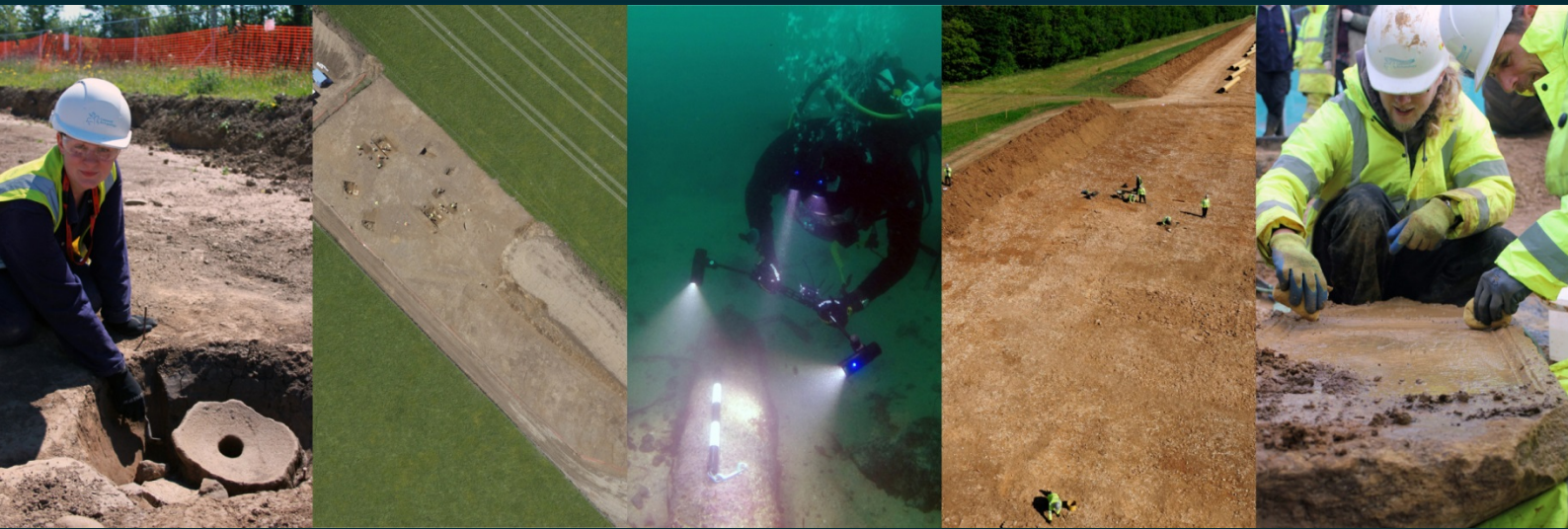


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Archaeological Evaluation



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SUMMARY

Project Name:	Land at Coombelands Farm
Location:	Hartland Road, Addlestone, Surrey
NGR:	504376 163354
Type:	Evaluation
Date:	30 March – 02 April 2018
Planning Reference:	RU.16/0845
Location of Archive:	Guildford Museum
Site Code:	COOM18

An archaeological evaluation was undertaken by Cotswold Archaeology in March and April 2018 at Coombelands Farm, Hartland Road, Surrey. Eleven of the planned fourteen trenches were excavated.

Despite the archaeological potential of the site no finds, features or deposits of archaeological significance were identified during the course of the evaluation.



1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 In March Cotswold Archaeology (CA) carried out an archaeological evaluation for Martin Homes at Coombelands Farm, Addlestone, Surrey (centred at NGR: 04343 63337; Fig. 1). The evaluation was undertaken to fulfil a planning condition (ref: RU.16/0845) granted by Runnymede Borough Council for the erection of 43 dwellings and apartments (including affordable housing) with associated access, parking (including garages), landscaping, areas of open space and improvements to Hartland Road, Farm Lane and Coombelands Lane.

Condition 19

No development shall take place until the applicants or their agents or successors in title have secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

- 1.2 The evaluation was carried out in accordance with a detailed *Written Scheme of Investigation* (WSI) produced by CA (2017) and approved by and approved by Nick Truckle, Archaeological Officer for Surrey County Archaeology Service (SCAS) the archaeological advisor to Runnymede Borough Council prior to the commencement of fieldwork. The fieldwork also followed *Standard and guidance: Archaeological field evaluation* (ClfA 2014).

