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SUMMARY

Project Name:	Down Barn Farm
Location:	Cholderton, Wiltshire
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An archaeological evaluation was undertaken by Cotswold Archaeology in December 2019 – January 2020 at Down Barn Farm, Cholderton, Wiltshire. Ninety trenches were excavated across nine fields, targeted on geophysical anomalies. Two targeted areas of archaeological mitigation were also excavated.

Fifty one of the ninety trenches contained archaeological features. A ring ditch, with two offset entrances, of prehistoric date was identified within **Trench 8**. Two distinct phases of activity were evident, with an unusually shaped recut of the feature adding an additional stretch of ditch to the southern entrance which created a dog-leg porch type structure. The ditch was associated with a possible cremation vessel, located outside the southern entrance. It was not possible to closely determine the feature's date or function although the lack of domestic waste would suggest that it was likely ceremonial.

A stretch of a Wessex Linear Ditch was also excavated within **Trench 13**, confirming it extended through, and beyond the site. Where exposed, it measured 6.6m in width and 1.16m in depth with no evidence of surviving external banks or re-cutting. It did not contain any dateable artefacts. Cropmark evidence suggests that the ditch truncated the earlier field system, marking a shift in landscape usage.

Ditches associated with a coaxial field system were identified across the site. Many features were undated although limited ceramic evidence suggests they were likely to have been constructed in the Middle Bronze Age. A placed deposit of a cow skull and ribs was excavated within one of the ditch terminals.

A very small assemblage of unstratified Romano-British pottery was also recovered, suggesting a low level of activity within the site during this period.



1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 In December 2019 – January 2020 Cotswold Archaeology (CA) carried out an archaeological evaluation for Pegasus Group on behalf of Lightsource BP at Down Barn Farm, Cholderton, Wiltshire (centred at NGR: 422062 143393; Figure 1). The evaluation was undertaken to accompany a planning application for the installation of ground mounted photovoltaic solar energy generation system (solar farm) and the creation of an electricity substation.
- 1.2 The evaluation was carried out in accordance with a detailed *Written Scheme of Investigation* (WSI) produced by CA (2019) and approved by Martin Brown, Assistant County Archaeologist at Wiltshire Council. The fieldwork also followed *Standard and guidance: Archaeological field evaluation* (ClfA 2014). It was monitored by Martin Brown, including site visits on 18 December 2019 and 8 January 2020.

The site

- 1.3 The site measures c. 94ha and is located to the south of the Salisbury Plain Military Training Area in Wiltshire. It currently comprises farmland outlying Down Barn Farm, c.1km north of the village of Cholderton in Wiltshire. The site is bounded to the south-east by the A303, to the north-east by a wooded bank that comprises part of the Scheduled Monument of Devil's Ditch, to the southwest by the built complex of Down Barn Farm, and to the northwest by other fields. The site is split in two by a Roman road running north east-south west. The site is located between Bulford and Milston Downs c.1km to the north-west, and the River Bourne c. 250m to the east, on the western slope of the Bourne Valley. The topography varies between 142-104m Above Ordnance Datum (aOD).
- 1.4 The site comprises chalk of the Newhaven Chalk Formation (northern and central areas) and chalk of the Seaford Chalk Formation (southern area), at least partially overlain by head deposits of clay, silt, sand, and gravel (BGS 2019). This is consistent with the geological substrate encountered during the evaluation.

2. ARCHAEOLOGICAL BACKGROUND

2.1 The archaeological background given below is a succinct summary of a Heritage Desk Based Assessment of the site by Pegasus (2019).

Prehistoric

2.2 Evidence for Mesolithic activity within the site comprises a small assemblage of worked stone within the eastern part of the site.

2.3 The site lies on the eastern edge of the Neolithic and Bronze Age ceremonial landscapes which forms part of the Stonehenge World Heritage Site. A Neolithic long barrow on the east side of Milston Down, is located c.1.7km north of the site, while a large assemblage of Neolithic finds is recorded on Beacon Hill, c. 900m to the north

2.4 Numerous Bronze Age barrows, of different types, are found within the vicinity of the site including at Beacon Hill, Bulford Down and Milston Down. Barrows are also located to the east of Cholderton.

2.5 Two Scheduled boundary earthworks of supposed Late Bronze Age origin are notable within the vicinity of the site: *Devil's Dyke* and *Boundary Earthwork across the Bulford Ranges*. The Wessex Linear Ditches Project suggests that these features defined areas of nucleated settlement with arable fields and pasture.

2.6 The Scheduling description for Devil's Dyke, comprising four discrete sections of the ditch sometimes flanked by banks, totalling c.4.58km, states: "The northern section survives as a bank/ditch/bank c.20m wide; the central section survives as a ditch occasionally with vague traces of a bank or banks; the southern section is heavily wooded and disturbed by tracks (1015434; MWI17789; 32443). It is the southern section, totalling c.1.24km that runs parallel to the north-eastern boundary of the site. Cropmark evidence appears to show that it bisects parts of the coaxial Celtic field systems recorded within the site, suggesting that the earthwork post-dates these field systems. Recent excavation works as part of the Wessex Linear Ditches Project suggest potential re-use of the monument during the Middle Iron Age.

- 2.7 During a site visit by Pegasus (2019) Devil's Dyke was distinguishable as a broad shallow depression with low flanking banks surmounted by trees.
- 2.8 A c.465m section of the '*Boundary Earthwork across the Bulford Ranges*', extends to within 560m of the site, with Wiltshire HER suggesting it may extend into the site itself on the basis of cropmark evidence. This earthwork also appears to truncate the co-axial Celtic field systems recorded at Beacon Hill, and within the site.

Iron Age/ Romano British

- 2.9 No evidence of Iron Age activity is recorded within the vicinity of the site, though as discussed above the earthwork boundaries may have continued in use. Romano-British pottery found during the investigation of an early-20th century military trench at Beacon Hill, c. 900m north of the site, comprises the only indication of Roman period activity recorded nearby.

Medieval

- 2.10 Devil's Ditch forms part of the local parish boundary, and county boundary between Wiltshire and Hampshire. These boundaries likely derive from the Anglo-Saxon Hundreds. The Domesday Survey (1086) records Cholderton and Shipton Bellinger as medium-sized settlements, and Snoddington as a relatively small settlement of only 7 households. Being on the edge of both settlements means the site probably formed part of the village's medieval open field system, likely for sheep farming.

Post-medieval

- 2.11 The earliest map of the site is the 1840 Tithe Map of Cholderton. It shows the site to be subdivided into 14 fields crossed by a still extant track. The First Edition Ordnance Survey Map for Wiltshire (1873) shows the southern half of the site comprising three fields and the northern half as part of one large field, with Down Barn Farm also shown. The Second (1901) and Third (1910) Editions Ordnance Survey for Wiltshire and Hampshire show subdivisions in the northern part of the site.
- 2.12 A Second World War bombing decoy is recorded c.100m north of the site, but has no visible above-ground remains. Down Barn Cottage, located on the north side of the A303 dual carriageway is first depicted on the 1972 Ordnance Survey map, though is likely of early 20th century date.

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 Wiltshire 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 comprised the excavation of 90 trenches (25m x 1.8m) in the locations shown on the attached plan (Figure 2). The position of **Trench 58** was modified slightly due to the presence of a buried service, with the approval of Martin Brown. Trenches were set out on OS National Grid (NGR) co-ordinates using Leica GPS and surveyed in accordance with CA Technical Manual 4 *Survey Manual*. **Trench 8** and **Trench 13** were extended into archaeological mitigation areas, on the advice of Martin Brown, following the finding of a continuation of a Wessex Linear (*Boundary Earthwork across the Bulford Ranges*) in **Trench 13**, and a circular feature with possible associated cremation in **Trench 8**, that had previously been identified on the geophysical report.
- 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 were sampled and processed. All artefacts

recovered were processed in accordance with Technical Manual 3 *Treatment of Finds Immediately after Excavation*.

- 4.4 The archive and artefacts from the evaluation are currently held by CA at their offices in Kemble. Subject to the agreement of the legal landowner the artefacts will be deposited with The Salisbury Museum, along with the site archive. A summary of information from this project, set out within Appendix D, will be entered onto the OASIS online database of archaeological projects in Britain.

5. RESULTS (FIGURES 2-27)

- 5.1 This section provides an overview of the evaluation results; detailed summaries of the recorded contexts, finds and environmental samples (palaeoenvironmental evidence) are to be found in Appendices A, B and C respectively.
- 5.2 Trenches were distributed across the site to target and investigate geophysical anomalies. The site itself was divided into nine fields (see Figure 2). A total of 40 trenches were archaeologically sterile (**Trench 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29, 32, 36, 37, 38, 40, 41, 44, 45, 46, 49, 50, 52, 54, 56, 57, 62, 64, 68, 78, 79, 80, 85, 86, 89, 90**).

