3205], [4905]/[6504] were recorded that did not appear to correspond with the postulated rectangular field system described above or any features identified on the 1762 estate map, 1798 enclosure map or OS maps.

Ditch [3205] was located towards the west of Area 1 in Trench 32. It was aligned E-W and was 0.5m wide. It was not excavated due to continuous inundation from land drains in this trench.

Ditch [4905]/ [6504] was located towards the north-east corner of Area 1 (Figure 10). It was recorded at the north-west end of Trench 49 and in a nearby geological test pit, Trench 65. It was 1.7m wide and 0.75m deep with concave sides and a flat base. Three abraded animal long bone fragments (33g) were recovered from its fill.

3.3 Area 2: Land the South-east of the Ouzel Brook

3.3.1 Introduction

This area comprised generally boggy, marginal land dominated at the lower, northern end by thick alluvial and colluvial deposits, and at the upper southern end by thinner colluvial deposits. The colluvial deposits tended to be siltier with varying amounts of fine chalk; while the alluvial deposits were clayier with little or no chalk. Five ditches and two furrows were the only archaeological features identified within this area (Figures 3–5).

3.3.2 Overburden and geological deposits

Topsoil in Area 2 varied from mid grey to dark brown-grey in colour and from silty clay to clay silt in composition. Across most of the area, the deposit was identified as colluvium. However, a light grey to mid brown-grey, silty clay subsoil was identified in the north-east corner of the area.

The colluvial deposits found below topsoil over most of the area were silty chalk deposits derived from bedrock chalk. They varied from white through pinkish white to reddish brown depending on the amount of humic material within them.

In the upper part of the slope, the colluvium was generally a single deposit. Lower down the slope it became differentiated into an increasing number of layers of various colour but all of generally similar composition. At the bottom of the slope, the underlying geological deposit changed from Marly Chalk to Gault Clay and was overlain by patchy deposits of peaty clay and then by a light grey alluvial clay.

Trench	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	20	21	22	23
Topsoil	100	200	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	2000	2100	2200	2300
Make-up layer				403										
Subsoil												2101	2201	2301
Colluvium	101	201	301 302	401	501	601	701 702	801	901 902 903	1001 1002 1003 1006	2001 2002	2103 2104 2105		
Colluvium/ alluvium							703		904		2003			
Alluvium										1007			2202 2203	2301 2302 2303
Gault Clay										1008	2004	2102	2204	2304
Chalk geology	102	202	303	402	502	602/5		803	905					

Table 1: Layers in Area 2 trenches

The geological sequence found in the trenches within Area 2 is shown in Table 1. A deposit model based on the layers recorded in Trenches 1, 2, 7, 9, and 10 is shown in Figure 15. In summary, there appears to be an increase in the frequency of layers towards the base of the slope, but surprisingly no significant increase in total depth of build-up. This suggests that the base of the slope to the south of the Ouzel Brook may have been subject to episodes of erosion that may have impacted upon the survival of archaeological deposits.

3.3.2.1 Dating the colluvial deposits

A damaged iron horseshoe of probable post-medieval date was recovered from the uppermost (top) colluvial deposit (1001) in Trench 10, 0.3m below ground level. Four abraded pieces of shell-tempered Roman roof tile (87g) were recovered from a lower colluvial deposit (702) in Trench 7 at a depth of 0.7m below ground level (Figure 4). They may have been carried down slope by natural forces from known Roman settlements on the top of the hill.

3.3.3 Pre-Roman / Roman

Since the lower colluvial deposits produced Roman tile, it is reasonable to suggest that any archaeological remains found beneath the alluvial/colluvial deposits could be Roman or earlier in date.

Four ditches were recorded below deep colluvial / alluvial deposits. Three [603], [1004] and [2305] were aligned NE-SW (Figure 4). The other [2005] was curving but trended E-S. The ditches were 0.55–2.75m wide. Only ditch [1004] was excavated due to flooding.

3.3.4 Medieval

Two NW-SE aligned furrows [103], [203] were recorded in the south of Area 2 (Figure 3). They were 0.87–1.22m wide and were up to 0.15m deep with shallow concave sides and flat bases.

3.3.5 Modern

A 0.35m thick layer of black clayey silt [404] was identified, towards the south-west end of Trench 4, above the colluvium. It contained modern ceramic building material and has been interpreted as a layer of modern build-up.

3.3.6 Undated

A NE-SW aligned ditch [304] and its later re-cut [307] were recorded in Trench 3 towards the south end of Area 3 (Figure 4). The earlier ditch was 1.15m wide and 0.37m deep with convex sides and a concave base. The later ditch was 0.57m wide and 0.23m deep with concave sides and a concave base. No datable artefacts were recovered from these ditches.

3.4 Area 3: Land Parcel in the South-east Corner

3.4.1 Introduction

The north-west and north-east boundaries of Area 3 are defined on the pre-enclosure estate map of 1762. The south-west boundary appears on the 1878 OS map, whilst the south-east field boundary appears to be a 20th-century subdivision. The archaeological remains identified within this field comprised three undated ditches and a series of mainly ENE-WSW aligned furrows (Figure 4).

3.4.2 Overburden and geological deposits

The overburden generally comprised a topsoil of dark grey-brown to dark grey clay silt and silty clay. This overlay a firmer light grey to mid grey-brown clay silt and silty clay subsoil. The thickness of the overburden varied from 0.35m to 0.58m.

3.4.3 Medieval

Approximately 16 ENE-WSW aligned furrows [1303], [1403], [1503], [1603], [1703], [1803] and [1906] were recorded in Area 3 (Figure 4). One N-S aligned furrow [1205] was also recorded in Trench 12 in the south-east corner of the area. They were 1.07–2.25m wide and up to 0.11m deep with shallow concave sides and flat bases. No datable artefacts were recovered from them.

3.4.4 Undated

Three N-S or NW-SE aligned ditches [1103], [1203] and [1903] were recorded in Area 3 (Figure 4). They were 0.8–1.2m wide and 0.32–0.49m deep, with 45 degree or convex sides and flat bases. No datable artefacts were recovered from them.

4. CONCLUSIONS AND HERITAGE ASSET ASSESSMENT

4.1 Summary and Significance of the Evaluation Results

The three areas used to structure presentation of the results of the trial trenching were defined on the basis of their geomorphology, the positioning of the Roman road (Watling Street) and the way in which the land developed over time. Although useful for describing the archaeological remains discovered and their correspondence, or otherwise, with historical map evidence, this division is also artificial. The areas did not function in isolation from one another, but were rather, interconnected parts of a broader landscape that underwent many changes over the course of time.

Area 1, to the north-west of the Ouzel Brook appears to have had an agricultural landscape that developed from Roman rectangular field systems. This seems to have been modified into a medieval strip system which was then partially and then, later wholly abandoned as a result of enclosure. The evidence for this progression is tentative, based on a few recovered datable artefacts and comparisons with historical maps. However, if it were proved to be correct, it would be of local or regional significance. Evidence of this nature can address regional research themes regarding the nature and evolution of rural settlement and field systems (Medlycott 2011, 70; Oake 2007, 14).

Area 2, immediately to the south-east of the Ouzel Brook and also adjacent to Watling Street in the south-west, was dominated by colluvial and alluvial deposits that generally increased in depth the closer they were to the brook. This area seems to have been less well exploited than Area 1 probably because it was more prone to soil degradation on the upper slopes in the south and to flooding and marshy conditions in the north closer to the brook. Dating evidence for the colluvial deposits comes from Roman tile found 0.7m below ground level in Trench 7. The presence of this material within the colluvium suggests that any archaeological remains found below these deposits are likely to be Roman or pre-Roman. The three ditches found at that level produced no datable artefacts; their significance is uncertain, although they are more likely to be associated with land division rather than settlement.

Area 3, in south-east corner of the site contained three undated ditches and a series of medieval cultivation furrows. The latter are of no more than local significance. As above, the significance of the undated ditches is uncertain, although they are more likely to be associated with land division than with settlement.

4.2 Heritage Asset Assessment

The programme of archaeological evaluation undertaken on the site at Thorn Turn has revealed a number of heritage assets in the form of sub-surface archaeological remains. Despite the high archaeological potential of the land around the site, none of the revealed remains are part of former settlement foci. The majority comprise ditches which produced no direct dating evidence; a small number of pits were also revealed. Correlation of the archaeological

remains with historical map evidence has allowed a postulated sequence of land boundary development from the Roman to modern periods to be developed.

The heritage assets identified within the site are of local to regional significance in that they can address regional research themes relating to the nature and evolution of former field systems.

Although the detailed layout of the waste management site is still to be determined, the proposed development could potentially have a negative impact on some of the heritage assets identified by the evaluation.

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6. APPENDIX 2: TRENCH SUMMARIES

Trench: 1

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.5 m. Max: 0.8 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 120: Northing: 23856)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 87: Northing: 23818)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
100	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark grey brown clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
101	**Colluvium**	**Friable light pinkish brown clay silt occasional flecks chalk 0.5m thick.**	☑	☐
102	**Natural**	**Firm light brown white chalky clay**	☐	☐
103	**Furrow**	**Linear NE-SW sides: concave base: flat dimensions: max breadth 1.22m, max depth 0.12m, min length 2.m**	☑	☐
104	Fill	Friable dark grey brown clay silt	☑	☐
105	**Natural**	**Friable mid brown grey chalky silt**	☐	☐

Trench: **2**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.3 m. Max: 0.55 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 90: Northing: 23865)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 40: Northing: 23860)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
200	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey silty clay 0.35m thick.**	☑	☐
201	**Colluvium**	**Friable light pinkish brown clay silt 0.32m thick.**	☑	☐
202	**Natural**	**Firm light blue white chalky clay**	☐	☐
203	**Furrow**	**Linear NE-SW sides: concave base: flat dimensions: max breadth 0.87m, max depth 0.15m, min length 2.35m**	☑	☐
204	Fill	Compact light brown grey silty clay	☑	☐

Trench: 3

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.4 m. Max: 0.45 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 115: Northing: 23880)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 87: Northing: 23916)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
300	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark grey brown clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
301	**Colluvium**	**Firm light pinkish brown silty clay 0.1m thick.**	☑	☐
302	**Colluvium**	**Firm mid grey chalky clay 0.2m thick.**	☑	☐
303	**Natural**	**Firm light yellow white chalky clay**	☐	☐
304	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: convex base: concave dimensions: max breadth 1.15m, max depth 0.37m, min length 2.m**	☑	☐
305	Primary fill	Firm light grey white silty clay 0.17m thick.	☑	☐
306	Main fill	Friable mid brown grey silty clay 0.22m thick.	☑	☐
307	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.57m, max depth 0.23m, min length 2.m**	☑	☐
308	Fill	Friable mid brown grey silty clay	☑	☐

Trench: 4

Max Dimensions: **Length:** 50.00 m. **Width:** 2.00 m. **Depth to Archaeology** **Min:** 0.55 m. **Max:** 0.7 m.

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 19: Northing: 23903)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 50: Northing: 23942)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
400	Topsoil	Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.4m thick.	☑	☐
401	Colluvium	Friable light pinkish brown clay silt 0.4m thick.	☑	☐
402	Natural	Firm mid red brown sandy clay	☐	☐
404	Make up layer	Friable black clay silt occasional small-large CBM 0.35m thick.	☑	☐

Trench: 5

Max Dimensions: **Length:** 50.00 m. **Width:** 2.00 m. **Depth to Archaeology** **Min:** 0.7 m. **Max:** 0.7 m.

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 7: Northing: 24202)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 8: Northing: 23972)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
500	Topsoil	Friable dark brown grey silty clay 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
501	Colluvium	Friable light pinkish brown clay silt 0.45m thick.	☑	☐
502	Natural	Firm light brown white chalky clay	☐	☐

Trench: 6

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.75 m. Max: 0.75 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99979: Northing: 24036)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99972: Northing: 23986)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
600	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey silty clay 0.25m thick.**	☑	☐
601	**Colluvium**	**Friable light pinkish brown silty clay 0.45m thick.**	☑	☐
602	**Natural**	**Firm light yellow brown silty clay**	☐	☐
603	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: min breadth 2.75m, min length 2.6m**	☐	☐
604	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐
605	**Natural**	**Firm light yellow white chalk**	☐	☐

Trench: 7

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.8 m.** **Max: 1.9 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99933: Northing: 24031)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99961: Northing: 23989)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
700	Topsoil	Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.25m thick.	☑	☐
701	Colluvium	Friable light pinkish grey clay silt 0.55m thick.	☑	☐
702	Colluvium	Firm mid grey brown clay silt 0.16m thick.	☑	☑
703	Colluvium	Firm light yellow brown clay silt 0.26m thick	☑	☐
704	Natural	Firm light grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: 8

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.65 m. Max: 0.7 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99978: Northing: 24066)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99928: Northing: 24066)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
800	Topsoil	Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.4m thick.	☑	☐
801	Colluvium	Friable light pinkish brown clay silt 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
802	Natural	Firm light yellow brown silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: 9

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.8 m.** **Max: 0.95 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99929: Northing: 24098)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99881: Northing: 24085)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
900	Topsoil	Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.2m thick.	☑	☐
901	Colluvium	Friable light pinkish brown clay silt 0.07m thick.	☑	☐
902	Colluvium	Firm mid pinkish grey clay silt 0.52m thick.	☑	☐
903	Colluvium	Friable mid grey brown clay silt 0.09m thick	☑	☐
904	Colluvium	Firm light yellow brown silty clay 0.11m thick.	☑	☐
905	Natural	Firm light yellow white silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: **10**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.85 m. Max: 1. m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99920: Northing: 24136)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99872: Northing: 24125)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
1000	**Topsoil**	**Friable mid grey clay silt 0.4m thick.**	☑	☐
1001	**Colluvium**	**Friable light grey white clay silt 0.1m thick.**	☑	☑
1002	**Colluvium**	**Friable mid red brown clay silt 0.15m thick.**	☑	☐
1003	**Colluvium**	**Firm mid grey silty clay 0.1m thick.**	☑	☐
1004	**Ditch**	**Linear NNE-SSW sides: 45 degrees dimensions: max breadth 0.85m, min depth 0.14m, min length 3.85m**	☑	☐
1005	Fill	Firm dark brown grey silty clay	☑	☐
1006	**Colluvium**	**Friable dark red grey clay silt 0.05m thick.**	☑	☐
1007	**Alluvium**	**Firm light grey silty clay 0.2m thick.**	☑	☐
1008	**Natural**	**Firm mid yellow orange clay moderate small-medium stones**	☐	☐