The site

- 1.3 The proposed development area is approximately 1.67ha, and comprises a disused former garden and is now predominantly covered in bramble thicket, scrub and young trees which are interspersed with a number of native trees, some of which are protected under Tree Preservation Order 187 (TPO 187). The site is bounded to the north by dwellings fronting Hartland Road, to the north-east by farmland owned by the Veterinary Laboratory Agency and immediately to the south by the Franklands Drive SANG. The site lies at approximately 34m AOD in the west down to 25m AOD in the east. In the central part of the site and along the western and southwestern boundary there is evidence of former landscaping.

- 1.4 The underlying bedrock geology of the area is mapped as deposits of the Bagshot Formation. Typically these deposits comprise pebbles at base, below sand, with clay layers. The drift geology underlying the site comprises Lynch Hill Gravel (BGS 2018).

2. ARCHAEOLOGICAL BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The archaeological potential of the site has been examined in an Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment for the site by CgMs (2016). A succinct summary of the archaeological background is given below.
- 2.2 There are no finds of Palaeolithic or Mesolithic material known within a 1km of the site. A broken butt of a partly polished Neolithic flint axe was found in about 1926 in a garden at 49a Liberty Hall Road, Addlestone, c. 500m north of the site.
- 2.3 Archaeological evaluation at Franklands Drive, c. 200m west of the study site, revealed a small group of pits found to contain Middle Bronze Age pottery. Subsequent archaeological excavations recorded two probable Middle Bronze Age urns (Derevel-Rimbury ceramic tradition), excavated to the north-east of a cluster of Roman cremations. The Middle Bronze Age urns were probably located under barrows, which no longer survive, but were possibly still extant in the Roman period.
- 2.4 The remains of 25 urned cremations of probable Late Iron Age/Early Roman date were revealed in a cluster, with an additional 7 features interpreted as un-urned cremations of a similar period during the excavations at Franklands Drive. A further four discrete features separated from the main cluster were thought to be unurned cremations, and a single long bone within another feature was tentatively identified as a possible inhumation burial.
- 2.5 No finds of Anglo-Saxon date have been identified within a 1km radius of the site. A medieval homestead moat is recorded c. 700m east of the site at a 19th-century Moated Farm, and is designated an Area of High Archaeological Potential. During the medieval period the study site was probably occupied by agricultural land.
- 2.6 The earliest historic mapping (the 1729 Senex Map) shows the site as occupying fields to the south of 'Crackford Farm', and appears to have remained under cultivation at least into the 1870s. By 1896 a large house 'Coombelands' was built

immediately north of the site boundary, and a reservoir was built in the north-west of the site. By 1914 formal gardens appear to have been laid out across the site to the south of Coombelands.

3. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- 3.1 The objectives of the evaluation are to provide information about the archaeological resource within the site, including its presence/absence, character, extent, date, integrity, state of preservation and quality, in accordance Standard and guidance: Archaeological field evaluation (ClfA 2014). This information will enable the Surrey County Archaeology Service archaeological advisor to Runnymede Borough Council to identify and assess the particular significance of any heritage asset, consider the impact of the proposed development upon it, and to avoid or minimise conflict between the heritage asset's conservation and any aspect of the development proposal, in line with the National Planning Policy Framework (DCLG 2012).

4. METHODOLOGY

- 4.1 The fieldwork was to have comprised the excavation of 14 trenches (twelve 30 x 1.8m, one 20 x 1.8m and one 10 x 1.8m). However due to the extensive tree coverage, and services, within the site only eleven trenches were excavated in the locations shown on the attached plan (Fig. 2), due to the constraints noted above, with the approval of Nick Truckle. The trenches dimensions were as follows; one no. 9m x 1.8m, one no. 10m x 1.8m, two no. 12m x 1.8m, one no. 13.3m x 1.8m, three no. 17m x 1.8m, two no. 24 x 1.8m, and one 26 x 1.8m.. Trenches were surveyed using triangulation to known points on OS National Grid (NGR) using Leica GPS in accordance with CA Technical Manual 4 Survey Manual.
- 4.2 All trenches were excavated by mechanical excavator equipped with a toothless grading bucket. All machine excavation was undertaken under constant archaeological supervision to the top of the first significant archaeological horizon or the natural substrate, whichever was encountered first. Where archaeological deposits were encountered they were excavated by hand in accordance with CA Technical Manual 1: *Fieldwork Recording Manual*.

