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### SUMMARY

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*This report presents the results of an archaeological evaluation carried out by South West Archaeology Ltd. (SWARCH) for Land Opposite Langdon Road Industrial Estate, Bradworthy, Torridge, Devon.*

*The site lies to the north-east of Bradworthy, and currently comprises agricultural fields. A number of heritage assets from the Medieval to Modern periods are located within the vicinity of the site and two features are recorded within the proposed site area in the Devon Historic Environment Record (HER); a mound and ditch (MDV122932) of possible Medieval date and a possible lynchet (MDV122933). The Bradworthy Conservation Area lies c.100m to the south west of the proposed development. There are no Scheduled Monuments or Registered Parks and Gardens within 1km of the proposed development site. The nearest Listed buildings are the Grade II\* Church of John the Baptist and the Grade II Listed Bradworthy Inn, both c.300m to the south west of the proposed development, within the core of the settlement of Bradworthy.*

*The evaluation identified a total of 13 features largely associated with field-systems and drainage. With most of the features not producing dating evidence and those that did all containing post-medieval finds at the earliest, indicating that all features are likely to be post-medieval or modern agricultural features. The small number of non-drainage related features appear to reflect the remains of a small agricultural building (out-barn).*

*The evaluation has revealed the site representing part of the wider agricultural landscape, the features identified largely reflecting drainage of the land and the high levels of water creating marshy and wet ground. The archaeological remains on this site do not justify further archaeological works prior to or in conjunction with the development of the site, as further intervention is unlikely to be particularly rewarding.*

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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

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<b>LOCATION:</b>	LAND OPPOSITE LANGDON ROAD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE
<b>PARISH:</b>	BRADWORTHY
<b>DISTRICT:</b>	TORRIDGE
<b>COUNTY:</b>	DEVON
<b>CENTROID NGR:</b>	SS 32631 14358
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### 1.1 PROJECT BACKGROUND

South West Archaeology Ltd. (SWARCH) was commissioned by Allison Homes (The Client) to undertake archaeological evaluation trenching in advance of a proposed development on Land Opposite Langdon Road Industrial Estate, Bradworthy, Torridge, Devon. This work was undertaken in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation (Balmond 2022) drawn up in consultation with Stephen Reed of Devon County Historic Environment Team (DCHET) and in line with best practice and ClfA guidelines.

### 1.2 TOPOGRAPHICAL AND GEOLOGICAL BACKGROUND

The proposed site is located in agricultural fields to the north-east of Bradworthy, at a height of approximately c.178m AOD. The soils of this area are the well-drained fine loamy soils over rock of the Neath Association (SSEW 1983). These overlie the sedimentary sandstone of the Bude Formation (BGS 2022).

### 1.3 HISTORICAL & ARCHAEOLOGICAL BACKGROUND

The site lies within the parish of Bradworthy (or Broadworthy) in the historic hundred of Black Torrington and the deanery of Holsworthy. There was once a fair on the festival of St. John the Baptist, and a cattle fair on the 9<sup>th</sup> of September. The manor of Bradworthy was granted to William, Lord Brewer, by King John. It passed through successive female heirs to the Mohun and Strange families, and to Stanley, Earl of Derby. It was divided into severalties and sold at some time after this. The parish church of Bradworthy was given to the abbey of Tor by Lord Brewer and Lysons records that in the 19<sup>th</sup> century the tithes were granted to Lawrence Ashton, Esq. and the vicarage was in the gift of the crown.

The site lies to the north-east of Bradworthy, and currently comprises agricultural fields. The area is recorded on the Historic Landscape Characterisation (HLC) as Medieval enclosures based on strip fields: This area was probably first enclosed with hedge-banks during the later middle ages. The curving form of the hedge-banks suggests that earlier it may have been farmed as open strip-fields. The site comprises two enclosed fields although at the date of the tithe survey it formed all or part of seven plots, the majority of which were in the holding of Lew Farm although the western part of the site comprised part of Lyle's Tenement.

A number of heritage assets from the Medieval to Modern periods are located within the vicinity of the site and two features are recorded within the proposed site area in the Devon Historic Environment Record (HER); a mound and ditch (MDV122932) of possible Medieval date and a

possible lynchet (MDV122933). Both features were recorded in an archaeological desk-based assessment carried out by AB Heritage in 2016 for the site which suggested some previously unrecorded historic features may be present within the site boundary (AB Heritage 2016). The Bradworthy Conservation Area lies c.100m to the south west of the proposed development. There are no Scheduled Monuments or Registered Parks and Gardens within 1km of the proposed development site. The nearest Listed buildings are the Grade II\* Church of John the Baptist and the Grade II Listed Bradworthy Inn, both c.300m to the south west of the proposed development, within the core of the settlement of Bradworthy.

#### 1.4 METHODOLOGY

The archaeological evaluation was conducted in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) (Balmond 2022) drawn up in consultation with Stephen Reed (DCHET) and in line with best practice. Thirteen trenches, each 2m wide and totalling c.340m in length, were laid out using a Topcon GRS-1 GPS and opened by tracked mechanical excavator to the depth of *in situ* weathered natural using a toothless grading bucket. Exposed archaeological deposits were excavated by hand and in accordance with the WSI and ClfA guidelines.

The evaluation was designed to explore the site to establish the presence or absence, condition, date and significance of any archaeological features present in order to inform and guide the need, nature and extent of any further archaeological mitigation. The archaeological evaluation took place between 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022.



FIGURE 1: SITE LOCATION (THE SITE IS INDICATED).

## 2.0 RESULTS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL EVALUATION

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### 2.1 INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the evaluation was to explore the site to establish the presence or absence, condition, date and significance of any archaeological features present in order to inform and guide the need, nature and extent of any further archaeological mitigation. The area subject to the evaluation comprised three agricultural fields, each divided by hedge banks, each with a ditch at the base, lined either side by small trees (Figure 2).

The archaeological evaluation was carried out between 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022; and comprised the excavation of 13 trenches, each 2m wide and totalling c.340m in length by tracked mechanical excavator to the depth of archaeological deposits or weathered natural using a toothless grading bucket. Exposed archaeological deposits were excavated by hand and in accordance with the WSI and ClfA guidelines.

A total of 13 features were identified in the eight evaluation trenches, including: 7 ditches and 5 gullies (Figure 2). What follows is a summary of each trench with finds noted where they occur; see Appendix 1 for detailed context descriptions; Appendix 2 for full finds concordance; and Appendix 3 for supporting photographs.

### 2.2 DEPOSIT MODEL

The stratigraphy of the site differed across most of the area. The north field consisted of a mid brown soft-friable clay-silt loam topsoil 0.16-0.22m thick; which overlay a mid grey-brown friable silt clay subsoil 0.18-0.22m thick. Sloping down to the east end, the field consisted of top and subsoil onto a series of alluvial deposits; overlaying a firm yellow clay natural.

The west field consisted of mostly consistent stratigraphy, with a mid grey-brown loose-friable silt topsoil 0.12-0.17m thick; overlaying a mid grey-brown friable-soft silt-clay subsoil 0.21-0.46m thick, getting deeper towards the south end of the field in trenches 7 and 8, with a yellow-red-grey soft-firm clay alluvial layer in the southern half of the field; overlaying a light yellow brown firm clay at the north edge of the field and a red-yellow brown shillet over the rest.

The east field consisted of darker and wetter soils and a marshy area to the eastern boundary of the site; with a mid grey-brown loose silt clay topsoil c.0.18m thick at the south-west corner of the field; overlaying a mid grey-brown friable-loose silt-clay c.0.17m thick; which overlay a natural mid yellow-brown firm clay shillet. Sloping down to the north-east was a dark-mid grey-brown soft silt-clay topsoil c.0.15m thick; overlaying a dark-mid grey-brown firm clay subsoil c.0.18m thick overlaying a light grey-brown firm alluvial deposit covering the middle of the field; onto a light yellow firm clay natural. At the lowest point in the field was a dark grey-brown soft silt-clay topsoil 0.13-0.14m thick; overlaying a dark grey-brown firm clay subsoil 0.16-0.17m thick; which overlay a light yellow-grey firm clay natural.