Trench: **11**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.48 m. Max: 0.52 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 111: Northing: 24019)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 85: Northing: 23976)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
1100	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark grey brown clay silt 0.32m thick.**	☑	☐
1101	**Subsoil**	**Friable mid grey brown clay silt 0.27m thick.**	☑	☐
1102	**Natural**	**Firm light yellow white clay chalk**	☐	☐
1103	**Ditch**	**Linear N-S sides: 45 degrees dimensions: max breadth 1.15m, min depth 0.42m, min length 2.1m**	☑	☐
1104	Fill	Firm mid brown grey chalky clay occasional small-medium stones	☑	☐

Trench: **12**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.5 m.** **Max: 0.5 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 128: Northing: 24047)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 177: Northing: 24036)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
1200	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark grey brown clay silt occasional small stones 0.35m thick.**	☑	☐
1201	**Subsoil**	**Friable mid brown grey clay silt 0.2m thick.**	☑	☐
1202	**Natural**	**Firm light grey white chalky clay**	☐	☐
1203	**Ditch**	**Linear N-S sides: 45 degrees base: flat dimensions: max breadth 0.8m, max depth 0.32m, min length 2.5m**	☑	☐
1204	Fill	Friable mid grey silty clay	☑	☐
1205	**Furrow**	**Linear N-S sides: concave base: flat dimensions: max breadth 1.07m, max depth 0.12m, min length 3.05m**	☑	☐
1206	Fill	Friable mid grey silty clay	☑	☐

Trench: 13

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.4 m. Max: 0.5 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 63: Northing: 24046)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 59: Northing: 23996)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
1300	Topsoil	Friable dark grey brown clay silt occasional small stones 0.35m thick.	☑	☐
1301	Subsoil	Friable mid brown grey clay silt 0.2m thick.	☑	☐
1302	Natural	Firm light grey white chalky clay	☐	☐
1303	Furrow	Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 1.6m, min length 2.2m	☐	☐
1304	Fill	Friable mid grey brown silty clay occasional small stones	☐	☐

Trench: 14

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.35 m. Max: 0.45 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 60: Northing: 24088)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 105: Northing: 24067)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
1400	Topsoil	Friable dark grey brown clay silt occasional small stones 0.4m thick.	☑	☐
1401	Subsoil	Friable mid yellow brown silty clay 0.15m thick.	☑	☐
1402	Natural	Firm light grey white silty clay	☐	☐
1403	Furrow	Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 1.35m, min length 2.25m	☐	☐
1404	Fill	Friable mid pinkish brown clay silt	☐	☐

Trench: **15**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.35 m.** **Max: 0.38 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 105: Northing: 24112)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 137: Northing: 24074)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
1500	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark grey brown clay silt occasional small stones 0.35m thick.**	☑	☐
1501	**Subsoil**	**Friable mid brown grey clay silt 0.18m thick.**	☑	☐
1502	**Natural**	**Firm light grey white chalky clay**	☐	☐
1503	**Furrow**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 1.75m, min length 2.m**	☐	☐
1504	Fill	Firm mid grey brown silty clay occasional small stones	☐	☐

Trench: **16**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.45 m. Max: 0.5 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 89: Northing: 24176)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 117: Northing: 24134)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
1600	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark grey brown clay silt occasional small stones 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
1601	**Subsoil**	**Friable mid yellow brown silty clay occasional small stones 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
1602	**Natural**	**Firm light grey white chalky clay**	☐	☐
1603	**Furrow**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 1.95m, min length 2.m**	☐	☐
1604	Fill	Friable mid grey brown silty clay	☐	☐
1605	**Posthole**	**Circular dimensions: max diameter 0.4m**	☐	☐
1606	Fill	Firm mid blue grey silty clay occasional small stones	☐	☐
1607	**Pit**	**Sub-circular dimensions: min breadth 0.6m, max length 0.95m**	☐	☐
1608	Fill	Friable mid blue grey silty clay occasional small-medium stones	☐	☐
1609	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 0.8m, min length 2.m**	☐	☐
1610	Fill	Friable mid grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: 17

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.45 m. Max: 0.45 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 39: Northing: 24151)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 67: Northing: 24110)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
1700	**Topsoil**	**Friable dar brown grey clay silt 0.25m thick.**	☑	☐
1701	**Subsoil**	**Firm light grey silty clay 0.2m thick.**	☑	☐
1702	**Natural**	**Firm light brown white chalky clay**	☐	☐
1703	**Furrow**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 1.47m, min length 2.m**	☐	☐
1704	Fill	Friable light brown grey silty clay	☐	☐
1705	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.81m, max depth 0.36m, min length 2.m**	☑	☐
1706	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐

Trench: **18**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.5 m. Max: 0.5 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 34: Northing: 24093)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 33: Northing: 24043)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
1800	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark grey brown clay silt 0.4m thick.**	☑	☐
1801	**Subsoil**	**Friable mid yellow brown silty clay 0.2m thick.**	☑	☐
1802	**Natural**	**Firm light grey white chalky clay**	☐	☐
1803	**Furrow**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 1.9m, min length 2.5m**	☐	☐
1804	Fill	Friable mid pinkish brown clay silt moderate small stones	☐	☐

Trench: 19

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.49 m. Max: 0.58 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99972: Northing: 24114)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 1: Northing: 24073)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
1900	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark grey brown clay silt 0.31m thick.**	☑	☐
1901	**Subsoil**	**Friable mid grey brown clay silt 0.25m thick.**	☑	☐
1902	**Natural**	**Firm light brown white clay chalk**	☐	☐
1903	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: convex base: flat dimensions: min breadth 1.2m, max depth 0.49m, min length 5.9m**	☑	☐
1904	Primary fill	Firm light grey chalky clay 0.13m thick.	☑	☐
1905	Main fill	Firm mid grey chalky clay occasional medium stones 0.35m thick.	☑	☐
1906	**Furrow**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 1.1m, min length 2.m**	☐	☐
1907	Fill	Friable light brown grey clay silt	☐	☐

Trench: **20**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.75 m.** **Max: 0.8 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99973: Northing: 24168)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99924: Northing: 24168)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
2000	**Topsoil**	**Firm dark grey silt clay 0.35m thick.**	☑	☐
2001	**Colluvium**	**Firm light brown white clay silt 0.15m thick.**	☑	☐
2002	**Colluvium**	**Firm mid red brown clay silt 0.1m thick.**	☑	☐
2003	**Colluvium**	**Firm light grey brown silty clay 0.15m thick.**	☑	☐
2004	**Natural**	**Firm light yellow white chalky clay**	☐	☐
2005	**Ditch**	**Curving linear E-W dimensions: max breadth 0.55m, min length 16.m**	☐	☐
2006	Fill	Friable mid grey brown clay silt	☐	☐

Trench: 21

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.4 m. Max: 1.05 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 18: Northing: 24193)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 16: Northing: 24143)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
2100	Topsoil	Friable dark brown grey silt clay occasional small stones 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
2101	Subsoil	Firm mid brown grey silty clay occasional small stones 0.1m thick.	☑	☐
2102	Natural	Firm light yellow white clay chalk	☐	☐
2103	Colluvium	Friable light pinkish brown chalky silt 0.15m thick.	☑	☐
2104	Colluvium	Friable mid red brown clay silt 0.15m thick.	☑	☐
2105	Colluvium	Firm mid blue grey silty clay 0.5m thick.	☑	☐
2106	Natural	Firm light blue grey clay	☐	☐

Trench: 22

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.7 m. Max: 0.7 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99965: Northing: 24228)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99997: Northing: 24189)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
2200	Topsoil	Friable dark brown grey silt clay 0.25m thick.	☑	☐
2201	Subsoil	Friable light grey clay silt 0.2m thick.	☑	☐
2202	Alluvium	Friable dark grey brown silty clay 0.1m thick.	☑	☐
2203	Alluvium	Friable light grey white clay 0.15m thick.	☑	☐
2204	Natural	Friable mid grey clay	☐	☐

Trench: 23

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.62 m. Max: 0.75 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 62: Northing: 24224)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 12: Northing: 24224)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
2300	Topsoil	Friable dark brown grey silt clay 0.25m thick.	☑	☐
2301	Subsoil	Friable light grey clay silt 0.2m thick.	☑	☐
2302	Alluvium	Friable dark grey brown silty clay 0.15m thick.	☑	☐
2303	Alluvium	Firm mid grey clay 0.15m thick.	☑	☐
2304	Natural	Firm light grey white chalky clay	☐	☐
2305	Ditch	Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 0.55m, min length 2.8m	☐	☐
2306	Fill	Firm mid grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: 24

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.57 m. Max: 0.9 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99847: Northing: 24208)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99845: Northing: 24161)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
2400	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
2401	**Subsoil**	**Friable light grey brown silty clay 0.4m thick.**	☑	☐
2402	**Alluvium**	**Firm mid grey clay 0.35m thick.**	☑	☐
2403	**Natural**	**Firm light white chalky clay**	☐	☐
2404	**Ditch**	**Linear ENE-WSW dimensions: min breadth 1.95m, min length 2.15m**	☐	☐
2405	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐
2406	**Gulley**	**Linear NE-SW sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.55m, max depth 0.2m, min length 3.35m**	☑	☐
2407	Fill	Compact mid brown grey silty clay	☑	☑
2408	**Ditch**	**Linear ENE-WSW dimensions: max breadth 1.37m, min length 2.3m**	☐	☐
2409	Fill	Mixed deposit of mid brown sand and redeposited chalk.	☐	☐
2422	Fill	Firm mid orange grey silty clay	☐	☐
2410	**Ditch**	**Linear ENE-WSW dimensions: max breadth 0.77m, min length 2.2m**	☐	☐
2411	Fill	Firm mid grey brown silty clay	☐	☐
2412	**Ditch**	**Linear ENE-WSW dimensions: max breadth 0.77m, min length 2.2m**	☐	☐
2413	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐
2414	**Gulley**	**Linear E-W dimensions: max breadth 0.45m, min length 2.1m**	☐	☐
2415	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐
2416	**Palaeochannel**	**dimensions: min breadth 2.m, min length 10.m**	☐	☐
2417	Fill	Firm dark brown grey silty clay	☐	☐
2419	Fill	Firm mid grey silty clay	☐	☐
2418	**Alluvium**	**Firm mid pinkish brown clay silt 0.5m thick.**	☑	☐
2420	**Ditch**	**Linear ENE-WSW dimensions: max breadth 0.97m, min length 2.3m**	☐	☐
2421	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: **25**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.32 m.** **Max: 0.68 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99936: Northing: 24260)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99886: Northing: 24260)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
2500	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
2501	**Subsoil**	**Firm light brown grey silty clay 0.15m thick.**	☑	☐
2502	**Alluvium**	**Friable light grey clay silt 0.15m thick.**	☑	☐
2503	**Alluvium**	**Firm mid grey brown silty clay 0.08m thick.**	☑	☐
2504	**Natural**	**Firm light grey white chalky clay**	☐	☐
2505	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: 45 degrees base: flat dimensions: max breadth 1.15m, max depth 0.34m, min length 2.5m**	☑	☐
2506	Fill	Firm dark grey silty clay moderate small-medium stones	☑	☐
2507	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.75m, max depth 0.16m, min length 1.5m**	☑	☐
2508	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay occasional small-medium stones	☑	☐
2509	**Furrow**	**Linear N-S sides: concave base: flat dimensions: max breadth 2.7m, max depth 0.11m, min length 2.m**	☑	☐
2510	Fill	Friable mid grey brown silty clay occasional small-medium stones	☑	☐
2511	**Ditch**	**Linear N-S dimensions: max breadth 2.4m, min length 2.m**	☐	☐
2512	Fill	Friable mid grey brown clay silt	☐	☐
2513	Backfill	Blocks of chalk stone with chalk and brick rubble.	☐	☐

Trench: **26**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.72 m.** **Max: 0.8 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99983: Northing: 24299)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99967: Northing: 24251)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
2600	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
2601	**Subsoil**	**Firm light brown grey silty clay 0.12m thick.**	☑	☐
2602	**Alluvium**	**Friable light grey clay silt 0.2m thick.**	☑	☐
2603	**Buried topsoil**	**Firm mid grey brown silty clay 0.15m thick.**	☑	☐
2604	**Buried subsoil**	**Firm mid yellow brown silty clay 0.1m thick.**	☑	☐
2605	**Natural**	**Firm light yellow white chalky clay**	☐	☐
2606	**Gulley**	**Linear E-W sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.4m, max depth 0.25m, min length 3.25m**	☑	☐
2607	Fill	Compact mid brown grey silty clay	☑	☐
2608	**Ditch**	**Linear NNW-SSE dimensions: max breadth 1.35m, min length 2.2m**	☐	☐
2609	Fill	Firm mid grey brown silty clay	☐	☐
2610	**Ditch**	**Linear NNW-SSE dimensions: max breadth 0.32m, min length 2.1m**	☐	☐
2611	Fill	Firm dark brown grey silty clay moderate small-medium stones	☐	☐
2612	**Ditch**	**Linear NNW-SSE dimensions: max breadth 1.95m, min length 2.35m**	☐	☐
2613	Fill	Firm light brown grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: **27**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.52 m.** **Max: 0.8 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99998: Northing: 24332)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
2700	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.28m thick.**	☑	☐
2701	**Subsoil**	**Firm light brown grey silty clay 0.12m thick.**	☑	☐
2702	**Alluvium**	**Firm mid grey brown silty clay 0.12m thick.**	☑	☐
2703	**Natural**	**Friable light grey silty clay**	☐	☐
2704	**Alluvium**	**Friable light grey silty clay 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
2705	**Ditch**	**Linear E-W sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.77m, max depth 0.31m, min length 2.1m**	☑	☐
2706	Fill	Compact mid brown grey silty clay	☑	☐
2707	**Palaeochannel**	**dimensions: min breadth 2.m, min length 14.5m**	☐	☐
2708	Fill	Firm dark grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: **28**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.42 m. Max: 0.54 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99989: Northing: 24374)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99939: Northing: 24374)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
2800	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.4m thick.**	☑	☐
2801	**Subsoil**	**Friable mid grey brown silty clay 0.16m thick.**	☑	☐
2802	**Natural**	**Firm light yellow white chalky clay**	☐	☐
2803	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 1.05m, max depth 0.38m, min length 3.m**	☑	☐
2804	Fill	Firm mid blue grey silty clay occasional flecks chalk, occasional small stones	☑	☑
2805	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 1.3m, min length 2.6m**	☐	☐
2806	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay occasional small stones At least 0.1m thick.	☐	☐
2807	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: convex dimensions: max breadth 2.03m, min length 2.5m**	☑	☐
2808	Lower fill	Firm mid blue grey silty clay occasional flecks charcoal, occasional small-large stones 0.67m thick.	☑	☐
2809	Upper fill	Friable mid grey brown silty clay occasional flecks chalk, occasional small stones	☑	☐
2810	**Ditch**	**Linear N-S sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.57m, max depth 0.18m, min length 0.9m**	☑	☐
2811	Fill	Friable dark grey brown clay silt occasional flecks chalk, occasional small stones	☑	☐