- 4.3 Deposits were assessed for their palaeoenvironmental potential in accordance with CA Technical Manual 2: *The Taking and Processing of Environmental and Other Samples from Archaeological Sites* and, no deposits were identified that required sampling. All artefacts recovered were processed in accordance with Technical Manual 3 *Treatment of Finds Immediately after Excavation*.
- 4.4 The archive from the evaluation are currently held by CA at their offices in Andover. Subject to the agreement of the legal landowner the site archive will be deposited with Guildford Museum. A summary of information from this project, set out within Appendix B, will be entered onto the OASIS online database of archaeological projects in Britain.

5. RESULTS (FIGS 2-5)

- 5.1 This section provides an overview of the evaluation results; detailed summaries of the recorded contexts. Of the eleven trenches excavated no archaeological features were observed within the trenches and no artefacts of archaeological significance were recovered.

Trenches 1, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 11 (Figs 4)

- 5.2 **Trenches 1, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 11** all had topsoil consisting of a friable dark greyish brown silty sand at an average depths between 0.21 and 0.35m. The natural geology was predominantly fine yellowish sand and covered the whole of the site with some minor variation in colour.

Trenches 2, 3 and 4 (Figs 4)

- 5.3 The topsoil with **Trenches 2-4** was the same as described above but a subsoil layer of light brownish grey silty sand was encountered between 0.1 and 0.15m. The natural geology occurred at an average depth of between 0.35 and 0.54m.

Trench 9 and 10 (Figs 4)

- 5.4 **Trenches 9 and 10** contained no topsoil and the upper layer consisted of a redeposited dark silty sand which contained abundant brick, concrete, metal re-bar,

wood and plastic. This layer was 0.48m deep within **Trench 10**, and between 0.45m and 0.85m deep within **Trench 9**. The natural geology was as previously described.

6. DISCUSSION

6.1 Despite the archaeological potential of the site as shown in the archaeological background above, no finds, features or deposits of archaeological significance were identified during the course of the evaluation.

7. CA PROJECT TEAM

7.1 Fieldwork was undertaken by Tim Sperring, assisted by Adam Howard, and James Hickson. The report was written by Tim Sperring and Ray Kennedy. The illustrations were prepared by Charlotte Patman. The archive has been compiled by Zoe Emery, and prepared for deposition by Hazel O'Neill. The project was managed for CA by Ray Kennedy.