Field 1 (Figure 3)

- 5.3 **Field 1** was located to the south-west of the site and comprised of **Trenches 1-16**, with the underlying natural geology recorded at a depth of between 0.25m and 0.43m in depth: this natural substrate, was overlaid by a subsoil in **Trenches 2, 6, 14** and **16** at between 0.17 and 0.4 in depth with the topsoil recorded across the field. **Trenches 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12** and **16** were archaeologically sterile.
- 5.4 **Trench 2** contained a single tree throw hole **205** and a number of furrows on a northeast-southwest alignment.
- 5.5 **Trench 3** contained a pit (**304**), and a ditch (**302**). Pit **304** measured 0.79m in length, 0.72m in width and 0.16m in depth and contained one fill **305**. Ditch **302** measured 0.84m in width and 0.1m in depth with one fill **303**.
- 5.6 **Trench 8** (Figure 12) targeted a broadly penannular geophysical anomaly. After initial excavation, the trench was expanded to reveal the full extent of the circular

feature identified. Two phases of activity were noted which consisted of an initial simple ring with a later, more complex recut. It had two slightly offset, narrow entrances marked by well-defined terminals (**827, 840, 834**), one entrance aligned north-northeast and the other aligned south-southeast. It had an approximate internal diameter of 6.9m, while the outer diameter was 9.95m. The first phase of ring ditch consisted of interventions **803, 806, 817, 820, 827, 834, 840** and **842** with a maximum recorded width of 1.53m and depth of 0.44m. The lower fills (**804, 807, 818, 821, 828, 835, 841, 843**) all consisted of primary deposits of eroded chalk likely to have come from the initial weathering of the ditch sides or an external/internal bank shortly after construction. Two sherds of broadly prehistoric dated pottery were recovered from fill **807**. It was not possible to determine within the excavated slots whether these deposits were indicative of an inner or outer bank, particularly as they were partly truncated by the later recut. The second phase of activity was marked by a re-cutting of the original ditch, but at a time when the earlier ditch and entrances were still visible as these were closely respected. The recut was located towards the outward side of the earlier ditch and consisted of interventions **815, 822, 832, 838, 844, 851** and **852** which recorded a maximum width of 1.35m and depth of 0.44m. A notable feature of the recut was the addition of an apparent dog-leg type extension which respected the southern entrance, perhaps forming a porch-like arrangement. There was also significant bioturbation noted within this area. The form of this feature in plan particularly the recut, is unusual, and it is not possible to closely determine its function. The lack of domestic waste would indicate it more likely to have had a ceremonial function than occupational, while the two entrances and lack of any internal features or burials, truncated or otherwise, would seem to preclude it being a barrow.

- 5.7 On the western side of the southern entrance was a possible cremation urn (**809, RA. 2**), although it survived poorly as a result of historic truncation, with only the base remaining. The vessel was broadly prehistoric in date. There was no evidence of cremated material within the remnant of the vessel, although the level of truncation was such that it is not possible to be certain that this had always been the case.
- 5.8 Immediately to the south west of the ring ditch were two possible pits (**812, 829**) which were 0.32m and 0.43m deep respectively, although their form suggested they were more likely to be tree throw holes. A further, possible curvilinear ditch **849** was located towards the norther-eastern end of Trench 8, although its sides and base

- were irregular. It measured 0.93m wide and 0.38m deep and contained a single fill **850**.
- 5.9 **Trench 9** contained a possible curvilinear ditch (**902** and **905**). Ditch **902** measured 0.83m in width and 0.3m in depth with two fills, **903** and **904**. At the terminal end (**905**) it measured 0.45m in length, 0.4m in width and 0.29m in depth with two fills **906** and **907**.
- 5.10 **Trench 13** (Figure 13) contained one ditch (**1302**) which measured up to 6.6m in width and 1.16m in depth with seven fills (**1303-1309**). This feature represented a continuation of a Wessex Linear Ditch (*Boundary Earthwork across the Bullford Ranges*), and the area under investigation was widened in order to establish the full depth of the feature, exposing a 6.5m length of the ditch. It had moderately sloping, convex sides and a narrow, concave base. The presence of the ditch within the trench definitively confirmed that the linear was still present within this part of the site, as suggested by the geophysical survey and historic mapping. There was no evidence of any remaining bank external to the ditch, but with topsoil of only 0.17m thickness directly overlying **1302**, it is likely to have been truncated away by historic ploughing if it did once exist. The fill sequence suggested a series of secondary silting or weathering episodes during the period that the ditch was in use and there is little evidence for any weathering or deliberate slighting of an external bank. Additionally, there is no evidence for any re-cutting of the ditch in this location. No dateable artefacts were recovered from any fill.
- 5.11 **Trench 14** contained a pit (**1403**) which measured 2m in length where exposed, 0.92m in width and 0.42m in depth and contained one fill **1404**, from which two undiagnostic flint flakes were recovered.
- 5.12 **Trench 15** contained a ditch and a gully (**1506** and **1504**), and a possible tree throw hole (**1502**). Ditch **1506** measured 1.02m in width and 0.4m in depth with two fills **1507**, **1508** and correlated closely with a curvilinear geophysical anomaly. Middle Bronze Age pottery was recovered from both fills. Gully **1504** measured 0.58m in width and 0.25m in depth with a single fill **1505** and appeared parallel to **1506** in plan, suggesting a possible relationship.
- Field 2 (Figure 4)**
- 5.13 Located in the eastern corner of the site, **Field 2** consisted of **Trenches 83-90**, with the underlying natural geology recorded at a depth of between 0.29m and 0.36m in

depth. **Trenches 85, 86, 89 and 90** contained no archaeology. **Trench 87** and **Trench 88** both contained large post-medieval quarry pits.

- 5.14 **Trench 83** (Figure 24) contained a single archaeological feature, a gully **8302** which closely corresponded with a geophysical anomaly. It measured 0.45m in width and 0.13m in depth and contained a single fill **8303**.
- 5.15 **Trench 84** (Figure 25) contained a pit (**8402**), two ditches (**8405, 8410**), and a tree throw hole (**8408**). Pit **8402** measured 0.88m in length, 0.82m in width and 0.77m in depth and contained two fills **8403, 8404**. Ditch **8405** measured 1.03m in width and 0.49m in depth with two fills **8406, 8407**. Ditch terminal **8410** measured, 0.46m in width and 0.27m in depth, and contained one fill **8411**. Both **8405** and **8410** were closely aligned with a geophysical anomaly.

Field 3 (Figure 6)

- 5.16 **Field 3** is located to the south of the site, directly west of **Field 2**, and consisted of **Trenches 17-22**. The underlying natural geology was recorded at a depth of between 0.23m and 0.4m in depth. This natural substrate was overlaid by subsoil in **Trenches 17-19** at between 0.2m and 0.26m in depth, with the topsoil recorded across the field. **Trenches 17, 19 and 20** were archaeologically sterile.
- 5.17 Located in the south of **Field 3**, **Trench 18** contained a single ditch (**1803**) on an approximate north-south alignment and measured 1.2m in width, which correlated to a geophysical anomaly of significant length also investigated by **Trenches 22, 72 and 76**. The ditch was not excavated within **Trench 18**.
- 5.18 **Trench 21** was located to the north of **Field 3** and contained a single gully (**2102**) on a north-south alignment which correlated with a minor geophysical anomaly. There was no feature associated with the similar anomaly towards the western end of the trench. The gully measured 0.58m in width and 0.32m in depth with a single fill **2103**.
- 5.19 To the northeast of **Trench 21**, **Trench 22** (Figure 14) contained ditch **2203**, a continuation of the ditch located within **Trenches 18, 72 and 76**, measuring 1.1m in width and 0.25m in depth. Probable ditch **2205** was heavily bioturbated and terminated within the trench and measured 0.71m in width and 0.19m in depth. Both ditches contained single fills, **2203 and 2205**.