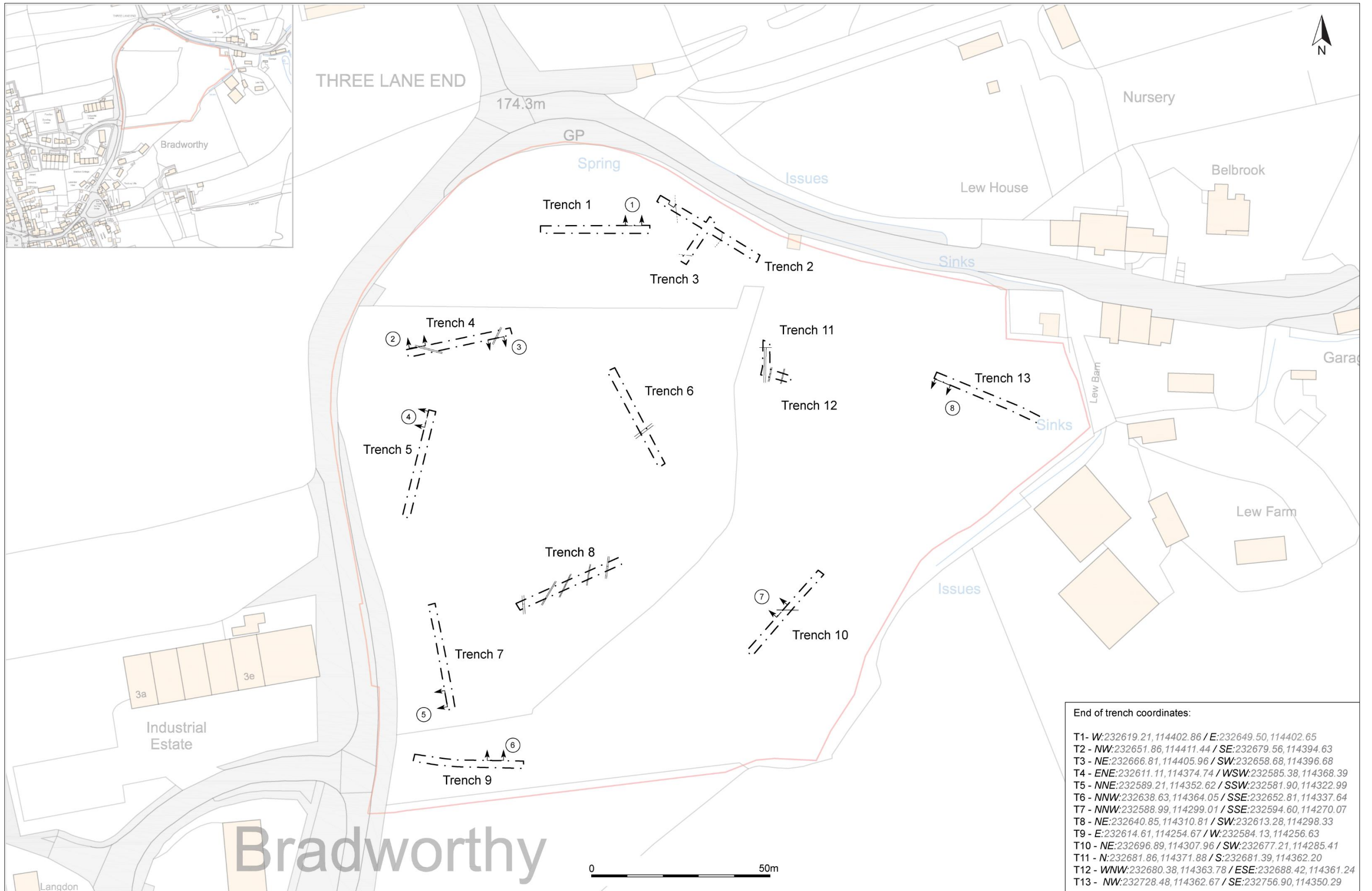


FIGURE 2: SITE PLAN SHOWING LOCATION OF THE TRENCHES.

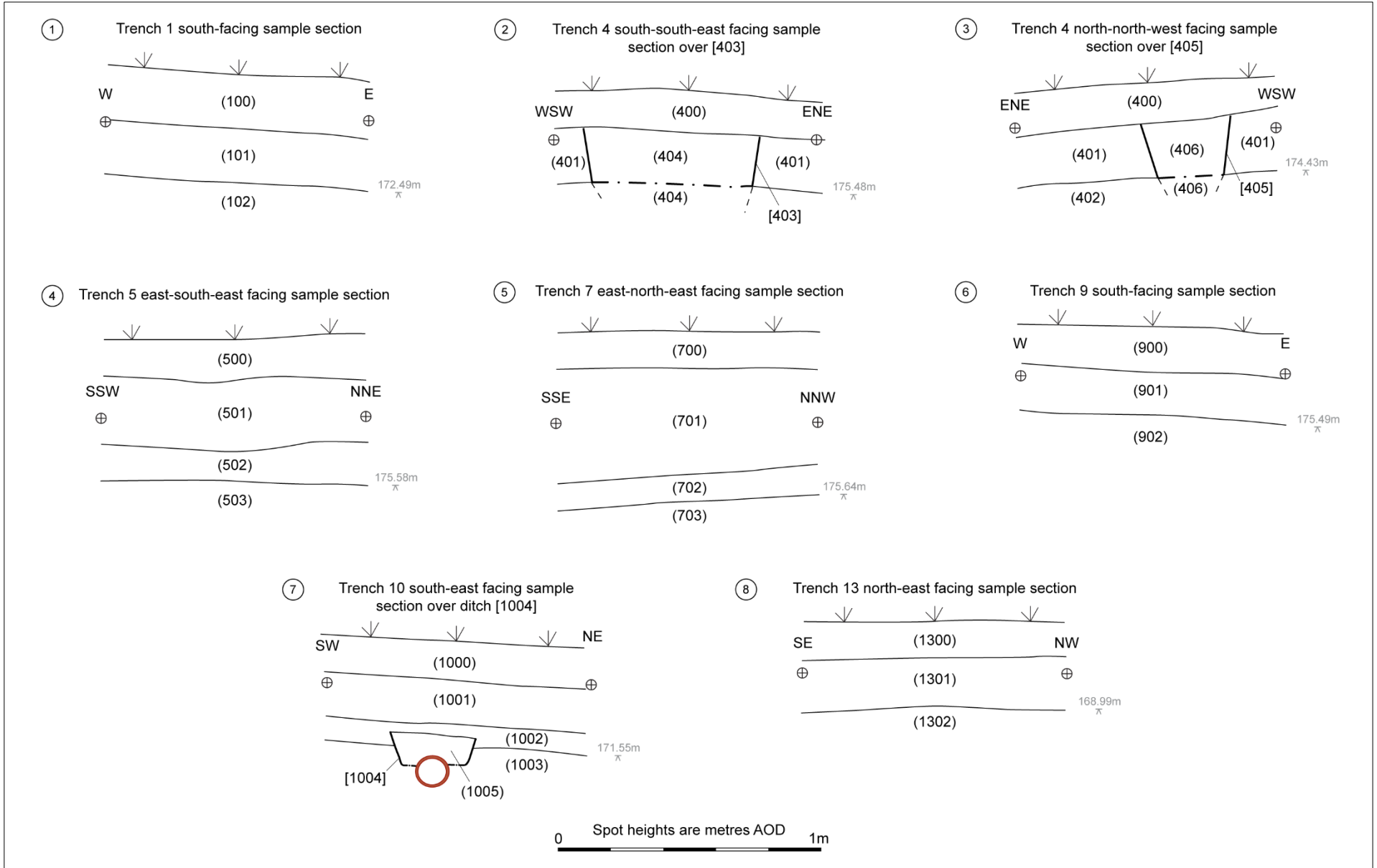


FIGURE 3: SAMPLE SECTIONS OF EACH OF THE TRENCHES.



### 2.3 TRENCH 1

Trench 1 (Figures 2 and 3) was located centrally in the north field, it measured 30m long and was orientated approximately east to west. The topsoil (100) was c.0.20m thick; and the subsoil (101) c.0.22m thick (Figure 3).

No archaeological features were identified in this trench, although a series of tree-throws were observed.