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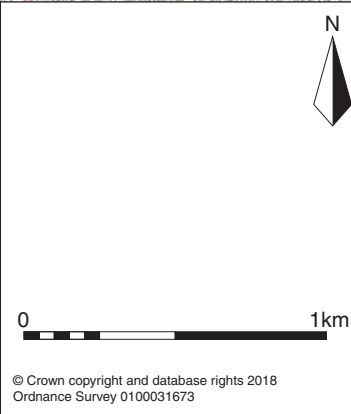
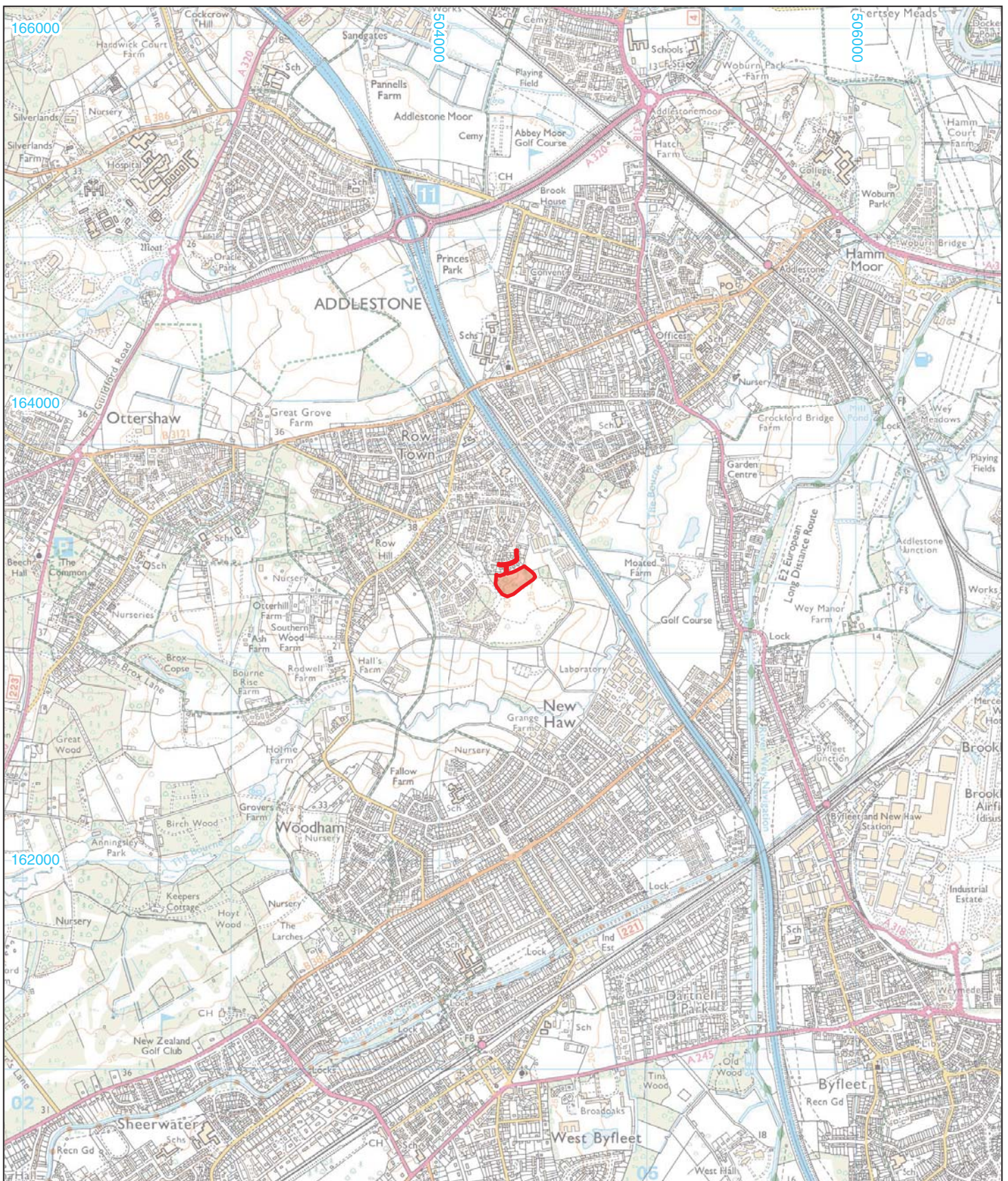
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Trench No	Context	Type	Fill of	Context Interpretation	Context Description	Length (m)	Width (m)	thickness (m)
Trench 1	100	Layer		Top soil	Dark blackish grey, Sandy silt, Loose, Common rooting, Occasional flint gravel	26.7	2	0.22
Trench 1	101	Layer		Natural Geology	Light yellow silty sand, Loose, Patches of sub angular flint gravel	26.7	2	>0.32
Trench 2	200	Layer		Top Soil	Dark grey, Silty sand, Loose, Very humic, Common rooting, Rare sub angular flint gravel	17.7	2	0.15
Trench 2	201	Layer		Subsoil	Light brownish grey, Silty sand, Loose, Common rooting, Rare sub angular flint, Very intermittent	17.7	2	0.2
Trench 2	202	Layer		Natural Geology	Light yellow, Silty sand, Loose, Common sub angular flint gravel	17.7	2	>0.21
Trench 3	300	Layer		Top soil	Dark grey, Silty sand, Loose, Common rooting, Very humic, Rare sub angular flints	10	2	0.13
Trench 3	301	Layer		Subsoil	Light brownish grey, Silty sand, Loose, Common rooting, Very intermittent	10	2	0.35
Trench 3	302	Layer		Natural Geology	Light yellow, Silty sand, Loose, Rare sub angular flint gravel	10	2	>0.05
Trench 4	400	Layer		Top soil	Dark grey, Silty sand, Loose, Common rooting, Rare sub angular flints	13.1	2	0.1
Trench 4	401	Layer		Subsoil	Light brownish grey, Silty sand, Loose, Common rooting, Rare sub angular flints.	13.1	2	0.44
