

Devon County Council Historic Environment Record

Civil Parish & District: Cullompton CP, North Devon	National Grid Reference ST 0210 0785	Number: TBA
Subject: Hillcrest, Willand Road, Cullompton, Devon: Archaeological Evaluation		Photo attached? N
Planning Application no: 07/01928/MOUT	Recipient museum: RAMM, Exeter	
OASIS ID: cotswold2-64679(1)	Museum Accession no: RAMM 283/2009	
Contractor's reference number/code: CA Job No. 2916	Dates fieldwork undertaken: 10-11 August 2009	
<p>Description of works: The archaeological evaluation was undertaken by Cotswold Archaeology on behalf of Halsall Construction Ltd as a condition of planning consent for the construction of 14 dwellings at Hillcrest, Willand Road, Cullompton, Devon (Fig. 1).</p> <p>A desk-based assessment (DBA) undertaken by Cotswold Archaeology identified the following archaeological remains in the vicinity of the site:</p> <p><i>Prehistoric</i></p> <p>A single Neolithic pit was recorded during archaeological works to the north of the site. The findspot of a Neolithic axe-hammer is recorded to the east of the site. Three penannular ditches, representing hut-circles of probable late Iron Age date, were recorded during archaeological excavation to the north of the site. The ditches were severely truncated and no internal features were identified (Foundations Archaeology forthcoming). Cropmarks, most likely representing a prehistoric ring-ditch and enclosure, are recorded on the higher ground to the north-west of the site. Prehistoric flint has been recorded from this area.</p> <p><i>Roman</i></p> <p>A Roman military site, comprising two successive forts and two camps, is located c. 170m to the south-west of the site (Scheduled Monument 34260)). No Roman settlement or known Roman roads are recorded in the vicinity, although the potential for a Roman road running north-east from the fort can not be ruled out (Steve Reed pers. comm.). Street metallurgy, putatively associated with a Roman road, was recorded to the south of the site in the early 20th-century.</p> <p><i>Early Medieval</i></p> <p>Early Medieval activity in the vicinity was focused at the minster church of St Andrews, most likely located at the site of the later parish church, in Cullompton. A Saxon pit was recorded during archaeological works to the north of the site.</p> <p>The archaeological evaluation was undertaken following the demolition of Hillcrest and the results are outlined below:</p> <p>A broadly similar stratigraphic sequence was identified in trenches 1, 2 and 4 (Fig. 2), comprising undisturbed natural substrate, overlain by subsoil and topsoil layers. Trench 1 contained an additional layer of colluvium overlaying the natural substrate and sealed by the subsoil. A sequence of modern make-up layers was identified</p>		

in trench 3.

Trench 1

This trench was devoid of archaeological features, finds or deposits.

Trench 2

A north-east/south-west orientated ditch, 203, was identified. The single fill contained a fragment of glass dating to post-medieval or modern periods and a residual worked flint. A tree bowl was also identified and was found to contain a sherd of post-medieval pottery

Trenches 3 and 4

These trenches were devoid of archaeological features, finds or deposits.

No features of archaeological significance were identified during the archaeological evaluation.

A plan as well as any other relevant drawings must be attached showing the location and extent of site, areas investigated and features exposed.

Recorder:

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PROJECT TITLE

Hillcrest, Willand Road, Cullompton
 Devon

FIGURE TITLE

Site location plan

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- site
- evaluation trench
- archaeological feature



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FIGURE TITLE

**Trench location plan showing
archaeological feature**

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2916 HILLCREST, WILLAND ROAD, CULLOMPTON, DEVON: OASIS REPORT FORM

PROJECT DETAILS		
Project Name	Land at Station Road, Cullompton, Devon	
Short description	<p>The archaeological evaluation was undertaken by Cotswold Archaeology as a condition of planning consent for the construction of 14 dwellings at Hillcrest, Willand Road, Cullompton, Devon (Fig. 1).</p> <p>No features of archaeological significance were identified during the archaeological evaluation.</p>	
Project dates	10-11 August 2009	
Project type	Archaeological evaluation.	
Previous work	N/A	
Future work	Unknown	
PROJECT LOCATION		
Site Location	Hillcrest, Willand Road, Cullompton	
Study area	0.32ha	
Site co-ordinates	ST 0210 0785	
PROJECT CREATORS		
Name of organisation	Cotswold Archaeology	
Project Brief originator	Devon County Council	
Project Design (WSI) originator	Cotswold Archaeology	
Project Manager	Laurent Coleman	
Project Supervisor	Sian Reynish	
PROJECT ARCHIVES		
	Intended final location of archive	Content
Physical	N/A	N/A
Paper	RAMM 283/2009	Trench sheets, context sheets, levels register plan and section, photographic registers, black and white negatives
Digital	RAMM 283/2009	Digital images
BIBLIOGRAPHY		