### 2.4 TRENCH 2

Trench 2 (Figures 2 and 4) was located towards the north-east corner of the north field, c.8m north-east of Trench 1 and was targeting a possible mound/terrace feature identified on site before excavations began. It measured 32.50m long on a north-west to south-east alignment; the topsoil (200) was c.0.22m thick; and the subsoil (204) c.0.18m thick. The north-west end of the trench was located in a natural dip in the field that contained a series of overlying alluvial layers related to flooding episodes. A sondage was excavated by hand to locate the natural beneath these layers; the top most was (205) a mid grey-brown soft friable clay-silt, with frequent mid brown root staining c.0.17m thick; overlaying (206) a mid grey-brown soft friable silt-clay, with frequent mid brown root staining c.0.15m thick; overlaying (207) a dark grey soft friable clay-silt c.0.15m thick; overlaying (208) a mid grey friable-soft silt-clay c.0.06m thick; (209) a light grey soft silt-clay c.0.09m thick; and natural (210), a firm yellow clay.

An archaeological deposit (an infilled terrace?) was identified c.12m from the south-east end of Trench 2, which continued north-west and ending c.5.5m from the north-west end of the trench, a total of c.15m x >13m in width. The deposit (201)/(301) overlay (204) and was a mid red-yellow-brown soft friable clay-silt, with abundant small-medium sub-angular stone and was up to 0.15m thick; which continued north-west, becoming (202) a mixed mid yellow soft silt-clay redeposited natural, with mid grey-yellow-brown soft friable clay-silt, ending c.10m from the north-east end of Trench 2 and c.5.2m wide (Figure 4).

### 2.5 TRENCH 3

Trench 3 (Figures 2 and 4) was to target the extent of archaeological deposit (201)/(301) and was located roughly central to Trench 2 and cutting through at c.90 degrees aligned north-east to south-west, forming a cross shape. Firstly, a sondage was excavated at the north-east end to locate the natural which measured c.4.5m from the start of the trench. The trench was continued to the south-west, a total of c.15m long and located the extent of (201)/(301), ending c.2m from the south-west end of the trench. The topsoil (300) was as (200) and c.0.16m thick; which overlay subsoil (302) as (204) and c.0.13m thick.

Archaeological deposit (201)/(301) was overlain by (300) throughout the trench; and overlay subsoil (302) at the south-west end and both (302) and (303) towards the north-east end of the trench. Subsoil (302) overlay (303), which was as (206) and >0.14m thick, at the north-east end of Trench 3. (302) also overlay (304) a mid red-yellow-brown soft friable clay-silt >0.15m thick at the south-west end. These deposits are similar to those seen within Trench 2, and likely represent fills of a platform/terrace, presumed to have been cut for a small agricultural structure.

Layer (303) overlay natural (305) a light grey soft clay, becoming (306) a mid red-yellow soft silt-clay, c.1.5m from the north-east end of Trench 3 and layer (304) overlay natural (306) at the south-west end (Figure 4).

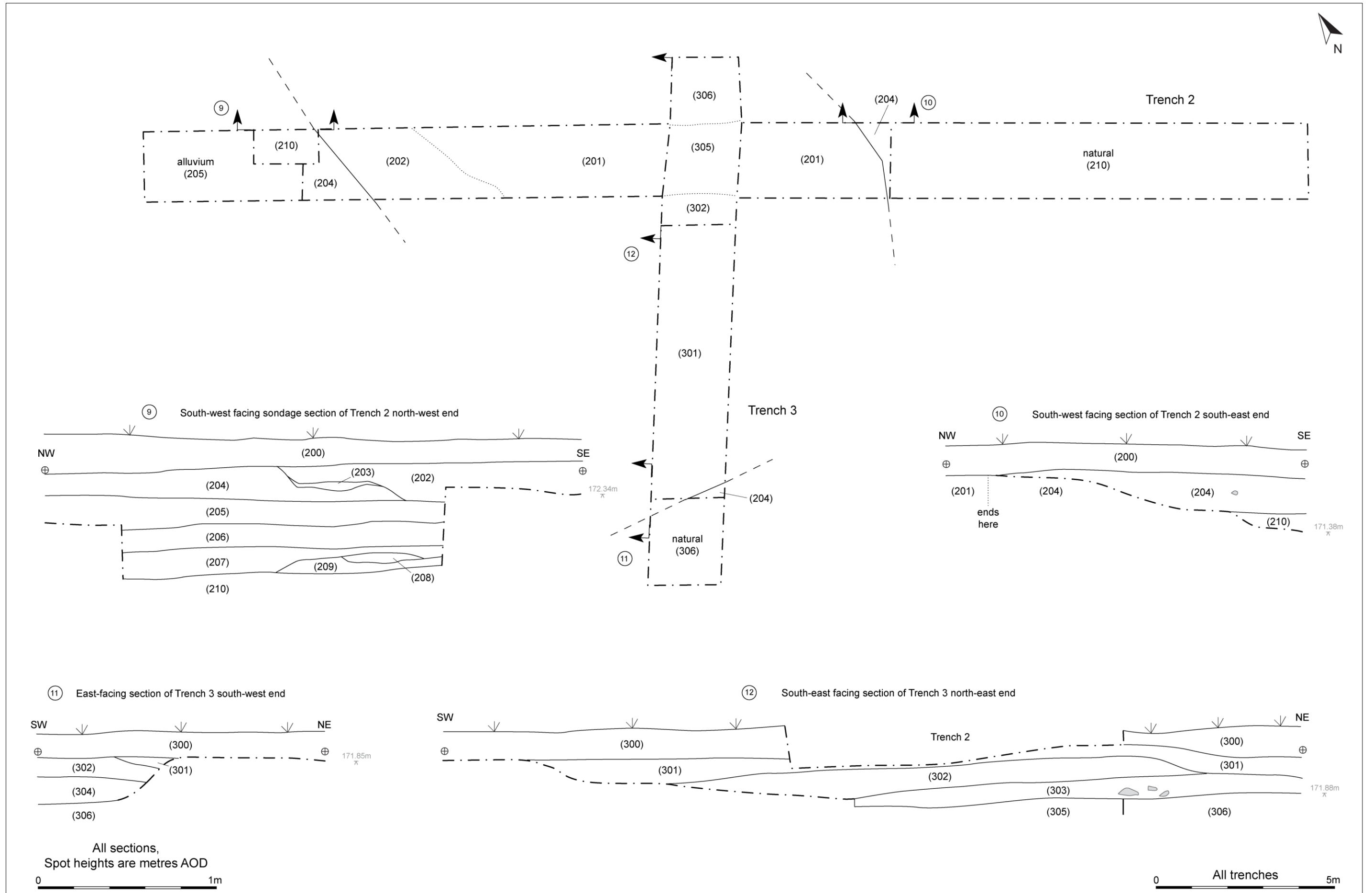


FIGURE 4: TRENCHES 2 AND 3; PLANS AND SECTIONS.