Field 4 (Figure 7)

- 5.20 **Field 4** was located towards the east of the site and directly north-east from **Field 3**, comprising of **Trenches 77-82**, with the underlying natural geology recorded at a depth of between 0.24m and 0.32m in depth. This natural substrate was overlaid by a subsoil in **Trench 77** at 0.16m in depth with the topsoil recorded across the field. **Trenches 78, 79 and 80** contained no archaeology.
- 5.21 **Trench 77** contained a single ditch (**7703**), and two tree throw holes (**7705, 7707**). Ditch **7703** measured 0.58m in width and 0.25m in depth with a single fill **7704** and was closely aligned with a notably straight geophysical anomaly, perhaps of post-medieval date.
- 5.22 **Trench 81** (Figure 23) contained two archaeological features, gullies (**8102, 8104**), and two tree throw holes **8106**, and **8108**. Middle Bronze Age pottery was recovered from fill **8107** within tree throw hole **8106**. Gully **8102** measured 0.49m in width and 0.1m in depth with a single fill **8103**. Gully **8104** which ran parallel to **8102** measured 0.5m in width and 0.1m in depth, also with a single fill **8105**. Three sherds of Romano-British pottery were recovered from topsoil layer **8100**.
- 5.23 **Trench 82** contained a single archaeological feature; a ditch terminal **8202** which measured 0.53m in width and 0.21m in depth, and contained two fills **8203** and **8204**.

Field 5 (Figure 8)

- 5.24 Located towards the centre of the site, **Field 5** contained **Trenches 23-32**, with the underlying natural geology recorded at a depth of between 0.17m and 0.37m in depth. This natural substrate was overlaid by a subsoil in **Trenches 17 and 18** at between 0.17m and 0.32m in depth with the topsoil recorded across the field. **Trenches 24, 28, 29 and 32** were archaeologically sterile, and **Trench 25** only contained two tree throw holes.
- 5.25 Located in the east of **Field 5**, **Trench 23** (Figure 15) contained two archaeological features, pit **2302** and ditch **2304**. Pit **2302** was located to the west of the trench and measured 1.08m in length, >0.36m in width and 0.26m in depth, with a single fill **2303**. Towards the centre of the trench, ditch **2304** corresponded closely with a geophysical anomaly, and measured 1.8m in width and 0.5m in depth. It contained two fills **2305** and **2306**. Pottery of Middle Bronze Age date was recovered from fill **2305** along with a piece of tapping slag from iron smelting, while a flint flake was

recovered from **2306**. The geophysical anomaly with which **2304** corresponds, in conjunction with the anomaly and ditch encountered by **Trench 30**, is suggestive of a sub-oval enclosure occupying this point of higher ground.

- 5.26 **Trench 26** was located towards the southwest of the field and contained a single pit (**2602**) recorded towards the centre of the trench. The pit measured >4.76m in length, >1.26m in width and >0.7m in depth and contained two fills where exposed, **2603**, **2604**. Pit **2602** matches a large circular geophysical anomaly and is in all likelihood the edge of a large quarry pit, similar to those encountered in **Trenches 87** and **88**, the anomalies for which are very similar.
- 5.27 **Trench 27** was located towards the west of **Field 5** and contained ditch (**2703**) with a later recut (**2705**) both on a northeast-southwest alignment. Ditch **2703** measured, >0.63m in width and 0.24m in depth, whereas the recut measured, 1.38m in width and >0.34m in depth. Both the ditch and recut contained single fills, **2704** and **2706**. The ditch aligned closely with a very straight geophysical anomaly, similar to that within **Trench 77**.
- 5.28 Located towards the north of the field, **Trench 30** (Figure 16) contained a probable tree throw hole **3002** which was then cut by ditch **3004**. Ditch **3004** was on a north-south alignment measuring, 2.08m in width and 0.76m in depth; four fills (**3005-3008**) were present. The ditch matched a curvilinear geophysical anomaly which may be associated with that encountered by **Trench 23** as discussed above.
- 5.29 **Trench 31** was located to the north of **Field 5** with a single possible archaeological feature located towards the centre of the trench. Possible ditch **3102** terminated within the trench and measured 0.7m in width and 0.25m in depth, with a single fill **3103**.

Field 6 (Figure 9)

- 5.30 Directly north-east of **Field 5**, **Field 6** consisted of **Trenches 61-76**, with the underlying natural geology recorded at a depth of between 0.27m and 0.38m in depth. **Trenches 62**, **64** and **68** contained no archaeology.
- 5.31 **Trench 61** contained two ditches (**6102**, **6104**). Ditch **6102** measured 0.86m in width and 0.39m in depth with one fill **6103**. It accurately matched a geophysical anomaly also encountered within **Trenches 58**, **59** and **60**. Ditch terminal **6104** measured 0.84 in width and 0.23m in depth and contained two fills **6105** and **6106**.

- 5.32 **Trench 63** contained one ditch (**6302**). Ditch **6302** measured 1.48m in width and 0.46m in depth with two fills **6302**, **6306**. It corresponded with a straight linear anomaly, similar to that encountered in **Trenches 27** and **77**.
- 5.33 **Trench 65** contained one ditch (**6504**), and a tree throw hole (**6502**). Ditch **6504** was truncated by **6502** and measured 0.21m in width and 0.17m in depth with a single fill **6505**.
- 5.34 **Trench 66** contained one ditch terminal (**6602**), and a tree throw hole (**6604**). Ditch **6602** was 0.72m in width and 0.28m in depth with a single fill **6603**.
- 5.35 **Trench 67** (Figure 21) contained two postholes (**6704**, **6706**), and a ditch terminal (**6702**). Ditch **6702** measured 1.5m in width and 0.76m in depth with two fills **6703** and **6710**. Lower fill **6703** contained a placed deposit of animal bone, consisting of a cow skull and several articulated ribs within the terminal end of the ditch. It also contained a fragment of worked sandstone (**RA.1**). A large sherd of Middle Bronze Age pottery was recovered from fill **6710**. Posthole **6704** measured 0.5m in length, 0.44 in width and 0.21m in depth, and contained two fills **6705**, **6709**. Posthole **6706** measured 0.46m in length, 0.4m in width and 0.28m in depth, and also contained two fills **6707**, **6708**. It was unclear within the confines of the trench, if postholes **6704** and **6706** related to a larger structure.
- 5.36 **Trench 69** (Figure 22) contained a segmented ditch (interventions **6904**, **6906**, **6909**, **6912**), and two tree throw holes (**6902**, **6915**). Within intervention **6904** the ditch measured 0.59m in width and 0.19m in depth with two fills (**6905**, **6908**) while the terminal of this segment **6906** measured, 0.58m in width and 0.2m in depth with one fill, **6907**. Within the northern segment, the ditch terminal **6909** measured 0.45m in width and 0.23m in depth with two fills, **6910** and **6911** while a section across this segment, **6912** demonstrated it to be 0.53m in width and 0.28m in depth with two fills, **6913** and **6914**.
- 5.37 **Trench 70** contained two ditches (**7002**, **7004**), and a tree throw hole (**7006**) which truncated **7002**. Ditch **7002** measured 0.6m in width and 0.23m in depth with one fill, **7003**. Ditch **7004** measured 1m in width and 0.37m in depth with two fills, **7005**, **7008** and correlated with a geophysical anomaly. This anomaly appears to belong to the same feature as the ditch terminal excavated within **Trench 67**.

- 5.38 **Trench 71** contained one ditch terminal **7106**, and two tree throw holes **7102**, **7104**. Ditch **7106** measured 1.76m in width and 0.34m in depth and contained two fills, **7107** and **7108**. Fill **7108** contained a single worked flint flake of prehistoric date.
- 5.39 **Trench 72** contained one ditch (**7202**) which corresponded with a linear geophysical anomaly also encountered by **Trenches 18, 22** and **76**. Here the ditch measured 1.4m in width and 0.42m in depth with two fills, **7203** and **7204**.
- 5.40 **Trench 73** contained one feature, a possible pit or tree throw hole (**7302**) which was only partially exposed in the north-eastern end of the trench. It measured 1.04m in width and 0.31m in depth with a single fill **7303**.
- 5.41 **Trench 74** contained one ditch (**7402**) and two tree throw holes (**7404**, **7406**). Ditch **7402** measured 0.83m in width and 0.2m in depth with one fill **7403**, and closely matched a geophysical anomaly.
- 5.42 **Trench 75** contained one ditch (**7502**) which measured 0.4m in width and 0.38m in depth, corresponding to a straight linear geophysical anomaly. It contained two fills, **7503** and **7504**.
- 5.43 **Trench 76** contained one ditch (**7602**), part of the same feature encountered in **Trenches 18, 22** and **72**. It was not excavated within **Trench 76**.

Field 7 (Figure 10)

- 5.44 **Field 7** is located to the west of the site and contained **Trenches 33-42**, with the underlying natural geology recorded at a depth of between 0.22m and 0.3m which was overlaid by topsoil, present across the field. **Trenches 36, 37, 38, 40** and **41** were archaeologically sterile, along with **Trench 39** which contained a single tree throw.
- 5.45 **Trench 33** was located to the south of **Field 7** and contained a ditch (**3305**) a possible pit (**3302**), and a tree throw hole (**3307**). Fill **3303** within possible pit **3302** contained two small sherds of Middle Bronze Age pottery. Ditch **3305** matched a geophysical anomaly and was orientated east-west, measuring 0.83m in width and 0.28m in depth with a single fill **3306**.