Trench 4	402	Layer		Natural Geology	Light yellow, Silty sand, Loose, Common sub angular flint gravel	13.1	2	>0.15
Trench 4	403	Cut			On further investigation found not to be a feature			
Trench 4	404	Fill	403		On further investigation found not to be a feature			
Trench 5	500	Layer		Top soil	Dark grey, Silty sand, Loose, Common rooting, Rare sub angular and sub rounded flints	23.8	2	0.35
Trench 5	501	Layer		Natural Geology	Light yellow, Silty sand, Loose, Rare rooting, Common sub angular flint gravel	23.8	2	>0.15
Trench 6	600	Layer		Top soil	Dark greyish brown, Silty sand, Loose, Heavy rooting, Rare sub angular and surrounded flints	9	2	0.21
Trench 6	601	Layer		Natural Geology	Medium reddish brown, Silty sand, Loose, Common sub angular flint gravel	9	2	>0.19
Trench 7	700	Layer		Top soil	Dark greyish brown, Silty sand, Loose, Heavy rooting, Common sub rounded and sub angular flints	17	2	0.27
Trench 7	701	Layer		Natural Geology	South east end light yellow, Silty sand, Loose, North west end medium reddish brown, Silty sand, Rare sub angular flint gravel	17	2	>0.25
Trench 8	800	Layer		Top soil	Dark greyish brown, Silty sand, Loose, Heavy rooting, Common sub rounded and sub angular flints	17.2	2	0.34
Trench 8	801	Layer		Natural Geology	Light yellow, Silty sand, Loose, Uncommon sub angular flint gravel	17.2	2	>0.18
Trench 9	900	Layer		Made Ground	Dark greyish brown, Silty sand, Friable, Common brick, concrete, metal, wood, plastic. Shallow at southern end and deepens to the north.	24.8	2	North-0.85 South-0.45