Trench: **29**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.4 m. Max: 0.65 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99901: Northing: 24338)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99938: Northing: 24305)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
2900	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.26m thick.**	☑	☐
2901	**Subsoil**	**Firm mid grey brown silty clay 0.22m thick.**	☑	☐
2902	**Natural**	**Firm light grey white chalky clay**	☐	☐
2903	**Alluvium**	**Firm mid red grey silty clay occasional flecks chalk, occasional small stones At least 0.24m thick.**	☑	☐
2904	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 2.55m, min length 2.m**	☐	☐
2905	Fill	Friable mid blue orange clay silt occasional flecks chalk, occasional small stones	☐	☐
2906	**Ditch**	**Linear NNE-SSW dimensions: max breadth 2.85m, min length 2.05m**	☐	☐
2907	Backfill	Firm mid orange white clay chalk occasional small-medium CBM, occasional small-large stones	☐	☐

Trench: **30**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.33 m. Max: 0.35 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99876: Northing: 24288)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99826: Northing: 24288)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
3000	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.25m thick.**	☑	☐
3001	**Subsoil**	**Firm mid grey brown silty clay 0.1m thick.**	☑	☐
3002	**Natural**	**Firm light grey white silty clay**	☐	☐
3003	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: 45 degrees dimensions: max breadth 0.97m, min depth 0.41m, min length 2.95m**	☑	☐
3004	Fill	Friable mid orange grey clay silt occasional flecks chalk, occasional small stones	☑	☐
3005	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: Assymetrical base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.5m, max depth 0.19m, min length 3.m**	☑	☐
3006	Fill	Friable dark brown grey clay silt occasional small stones 0.18m thick.	☑	☐
3007	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 0.85m, min length 3.2m**	☐	☐
3008	Fill	Friable mid grey brown clay silt occasional small-large stones	☐	☐

Trench: 31

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.35 m. Max: 0.5 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99827: Northing: 24246)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99777: Northing: 24246)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
3100	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
3101	**Subsoil**	**Firm mid grey brown silty clay 0.2m thick.**	☑	☐
3102	**Natural**	**Firm light white chalky clay**	☐	☐
3103	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: convex base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.85m, max depth 0.33m, min length 2.55m**	☑	☐
3104	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
3105	**Pit**	**Irregular sides: irregular base: uneven dimensions: min breadth 1.15m, max depth 0.6m, max length 2.m**	☑	☐
3106	Primary fill	Firm light brown grey silty clay occasional small stones 0.17m thick.	☑	☐
3107	Main fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay occasional small-medium stones 0.38m thick.	☑	☐
3108	**Ditch**	**Linear N-S sides: 45 degrees dimensions: max breadth 2.65m, min depth 0.5m, min length 2.m**	☑	☐
3109	Primary fill	Firm light blue grey silty clay occasional small stones 0.27m thick.	☑	☐
3110	Main fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay occasional small-medium stones 0.5m thick.	☑	☑
3111	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: 45 degrees base: flat dimensions: max breadth 0.8m, max depth 0.2m, min length 2.2m**	☑	☐
3112	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
3113	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 2.1m, min length 2.2m**	☐	☐
3114	Fill	Firm mid orange brown silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: **32**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.35 m.** **Max: 0.4 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99793: Northing: 24328)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99793: Northing: 24278)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
3200	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
3201	**Subsoil**	**Firm mid grey brown silty clay 0.2m thick.**	☑	☐
3202	**Natural**	**Firm light white chalky clay**	☐	☐
3203	**Pit**	**Sub-circular dimensions: min breadth 1.6m, max length 4.6m**	☐	☐
3204	Fill	Compact mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐
3205	**Ditch**	**Linear E-W dimensions: max breadth 0.5m, min length 2.m**	☐	☐
3206	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: 33

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.28 m. Max: 0.3 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99879: Northing: 24376)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99840: Northing: 24345)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
3300	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
3301	**Subsoil**	**Firm light white chalky clay 0.1m thick.**	☑	☐
3302	**Natural**	**Firm light yellow sandy clay**	☐	☐
3303	**Ditch**	**Linear NNE-SSW dimensions: max breadth 1.5m, min length 6.75m**	☐	☐
3304	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐
3305	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE dimensions: max breadth 0.87m, min length 2.05m**	☐	☐
3306	Fill	Firm dark grey brown silty clay	☐	☐
3307	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE dimensions: max breadth 0.9m, min length 2.1m**	☐	☐
3308	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: **34**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.3 m. Max: 0.56 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99944: Northing: 24464)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99897: Northing: 24447)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
3400	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.42m thick.**	☑	☐
3401	**Subsoil**	**Firm mid grey brown silty clay 0.14m thick.**	☑	☐
3402	**Natural**	**Firm light white chalky clay**	☐	☐
3403	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: convex base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.57m, max depth 0.27m, min length 2.m**	☑	☐
3404	Fill	Firm mid grey silty clay	☑	☐
3405	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: Assymetrical base: concave dimensions: max breadth 1.65m, max depth 0.44m, min length 2.05m**	☑	☐
3406	Fill	Firm mid brown grey clay occasional small chalk	☑	☐
3407	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 1.05m, max depth 0.36m, min length 4.5m**	☑	☐
3408	Lower fill	Firm light grey silty clay 0.18m thick.	☑	☐
3409	Upper fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay 0.17m thick.	☑	☐
3410	**Ditch**	**Linear NNE-SSW dimensions: max breadth 1.2m, min length 3.m**	☐	☐
3411	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: 35

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.35 m. Max: 0.36 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99870: Northing: 24426)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99919: Northing: 24416)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
3500	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.27m thick.**	☑	☐
3501	**Subsoil**	**Friable light yellow brown silty clay 0.12m thick.**	☑	☐
3502	**Natural**	**Firm light white chalky clay**	☐	☐
3503	**Treethrow**	**Sub-oval NNE-SSW dimensions: max breadth 1.3m, min length 1.85m**	☐	☐
3513	Fill	Friable dark black silty clay	☐	☐
3504	**Pit**	**Sub-oval NW-SE sides: convex base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.46m, max depth 0.17m, max length 0.75m**	☑	☐
3505	Primary fill	Firm light grey silty clay 0.07m thick.	☑	☐
3506	Main fill	Firm dark black silty clay occasional flecks charcoal 0.15m thick.	☑	☐
3507	**Ditch**	**Linear E-W sides: convex base: concave dimensions: max breadth 1.25m, max depth 0.58m, min length 2.3m**	☑	☐
3508	Primary fill	Firm light grey silty clay 0.19m thick.	☑	☐
3509	Main fill	Firm mid grey brown clay silt 0.4m thick.	☑	☐
3510	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: 45 degrees base: concave dimensions: max breadth 1.07m, max depth 0.41m, min length 3.1m**	☑	☐
3511	Primary fill	Firm light grey silty clay 0.14m thick.	☑	☐
3512	Main fill	Firm mid grey silty clay 0.25m thick.	☑	☐
3514	**Ditch**	**Linear E-W dimensions: min breadth 1.1m, min length 2.35m**	☐	☐
3515	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: **36**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.35 m. Max: 0.4 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99828: Northing: 24400)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99778: Northing: 24400)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
3600	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
3601	**Subsoil**	**Firm mid grey brown silty clay 0.15m thick.**	☑	☐
3602	**Natural**	**Firm light white chalky clay**	☐	☐
3603	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: concave base: flat dimensions: min breadth 2.55m, max depth 0.29m, max length 3.5m**	☑	☐
3604	Fill	Friable mid grey brown silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
3605	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: concave base: flat dimensions: max breadth 1.5m, max depth 0.29m, min length 2.5m**	☑	☐
3606	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay occasional medium stones	☑	☐
3607	**Ditch**	**Linear NNW-SSE sides: concave base: flat dimensions: max breadth 1.45m, max depth 0.36m, min length 2.1m**	☑	☐
3608	Fill	Compact mid brown grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
3609	**Ditch**	**Linear NNW-SSE sides: concave base: flat dimensions: max breadth 1.65m, max depth 0.4m, min length 2.07m**	☑	☐
3610	Fill	Compact mid brown grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☑
3612	**Furrow**	**Linear N-S dimensions: max breadth 2.05m, min length 2.m**	☐	☐
3613	Fill	Firm mid green grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: 37

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.3 m. Max: 0.38 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99810: Northing: 24366)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99760: Northing: 24366)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
3700	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
3701	**Subsoil**	**Friable light brown grey silty clay 0.1m thick.**	☑	☐
3702	**Natural**	**Firm light white chalky clay**	☐	☐
3703	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.52m, max depth 0.11m, min length 1.45m**	☑	☐
3704	Fill	Compact mid brown grey silty clay	☑	☐
3705	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 0.7m, min length 2.5m**	☐	☐
3706	Fill	Firm dark grey brown silty clay	☐	☐
3707	**Ditch**	**Linear NNW-SSE dimensions: max breadth 0.75m, min length 2.1m**	☐	☐
3708	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: **38**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.33 m. Max: 0.5 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99739: Northing: 24334)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99704: Northing: 24298)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
3800	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
3801	**Subsoil**	**Firm mid grey brown silty clay 0.22m thick.**	☑	☐
3802	**Natural**	**Firm light yellow white chalky clay**	☐	☐
3803	**Furrow**	**Linear NW-SE dimensions: max breadth 2.25m, max depth 0.23m, min length 2.m**	☑	☐
3804	Fill	Firm mid green grey silty clay	☑	☐
3805	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE dimensions: max breadth 1.45m, min length 2.m**	☐	☐
3806	Fill	Firm mid green grey silty clay	☐	☐
3807	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.77m, max depth 0.25m, min length 2.m**	☑	☐
3808	Fill	Firm mid green grey silty clay	☑	☐

Trench: **39**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.5 m.** **Max: 0.52 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: SP** *(Easting: 99990: Northing: 24458)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 37: Northing: 24441)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
3900	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown black clay silt moderate small-medium stones 0.4m thick.**	☑	☐
3901	**Subsoil**	**Firm light brown grey silty clay occasional small stones 0.2m thick.**	☑	☐
3902	**Natural**	**Firm light grey white chalky clay**	☐	☐
3903	**Treethrow**	**Sub-circular dimensions: min breadth 0.7m, max length 3.1m**	☐	☐
3904	Fill	Firm mid green grey silty clay	☐	☐
3905	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW sides: 45 degrees base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.81m, max depth 0.37m, min length 2.m**	☑	☐
3906	Fill	Firm mid grey brown silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
3907	**Ditch**	**Linear NE-SW dimensions: max breadth 4.65m, min length 2.05m**	☐	☐
3908	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: **40**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.4 m.** **Max: 0.42 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 22: Northing: 24395)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 47: Northing: 24352)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
4000	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
4001	**Subsoil**	**Friable mid grey brown silty clay 0.12m thick.**	☑	☐
4002	**Natural**	**Firm light white chalky clay**	☐	☐
4003	**Alluvium**	**Firm light grey silty clay 0.16m thick.**	☑	☐
4004	**Treethrow**	**Irregular dimensions: min breadth 2.m, max length 2.5m**	☐	☐
4005	Fill	Firm mid orange grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: **41**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.65 m.** **Max: 0.7 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 102: Northing: 24322)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 52: Northing: 24322)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
4100	**Topsoil**	**Firm dark brown grey clay silt 0.4m thick.**	☑	☐
4101	**Subsoil**	**Firm mid grey brown silty clay 0.1m thick.**	☑	☐
4102	**Alluvium**	**Firm dark brown grey silty clay 0.1m thick.**	☑	☐
4103	**Buried subsoil**	**Firm mid grey brown silty clay 0.1m thick.**	☑	☐
4105	**Natural**	**Firm light grey chalky clay**	☐	☐
4106	**Palaeochannel**	**dimensions: min breadth 2.m, max depth 0.33m, min length 8.m**	☑	☐
4104	Fill	Firm dark grey silty clay Contains mollusc shells. 0.33m thick.	☑	☐

Trench: 42

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.38 m. Max: 0.42 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 72: Northing: 24430)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 79: Northing: 24381)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
4200	Topsoil	Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
4201	Subsoil	Friable mid grey brown silty clay 0.12m thick.	☑	☐
4202	Natural	Firm light yellow white chalky clay	☐	☐

Trench: 43

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.36 m. Max: 0.4 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 39: Northing: 24516)*