- 5.46 In the south-east of **Field 7**, **Trench 34** contained a single pit (**3402**) towards the centre of the trench. The pit measured 1.01m in length, 0.62m in width and 0.31m in depth with a single fill **3403**.
- 5.47 **Trench 35** was located in the north-east of **Field 7**, with ditch **3502** orientated east-west towards the centre of the trench. The ditch correlated with a geophysical anomaly and measured 0.53m in width and 0.19m in depth, containing a single fill **3503**.
- 5.48 **Trench 42** (Figure 17) contained two tree throw holes (**4202** and **4204**) and two ditch terminals (**4206** and **4208**). Fill **4203** within tree throw hole **4202** contained a single sherd of Romano-British pottery. Ditch **4206** was orientated northeast-southwest, measuring 0.79m in width and 0.29m in depth, with a single fill **4207**. Ditch **4208** was located towards the eastern end of the trench on a northwest-southeast alignment. It measured 1.1m in width and 0.3m in depth and contained two fills **4209**, **4210**. Ditch **4208** corresponded well with a short curvilinear geophysical anomaly.

Field 8 (Figure 11)

- 5.49 Located between **Fields 7** and **9** at the north-western edge of the site, **Field 8** comprised **Trenches 43-50**, with the underlying natural geology recorded at a depth of between 0.24m and 0.4m and overlain by topsoil across the field. **Trenches 44, 45, 46, 49** and **50** contained no archaeology, along with **Trench 43** which contained a single tree throw hole.
- 5.50 **Trench 47** was located towards the southwest of the field and contained a single ditch terminal (**4702**) which measured 1.08m in width and 0.42m in depth. It contained a single fill **4703**.
- 5.51 **Trench 48** (Figure 18) contained a single ditch (**4802**) which was orientated east-west and closely correlated with a geophysical anomaly. It measured 0.61m in width and 0.36m in depth and contained a single fill **4803**. Despite the same geophysical anomaly extending in to **Trench 49**, it did not appear to be present within the latter.

Field 9 (Figure 12)

- 5.52 **Field 9** is located towards the north of the site and consisted of **Trenches 51-60**, with the underlying natural geology recorded at between 0.23m and 0.34m in depth.

This natural substrate was overlain by a plough soil which was recorded across the field. **Trenches 51, 52, 56 and 57** were archaeologically sterile.

- 5.53 **Trench 53** was located to the north of the field and contained a single gully (**5302**) corresponding with a northeast-southwest aligned geophysical anomaly. The gully measured 0.46m in width and 0.33m in depth and contained two fills, **5303** and **5304**. Fill **5303** contained a single sherd of Middle Bronze Age pottery.
- 5.54 Located towards the centre of **Field 9**, **Trench 55** (Figure 19) contained two ditches (**5502** and **5504**). Both were aligned northeast-southwest, running parallel to one another with ditch **5502** measuring 0.84m in width and 0.21m in depth and ditch **5504** measuring 0.36m in width and 0.18m in depth. The parallel nature of the ditches suggests that they may represent the remnants of a trackway.
- 5.55 **Trench 58** contained a single ditch on a northeast-southwest alignment, directly matching a geophysical anomaly which may be part of the same feature encountered to the south in **Trenches 59** and **60**. Ditch **5802** measured 1.38m in width and 0.83m in depth, and contained four fills (**5803-5806**).
- 5.56 **Trench 59** (Fig. 20) contained two features located towards the southwest of the trench. Pit **5902** measured 1m in length, 1m in width and 0.18m in depth with a single fill **5903**. Directly northeast of pit **5902**, ditch **5904** was orientated northwest southeast and measured 1.41m in width and 0.71m in depth. It contained three fills (**5905-5907**) and corresponded with a geophysical anomaly which continued to the south into **Trench 60** and possibly, despite a break, to the north into **Trench 58**.
- 5.58 **Trench 60** was located towards the southeast of **Field 9** and contained a single archaeological feature, ditch **6002**. The ditch measured 1.1m in width and 0.68m in depth, with three fills (**6003-6005**) and appeared to be a continuation of the feature encountered in **Trenches 58** and **59** to the north. It also appeared that the ditch continued to the east, into **Trench 61** (ditch **6102**).

6. THE FINDS

- 6.1 Artefactual material recovered from the evaluation is listed in Appendix B and discussed further below. All finds have been recorded directly to an MS Excel spreadsheet.

Pottery

- 6.2 A total of 38 sherds of prehistoric pottery (697g) was recovered from 12 deposits. The majority (33, 665g) consists of featureless body sherds in handmade flint or flint and calcareous-tempered fabrics (appendix B). Featured sherds include a rim sherd from a thick-walled, straight sided vessel in flint and calcareous fabric F11 from ditch **6702** (fill **6710**), and a body sherd, also thick-walled and featuring a fingernail-impressed cordon in the same fabric from ditch **1506** (fill **1508**). These sherds are typical of Deverel-Rimbury style pottery of the Middle Bronze Age. Similarities in the fabrics and sherd thicknesses suggests a similar date for the unfeatured sherds. Similar dating is also probable for vessel Ra. 2, from possible cremation burial **809** (fill **810**). Ra. 2 consists of 21 sherds in flint-tempered fabric F12, from the lower portion of a thick-walled, straight-sided vessel.
- 6.3 Five sherds of Roman-dated pottery were recovered from three deposits. Greyware in coarse (three sherds, 16g) and fine (one sherd, 1g) varieties were recovered from **Trenches 42** and **81**. A single sherd of oxidised, grog-tempered ware of probable Roman date was recovered from topsoil deposit **5100**.

Other Finds

- 6.4 Seven prehistoric worked flint flakes were hand-recovered from five deposits. A further four flakes and a number (7) of irregular 'shatter' pieces were recorded from bulk soil sample 21, taken from primary ring ditch fill **818**. All material is heavily 'recorticated', discoloured to an overall white or pale grey, probably as the result of its burial environment. In isolation, none of this material can be closely dated. Three deposits produced a single piece of unworked burnt flint each (weighing a total of 40g). Burnt flint has a variety of uses, including heating water and for inclusion in pottery production and cannot be closely dated.
- 6.5 A single fragment of (ceramic) flat tile of medieval or post-medieval type (20g), was recovered from tree throw feature **836** (fill **837**). Three fragments of amorphous fired clay (5g) were recovered from ditch **5504** (fill **5505**), which cannot be closely dated.
- 6.6 Quern fragment Ra. 1, of fine-grained sandstone, was recorded from undated ditch **6702** (fill **6703**). Only a small portion of a well-worn grinding surface is present, the others surfaces seemingly unworked. The flat grinding surface suggests it probably comes from a rotary form quern of later Iron Age or Roman type. Patches of white, lime mortar indicate it may have been re-used as building material.

7. THE BIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE

- 7.1 A series of 27 environmental samples (206.5 litres of soil) were processed from a range of feature types from across the site. Out of the 27 samples, 15 were specifically taken and processed for mollusc assessment, to provide an indication of the local landscape and to ascertain whether the mollusc assemblages recorded from the sequence taken from ditch **1302**, fit the pattern of other assemblages from Wessex Linear Ditches in the vicinity. The remaining 12 environmental samples were processed with the intention of recovering environmental evidence of industrial, domestic or funerary activity on the site and to also aid in the dating of the features and to better understand the use of the features. The 12 bulk environmental samples were processed by standard flotation procedures (CA technical Manual No. 2) and the 15 mollusc samples were processed using a 250 micron mesh size (CA Technical Manual No. 2).
- 7.2 Preliminary identifications of plant macrofossils are noted in Table 1, following nomenclature of Stace (1997) for wild plants. Due to the poor preservation levels of the charred material it was sometimes not possible to achieve species identification but where possible this was done.
- 7.3 The mollusc assemblages from ring ditch **820** and ditch **1302** are quantified in Tables 2 and 3 respectively. The presence of mollusc shells in the bulk samples has also been recorded in Table 1. The preliminary mollusc identifications follow the nomenclature according to Anderson (2005) and habitat preferences according to Kerney (1999) and Davies (2008).

Trench 8

Ditches

- 7.4 Sample 21 of ditch **817** contained a single charred indeterminate seed. No other charred plant remains were noted. Large quantities of snail shells including those of the open country species *Pupilla muscorum*, *Vallonia* sp., *Vertigo* sp. and *Helicella itala*, and the intermediate species *Trochulus hispidus*, *Cochlicopa* sp. and *Pomatias elegans* were noted in the assemblage.
- 7.5 Sample 22 of ditch **842** contained no charred plant remains. Large quantities of snail shells were recorded from within sample 22 and include those belonging to the open country species *Pupilla muscorum*, *Vallonia* sp., *Helicella itala* and *Truncatellina*

cylindrica, the intermediate species *Trochulus hispidus*, *Cochlicopa* sp. and *Pomatias elegans*, and the shade-loving species *Discus rotundatus* and *Oxychilus cellarius*.