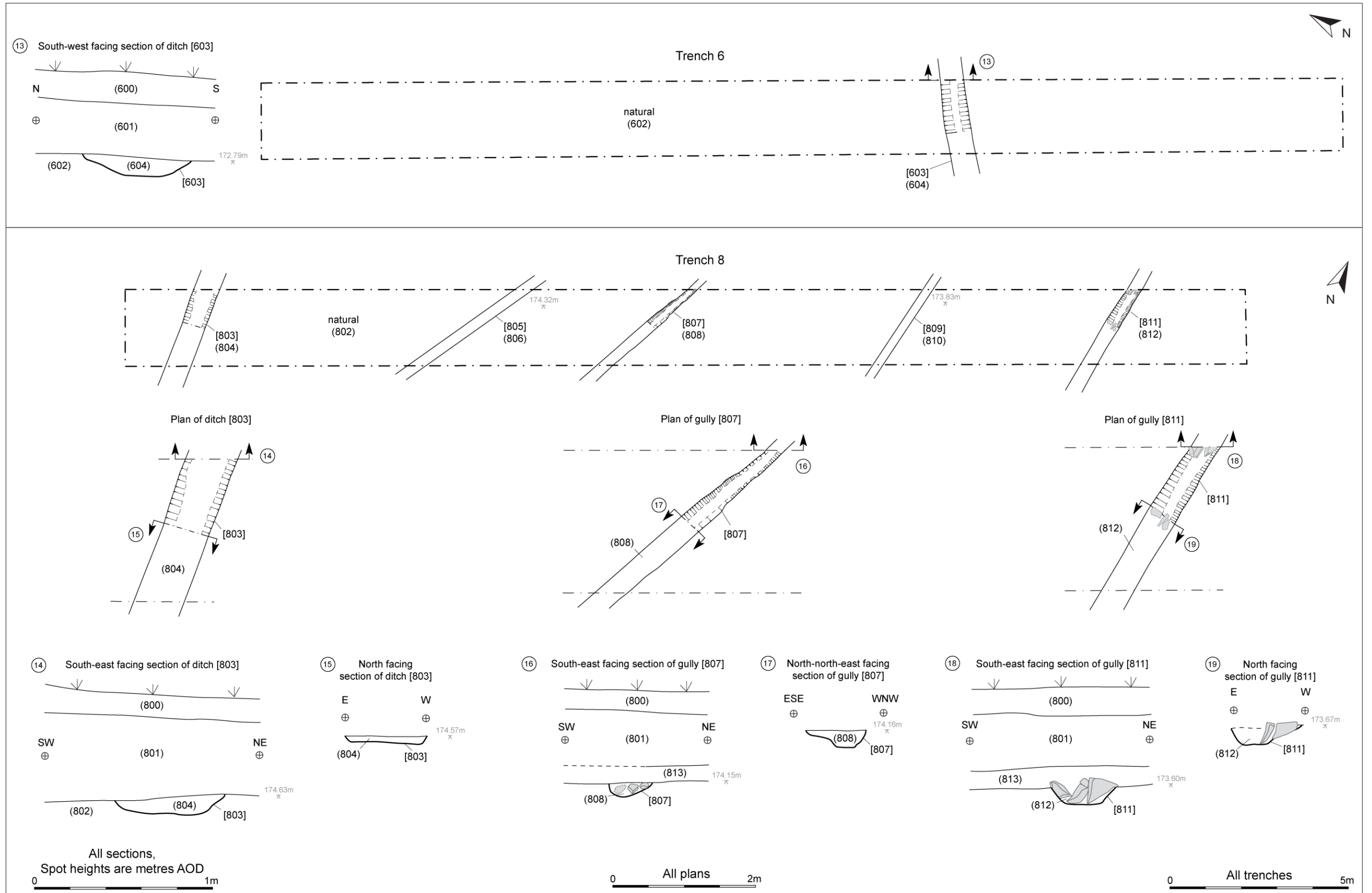


FIGURE 5: TRENCHES 6 AND 8; PLANS AND SECTIONS.

## 2.6 TRENCH 4

Trench 4 (Figures 2 and 3) was located in the west field c.7m from the north field boundary and was aligned east-north-east to west-south-west. The topsoil (400) was a dark grey-brown friable silt-clay c.0.17m thick; overlying (401) a mid-dark grey-brown soft silt-clay c.0.21m thick; which overlay natural (402) a very light yellow-brown firm clay.

Two modern linear ditches were identified in Trench 4, the first was [403], located c.5m from the ENE end of the trench and was c.0.40m in width, was filled by (404) a mid-light yellow firm redeposited natural clay >0.21m thick; and cut subsoil (401). The second ditch was [405], located c.2.5m from the WSW end of Trench 4 and was c.0.40m in width, was filled by (406) a mid-light yellow firm redeposited natural clay >0.21m thick; and also cut (301). Both ditches had almost vertical sides (Figure 3).

## 2.7 TRENCH 5

Trench 5 (Figures 2 and 3) was located to the north-west corner of the west field, c.13m from the boundary and measured c.30m, aligned north-north-east to south-south-west. The topsoil (500) was a mid grey-brown loose-friable silt c.0.17m thick; overlying subsoil (501) a mid brown-grey friable-soft silt-clay c.0.25m thick; overlying (502) a layer of mid red-yellow-brown soft-friable silt-clay c.0.16m thick; which overlay natural (503) a mid red-yellow-brown soft-firm silt-clay shillet. The SSW end of the trench had a heavy root concentration, related to its proximity to the field boundary; and throughout the trench were bands of stony natural up to 2m wide approximately aligned ENE-WSW (Figure 3).

No archaeological features were identified in this trench.

## 2.8 TRENCH 6

Trench 6 (Figures 2 and 5) was located towards the north-east corner of the west field, c.20m from the east boundary, measuring c.30m long and aligned north-north-west to south-south-east. The topsoil (600) c.0.17m thick, was as (500); overlying subsoil (601) c.0.30m thick, as (501); which overlay natural (601), as (503). A single band of natural stone aligned ENE-WSW ran through the middle of the trench at c.15m from the NNW end and was c.1.5m wide; this aligned with a band of natural identified in Trench 5 approximately on the same alignment.

One linear ditch [603] was excavated within Trench 6, located c.10.3m from the SSE end and aligned north-east to south-west, measuring c.0.65m wide x c.0.12m deep; with moderately sloping sides into a slightly concave base. It was filled by (604) a dark-mid grey-brown friable silt-clay c.0.12m thick (Figure 5).

## 2.9 TRENCH 7

Trench 7 (Figures 2 and 3) was located in the south-west corner of the west field c.5m from the south field boundary and aligned north-north-west to south-south-east, measuring c.30m long. The topsoil (700) was a dark grey-brown friable silt-clay c.0.15m thick; overlying subsoil (701) a mid grey-brown soft silt-clay c.0.40m thick; overlying layer (702) a mottled mid yellow, black and grey-brown soft silt-clay c.0.11m thick; which overlay natural (703) a mottled yellow-red-grey soft-firm clay (Figure 3).

No archaeological features were identified in this trench, although a single large tree throw was

observed at the SSE end of the trench and extended c.1.5m from the end, cutting subsoil (701).

## 2.10 TRENCH 8

Trench 8 (Figures 2 and 5) was located c.25m to the north-east of Trench 7 and was aligned north-east to south-west, measuring c.30m long. The topsoil (800) was as (500) c.0.12m thick; overlying subsoil (801) as (501) c.0.46m thick; overlying illuviated horizon layer (813) a light-mid brown soft-friable silt-clay c.0.12m thick, approximately beginning 15m from the SW end of the trench and continuing NE. This overlay natural (802), same as (602).

Several linear ditches believed to be field drains were identified throughout the trench, the first of which [803] was located c.1.2m from the SW end of the trench. It was aligned north-south and measured c.0.58m wide x c.0.12m deep, with moderate-steep sloping sides breaking sharply into a flat base. It was filled by (804) a mid-dark grey-brown soft-friable silt-clay c.0.12m thick. North-east of [803] was [805], aligned NNE-SSW and measured c.0.58m wide; filled by (806) a mid grey-brown loose silt-clay, with frequent medium-small sub-angular stone - left unexcavated. North-east of [805] was [807], aligned NNE-SSW and measured c.0.30m wide x c.0.12m deep, with a stepped south-east side and steep north-west side, breaking sharply into a flat base; filled by (808) a mid grey-brown loose silt-clay, with frequent medium-small sub-angular stone. North-east of [807] was [809], aligned NNE-SSW and measured c.0.30m wide, filled by (810) a mid grey-brown loose silt-clay, with frequent medium-small sub-angular stone - left unexcavated. North-east of [809] was [811] aligned north-south and measured c.0.40m wide, with steep sloping sides, breaking into a moderately flat base; filled by (812) a mid grey-brown loose silt-clay, with frequent medium-small sub-angular stone (Figure 5).

## 2.11 TRENCH 9

Trench 9 (Figures 2 and 3) was located c.6m from the west boundary in the south-west corner of the east field, aligned east-west and measured c.30m long. The topsoil (900) was a mid grey-brown loose silt-clay c.0.18m thick; overlying subsoil (901) a mid grey-brown friable-loose silt-clay c.0.17m thick; which overlay natural (902) a mid yellow-brown firm clay shillet (Figure 3).

No archaeological features were identified in this trench.

## 2.12 TRENCH 10

Trench 10 (Figures 2 and 3) was relatively centrally located in the east field, c.25m from the east boundary and on the edge of a marshy area of ground covering much of the east edge of the field; It was aligned north-east to south-west and measured c.30m long. The topsoil (1000) was a dark-mid grey-brown soft silt-clay c.0.15m thick; overlying subsoil (1001) a dark-mid grey-brown firm clay c.0.18m thick; overlying alluvial layer (1002) a light grey-brown firm clay c.0.08m thick; which overlay natural (1003) a light yellow firm clay.