OS Grid Ref.: SP *(Easting: 99995: Northing: 24492)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
4300	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown black clay silt moderate small-medium stones 0.2m thick.**	☑	☐
4301	**Subsoil**	**Firm light brown grey silty clay occasional small stones 0.15m thick.**	☑	☐
4302	**Natural**	**Firm light grey white chalky clay 0.05m thick.**	☐	☐
4303	**Treethrow**	**Sub-circular dimensions: min breadth 1.m, max length 3.8m**	☐	☐
4304	Fill	Firm mid orange grey silty clay	☐	☐
4305	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: concave base: flat dimensions: max breadth 0.66m, max depth 0.33m, max length 2.05m**	☑	☐
4306	Fill	Firm light grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
4307	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: steep base: flat dimensions: max breadth 0.9m, max depth 0.41m, min length 2.05m**	☑	☐
4308	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
4309	**Ditch**	**Linear N-S sides: concave base: flat dimensions: max breadth 0.58m, max depth 0.2m, min length 3.m**	☑	☐
4310	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐

Trench: 44

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.42 m. Max: 0.45 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 87: Northing: 24520)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 73: Northing: 24472)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
4400	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.25m thick.**	☑	☐
4401	**Subsoil**	**Firm light grey silty clay 0.2m thick.**	☑	☐
4402	**Natural**	**Firm light grey chalky clay 0.12m thick.**	☐	☐
4403	**Treethrow**	**Irregular dimensions: min breadth 0.75m, max length 3.25m**	☐	☐
4404	Fill	Firm mid orange grey silty clay	☐	☐
4405	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.45m, max depth 0.21m, min length 0.8m**	☑	☐
4406	Fill	Firm mid grey brown silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
4407	**Ditch**	**Linear E-W dimensions: max breadth 4.75m, min length 2.4m**	☐	☐
4408	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: **45**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.42 m. Max: 0.5 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 146: Northing: 24449)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 97: Northing: 24438)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
4500	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
4501	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown grey silty clay 0.1m thick.**	☑	☐
4502	**Natural**	**Firm light white chalky clay**	☐	☐
4505	**Ditch**	**Linear ENE-WSW sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.61m, max depth 0.2m, min length 1.85m**	☑	☐
4506	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐

Trench: 46

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.35 m. Max: 0.5 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 153: Northing: 24475)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 199: Northing: 24455)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
4600	Topsoil	Friable dark brown black clay silt moderate small-medium stones 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
4601	Subsoil	Firm light grey silty clay occasional small stones 0.2m thick.	☑	☐
4602	Natural	Firm light grey white chalky clay 0.1m thick.	☐	☐

Trench: 47

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.4 m. Max: 0.51 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 189: Northing: 24547)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 164: Northing: 24504)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
4700	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown black clay silt moderate small-medium stones 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
4701	**Subsoil**	**Firm light brown grey silty clay occasional small stones 0.21m thick.**	☑	☐
4702	**Natural**	**Firm light grey white chalky clay 0.09m thick.**	☐	☐
4703	**Treethrow**	**Sub-circular dimensions: min breadth 0.45m, max length 1.9m**	☐	☐
4704	Fill	Firm mid orange grey silty clay	☐	☐
4705	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: stepped base: flat dimensions: max breadth 1.67m, max depth 0.66m, min length 2.m**	☑	☐
4706	Fill	Friable light brown grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
4707	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: concave base: flat dimensions: max breadth 0.8m, max depth 0.32m, min length 2.1m**	☑	☐
4708	Fill	Firm light grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
4709	**Ditch**	**Linear ENE-WSW dimensions: max breadth 4.8m, min length 2.5m**	☐	☐
4710	Fill	Firm mid brown grey silty clay	☐	☐

Trench: **48**

Max Dimensions: **Length: 50.00 m.** **Width: 2.00 m.** **Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.4 m.** **Max: 0.7 m.**

Co-ordinates: **OS Grid Ref.: TL** *(Easting: 168: Northing: 24556)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 118: Northing: 24556)*

Reason: **To evaluate area.**

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
4800	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown black clay silt moderate small-medium stones 0.4m thick.**	☑	☐
4801	**Subsoil**	**Firm light brown grey silty clay occasional small stones 0.3m thick.**	☑	☐
4802	**Natural**	**Firm light grey white chalky clay**	☐	☐
4805	**Ditch**	**Linear NW-SE sides: concave base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.7m, max depth 0.22m, min length 2.3m**	☑	☐
4806	Fill	Firm light grey brown silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐

Trench: 49

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.4 m. Max: 0.45 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 212: Northing: 24575)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 238: Northing: 24532)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
4900	**Topsoil**	**Friable dark brown black clay silt moderate small-medium stones 0.35m thick.**	☑	☐
4901	**Subsoil**	**Firm light brown grey silty clay 0.15m thick.**	☑	☐
4902	**Natural**	**Firm light grey white chalky clay**	☐	☐
4903	**Treethrow**	**Irregular dimensions: min breadth 1.7m, max length 2.6m**	☐	☐
4904	Fill	Firm mid orange grey silty clay	☐	☐
4905	**Ditch**	**Linear E-W sides: concave base: flat dimensions: max breadth 1.7m, max depth 0.65m, min length 2.25m**	☑	☐
4906	Fill	Firm mid grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
4907	**Ditch**	**Linear ENE-WSW sides: Assymetrical base: concave dimensions: max breadth 3.65m, max depth 0.52m, min length 2.07m**	☑	☐
4908	Fill	Firm mid grey brown silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
4909	**Ditch**	**Linear ENE-WSW sides: 45 degrees base: flat dimensions: max breadth 1.75m, max depth 0.42m, min length 2.07m**	☑	☐
4910	Fill	Firm light grey brown silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
4911	**Ditch**	**Linear ENE-WSW base: concave dimensions: max breadth 0.35m, max depth 0.33m, min length 2.07m**	☑	☐
4912	Fill	Friable mid grey brown silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐
4913	**Ditch**	**Linear ENE-WSW sides: Assymetrical base: flat dimensions: max breadth 1.95m, max depth 0.84m, min length 2.07m**	☑	☐
4914	Fill	Firm mid grey silty clay occasional small stones	☑	☐

Trench: 50

Max Dimensions: Length: 50.00 m. Width: 2.00 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.38 m. Max: 0.5 m.

Co-ordinates: OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 265: Northing: 24517)*

OS Grid Ref.: TL *(Easting: 216: Northing: 24507)*

Reason: To evaluate area.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
5000	Topsoil	Friable dark grey brown clay silt occasional small-medium stones 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
5001	Subsoil	Firm light grey brown silty clay occasional small stones 0.15m thick.	☑	☐
5002	Natural	Firm light white chalky clay	☐	☐

Trench: 51

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.4 m. Max: 0.44 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
5100	Topsoil	Friable mid grey silty clay 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
5101	Subsoil	Friable mid orange brown silty clay 0.15m thick.	☑	☐
5102	Natural	Firm light yellow white chalky clay 0.4m thick.	☑	☐
5103	Natural	Firm light blue white clay chalk 0.8m thick.	☑	☐
5104	Natural	Hard light blue white clay	☑	☐

Trench: 52

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.48 m. Max: 0.48 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
5200	Topsoil	Friable mid grey silty clay 0.33m thick.	☑	☐
5201	Subsoil	Friable mid orange brown silty clay 0.15m thick.	☑	☐
5202	Natural	Firm light yellow white chalky clay 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
5203	Natural	Firm light blue white clay chalk 0.6m thick.	☑	☐
5204	Natural	Hard light blue white	☑	☐

Trench: 53

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.63 m. Max: 0.63 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
5300	Topsoil	Friable mid grey silty clay 0.34m thick.	☑	☐
5301	Subsoil	Friable mid brown silty clay 0.22m thick.	☑	☐
5302	Natural	Firm light yellow white chalky clay 1m thick.	☑	☐
5303	Natural	Firm mid grey blue clay	☑	☐

Trench: 54

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.5 m. Max: 0.5 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
5400	Topsoil	Friable dark grey brown clay silt 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
5401	Subsoil	Friable mid grey brown clay silt 0.2m thick.	☑	☐
5402	Natural	Firm light yellow white clay chalk 1.3m thick.	☑	☐
5403	Natural	Hard light blue white clay	☑	☐

Trench: 55

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.55 m. Max: 0.55 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
5500	Topsoil	Friable dark brown grey clay silt 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
5501	Subsoil	Friable mid grey brown clay silt 0.25m thick.	☑	☐
5502	Natural	Firm light yellow white clay chalk 1.3m thick.	☑	☐
5503	Natural	Firm light blue grey clay	☑	☐

Trench: 56

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.74 m. Max: 0.74 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
5600	Topsoil	Friable mid grey silty clay 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
5601	Subsoil	Friable mid brown silty clay 0.2m thick.	☑	☐
5602	Alluvium	Friable dark brown silty clay 0.1m thick.	☑	☐
5603	Alluvium	Firm mid blue clay 0.13m thick.	☑	☐
5604	Alluvium	Firm mid orange brown clay 0.25m thick.	☑	☐
5605	Natural	Friable light yellow white clay sand 0.1m thick.	☑	☐
5606	Natural	Friable dark blue clay silt	☑	☐
5607	Layer	Firm dark grey brown silty clay 0.05m thick	☑	☐

Trench: 57

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.55 m. Max: 0.55 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
5700	Topsoil	Friable mid grey brown silty clay 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
5701	Subsoil	Friable mid brown silty clay 0.25m thick.	☑	☐
5702	Natural	Loose mid orange clay sand 0.8m thick.	☑	☐
5703	Natural	Friable mid grey blue silty clay 0.5m thick.	☑	☐
5704	Natural	Hard mid green grey silty clay	☑	☐

Trench: 58

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.44 m. Max: 0.44 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
5800	Topsoil	Friable mid brown silty clay 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
5801	Subsoil	Friable light brown silty clay 0.14m thick.	☑	☐
5802	Natural	Firm light brown white silty clay	☑	☐

Trench: 59

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.37 m. Max: 0.37 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
5900	Topsoil	Friable mid brown silty clay 0.27m thick.	☑	☐
5901	Subsoil	Friable light orange brown silty clay 0.1m thick.	☑	☐
5902	Natural	Friable light orange white silty clay 1m thick.	☑	☐
5903	Natural	Hard light grey blue clay	☑	☐

Trench: 60

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.6 m. Max: 0.6 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
6000	Topsoil	Friable dark grey brown clay silt 0.2m thick.	☑	☐
6001	Subsoil	Friable light yellow brown chalky silt 0.4m thick.	☑	☐
6002	Natural	Firm light grey white silty chalk	☑	☐

Trench: 61

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.5 m. Max: 0.5 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
6100	Topsoil	Friable dark grey brown clay silt 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
6101	Subsoil	Friable light yellow brown chalky silt 0.2m thick.	☑	☐
6102	Natural	Firm light grey white silty chalk	☑	☐

Trench: 62

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.5 m. Max: 0.5 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
6200	Topsoil	Friable dark grey brown clay silt 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
6201	Subsoil	Friable light yellow brown chalky silt 0.2m thick.	☑	☐
6202	Natural	Firm light grey white silty chalk	☑	☐

Trench: 63

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.3 m. Max: 0.3 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
6300	Topsoil	Friable dark grey brown clay silt 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
6301	Natural	Firm light blue grey silty clay 0.8m thick.	☑	☐
6302	Natural	Firm light blue grey silty clay	☑	☐

Trench: 64

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.3 m. Max: 0.3 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
6400	Topsoil	Friable dark grey brown clay silt 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
6401	Natural	Firm mid blue grey silty clay 0.5m thick.	☑	☐
6402	Natural	Hard light blue grey clay	☑	☐

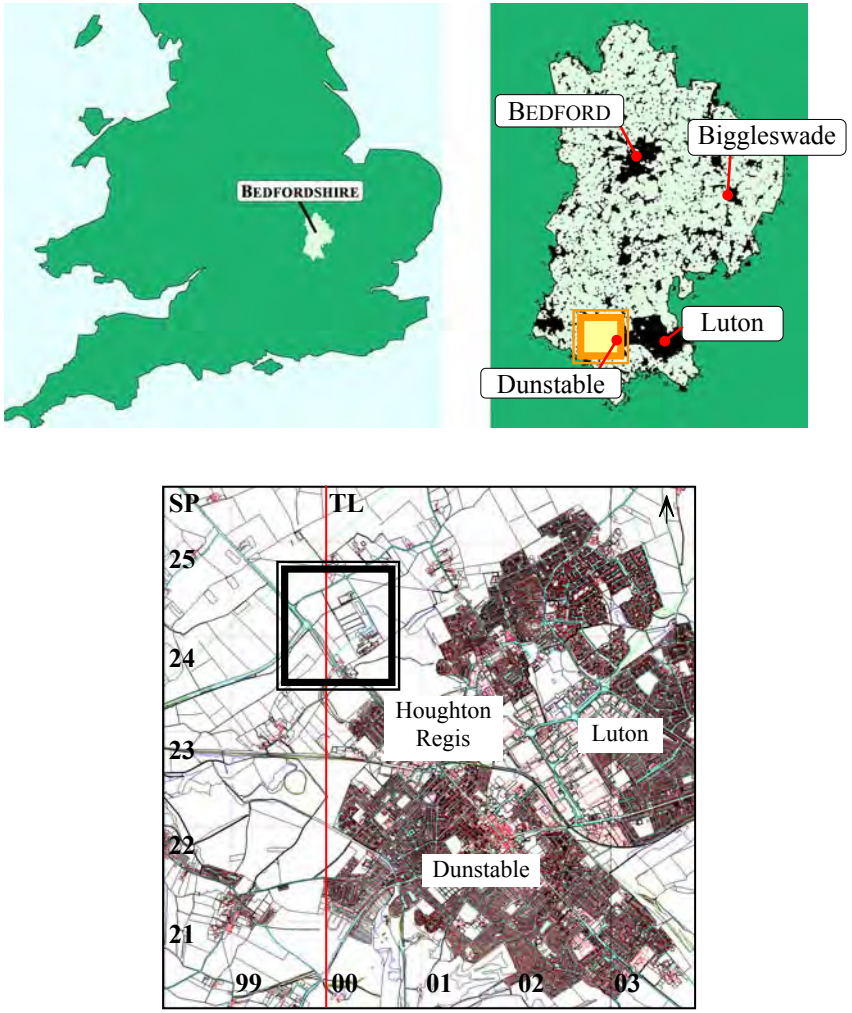
Trench: 65

Max Dimensions: Length: 3.00 m. Width: 0.70 m. Depth to Archaeology Min: 0.45 m. Max: 0.45 m.