Ring Ditch

- 7.6 A series of four mollusc samples were taken from ring ditch **820** and recut **822**. The ring ditch appears to have been cut into a well-established open landscape, with a possible indication of some longer grass within the ditch at the top of context **821** (sample 26), before it was recut. The presence of *Truncatellina cylindrica*, an obligatory xerophile, in sample 26, would suggest that the surrounding area was still an open landscape. The assemblage (sample 27) recorded from recut **822** may indicate an open landscape of arable or pasture. There was no charred material within these assemblages and no suggestion from the environmental evidence that this ring ditch could have been a roundhouse.

Pit

- 7.7 Fill **816** (sample 20) of pit **814** contained a single charred seed of vetch/wild pea (*Vicia/Lathyrus* sp.). No other charred plant remains were noted from within assemblage. Moderately large quantities of terrestrial snail shells belonging to the open country species *Pupilla muscorum* and *Helicella itala* and the intermediate species *Trochulus hispidus* and *Cochlicopa* sp. were noted in sample 20. This assemblage is likely to be indicative of wind-blown/dispersed waste material and does not provide any insight into the possible use of pit 814.

Possible cremation related deposit

- 7.8 Two environmental samples were assessed from possible cremation related deposit **809**. Sample 19 was collected from within the primary fill **810** and sample 23 from fill **811**, which was collected from within the possible cremation vessel. Both samples contained no charred plant remains or cremate bone fragments and only moderately large quantities of terrestrial snail shells. The species identified from within both samples 19 and 23 belong to the open country species *Pupilla muscorum*, *Vallonia* sp. and *Helicella itala*, the intermediate species *Trochulus hispidus* and *Pomatias elegans* and the shade loving species *Carychium tridentatum*. These sample assemblages do not assist with determining whether this was a cremation related feature.

Trench 13

Ditch

- 7.9 Fill **1303** (sample 12) of ditch **1302** contained no charred plant remains. Large quantities of terrestrial snail shells including those of the open country species *Helicella itala*, *Vallonia* sp., *Pupilla muscorum* and introduced Helicellids, the intermediate species *Trochulus hispidus*, *Cochlicopa* sp., and *Pomatias elegans* and the shade loving species *Aegopinella* sp. were recorded in sample 12.
- 7.10 A sequence of 11 mollusc samples was taken from this ditch, part of the Wessex Linear ditch system. The assemblages were dominated by shells of the open country species, in particular those of *Pupilla muscorum*, with some shells of intermediate species also noted. No shells of shade-loving species were recovered in these samples. In addition to the species recorded, the bulk sample (sample 12) from the primary fill **1303** also included shells of *Pomatias elegans* and *Aegopinella* sp. These assemblages may reflect a ditch cut into a well-established open landscape, of pasture and arable, with this continuing throughout the history of the ditch. There appears to be similarities between this ditch sequence and that analysed from the nearby Devil's Ditch (LDP 052), where there was an indication of possible cultivation in the area (Entwistle1994, 116).

Trench 48

Ditch

- 7.11 Sample 13 of ditch **4802** contained a single charred nut fragment of possible cherry (*Prunus* sp.). Large quantities of terrestrial snail shells were noted from within sample 13 and include those of the open country species *Helicella itala*, *Vallonia* sp., and *Truncatellina cylindrica*, the intermediate species *Pomatias elegans*, *Cochlicopa* sp., and *Trochulus hispidus* and the shade-loving species *Carychium tridentatum*.

Trench 55

Ditch

- 7.12 Fill **5503** (sample 16) from ditch **5502** contained no charred plant remains. Large quantities of terrestrial snail shells including those of the open country species *Helicella itala* and *Pupilla muscorum*, the intermediate species *Pomatias elegans*, *Trochulus hispidus* and *Cochlicopa* sp., and the shade-loving species *Aegopinella* sp. were noted in sample 16. There is no evidence of industrial or domestic activity taking place within the nearby vicinity of ditch **5502**.

Trench 59

Ditch

- 7.13 Sample 15 of ditch **5904** contained no charred plant remains. Large quantities of terrestrial snail shells were noted from within sample 15 including those of the open country species *Pupilla muscorum*, *Vallonia* sp., and *Helicella itala*, the intermediate species *Cochlicopa* sp., *Trochulus hispidus* and *Pomatias elegans*, and the shade-loving species *Discus rotundatus*, *Aegopinella* sp., and *Clausilia* sp.

Pit

- 7.14 Fill **5903** (sample 14) of pit **5902** contained no charred plant remains. Large quantities of terrestrial snail shells including those of the open country species *Helicella itala*, *Pupilla muscorum* and *Vallonia* sp., the intermediate species *Trochulus hispidus*, *Cepaea* sp., and *Pomatias elegans*, and the shade-loving species *Aegopinella nitidula*, *Oxychilus cellarius*, *Discus rotundatus* and *Carychium tridentatum* were noted in sample 14.
- 7.15 There is no evidence of industrial or domestic settlement activities taking place within the nearby vicinity of this pit and ditch.

Trench 67

Ditch

- 7.16 Fill **6703** (sample 17) of ditch **6702** contained no charred plant remains. Large quantities of terrestrial snail shells were noted in the assemblage and include those of the open country species *Vallonia* sp., *Pupilla muscorum* and *Truncatellina cylindrica*, the intermediate species *Pomatias elegans*, *Trochulus hispidus*, *Cochlicopa* sp. and *Cepaea* sp., and the shade-loving species *Aegopinella* sp., and *Oxychilus cellarius*.

Trench 84

Pit

- 7.17 Sample 18 of pit **8402** contained no charred plant remains but did contain large quantities of terrestrial snail shells. The snail shells include those of the open country species *Helicella itala*, the intermediate species *Trochulus hispidus*, *Cochlicopa* sp., and *Pomatias elegans* and the shade-loving species *Aegopinella* sp., *Discus rotundatus*, *Acanthinula aculeata*, and *Carychium tridentatum*. This assemblage shows no indication of domestic or industrial activities taking place

within the nearby vicinity. The occurrence of shells of *Acanthinula aculeata* within the assemblage may indicate the presence of some scrub in the vicinity.

Summary

- 7.18 There is no evidence from the environmental assemblages of any domestic settlement activities such as crop processing and food preparation or of any industrial activities taking place in the vicinity of these trenches.
- 7.19 The molluscan evidence would suggest an area of a well-established open landscape of probably both pasture and arable environments during the prehistoric period. This is comparable with the picture provided by other molluscan sequences in the area as part of the Wessex Linear Ditch project (Entwistle 1994).

Animal Bone

- 7.20 Animal bones amounting to 48 fragments (1870g) were recovered from eight deposits. Artefactual material dating from the Middle Bronze Age was also recovered. The material was very poorly preserved with the entire assemblage displaying severe surface erosion. However, it has been possible to identify the remains of cattle (*Bos taurus*) and sheep/goat (*Ovis aries/Capra hircus*).

Middle Bronze Age

- 7.21 A total of 40 fragments (1824g) were recovered from deposits **1508**, **6703** and **6710**, fills of ditch **1506** and ditch terminus **6702**. Cattle remains were identified from deposit **6703** in the form of a skull, ribs, a tibia and two carpal bones. Upon excavation, it was clear that this was a deliberately placed deposit. A further twenty skull fragments (271g) came from deposit **6710**, which more than likely represents the remains of a second cattle skull. The deliberate deposition of articulated and partially articulated animals, especially cattle, is not unusual in this period and often these deposits are parts of the axial skeleton, the head, vertebrae or ribs. The intentions behind such deposits are unclear but a link to site abandonment has been suggested (Morris, 2011). Sheep/goat was identified from a single molar tooth from deposit **6710**.

Undated

- 7.22 The remaining eight fragments in the assemblage (46g) were recovered from pit/tree throw fill **1503** and ditch fills **805**, **2305**, **3007** and **6907**, all of which remain undated.

Due to the poor preservation, none of the bone could be identified beyond the level of cattle size mammal.

8. DISCUSSION

8.1 Archaeological features were encountered across the site during the evaluation, which demonstrated a reasonable degree of correlation between possible features identified by geophysical survey and surviving archaeological remains. Many features did not contain dateable material, although by inference of spatial relationship, some dating of features can be suggested. The main periods of activity represented by the relatively sparse finds assemblage were the Middle Bronze Age, and Romano British periods.