A single linear gully [1104] was identified, aligned east-west and located c.14m from the north-east end of trench. It measured c.0.30m wide and was excavated to a depth of 0.14m, cutting (1002) and containing a ceramic drain pipe c.0.47m deep from top of section. It was filled by (1105) a very light yellow-grey firm clay (Figure 3).

## 2.13 TRENCH 11

Trench 11 (Figures 2 and 6) was located c.6m from the middle field boundary in a tight corner mostly surrounded by dense trees and nettles, aligned north-south and measured c.12m long. Trenches 11 and 12 were positioned to investigate an earthwork mound identified in the 2016 walkover by AB Heritage, however no visual trace of a mound could be seen at the time of evaluating. The topsoil (1100) was a dark grey-brown loose silt c.0.14m thick; overlying subsoil (1101) a dark grey-brown friable-soft silt-clay c.0.17m thick; which overlay natural (1102) a very light yellow-grey firm clay.

Several features were identified including a consolidation layer (1103), a mid yellow soft-firm re-deposited natural clay, overlain by (1100) at the north end of Trench 11 and continued south c.3.8m in section and appeared to be orientated north-east to south-west in plan. A possible linear shallow feature [1104] measuring >1.88m wide x c.0.11m deep, aligned north-east to south-west was excavated at the north end of the trench, with a gradual-moderate sloping south side into a flat base; filled by (1105) a dark grey-brown soft silt-clay c.0.11m thick. Feature [1104] cut an earlier linear ditch [1106], aligned north-south parallel and central to Trench 11, measuring c.0.45m wide x c.0.13m deep, with moderate sloping sides into a slightly concave base; filled by (1107) a mid grey-brown soft clay c.0.13m thick (Figure 6).

#### 2.14 TRENCH 12

Trench 12 (Figures 2 and 6) was located at the south-end of Trench 11, forming a rough 'L' shape and measured c.10m long, aligned west-north-west to east-south-east. Trenches 11 and 12 were positioned to investigate an earthwork mound identified in the 2016 walkover by AB Heritage, however no visual trace of a mound could be seen at the time of evaluating. The topsoil (1200) c.0.13m thick, subsoil (1201) c.0.16m thick and natural (1202) were as Trench 11.

2 identical modern linear ditches [1203] c.6m and [1205] c.2.5m from the ESE end of Trench 12 were identified, both aligned NNE-SSW and measuring c.0.42m and c.0.40m wide respectively; cutting subsoil (1201); both filled by a mid yellow firm stony re-deposited natural clay (1204) and (1206). Only [1203] was excavated and had very steep sides into a slightly concave base c.0.18m deep (Figure 6).

#### 2.15 TRENCH 13

Trench 13 (Figures 2 and 3) was located c.11m from the east boundary, in the north-east corner of the east field in a very wet marshy area roughly at the base of the slope, measuring c.30m long and aligned north-west to south-east. The topsoil (1300) was a dark grey-brown soft silt-clay c.0.14m thick; overlying subsoil (1301) a dark grey-brown firm clay c.0.17m thick; overlying natural (1302) a light yellow firm clay (Figure 3).

No archaeological features were identified in this trench.



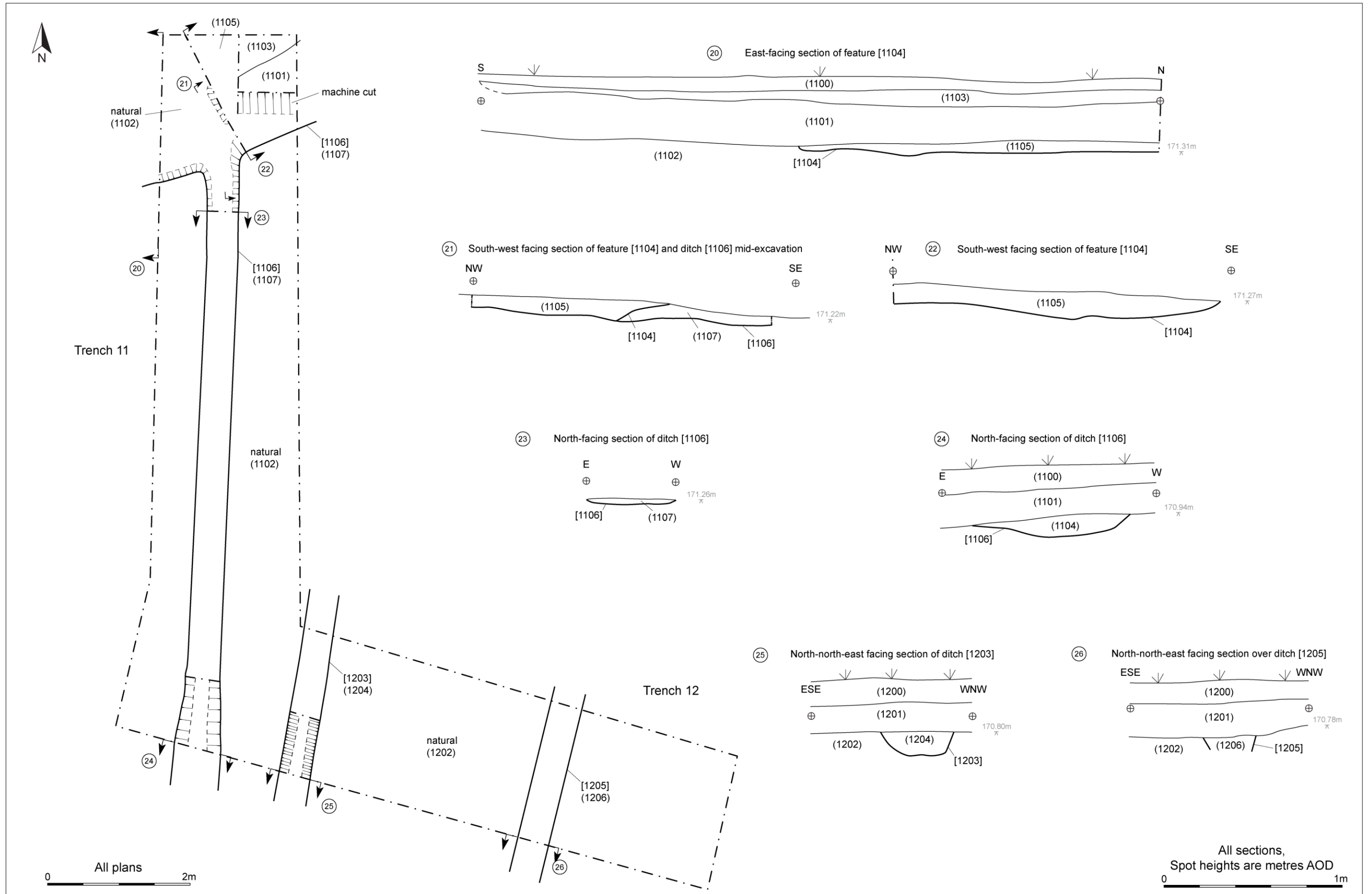


FIGURE 6: TRENCHES 11 AND 12; PLANS AND SECTIONS.

## 2.16 FINDS

A relatively modest assemblage of finds was collected during the evaluation, comprising: 64 sherds (418g) of pottery; 2 fragments (11g) of clay pipe; and 13 fragments (124g) of glass. The pottery was largely post-medieval to modern in date, and included examples of: Bristol & Staffordshire yellow slipware, industrial wares, North Devon gravel free and gravel tempered wares, stoneware and white refined earthenware.

The finds were primarily recovered from topsoil contexts, though one of the features contained artefacts: x3 sherds of white refined earthenware, 1x post-medieval North Devon coarseware sherd, 1x Fe object and 1x clay pipe stem from fill (1105) of feature [1104]. Alluvial deposit (205) also produced a small assemblage of post-medieval pottery (See Appendix 2 for a full finds concordance).

## 2.17 DISCUSSION

The evaluation identified a total of 13 features, a number of linear gullies and ditches largely associated with field-systems and drainage; with 2 features most likely associated with a post-medieval/modern platform for a shed/outhouse targeted by Trenches 2, 3 and 11, with Trench 2 containing post-medieval finds within the alluvial layers near the base of the trench. Most of the features and deposits did not produce dating evidence, with the exception of alluvial layer (205) and (1105) - fill of feature [1104], containing post-medieval artefacts; the character of the fills suggesting they were part of a post-medieval field system. The linear ditches identified in Trenches 4 and 12, suggest a modern field system due to their depth, cutting the subsoil layer and filled with re-deposited natural.