Co-ordinates:

Reason: Geo-technical test pit.

Context:	Type:	Description:	Excavated:	Finds Present:
6500	Topsoil	Friable dark grey brown clay silt 0.3m thick.	☑	☐
6501	Subsoil	Friable light yellow brown chalky silt 0.15m thick.	☑	☐
6502	Natural	Firm light yellow white silty chalk	☑	☐
6503	Ditch	Linear E-W dimensions: min breadth 0.9m, max depth 0.75m, min length 1.75m	☑	☐
6504	Fill	Firm mid grey silty clay	☑	☑



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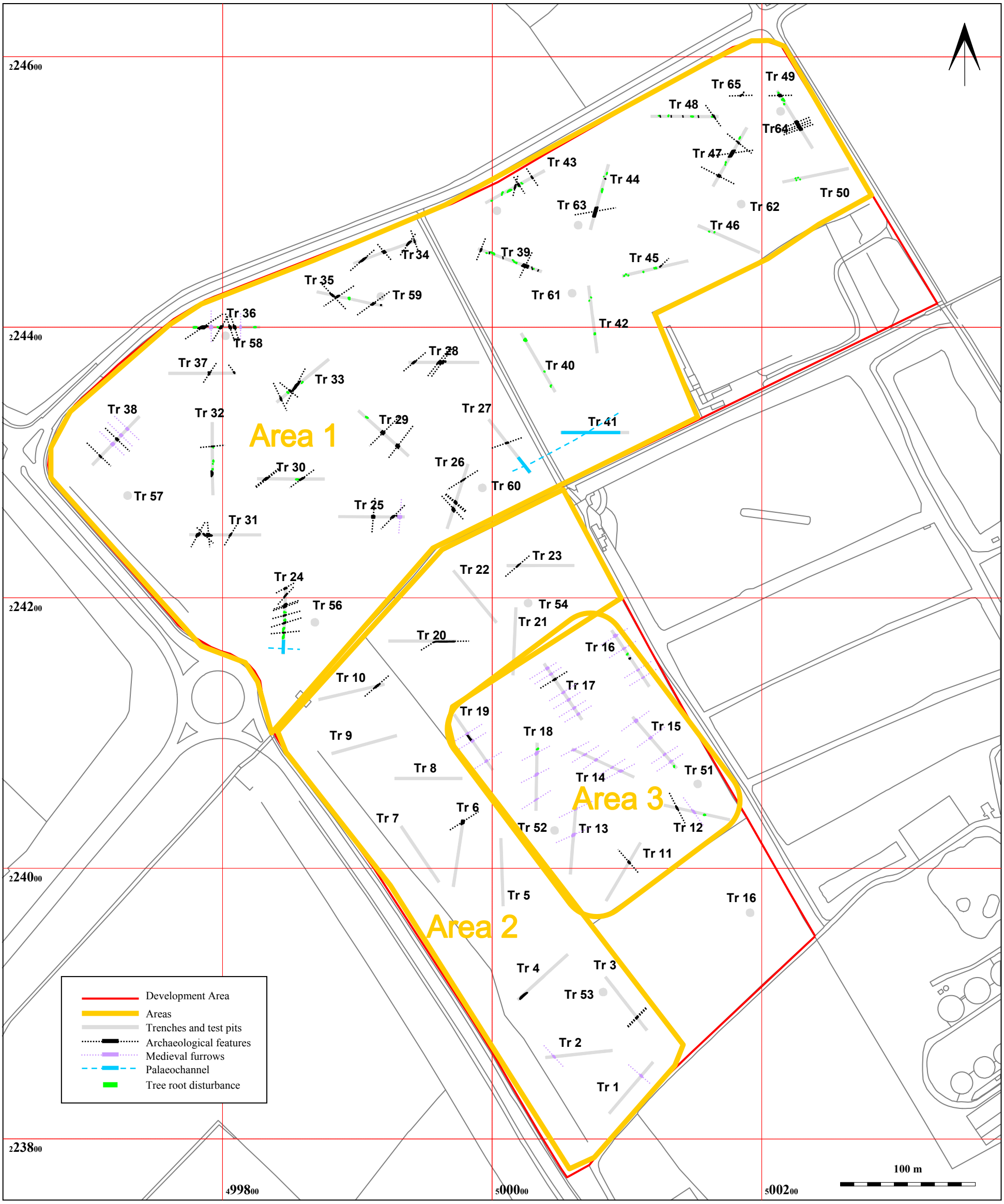
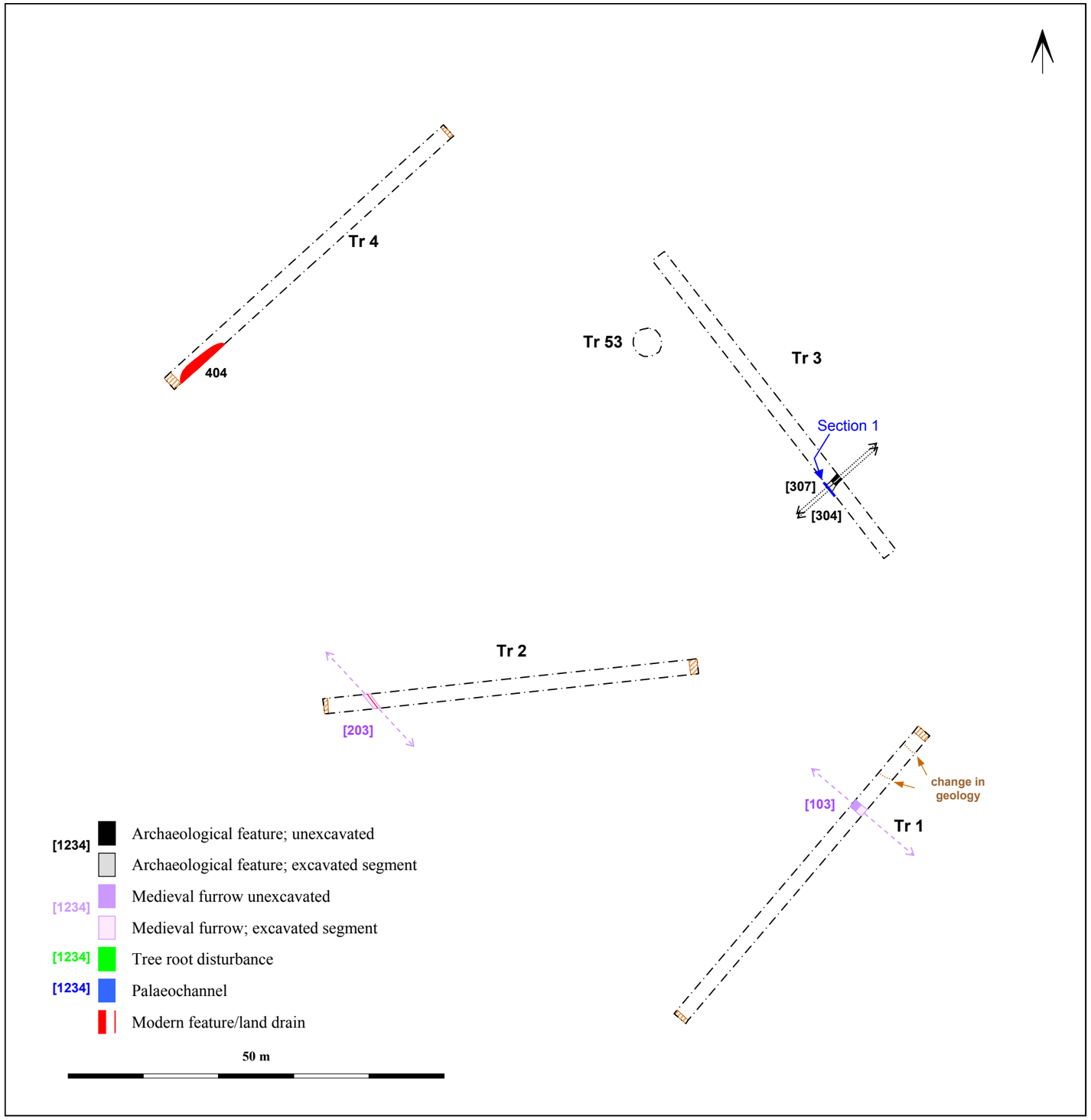


Figure 2: All features, excluding land drains (test pit positions based on data supplied by ground investigation contractor)



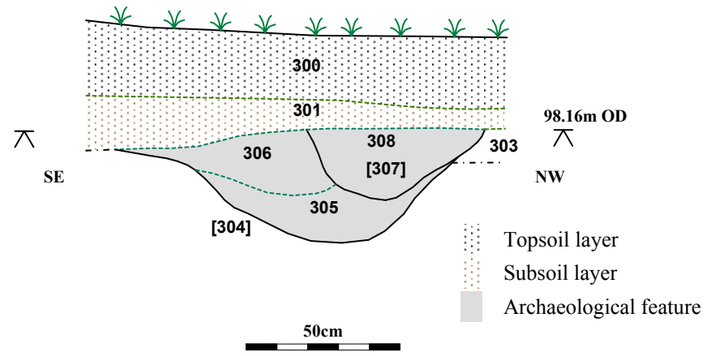


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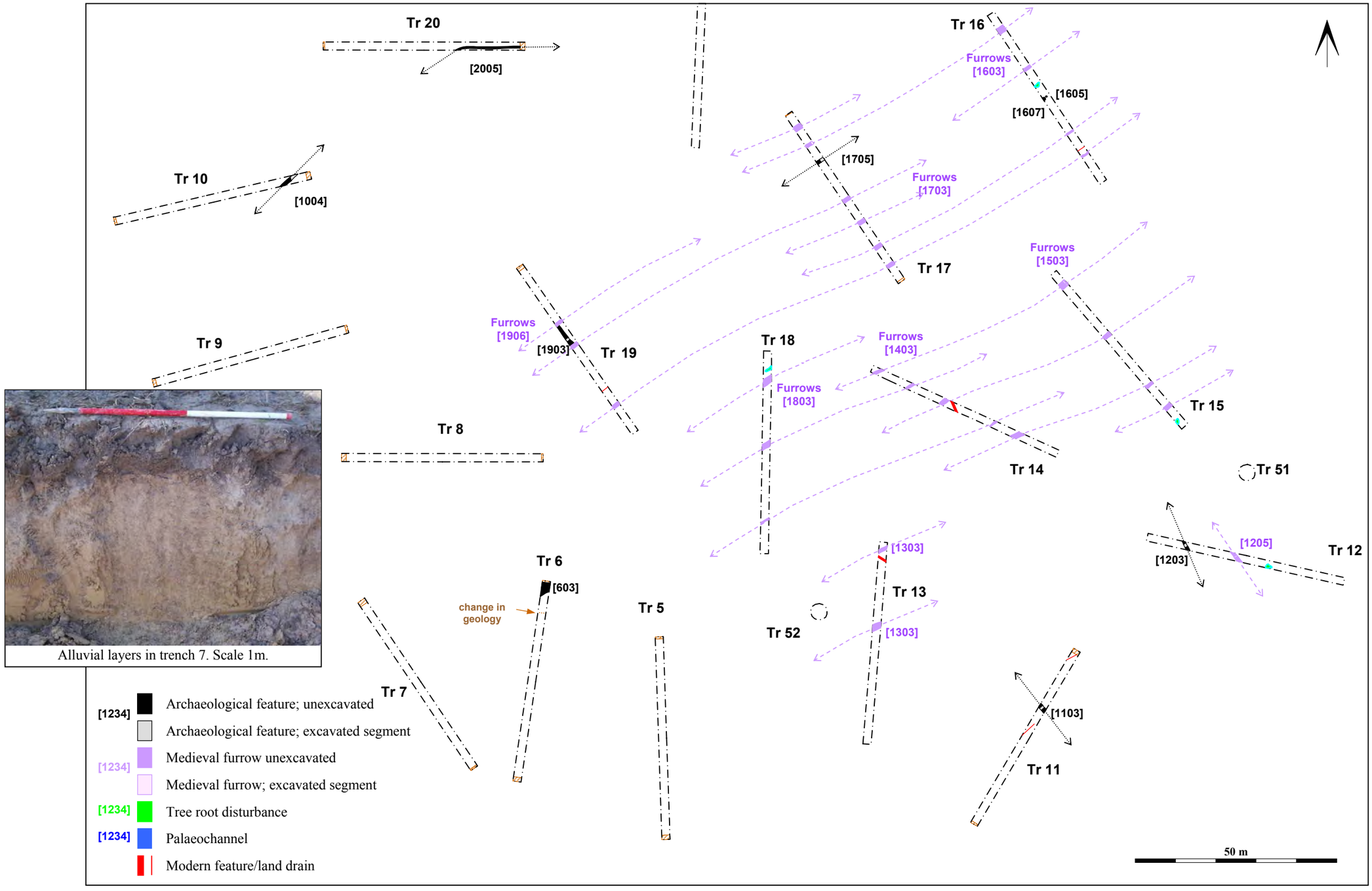
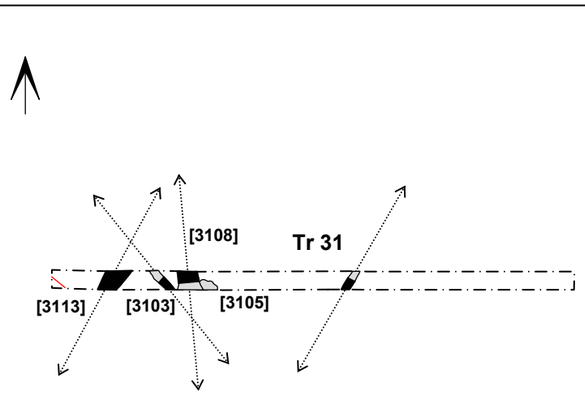
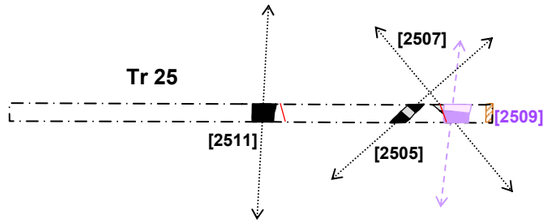
Figure 3: Trenches 1-4

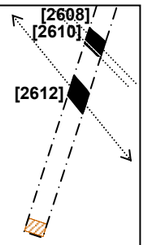


Alluvial layers in trench 7. Scale 1m.