Prehistoric

8.2 The circular monument identified in **Trench 8**, could only be broadly dated to the prehistoric period on the basis of very little artefactual information. Environmental evidence precludes the possibility that it is of an early date, perhaps a mini henge or similar, demonstrating that it was first constructed in a well-established open landscape more in keeping with the Bronze Age or Iron Age. The similarity of the mollusc assemblage with the Wessex Linear Ditch, approximately 100m to the east is perhaps suggestive of a broadly similar date.

8.3 Two small sherds of prehistoric pottery were recovered from primary fill **807** within the first phase of ring ditch, while two undiagnostic flint flakes were recovered from recut fill **845**. The shape of the monument in plan is unusual, particularly the slightly offset entrances and the apparent dog-leg addition to the southern entrance after re-cutting. It was not possible to determine the exact function of the monument, but it seems likely that it performed some sort of ceremonial function. Its position within the landscape is likely to be significant, on a low but prominent knoll overlooking the low ground of the Bourne river valley to the south. The lack of domestic waste present within the ditch fills would seem to preclude any practical habitation type function and the only suggestion that it may be associated with funerary practice is the remnant of a possible cremation urn (**RA. 2**), although this was heavily truncated and did not contain any surviving cremated material. The position of the vessel outside the southern entrance would seem to suggest a deliberate placement, although if this was contemporary with the construction or re-cutting of the monument is unknown. There was no evidence of any internal features or burials,

truncated or otherwise. There are few directly comparable examples of similar monuments and so any further conclusions are difficult to draw, and therefore must remain broad; that is to say it is likely a monument of uncertain ceremonial function.

Middle Bronze Age

- 8.4 Although artefactual evidence was sparse, the majority of pottery recovered was dated to the Middle Bronze Age. This was able to date a number of the identified geophysical anomalies which appeared, in conjunction with cropmark evidence, to be part of an extensive coaxial field system which previously covered much, if not all of the site. It is likely that many of the undated features identified are also part of the same field system in some form. This field system is indicative of an extensively managed landscape which would have required a significant degree of cooperation and planning to realise. Based on the artefactual evidence recovered it is possible to tentatively suggest a Middle Bronze Age date for the initial construction of this field system. This coincides with Cunliffe's conclusions which suggests that a revolution in agricultural production occurred in the Middle Bronze Age, likely facilitated through technological advances such as the adoption of the Døstrup type ard around 1300 BC (Cunliffe, 2004).
- 8.5 Of note was the intentionally placed deposit within ditch terminal **6702** which principally consisted of a cow skull and ribs, with other disarticulated bones and a worked stone fragment (**RA. 1**). The terminal itself was well-defined and appeared to represent an opening through a sinuous ditch identified by geophysics. The bones appear to have been placed directly on the base of the ditch and although have been subject to some general disturbance through bioturbation, it is clear that the ribs were articulated when initially placed. This would suggest an intentional 'offering', perhaps after the initial construction of the ditch, with the placement in the ditch terminal clearly deliberate.
- 8.6 A single fragment of tapped slag (formed when slag is removed from the furnace during smelting) was recovered from ditch **2304** fill **2305**, which also contained a sherd of Middle Bronze Age pottery. The presence of the slag would suggest low level iron smelting occurring somewhere within the surrounding landscape and perhaps indicates a date closer to the Late Bronze Age. Aside from another fragment of slag recovered from tree throw hole **7006** (fill **7007**), no other evidence of metal working was identified. Ditch **2304** may form a sub-circular enclosure with

ditch **3004** on a slightly higher area of ground, which descends towards the north and more subtly to the south.

Late Bronze Age

- 8.7 **Trench 13** encountered a continuation of the 'Wessex Linear Ditch' **1302** recorded by Wiltshire HER as '*Boundary Earthwork across the Bulford Ranges*' confirming its presence within Field 1. Although no dateable artefacts were recovered from any of the ditch fills, it is widely accepted that these linear earthworks were constructed in the Late Bronze Age to Early Iron Age. It is notable that on the basis of cropmark evidence it appears to truncate the earlier field system (Pegasus 2019), which pottery recovered from the evaluation would suggest to be of Middle Bronze Age date. This general sequence of events conforms with the narrative suggested by Cunliffe, whereby the coaxial field systems were laid out around 1400-1100 BC, sometimes respecting earlier linear ditched boundaries with later linear ditches cutting through the extant field system around 850-750 BC (Cunliffe, 2004).
- 8.8 A detailed study (which included the site) has been previously made of a large number of linear ditches (Bradley, Entwistle and Raymond, 1994) which argues there is no straightforward interpretation for their function and reason for construction, which may have varied over time and place. Cunliffe argues that the establishment of these linears represents a major shift in land allocation although that this did not mean that the entire established arable system fell out of use (Cunliffe, 2004). Tullet elaborates on this interpretation, arguing that they also, intentionally or not, opened route ways through the landscape which facilitated the shift to a more mobile, transhumant form of agricultural practice and enabled wider contact and movement between communities. This may have been an early step in communities having a wider regional awareness, ultimately leading to the formation of tribal groups in the later Iron Age (Tullet, 2010). A continuation of the ditch encountered in **Trench 13** had been previously subject to excavation at Beacon Hill in 1956 and as part of the 1994 study, approximately 1km north-west of **Field 1**. In 1994 the ditch encountered measured 5m wide and 1.3m deep with a V-shaped base. No traces of outer banks were visible, although these were noted as still extant earthworks to the west. No dating evidence was recovered. The dimensions and fill sequences between this and ditch **1302** were broadly comparable and there was no evidence of later re-cutting in either the 1994 excavations or the current intervention, although it appeared that **1302** had a slightly broader, more U-shaped

base. The general sequence of events suggested by Cunliffe (2004) seems to be generally consistent with that encountered during the course of the fieldwork.

Romano-British

- 8.9 There is sparse evidence for Romano-British activity within the majority of the site and no features can be confidently dated to this period. However the small number of pottery sherds recovered would suggest a low level of activity within the site during this time, where it may have lain within peripheral agricultural land. This seems to have been borne out by earlier field walking results which recovered a modest assemblage of Romano-British pottery, although from relatively limited survey areas (QDAEP 2019). The relative lack of Roman and absence of earlier Iron Age pottery recovered during the evaluation may further represent a shift in use of the landscape from the intense localised agriculture of the Middle Bronze Age as evidenced by the extensive field system to a more transhumant approach which continued into the Iron Age, as argued by Tullet (2010).

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APPENDIX A: CONTEXT DESCRIPTIONS

Trench No	Context	Type	Fill of	Context Interpretation	Context Description	Length (m)	Width (m)	Depth/ Thickness (m)	Spot-date
1	100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks	25	1.85	0.27	
1	101	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel	25	1.85	>0.05	
2	200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks	25	1.85	0.25	
2	201	Layer		Subsoil	Mid Greyish brown clayey silt; common sub angular flint, occasional chalk flecks	25	1.85	0.17	
2	202	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel	25	1.85	>0.04	
2	203	Cut		Furrow	NE-SW oriented furrow. Symmetrical profile, straight sides, flat base. Cuts through subsoil.	>1	0.59	0.1	
2	204	Fill	203	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; diffused flint, occasional chalk flakes.	1	0.59	0.1	
2	205	Cut		Tree Throw	Sub-circular shape in plan, rounded and straight sides, uneven base.	1.63	1.3	0.23	
2	206	Fill	205	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; diffused flint.	1.63	1.3	0.23	
2	207	Cut		Furrow	NE-SW oriented furrow. Symmetrical profile, straight sides, flat base. Cuts through subsoil.	>1	0.59	0.1	
2	208	Fill	207	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; diffused flint, occasional chalk flakes.	1	0.59	0.1	
2	209	Cut		Furrow	NE-SW oriented furrow. Symmetrical profile, straight sides, flat base. Cuts through subsoil.	>1	0.59	0.1	
2	210	Fill	209	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; diffused flint, occasional chalk flakes.	1	0.59	0.1	
2	211	Cut		Furrow	NE-SW oriented furrow. Symmetrical profile, straight sides, flat base. Cuts through subsoil.	>1	0.59	0.1	
2	212	Fill	211	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; diffused flint, occasional chalk flakes.	1	0.59	0.1	
2	213	Cut		Furrow	NE-SW oriented furrow. Symmetrical profile, straight sides, flat base. Cuts through subsoil.	>1	0.59	0.1	
2	214	Fill	213	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; diffused flint, occasional chalk flakes.	1	0.59	0.1	
2	215	Cut		Furrow	NE-SW oriented furrow. Symmetrical profile, straight sides, flat base. Cuts through subsoil.	>1	0.59	0.1	
2	216	Fill	215	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; diffused flint, occasional chalk flakes.	1	0.59	0.1	
2	217	Cut		Furrow	NE-SW oriented furrow. Symmetrical profile, straight sides, flat base. Cuts through subsoil.	>1	0.59	0.1	
2	218	Fill	217	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; diffused flint, occasional chalk flakes.	1	0.59	0.1	