Ditch [803] and gullies [805], [807], [809] and [811] are likely to reflect drainage features associated with phases of the existing post-medieval and modern field-system; as are ditches [603] and [1004].

The area located around Trenches 11 and 12 suggest a multi-phase occupation and field system, with consolidation layer (1103) being a separate feature later established above feature [1104] and ditch [1106], most likely related to a small agricultural building. (1103) was one of the few contexts with finds recovered including: 3x WRE sherds, 1x post-medieval pottery sherd, 1x Fe object and 1x clay pipe stem; and is still post-medieval in origin.

### 3.0 CONCLUSION

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The evaluation identified a total of 13 features largely associated with field-systems and drainage. With most of the features not producing dating evidence and those that did containing post-medieval finds at the earliest, indicating a post-medieval and existing modern field-system. The small number of non-drainage related features appear to reflect small agricultural building use, with Trench 2 producing post-medieval finds from alluvial layers beneath a consolidation layer.

The highest concentration of features were centrally located in the west and largest field of the site, all field drains of probable post-medieval origin and aligned roughly north-south directed downhill, reflecting probable high flooding and need for many drainage features associated with the field-system.

The evaluation has revealed the site representing part of the wider agricultural landscape, the features identified largely reflecting drainage of the land and the agricultural potential of the northern and eastern edges of the site low, due to the high levels of water creating marshy and wet ground. The archaeological remains on this site do not justify further archaeological works prior to or in conjunction with the development of the site, as intervention is unlikely to be particularly rewarding.

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APPENDIX 1: CONTEXT DESCRIPTIONS

Context	Type	Description	Relationships	Extent: depth/thickness (m)	Spot date
<b>Trench 1</b>					
(100)	Topsoil	Dark-mid grey-brown silt-clay.	Overlies (101)	c.0.20m thick	Modern
(101)	Subsoil	Mid grey-brown friable silt-clay.	Overlain by (100); overlies (102)	c.0.22m thick	-
(102)	Natural	Light-mid yellow-brown firm clay.	Overlain by (101)	-	-
<b>Trench 2</b>					
(200)	Topsoil	Mid brown soft-friable clay-silt loam.	Overlies (201), (202), (204)	c.0.22m thick	Modern
(201)	Layer	Mid red-yellow-brown soft-friable clay-silt, with abundant sub-angular stone. Consolidation layer/platform.	Overlain by (200); overlies (202)	c.0.12m thick	Modern-Post-medieval
(202)	Layer	Mid grey-yellow-brown soft-friable clay-silt, with re-deposited natural.	Overlain by (200), (201), overlies (205)	c.0.22m thick	Modern-Post-medieval
(203)	Layer	Mixed mid yellow soft silt-clay re-deposited natural, with mid grey-yellow-brown soft-friable clay-silt.	Overlain by (202)	c.0.04m thick	Modern-Post-medieval
(204)	Subsoil	Mid grey-brown friable-soft silt-clay.	Overlain by (200); overlies (205)	c.0.18m thick	Post-medieval
(205)	Layer	Alluvial layer - Mid brown-grey soft-friable clay-silt, with frequent mid brown root staining.	Overlain by (202), (204); overlies (206)	c.0.17m thick	Post-medieval
(206)	Layer	Alluvial layer - Mid grey-brown soft-friable clay-silt, with frequent mid brown root staining.	Overlain by (205); overlies (207)	c.0.15m thick	-
(207)	Layer	Alluvial layer - Dark grey soft-friable clay-silt.	Overlain by (206); overlies (208), (209)	>0.15m thick	-
(208)	Layer	Alluvial layer - Mid grey friable-soft silt-clay.	Overlain by (207); overlies (209)	c.0.06m thick	-
(209)	Layer	Alluvial layer - Light grey soft silt-clay.	Overlain by (208); overlies (210)	>0.09m thick	-

(210)	Natural	Firm yellow clay.	Overlain by (207), (209)	-	-
Trench 3					
(300)	Topsoil	Same as (200).	Overlies (301), (302)	c.0.16m thick	Modern
(301)	Layer	Same as (201).	Overlain by (300); overlies (302), (303)	c.0.12m thick	Modern- Post- Medieval
(302)	Subsoil	Same as (204)	Overlain by (300), (301); overlies (303), (304)	c.0.13m thick	Post- medieval
(303)	Layer	Same as (206)	Overlain by (302); overlies (305), (306)	>0.14m thick	-
(304)	Layer	Mid red-yellow-brown soft friable clay-silt.	Overlain by (302); overlies (306)	>0.15m thick	-
(305)	Natural	Light grey soft clay.	Overlain by (303)	-	-
(306)	Natural	Mid red-yellow-brown soft silt-clay.	Overlain by (303), (304)	-	-
Trench 4					
(400)	Topsoil	Dark grey-brown friable silt-clay.	Overlies (401)	c.0.17m thick	Modern
(401)	Subsoil	Mid-dark grey-brown soft silt-clay.	Overlain by (500); overlies (402); cut by [403], [405]	c.0.21m thick	-
(402)	Natural	Very light yellow-brown firm clay.	Overlain by (401); cut by [403], [405]	-	-
[403]	Cut	Probable modern linear field drain aligned north-west to south-east at WNW-end of Trench 4. Measured c.0.40m wide. Unexcavated.	Filled by (404); cuts (401), (402)	>0.21m deep	Modern
(404)	Fill	Mid-light yellow firm re-deposited natural clay.	Fill of [403]	>0.21m thick	Modern
[405]	Cut	Probable modern linear field drain aligned north-east to south-west at ESE-end of Trench 4. Measured c.0.40m wide. Unexcavated.	Filled by (406); cuts (401), (402)	>0.21m deep	Modern
(406)	Fill	Same as (404).	Fill of [405]	>0.21m thick	Modern
Trench 5					
(500)	Topsoil	Mid grey-brown loose friable silt.	Overlies (501)	c.0.17m thick	Modern
(501)	Subsoil	Mid grey-brown friable-soft silt-clay.	Overlain by (500); overlies (502)	c.0.25m thick	-
(502)	Layer	Mid red-yellow-brown soft friable silt-clay.	Overlain by (501); overlies (503)	c.0.16m thick	-
(503)	Natural	Mid red-yellow-brown soft-firm silt-clay shillet.	Overlain by (502)	-	-
Trench 6					
(600)	Topsoil	Mid grey-brown loose friable silt.	Overlies (601)	c.0.17m thick	Modern
(601)	Subsoil	Mid grey-brown friable-soft silt-clay.	Overlain by (600); overlies (602)	c.0.30m thick	-



(602)	Natural	Mid red-yellow-brown soft-firm silt-clay shillet	Overlain by (601); cut by [603]	-	-
[603]	Cut	Linear ditch aligned north-east to south-west located approximately centrally in Trench 6, with moderately sloping sides into a slightly concave base. Measured c.0.65m wide x c.0.12m deep.	Filled by (604); cuts (602)	-	-
(604)	Fill	Dark-mid grey-brown friable silt-clay.	Fill of [603]	c.0.12m deep	-
Trench 7					
(700)	Topsoil	Dark grey-brown friable silt-clay.	Overlies (701)	c.0.15m thick	Modern
(701)	Subsoil	Mid grey-brown soft silt-clay.	Overlain by (700); overlies (702)	c.0.40m thick	-
(702)	Layer	Mottled mid yellow-black and grey-brown soft silt-clay.	Overlain by (701); overlies (703)	c.0.11m thick	-
(703)	Natural	Mottled mid yellow-red-grey soft-firm clay.	Overlain by (702)	-	-
Trench 8					
(800)	Topsoil	Mid grey-brown loose-friable silt.	Overlies (801)	c.0.12m thick	Modern
(801)	Subsoil	Mid grey-brown friable-soft silt-clay.	Overlain by (800); overlies (802), (813)	c.0.46m thick	-
(802)	Natural	Mid red-yellow-brown soft-firm silt-clay shillet.	Overlain by (801), (813); cut by [803], [805], [807], [809], [811]	-	-
[803]	Cut	Linear field drain aligned north-south at south-west end of Trench 8, with moderate-steep sloping sides breaking sharply into a flat base. Measured c.0.58m wide.	Filled by (804); cuts (802)	c.0.12m deep.	-
(804)	Fill	Mid-dark grey-brown soft-friable silt-clay.	Fill of [803]	c.0.12m thick	-
[805]	Cut	Linear gully/field drain aligned NNE-SSW to the north-east of [803]. Measured c.0.58m wide. Unexcavated.	Filled by (806); cuts (802)	-	-
(806)	Fill	Mid grey-brown loose silt-clay, with frequent medium and small sub angular stone.	Fill of [805]	-	-
[807]	Cut	Linear gully/field drain aligned NNE-SSW to the north-east of [805], with a stepped south-east side and steep north-west side, breaking sharply into a flat base. Measured c.0.30m wide.	Filled by (808); cuts (802)	c. 0.12m deep	-
(808)	Fill	Mid grey-brown loose silt-clay, with frequent medium and small sub angular stone.	Fill of [807]	c. 0.12m thick	-
[809]	Cut	Linear gully/field drain aligned NNE-SSW to the north-east of [807]. Measured c.0.30m wide. Unexcavated.	Filled by (810); cuts (802)	-	-
(810)	Fill	Mid grey-brown loose silt-clay, with frequent medium and small sub angular stone.	Fill of [809]	-	-