Figure 4: Trenches 5-20







Ditch [3108] and feature [3105] Trench 31.
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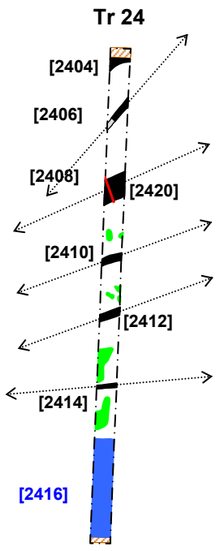
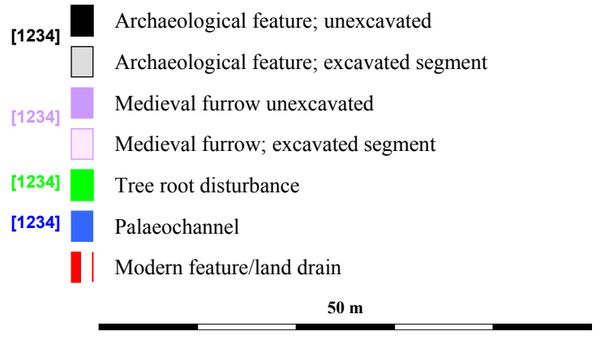




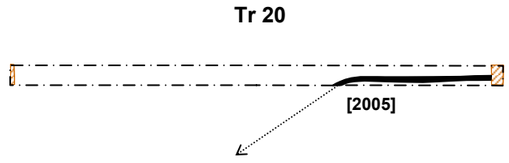
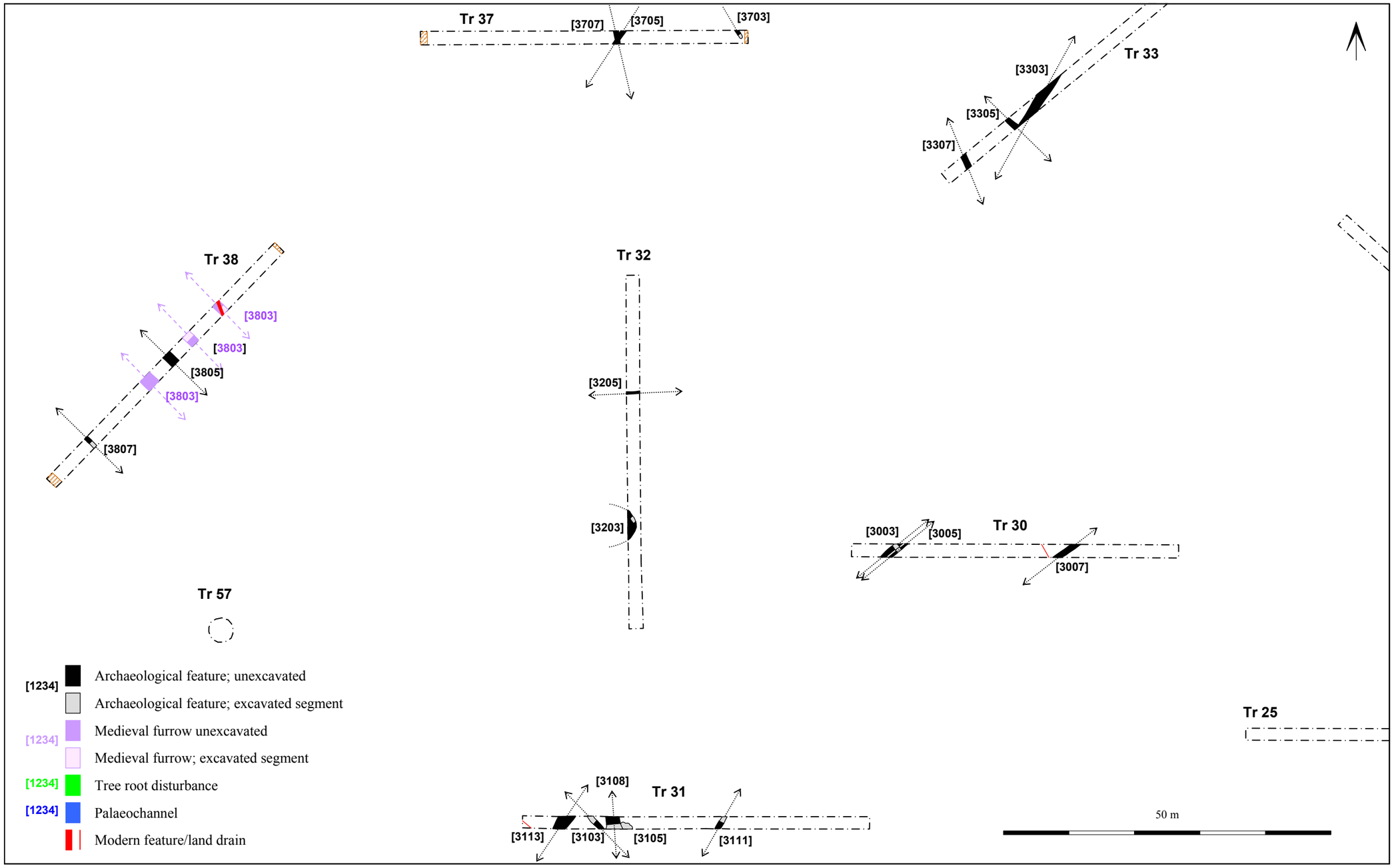


Figure 5: Trenches 20, 24, 25, 31



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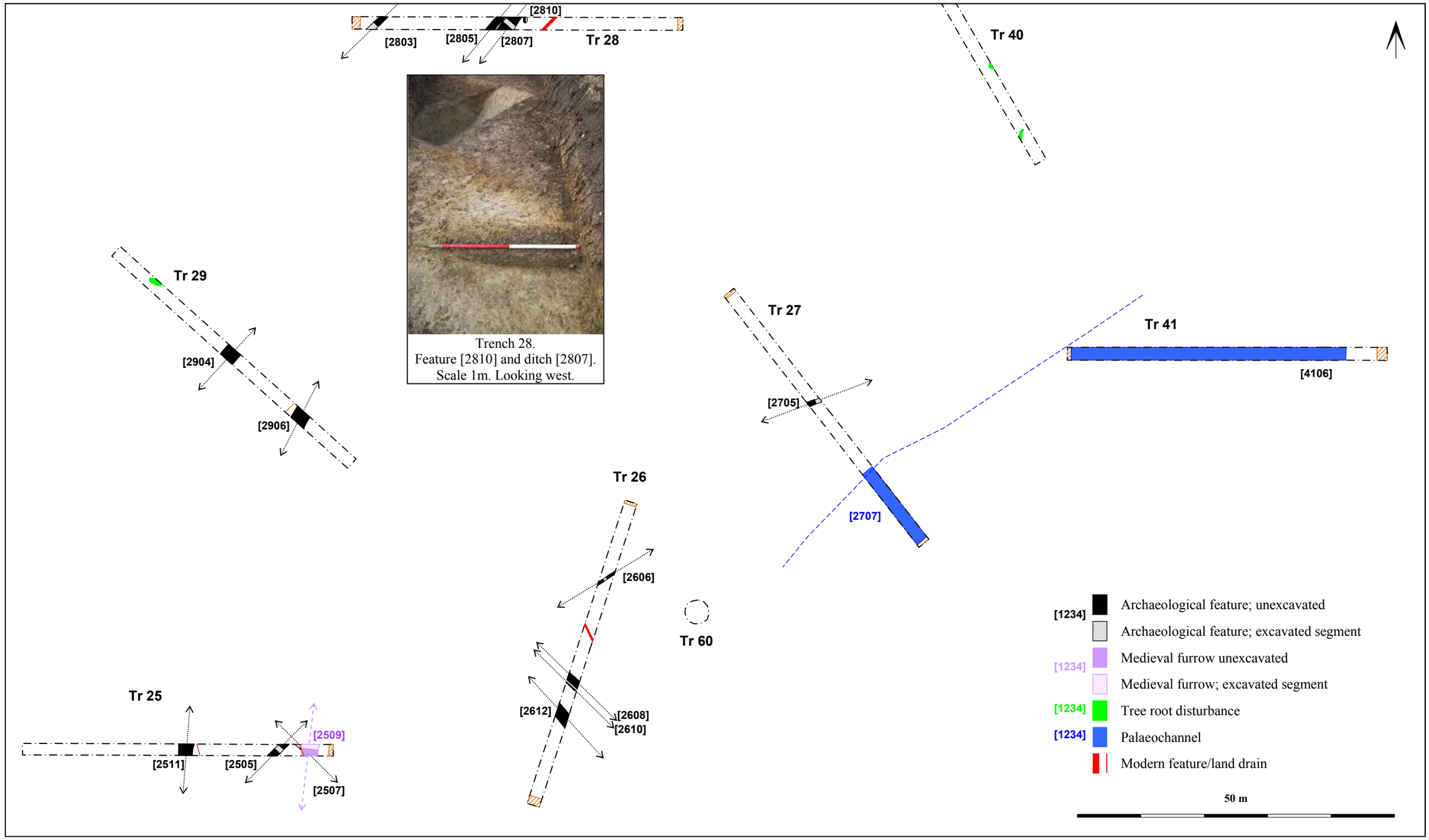
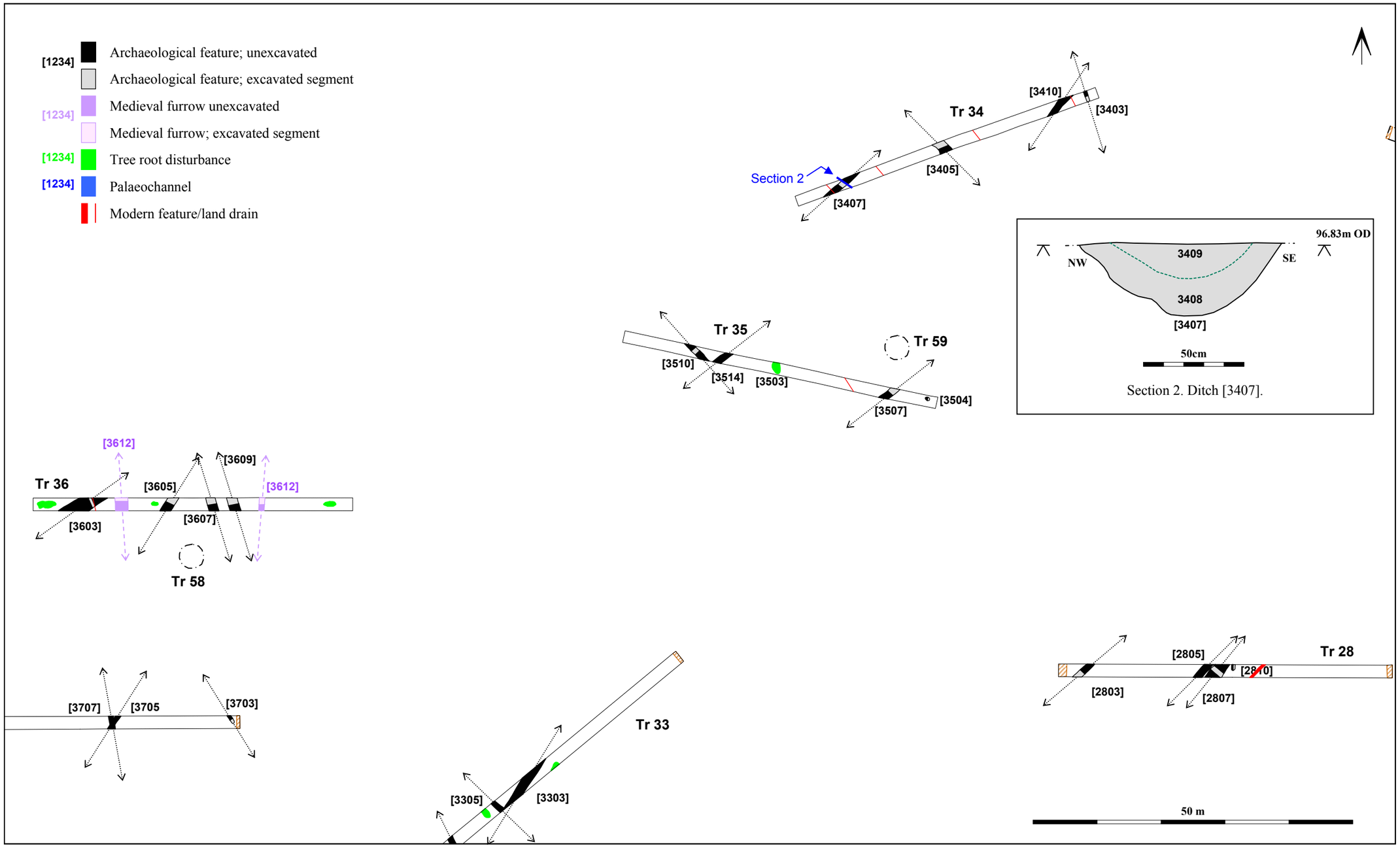


Trench 28.
Feature [2810] and ditch [2807].
Scale 1m. Looking west.