Trench 9	901	Layer		Natural Geology	Medium brownish yellow, Fine sand, Friable, Occasional pebbles ≤50mm	24.8	2	North- >0.15 South- >0.55
Trench 10	1000	Layer		Made Ground	Dark greyish brown, Silty sand, Friable, Common brick, concrete, metal, wood, plastic and CBM	12	2	0.48
Trench 10	1001	Layer		Natural Geology	Medium reddish brown, Fine sand, Friable, Occasional Pebbles ≤60mm	12	2	>0.15
Trench 11	1100	Layer		Top soil	Dark greyish brown, Silty sand, Loose, Heavy rooting, Rare sub angular and sub rounded flints	12	2	0.34
Trench 11	1101	Layer		Natural Geology	Light yellow, Silty sand, Loose, Common sub angular flint gravel	12	2	>0.15

APPENDIX B: OASIS REPORT FORM

PROJECT DETAILS	
Project Name	Land at Coombelands Farm, Addlestone, Surrey
Short description	An archaeological evaluation was undertaken by Cotswold Archaeology in March and April 2018 at Coombelands Farm, Hartland Road, Surrey. Eleven of the planned fourteen trenches were excavated. Despite the archaeological potential of the site no finds, features or deposits of archaeological significance were identified during the course of the evaluation.
Project dates	30 April – 03 May 2018
Project type	Evaluation
Previous work	N/A
Future work	Unknown
PROJECT LOCATION	
Site Location	Land at Coombelands Farm, Addlestone, Surrey
Study area (M ² /ha)	1.67ha
Site co-ordinates	504376 163354
PROJECT CREATORS	
Name of organisation	Cotswold Archaeology
Project Brief originator	N/A
Project Design (WSI) originator	Cotswold Archaeology
Project Manager	Tim Sperring
Project Supervisor	Ray Kennedy
MONUMENT TYPE	
None	
SIGNIFICANT FINDS	
None	
PROJECT ARCHIVES	
Intended final location of archive (museum/Accession no.) Guildford Museum	Content (e.g. pottery, animal bone etc)
Physical	
Paper	Context sheets, matrices
Digital	Database, digital photos
BIBLIOGRAPHY	
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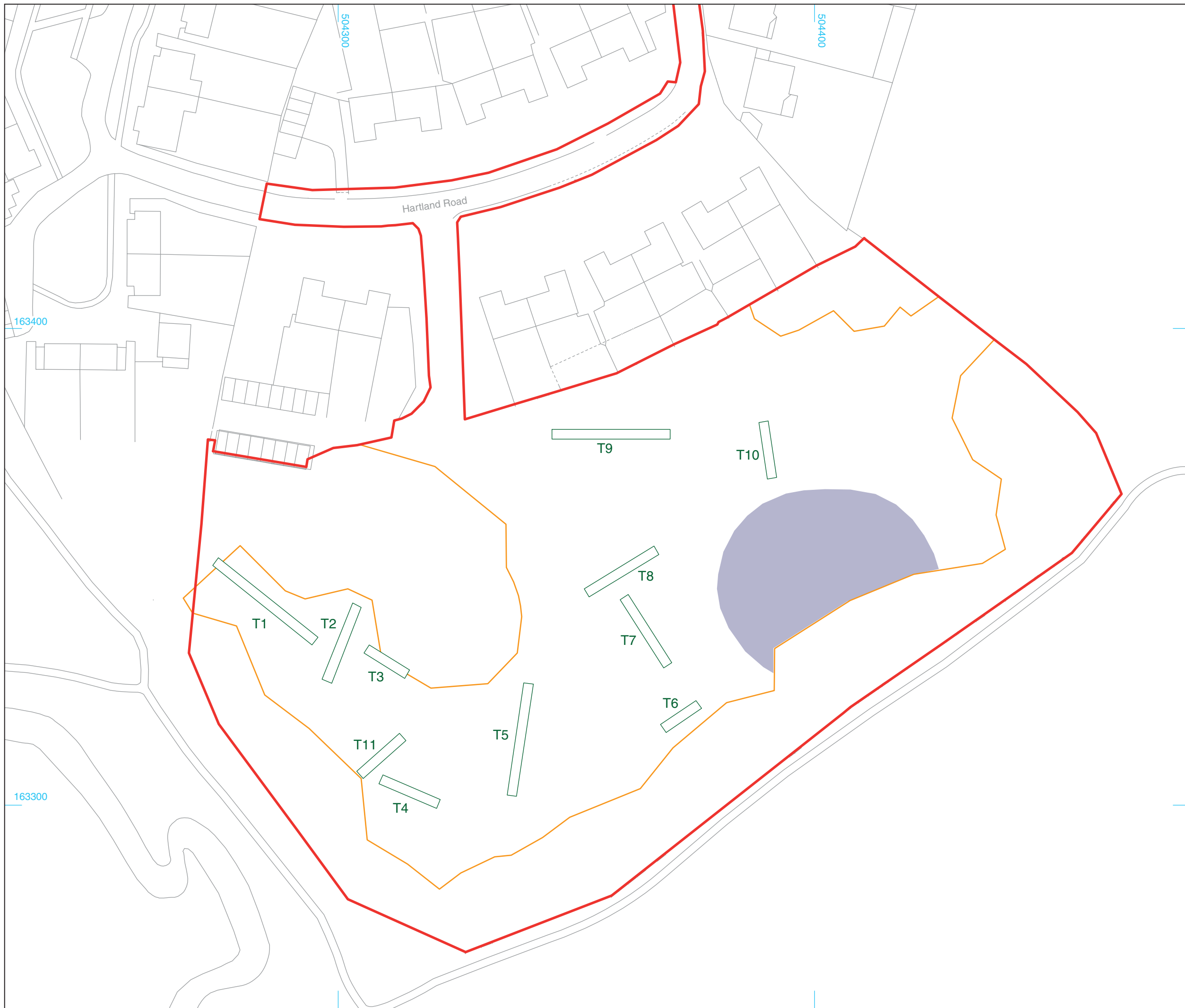

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 Site location plan

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-  site boundary
-  evaluation trench
-  badger sett buffer
-  tree protection barrier



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Trench 3, looking south-east (scales 1m)



Trench 8, looking north-east (scales 1m)



Trench 9, looking north (scales 1m)



North-east facing section in Trench 3 (scale 1m)



South-east facing section in Trench 8 (scale 1m)



East facing section in Trench 9 (scale 1m)

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