2	219	Cut		Furrow	NE-SW oriented furrow. Symmetrical profile, straight sides, flat base. Cuts through subsoil.	>1	0.59	0.1	
2	220	Fill	219	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; diffused flint, occasional chalk flakes.	1	0.59	0.1	
3	300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks	24.5	1.85	0.28	
3	301	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel	24.5	1.85	>0.05	
3	302	Cut		Linear	N-S oriented possible ditch. Gradual and gentle sides, concave base.	>1.85	0.84	0.1	
3	303	Fill	302	Single fill	Mid greyish brown silty clay; diffused flint	1.85	0.84	0.1	
3	304	Cut		Pit	Sub-circular shape in plan, gradual sides, rounded base.	0.79	0.72	0.16	
3	305	Fill	304	Single fill	Mid greyish brown silt; diffused flint.	0.79	0.72	0.16	
4	400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks	25	1.85	0.29	
4	401	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and sandy clay; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel	25	1.85	>0.05	
5	500	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks	25	1.85	0.25	
5	501	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey sit; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	25	1.85	>0.1	
6	600	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks	25	1.8	0.2	
6	601	Layer		Subsoil	Mid Greyish brown clayey silt; common sub angular flint, occasional chalk flecks	25	1.8	0.2	
6	602	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	25	1.8	>0.06	
7	700	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks	25	1.8	0.2	
7	701	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	25	1.8	>0.03	
8	800	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks	25	1.8	0.21	
8	801	Layer		Subsoil	Mid brown clayey silt; occasional flint.	25	1.8	0.15	
8	802	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, moderate dark and light brown silt mottling	25	1.8	>0.36	
8	803	Cut		Ditch	NW - SE orientated ditch. Sharp sides, flat base.	1.85	1.24	0.38	

8	804	Fill	803	First fill	Light brownish white clayey silt. Common sub angular chalk. Occasional sub angular flint.	1.85	0.93	0.28	
8	805	Fill	803	Second fill	Mid brown clayey silt. Common sub angular flint inclusions.	1.85	1.23	0.17	
8	806	Cut		Ditch	NW/SE orientated ditch. Regular convex sides, flat base.	>1	>1.11	0.44	Pre
8	807	Fill	806	First fill	Light whitish brown clayey silt and chalk. Rare flint inclusions.	>1	>1.11	0.32	Pre
8	808	Fill	806	Second fill	Mid brown clayey silt. Rare flint and chalk inclusions.	>1	>1.35	0.27	Pre
8	809	Cut		Possible cremation	Circular pit. Truncated, moderately steep sides. Concave base.	0.33	0.32	0.11	Pre
8	810	Fill	809	First fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt. Rare chalk and rubble inclusions.	0.33	0.32	0.11	Pre
8	811	Fill	809	Second fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt. No inclusions	0.33	0.32	0.07	Pre
8	812	Cut		Tree throw	Oval tree throw. Rounded, concave sides, flat base.	>1.52	0.81	0.32	
8	813	Fill	812	First fill	Dark greyish brown clayey silt. Common sub angular flint and chalk.	0.32	0.7	0.24	
8	814	Fill	812	Second fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt. Common sub angular flint and chalk.	0.72	0.81	0.1	
8	815	Cut		Ditch	Curvilinear ditch. Rounded sides and a steep, flat base.	>1	0.95	0.39	
8	816	Fill	815	Single fill	Mid - dark greyish brown clayey silt. Rare chalk and flint.	>1	0.95	0.39	
8	817	Cut		Ditch	Curvilinear ditch. Rounded sides and a gentle concave base.	>1	0.73	0.41	
8	818	Fill	817	First fill	Light greyish white clayey silt. Frequent chalk inclusions.	1	0.73	0.41	
8	819	Fill	817	Second fill	Mid brownish grey chalky silt. Moderate chalk inclusions.	1	0.32	0.14	
8	820	Cut		Ditch	Curvilinear ditch. Steep sides, flat base.	>1	1.53	0.44	
8	821	Fill	820	Single fill	Light greyish-whitish brown chalky silt. Frequent sub rounded chalk and rare sub angular flint inclusions.	1	1.53	0.44	
8	822	Cut		Ditch	Curvilinear ditch. Steep sides, v-shaped base.	>1	0.99	0.35	
8	823	Fill	822	Single fill	Mid brown silt. Rare sub rounded chalk, moderate sub angular flint and rare flecks of charcoal inclusions.	1	0.99	0.35	
8	824	Cut		Gully	SE/NW linear gully. Steep sides and a concave base.	>1	0.54	0.31	
8	825	Fill	824	First fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt. Rare chalk and flint inclusions.	1	0.54	0.15	
8	826	Fill	824	Second fill	Light brownish grey silty clay. Common angular flint and chalk inclusions.	1	0.54	0.3	
8	827	Cut		Ditch	Curvilinear ditch. Rounded sides and flat base.	>1	0.45	0.28	
8	828	Fill	827	Single fill	Light greyish brown clayey silt. Common chalk and flint inclusions.	1.12	0.45	0.24	
8	829	Cut		Tree throw	Irregular oval, irregular convex sides and a irregular base.	1.6	0.9	0.43	

8	830	Fill	829	First fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt. Common sub angular flint and sub rounded chalk inclusions.	0.8	0.75	0.27	
8	831	Fill	829	Second fill	Mid yellowish brown clayey silt. Common sub rounded chalk and sub angular flint inclusions.	0.8	0.9	0.14	
8	832	Cut		Ditch	E-W aligned linear ditch. Steep sides and a flat base.	>0.77	0.52	0.09	
8	833	Fill	832	Single fill	Dark greyish brown clayey silt. Rare flint and chalk inclusions.	0.77	0.52	0.09	
8	834	Cut		Ditch	E-W orientated linear ditch. Steep sides and a flat base.	>0.95	0.48	0.4	
8	835	Fill	834	Single fill	Light whitish grey silty chalk. Frequent chalk inclusions.	0.95	0.48	0.4	
8	836	Cut		Tree throw	Irregular oval, irregular rounded sides and an uneven irregular base.	1.03	0.65	0.17	
8	837	Fill	836	Single fill	Mid greyish white silty chalk. Common chalk and rare flint inclusions.	1.03	0.33	0.17	
8	838	Cut		Ditch	N-S orientated linear ditch. Steep sides and a concave base.	>1	0.5	0.44	
8	839	Fill	838	Single fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt. Common flint and chalk.	1	0.5	0.44	
8	840	Cut		Ditch	Curvilinear ditch. Steep sides and a flat base.	>1.28	>0.35	0.38	
8	841	Fill	840	Single fill	Light greyish brown clayey silt. Common chalk and flint inclusions.	1.28	0.35	0.38	
8	842	Cut		Ditch	Curvilinear ditch. Steep sides and a flat base.	>1	1	0.31	
8	843	Fill	842	Single fill	Light greyish brown chalky silt. Rare sub angular flint and common sub rounded chalk inclusions.	0.92	1	0.31	
8	844	Cut		Ditch	Curvilinear ditch. Steep sides and a flat base.	>0.92	0.8	0.29	
8	845	Fill	844	Single fill	Mid brown silt. Rare sub rounded chalk, common sub angular flint inclusions.	0.92	0.8	0.29	
8	846	Cut		Tree throw	Irregular curvilinear tree throw. Steep sides and an uneven base.	>1.18	0.53	0.29	
8	847	Fill	846	First fill	Light grey silty chalk. Frequent chalk inclusions.	1.18	0.53	0.29	
8	848	Fill	846	Second fill	Dark greyish brown clayey silt. Rare chalk and flint inclusions.	1.18	0.53	0.29	
8	849	Cut		Ditch	NW - SE orientated ditch. Rounded convex sides and an uneven concave base.	1.85	0.93	0.38	
8	850	Fill	849	Single fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt. Common sub angular flint and occasional sub rounded chalk.	1	0.93	0.38	
8	851	Cut		Ditch	NW - SE orientated curvilinear ditch. Rounded convex sides and rounded concave base.	>1	1.24	0.17	
8	852	Cut		Ditch	NW - SE orientated curvilinear ditch. Rounded concave sides and a flat base.	1	1.35	0.27	
9	900	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks	25	1.8	0.25	