Figure 7: Trenches 25-29, 41



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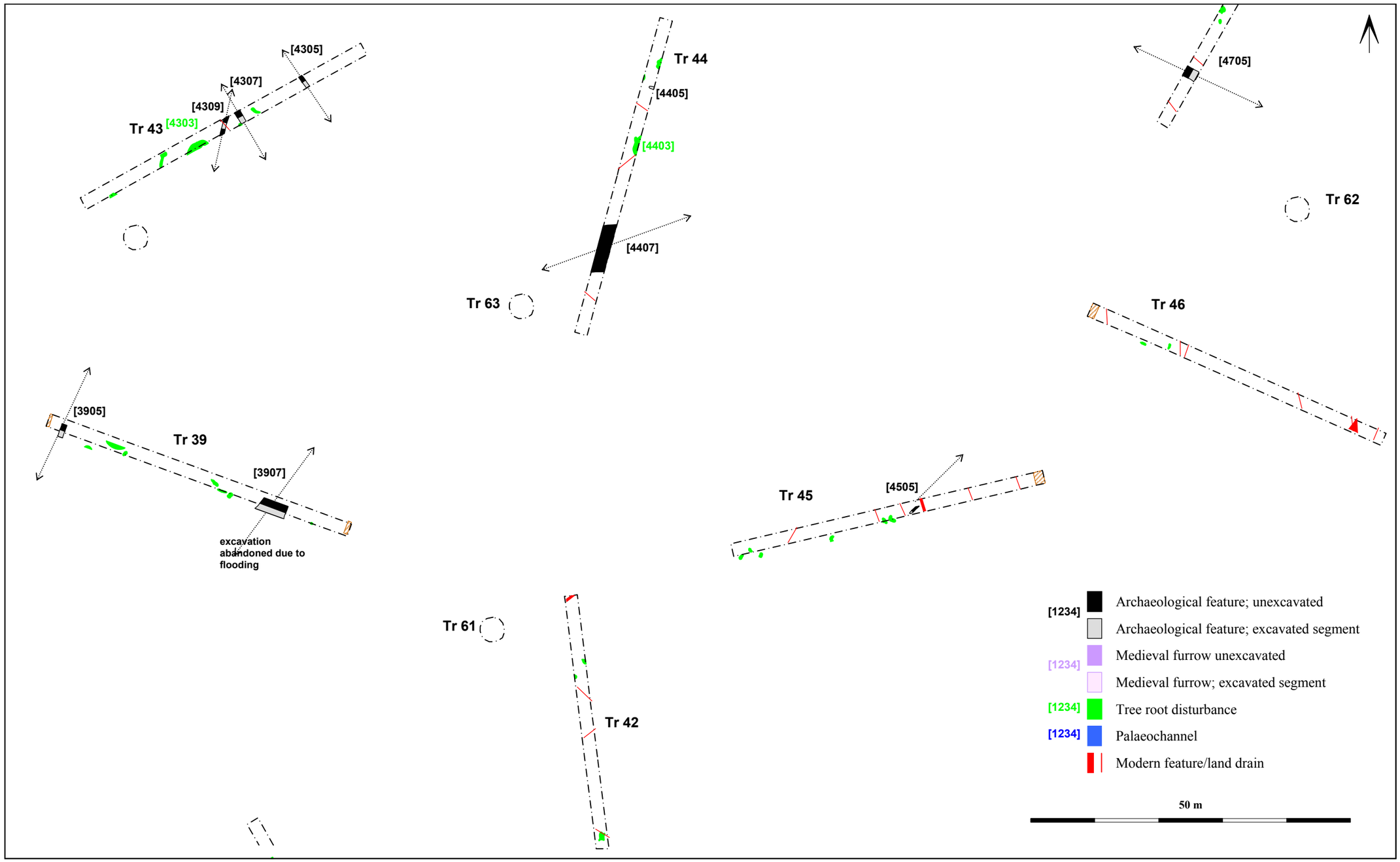

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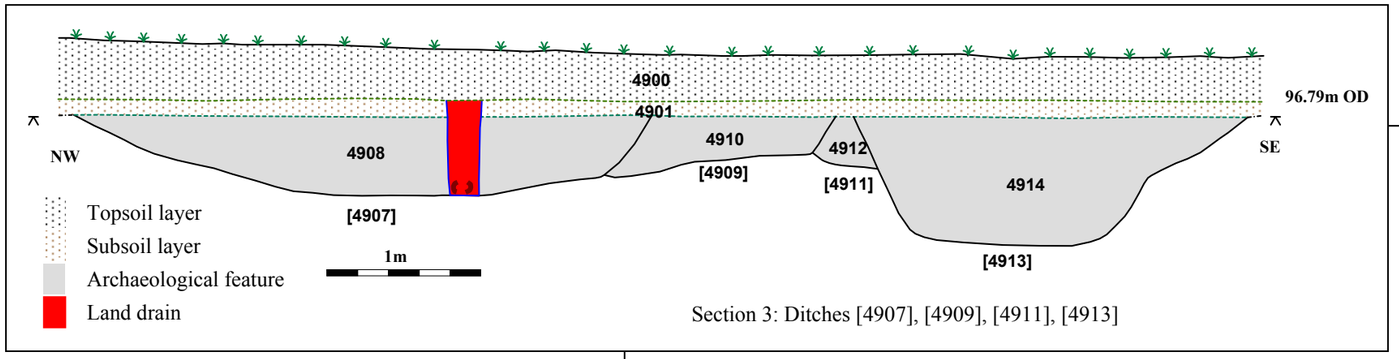
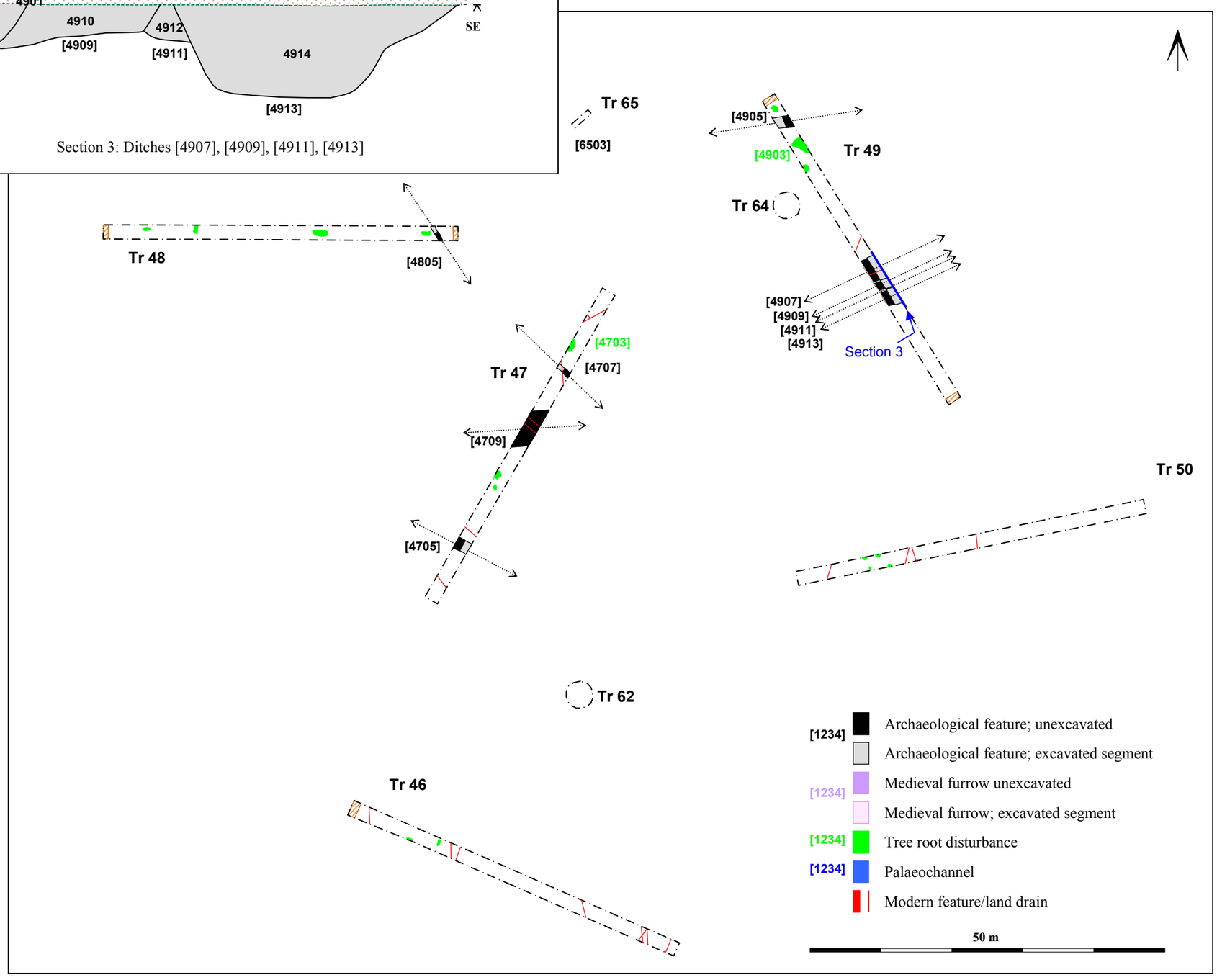


Section 3: Ditches [4907], [4909], [4911], [4913]



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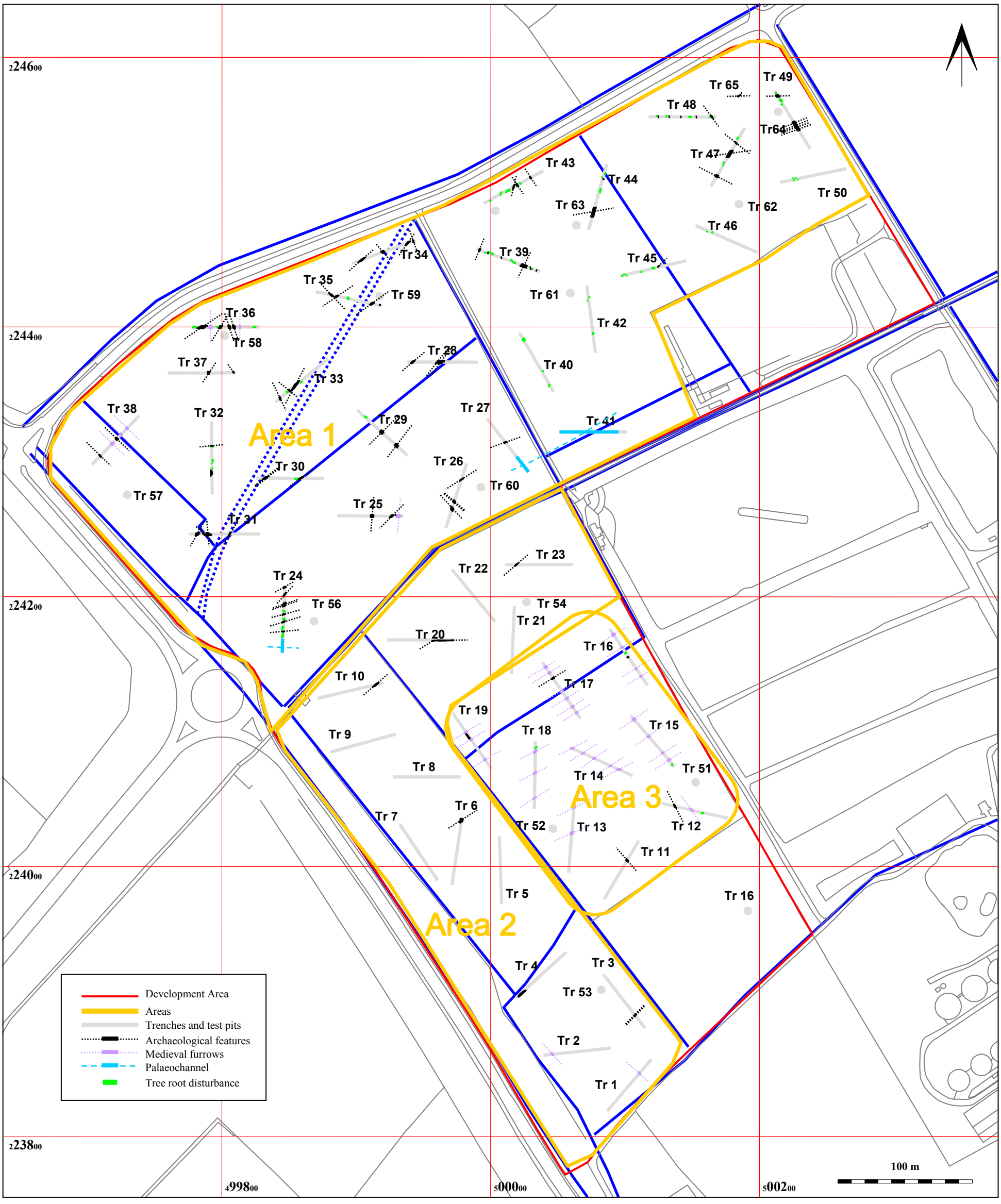


