

**GREYLAKE, SOMERSET  
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<b>GSB SURVEY No.</b>	97/29	<b>NGR</b>	ST 392 335
<b>SMR</b>	N/A	<b>COUNTY</b>	Somerset

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<b>SITE TYPE</b>	Wooden 'trackway'; possible associated settlement.
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Timber remains have been identified in the field under investigation.
<b>PERIOD</b>	Presumed prehistoric

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<b>SOILS</b>	Altcar 1 Association, fen peat	<b>SURVEY TYPE</b>	FM36	RM15
		<b>SAMPLE INT</b>	0.5m	1.0m
		<b>TRAVERSE INT</b>	1.0m	1.0m
		<b>METHOD</b>	Zig-zag	Zig-zag
<b>LAND-USE</b>	Rough pasture	<b>SURVEY AREA</b>	0.16ha	c. 0.5ha
			Tie-in information held by RCHME	

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<b>SURVEY START</b>	17th March 1997	<b>DATE OF REPORT</b>	25th July 1998
<b>SURVEY END</b>	18th March 1997	<b>AUTHOR</b>	J Gater / C Gaffney

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## SUMMARY OF RESULTS

Survey Areas 1 and 2 as depicted on Figure 1.

Resistance survey was carried out over the site of a putative wooden trackway, Area 1, and the results reflect the waterlogged nature of the peat. The total range of the data was only a maximum of 5 ohms. A low resistance linear anomaly is visible and this coincides with a land drain. Slightly raised readings are just visible along the south-eastern edge of the survey (Figure 2). Although these proved to coincide with a wooden structure that was subsequently excavated, the increase in values is thought in part to be a result of a change in vegetation at this point. The anomalies were not of a strength that they could be interpreted on the basis on the geophysics alone. Given the poor survey conditions no further work was attempted.

A second field was investigated, Area 2, as it was felt this might have been a good location for settlement. The survey lies on a relatively high piece of ground close to the supposed trackway. Magnetically the whole platform was found to be very quiet; a sample strip confirmed the absence of even weak anomalies. The resistance results were slightly more encouraging; a few linear and curvilinear low anomalies are clearly visible in Figure 3. However, some of these were thought to be associated with animal burrows that were visible and others proved, when excavated, to be relatively modern, certainly not prehistoric.