[811]	Cut	Linear gully/field drain aligned north-south at the north-east end of Trench 8, with steep sloping sides, breaking moderately into a flat base. Measured c.0.40m wide.	Filled by (812); cuts (802)	c.0.14m deep	-
(812)	Fill	Mid grey-brown loose silt-clay, with abundant large and medium sub angular stone.	Fill of [811]	c.0.14m thick	-
(813)	Layer	Light-mid brown soft-friable silt-clay.	Overlain by (801); overlies (802)	c.0.12 thick	-
Trench 9					
(900)	Topsoil	Mid grey-brown loose silt-clay.	Overlies (901)	c.0.18m thick	Modern
(901)	Subsoil	Mid grey-brown friable-loose silt-clay.	Overlain by (900); overlies (902)	c.0.17m thick	-
(902)	Natural	Mid yellow-brown firm clay shillet.	Overlain by (901)	-	-
Trench 10					
(1000)	Topsoil	Dark-mid grey-brown soft silt-clay.	Overlies (1001)	c.0.15m thick	Modern
(1001)	Subsoil	Dark-mid grey-brown firm clay.	Overlain by (1000); overlies (1002)	c.0.18m thick	Modern- Post- Medieval
(1002)	Layer	Alluvial layer - Light grey-brown firm clay.	Overlain by (1002); overlies (1003); cut by [1004]	c.0.08m thick	-
(1003)	Natural	Light yellow firm clay.	Overlain by (1002); cut by [1004]	-	-
[1004]	Cut	Linear gully aligned east-west approximately centrally located in Trench 10, with almost vertical sides. Measured c.0.30m wide.	Filled by (1005); cuts (1002), (1003)	>0.14m deep	Modern- Post- Medieval
(1005)	Fill	Very light yellow-grey firm clay, with ceramic drain pipe at base.	Fill of [1004]	>0.14m thick	Modern- Post- Medieval
Trench 11					
(1100)	Topsoil	Dark grey-brown loose silt.	Overlies (1101), (1103)	c.0.14m thick	Modern
(1101)	Subsoil	Dark grey-brown friable-soft silt-clay.	Overlain by (1100); overlies (1102)	c.0.17m thick	Modern- Post- Medieval
(1102)	Natural	Very light yellow-grey firm clay.	Overlain by (1101), (1103); cut by [1104], [1106]	-	-
(1103)	Layer	Mid yellow soft-firm re-deposited natural clay. Consolidation layer/platform at north end of Trench 11.	Overlain by (1100); overlies (1102)	c.0.08m thick	Modern- Post- Medieval

[1104]	Cut	Possible linear shallow feature aligned east-west at north end of Trench 11, with a gradual-moderate sloping south side into a flattish base. Measured >1.88m wide.	Filled by (1105); cuts (1102), (1107)	c.0.11m deep	Post-Medieval
(1105)	Fill	Dark grey-brown soft silt-clay.	Fill of [1104]	c.0.11m thick	Post-Medieval
[1106]	Cut	Linear ditch aligned north-south through the centre of Trench 11, with moderate sloping sides into a slightly concave base. Measured c.0.45m wide.	Filled by (1107); cuts (1102)	c.0.13m deep	-
(1107)	Fill	Mid grey-brown soft clay.	Fill of [1106]; cut by [1104]	c.0.13m thick	-
Trench 12					
(1200)	Topsoil	Same as (1100)	Overlies (1201)	c.0.13m thick	Modern
(1201)	Subsoil	Same as (1101)	Overlain by (1200); overlies (1202)	c.0.16m thick	Modern-Post-Medieval
(1202)	Natural	Same as (1102)	Overlain by (1201)	-	-
[1203]	Cut	Probable modern linear ditch aligned NNE-SSW at the middle-west end of Trench 12, with very steep sides into a slightly concave base. Measured c.0.42m wide.	Filled by (1204); cuts (1201), (1202)	c.0.18m deep	Modern
(1204)	Fill	Mid yellow firm stony re-deposited clay natural.	Fill of [1203]	c.0.18m thick	Modern
[1205]	Cut	Probable modern linear ditch aligned NNE-SSW at ESE end of Trench 12. Measured c.0.40m wide. Unexcavated.	Filled by (1206); cuts (1201), (1202)	>0.05m deep	Modern
(1206)	Fill	Same as (1204).	Fill of [1205]	>0.05m thick	Modern
Trench 13					
(1300)	Topsoil	Dark grey-brown soft silt-clay.	Overlies (1301)	c.0.14m thick	Modern
(1301)	Subsoil	Dark grey-brown firm clay.	Overlain by (1300); overlies (1302)	c.0.17m thick	-
(1302)	Natural	Light yellow firm clay.	Overlain by (1301)	-	-

APPENDIX 2: FINDS CONCORDANCE

Context	POTTERY			OTHER			DATE
	Sherds	Wgt. (g)	Notes	Frgs.	Wgt. (g)	Notes	
(100)	-	-	-	1 2 1	10 36 7.5	Clay pipe – stem Clear glass Green glass	Post-medieval/Modern
(204)	1	2.5	White refined earthenware	-	-	-	Post-medieval/Modern
(205)	7 1 3	16 2.5 2	Post-medieval N. Devon wares Post-medieval industrial wares White refined earthenware	-	-	-	Post-medieval
(400)	1 1 1	9 8 <1	Post-medieval gazed White refined earthenware teacup White refined earthenware	1	3	Green glass	Post-medieval/Modern
(500)	1	3	White refined earthenware	1	<1	Clear glass	Post-medieval/Modern
(600)	2 1	9 12.5	White refined earthenware Post-medieval N. Devon ware	1	31.5	Clear glass	Post-medieval/Modern
(800)	2	3.5	White refined earthenware	1 2 7	18 3 11.5	Clear glass bottle stopper Clear glass Fe object	Post-medieval/Modern
(900)	4 2 3	13.5 6 14	White refined earthenware Post-medieval N. Devon wares Post-medieval industrial wares	2	14.5	Clear glass	Post-medieval/Modern
(1000)	5	65.5	White refined earthenware	-	-	-	Post-medieval/Modern
(1100)/ (1200)	10 4	48 18	White refined earthenware Post-medieval N. Devon wares	1 1	5 <1	Green glass Clear glass	Post-medieval/Modern
(1105)	3 1	11.5 13.5	White refined earthenware Post-medieval N. Devon wares	1 1	7.5 1.5	Fe object Clay pipe stem	Post-medieval
(1300)	2 6 3	61.5 35.5 63.5	Post-medieval industrial ware White refined earthenware White refined earthenware plate sherd		103.5	Fe object	Post-medieval / Modern



APPENDIX 3: SUPPORTING PHOTOGRAPHS



1 – FEATURE [1104] EAST-FACING SECTION MID-EXCAVATION; FROM THE EAST (2M SCALE).



2 – FEATURE [1104] SOUTH-WEST FACING SECTION MID-EXCAVATION; FROM THE SOUTH-WEST (1M SCALE).





3 – FEATURE [1104] SOUTH-EAST FACING SECTION MID-EXCAVATION; FROM THE SOUTH-EAST (1M SCALE).