Figure 11: All features overlaid onto tracing of 1878 OS map

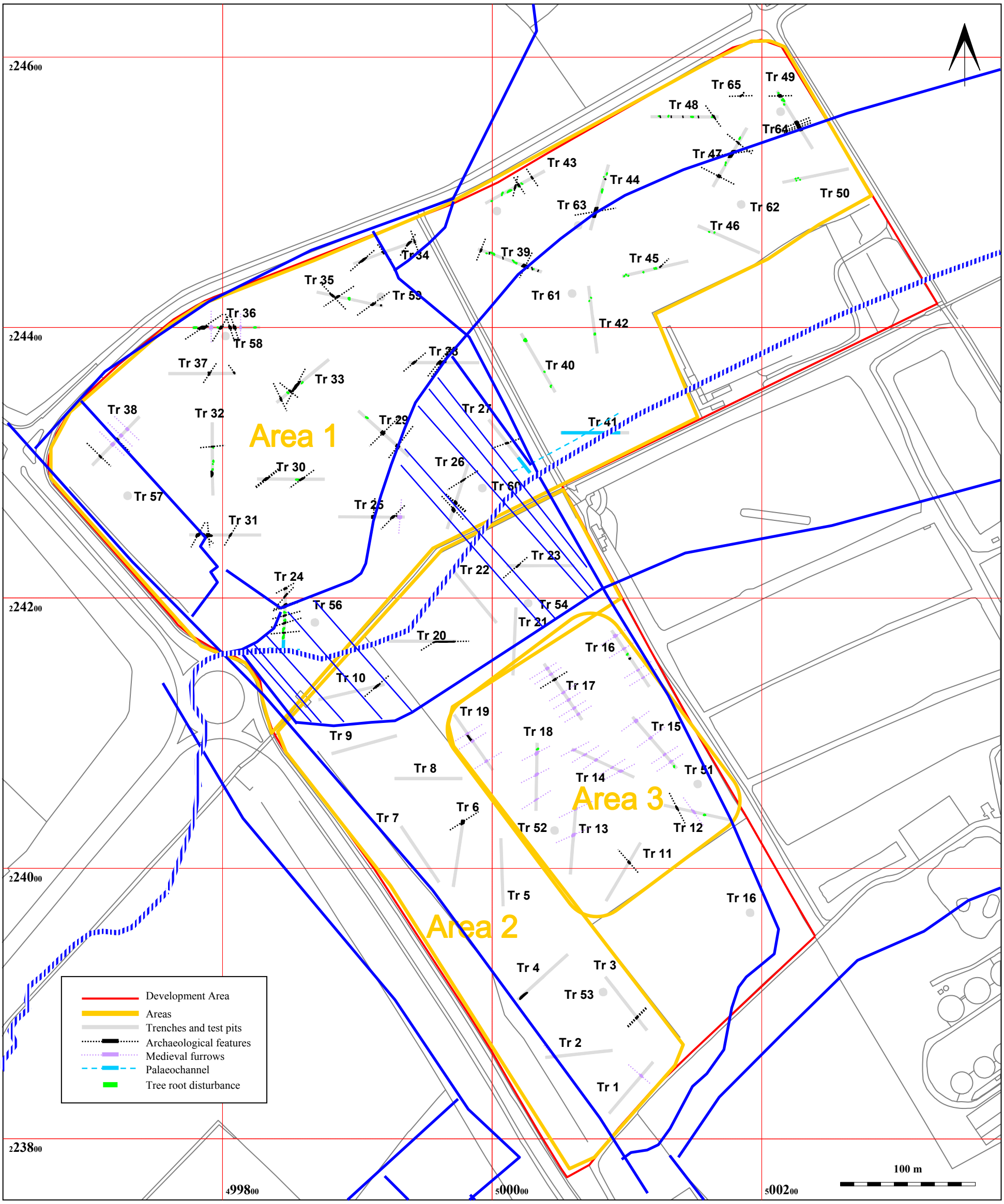


Figure 12: All features overlaid onto tracing of 1762 estate map (1762 field boundaries shown are approximate positions only)

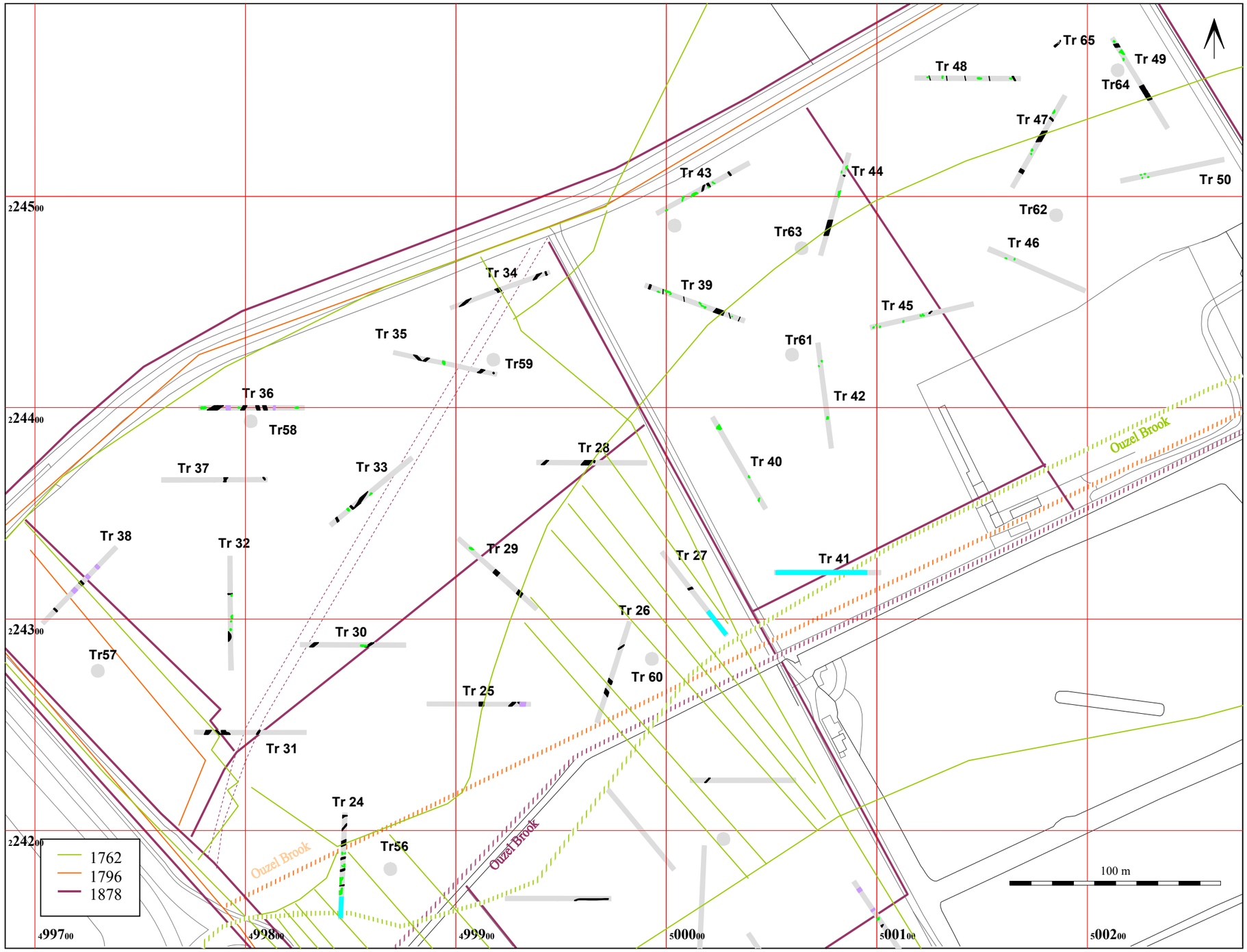


Figure 13: Area 1 showing boundaries from 1762, 1796 and 1876 maps (approximate positions) with trenches overlaid.

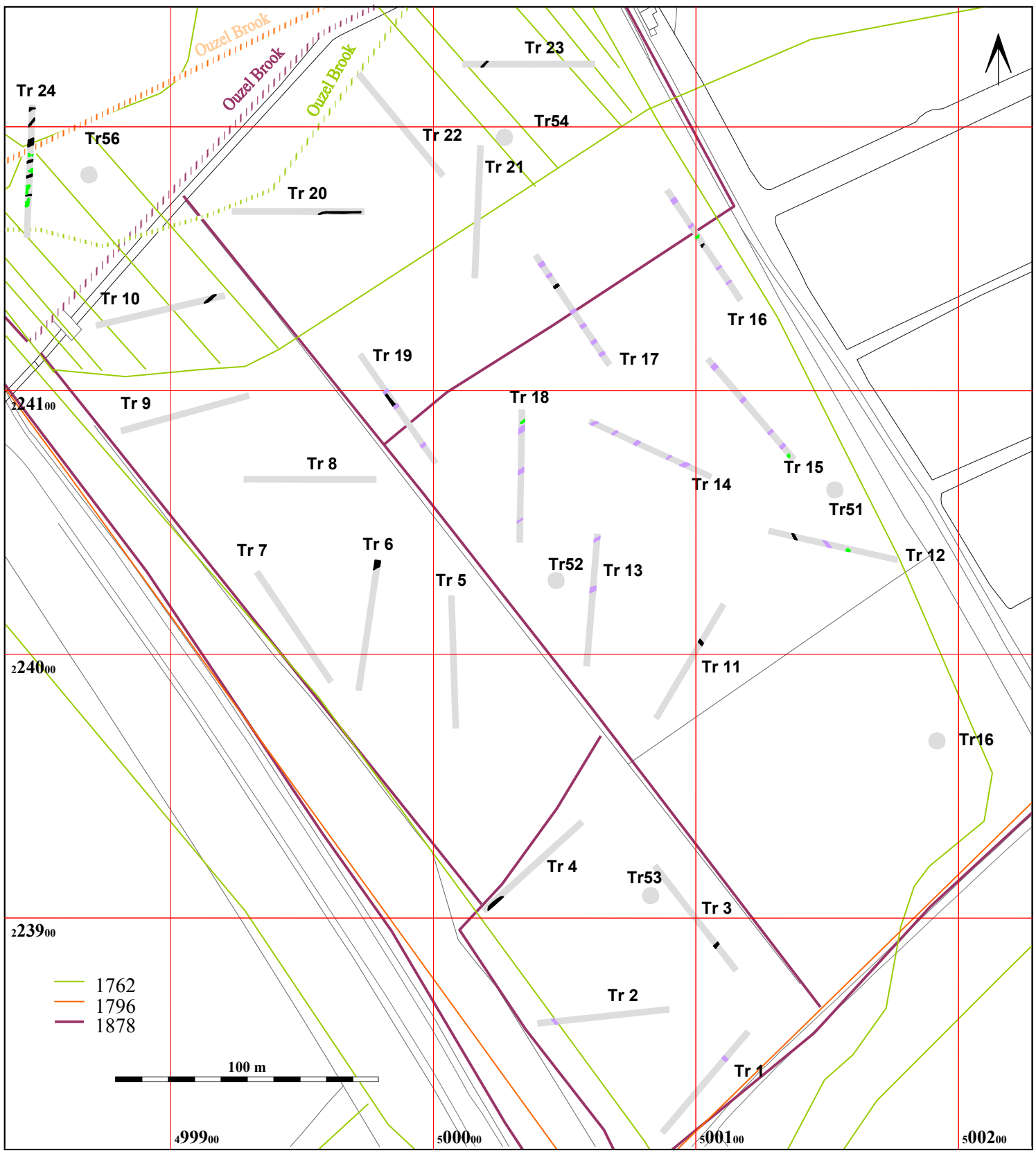
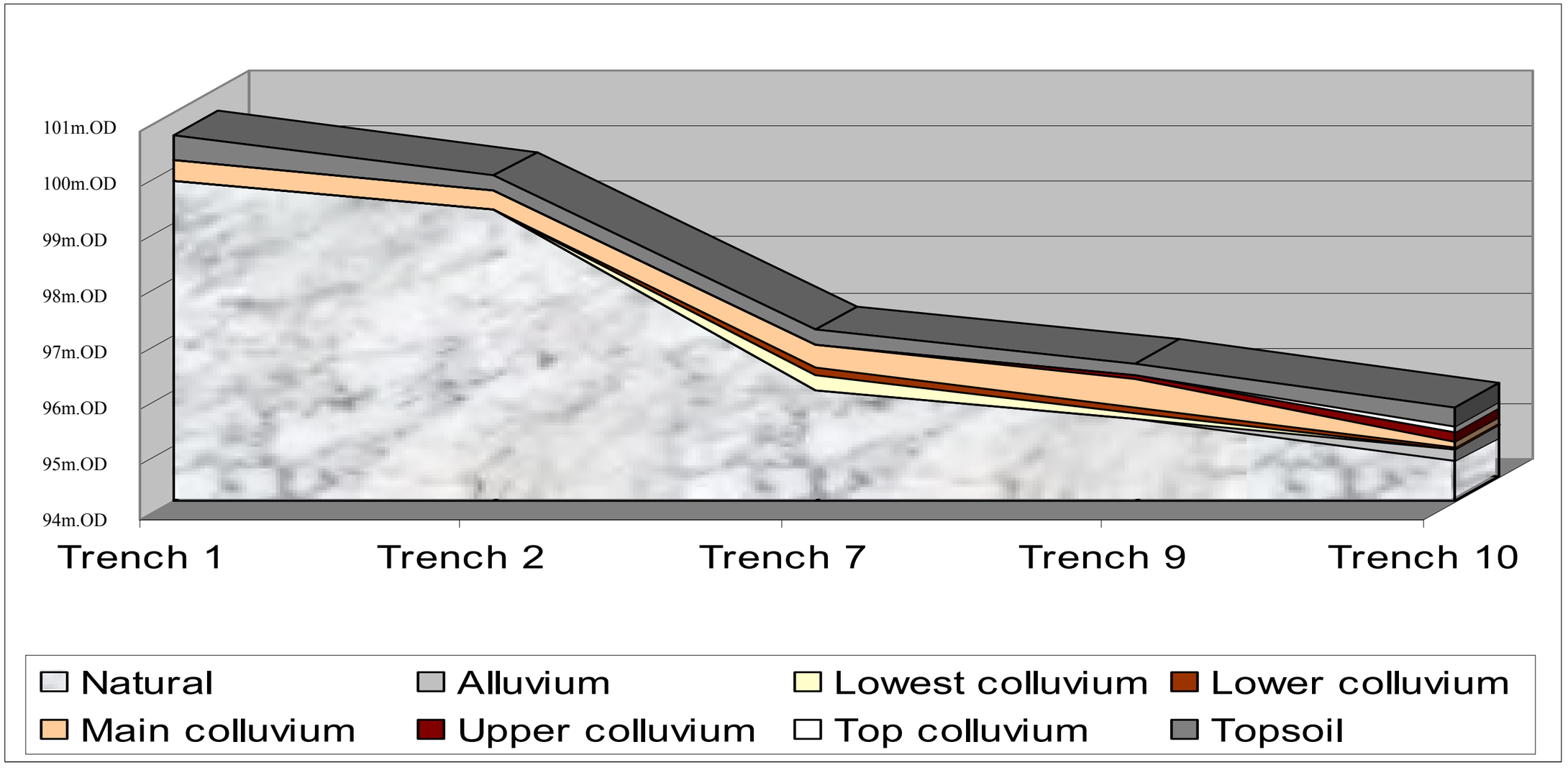


Figure 14: Areas 2 and 3, showing boundaries from 1762, 1796 and 1878 maps (approximate positions) with trenches overlaid.



	Trench 1	Trench 2	Trench 7	Trench 9	Trench 10
Topsoil	100	200	700	900	1000
Top colluvium					1001
Upper alluvium				901	1002
Main colluvium	101	201	701	902	1003
Lower colluvium			702	903	1006
Lowest colluvium			703	904	
Alluvium					1007

Figure 15: Deposit model for Trenches 1,2,7,9 and 10

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