4 – DITCH [1106] NORTH-FACING SECTION MID-EXCAVATION, FROM THE NORTH (1M SCALE).





5 – FEATURE [1104] AND DITCH [1106] MID-EXCAVATION PLAN, FROM THE SOUTH (1M + 2M SCALE).



6 – FEATURE [1104] AND DITCH [1106] MID-EXCAVATION PLAN, FROM THE SOUTH-WEST (1M + 2M SCALE).





7 – FEATURE [1104] EAST-FACING SECTION; FROM THE EAST (2M SCALE).



8 – FEATURE [1104] AND DITCH [1106] PLAN; FROM THE NORTH-EAST (2M SCALE).





9 – FEATURE [1104] SOUTH-WEST FACING SECTION; FROM THE SOUTH-WEST (2M SCALE).



10 – FEATURE [1104] AND DITCH [1106] PLAN; FROM THE SOUTH-WEST (2M SCALE).





11 –DITCH [1106] NORTH-FACING SECTION; FROM THE NORTH (1M SCALE).



12 –FEATURE [1104] AND DITCH [1106] PLAN; FROM THE NORTH (1M SCALE).





13 – DITCH [1106] NORTH-NORTH-EAST (NNE)-FACING TRENCH SECTION; FROM THE NNE (1M SCALE).



14 – DITCH [1106] PLAN; FROM THE NNE (1M SCALE).





15 – DITCH [1106] SOUTH-FACING SECTION; FROM THE SOUTH (1M SCALE).



16 – DITCH [1106] PLAN; FROM THE SOUTH (1M SCALE).





17 – DITCH [1203] NNE-FACING SECTION; FROM THE NORTH (1M SCALE).



18 – DITCH [1203] PLAN; FROM THE NNE (1M SCALE).





19 – DITCH [1205] NNE-FACING SECTION; FROM THE NORTH (1M SCALE).



20 – DITCH [1205] PLAN; FROM THE NNE (1M SCALE).





21 – TRENCH 12 PLAN; FROM THE EAST-SOUTH-EAST (ESE) (1M + 2M SCALE).



22 – TRENCH 11 PLAN; FROM THE NORTH (1M + 2M SCALE).





23 – TRENCH 11 PLAN; FROM THE SOUTH (1M + 2M SCALE).



24 – TRENCH 2 SOUTH-WEST FACING SONDRAGE SECTION, NORTH-WEST END; FROM THE SOUTH-WEST (2M SCALE).





25 – TRENCH 2 SONDAGE PLAN, NORTH-WEST END; FROM THE SOUTH-WEST (2M SCALE).



26 – TRENCH 2 SONDAGE, NORTH-WEST END; FROM THE NORTH-WEST (2M SCALE).





27 – TRENCH 13 NORTH-EAST FACING SAMPLE SECTION; FROM THE NORTH-EAST (1M SCALE).



28 – TRENCH 13 PLAN; FROM THE NORTH-WEST (1M + 2M SCALE).





29 – TRENCH 10 SAMPLE SECTION OVER GULLY [1004]; FROM THE SOUTH-EAST (1M SCALE).



30 – GULLY [1004] PLAN; FROM THE EAST (1M SCALE).





31 – TRENCH 10 PLAN; FROM THE SOUTH-WEST (1M + 2M SCALE).



32 – TRENCH 1 SOUTH-FACING SAMPLE SECTION; FROM THE SOUTH (1M SCALE).





33 – TRENCH 1 PLAN; FROM THE EAST (1M + 2M SCALE).



34 – TRENCH 1 PLAN; FROM THE WEST (1M + 2M SCALE).





35 – TRENCH 2 SOUTH-WEST FACING SECTION, SOUTH-EAST-END; FROM THE SOUTH-WEST (2M SCALE).



36 – TRENCH 2 SOUTH-WEST FACING SECTION OBLIQUE, SOUTH-EAST END; FROM THE SOUTH (2M SCALE).





37 – TRENCH 2 PLAN; FROM THE SOUTH-EAST (1M + 2M SCALE).



38 – TRENCH 2 PLAN; FROM THE NORTH-WEST (1M + 2M SCALE).





39 – TRENCH 2 PLAN; FROM THE NORTH-WEST (1M + 2M SCALE) (COPY).



40 – TRENCH 3 SOUTH-EAST-FACING SECTION, NORTH-EAST END; FROM THE SOUTH-EAST (1M SCALE).





41 – TRENCH 3 SOUTH-EAST FACING SECTION OBLIQUE, NORTH-EAST END; FROM THE NNE (1M SCALE).



42 – TRENCH 3 SOUTH-EAST FACING SECTION, SOUTH-WEST END; FROM THE SOUTH-EAST (2M SCALE).





43 – TRENCH 3 SOUTH-EAST FACING SECTION OBLIQUE, SOUTH-WEST END; FROM THE SOUTH (2M SCALE).



44 – TRENCH 3 PLAN; FROM THE SOUTH-WEST (1M + 2M SCALE).





45 – TRENCH 3 PLAN; FROM THE NORTH-EAST (1M + 2M SCALE).



46 – SOUTH-SOUTH-EAST (SSE)-FACING SECTION OF DITCH [403]; FROM THE SSE (1M SCALE).





47 – DITCH [403] PLAN; FROM THE SOUTH-EAST (1M SCALE).



48 – DITCH [405] NNW-FACING SECTION; FROM THE NNW (1M SCALE).





49 – DITCH [405] PLAN; FROM THE NORTH-EAST (1M SCALE).



50 – TRENCH 4 PLAN; FROM THE ENE (1M + 2M SCALE).





51 – TRENCH 4 PLAN; FROM THE WEST-SOUTH-WEST (WSW) (1M + 2M SCALE).



52 – DITCH [603] SOUTH-WEST FACING SECTION; FROM THE SOUTH-WEST (1M SCALE).





53 – DITCH [603] PLAN; FROM THE SOUTH-WEST (1M SCALE).



54 – TRENCH 6 PLAN; FROM THE SOUTH-EAST (1M + 2M SCALE).





55 – TRENCH 6 PLAN; FROM THE NORTH-WEST (1M + 2M SCALE).



56 – DITCH [803] SOUTH-EAST FACING SECTION; FROM THE SOUTH-EAST (1M SCALE).





57 – DITCH [803] PLAN; FROM THE SOUTH (1M SCALE).



58 – DITCH [803] NORTH-FACING SECTION; FROM THE NORTH (1M SCALE).





59 – GULLY [805] PLAN; FROM THE SSW (1M SCALE).



60 – GULLY [807] SOUTH-EAST FACING SECTION; FROM THE SOUTH-EAST (1M SCALE).





61 – GULLY [807] PLAN; FROM THE SSW (1M SCALE).



62 – GULLY [807] NNE-FACING SECTION; FROM THE NNE (1M SCALE).





63 – GULLY [809] PLAN; FROM THE SSW (1M SCALE).



64 – GULLY [811] SOUTH-EAST FACING SECTION; FROM THE SOUTH-EAST (1M SCALE).





65 – GULLY [811] PLAN; FROM THE SOUTH (1M SCALE).



66 – GULLY [811] NORTH FACING SECTION; FROM THE NORTH (1M SCALE).





67 – TRENCH 8 PLAN; FROM THE SOUTH-WEST (1M + 2M SCALE).



68 – TRENCH 8 PLAN; FROM THE NORTH-EAST (1M + 2M SCALE).





69 – TRENCH 5 ESE-FACING SAMPLE SECTION; FROM THE ESE (1M SCALE).



70 – TRENCH 5 PLAN; FROM THE NNE (1M + 2M SCALE).





71 – TRENCH 5 PLAN; FROM THE SSW (1M + 2M SCALE).



72 – TRENCH 7 ENE-FACING SAMPLE SECTION; FROM THE ENE (1M SCALE).





73 – TRENCH 7 PLAN; FROM THE SSE (1M + 2M SCALE).



74 – TRENCH 7 PLAN; FROM THE NNW (1M + 2M SCALE).





75 – TRENCH 9 SOUTH-FACING SAMPLE SECTION; FROM THE SOUTH (1M SCALE).



76 – TRENCH 9 PLAN; FROM THE WEST (1M + 2M SCALE).





76 – TRENCH 9 PLAN; FROM THE EAST (1M + 2M SCALE).



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