9	901	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	25	1.8	>0.03	
9	902	Cut		Ditch	SE-NW oriented ditch, curving towards S. Steep sides, flat base	>1.07	0.83	0.3	
9	903	Fill	902	First fill	Mid brown silty clay; rare chalk flecks, moderate flint.	1.07	0.83	0.2	
9	904	Fill	902	Second fill	Light greyish brown clayey silt. Rare flint, rooting	1.07	0.83	0.1	
9	905	Cut		Ditch Terminus	N-S oriented; steep sides, flat base.	0.45	0.4	0.29	
9	906	Fill	905	1st fill	Mid brown silt; rare flint and chalk flakes, rooting.	0.45	0.4	0.15	
9	907	Fill	905	2nd fill	Light greyish brown clayey silt. Rare chalk flecks, rooting	0.45	0.4	0.14	
10	1000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks	25	1.8	0.27	
10	1001	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, moderate dark and light brown silt mottling	25	1.8	>0.02	
11	1100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks. Thick interface with 1101	25	1.8	0.25	
11	1101	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	25	1.8	>0.07	
12	1200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	1.8	0.3	
12	1201	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, occasional dark and light brown silt mottling	25	1.8	>0.02	
13	1300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	24.47	2.1-6.5	0.17	
13	1301	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	24.47	2.1-6.5	>0.1	
13	1302	Cut		Ditch	NW-SE oriented boundary ditch. Steep and straight sides, flat base, symmetric profile.	>6.5	4.17	1.16	
13	1303	Fill	1302	1st fill	Light greyish brown silty clay; diffused chalk flecks, rare flint.	2.1	0.75	0.3	
13	1304	Fill	1302	2nd fill	Light greyish brown silty clay; common chalk flecks, occasional flint.	2.1	1.23	0.27	
13	1305	Fill	1302	3rd fill	Mid brown clayey silt; occasional chalk flecks, rare flints.	2.1	1.82	0.47	
13	1306	Fill	1302	4th fill	Mid-dark brown clayey silt; occasional chalk flecks, rare flints.	2.1	2.07	0.26	
13	1307	Fill	1302	5th fill	Mid-dark brown clayey silt; occasional chalk flecks, rare flints.	2.1	1.5	0.26	
13	1308	Fill	1302	6th fill	Mid-dark brown clayey silt; occasional chalk flecks, rare flints.	2.1	1.1	0.2	

13	1309	Fill	1302	7th fill	Mid-dark brown clayey silt; occasional chalk flecks and flint gravel.	2.1	3.45	0.35	
14	1400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	1.8	0.19	
14	1401	Layer		Subsoil	Light greyish brown clayey silt; common chalk flecks, occasional flint.	25	1.8	0.16	
14	1402	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	25	1.8	>0.03	
14	1403	Cut		Pit	Sub-circular shape in plan, concave sides, concave base. NW-SE oriented	2	0.92	0.42	
14	1404	Fill	1403	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; diffused flint	2	0.92	0.42	
15	1500	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	1.8	0.25	
15	1501	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	25	1.8	0.15	
15	1502	Cut		Pit/Tree throw	Sub-oval shape in plan, straight sides, uneven base. E-W oriented	1.55	0.85	0.25	
15	1503	Fill	1502	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; occasional flint.	1.55	0.85	0.25	
15	1504	Cut		Gully	N-S oriented; steep sides, uneven base.	>1.69	0.58	0.25	
15	1505	Fill	1504	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt. Common flint and chalk flecks.	1.69	0.58	0.25	
15	1506	Cut		Ditch	N-S oriented, steep sides, flat base.		1.2	0.4	MBA
15	1507	Fill	1506	2nd fill	Mid brown silt; common flint, rare chalk flecks.		1.02	0.12	MBA
15	1508	Fill	1506	1st fill	Light greyish brown clayey silt, common flint and chalk flecks.		1.2	0.29	MBA
16	1600	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	1.8	0.26	
16	1601	Layer		Subsoil	Light greyish brown clayey silt; common chalk flecks, occasional flint.	25	1.8	0.14	
16	1602	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel	25	1.8	>0.03	
17	1700	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	2	0.2	
17	1701	Layer		Subsoil	Light greyish brown clayey silt; common chalk flecks, occasional flint.	25	2	0.2	
17	1702	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	25	2	>0.17	
18	1800	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	27	2	0.26	
18	1801	Layer		Subsoil	Mid orangey brown clayey silt, rare flint and chalk flecks	27	2	0.12	

18	1802	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	27	2	>0.02	
18	1803	Cut		Ditch	N-S oriented. Excavated in Tr. 22		1.2		
18	1804	Fill	1803	Single fill	Mid brown silty clay. Excavated in Tr. 22		1.2		
19	1900	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	2	0.2	
19	1901	Layer		Subsoil	Mid reddish brown clayey silt. Diffused flint and chalk flecks	25	2	0.15	
19	1902	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, very diffused dark or light brown silt mottling	25	2	>0.15	
20	2000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	2	0.23	
20	2001	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	25	2	>0.13	
21	2100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	28	1.8	0.24	
21	2101	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	28	1.8	>0.08	
21	2102	Cut		Gully	N-S oriented, steep sides, flat base.		0.58	0.32	
21	2103	Fill	2102	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; rare flint and chalk flecks		0.58	0.32	
22	2200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	30	1.8	0.25	
22	2201	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	30	1.8	>0.05	
22	2202	Cut		Ditch	N-S oriented; rounded sides, concave base.	2.18	1.1	0.25	
22	2203	Fill	2202	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; common flint and chalk flecks	2.18	1.1	0.25	
22	2204	Cut		Ditch Terminus	N-S oriented; straight sides, uneven base	0.96	0.71	0.19	
22	2205	Fill	2204	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt. Common flint and chalk flecks.	0.96	0.71	0.19	
23	2300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	1.8	0.34	
23	2301	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	25	1.8	>0.07	
23	2302	Cut		Pit	Sub-circular shape in plan, straight sides, concave base.	1.08	>0.36	0.26	
23	2303	Fill	2302	Single fill	Dark brownish grey clayey silt; rare flint, moderate chalk flecks	1.08	0.36	0.26	
23	2304	Cut		Ditch	N-S oriented, steep sides flat base		1.8	0.5	MBA

23	2305	Fill	2304	2nd fill	Mid brown clayey silt, moderate flint, rare chalk flecks		1.8	0.33	MBA
23	2306	Fill	2304	1st fill	Light greyish white silty clay; rare flint and chalk flecks		0.78	0.17	MBA
24	2400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	2	0.23	
24	2401	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and sandy clay; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, rare dark and light brown silt mottling	25	2	>0.12	
25	2500	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	27	1.8	0.28	
25	2501	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, rare dark and light brown silt mottling	27	1.8	>0.07	
25	2502	Cut		Tree Throw	Sub-oval shape in plan, straight sides, uneven base. NW-SE oriented	>1.41	0.55	0.24	
25	2503	Fill	2502	Single fill	Mid brown silt; rare chalk flecks and flint	1.41	0.55	0.24	
25	2504	Cut		Tree Throw	Sub-oval shape in plan, straight sides, uneven base. NW-SE oriented	>0.45	0.36	0.15	
25	2505	Fill	2504	Single fill	Mid brown silt; rare chalk flecks and flint	0.45	0.36	0.15	
26	2600	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	1.8	0.26	
26	2601	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and sandy clay; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel	25	1.8	>0.12	
26	2602	Cut		Pit	Circular shape in plan, gentle sides, not exposed base	4.76	>1.26	>0.5	
26	2603	Fill	2602	1st fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt; diffused chalk flecks, gravel and flint	4.76	>1.26	>0.17	
26	2604	Fill	2602	2nd fill	Mid brown silt, diffused flint rare rooting	4.76	>1.26	>0.33	
27	2700	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	1.8	0.32	
27	2701	Layer		Subsoil	Mid greyish brown clayey silt; diffused chalk flecks, rare flint	25	1.8	0.1	
27	2702			Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel	25	1.8	>0.02	
27	2703	Cut		Ditch	NE-SW oriented, straight sides, concave base		>0.63	0.24	
27	2704	Fill	2703	Single fill	Light grey degraded chalk; moderate mid brownish grey sandy silt.		0.63	0.24	
27	2705	Cut		Ditch Recut	Recut of 2703. Straight sides, concave base		1.38	>0.34	
27	2706	Fill	2705	Single fill	Mid greyish brown sandy silt; moderate chalk fragments, rare chalk flecks		1.38	>0.34	
28	2800	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	2	0.17	
28	2801	Layer		Subsoil	Mid brown clayey silt; diffused flint	25	2	0.2	

28	2802	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, diffused dark and light brown silt mottling	25	2	>0.13	
29	2900	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	2	0.17	
29	2901	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, moderate dark and light brown silt mottling	25	2	>0.13	
30	3000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	1.8	0.31	
30	3001	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel	25	1.8	>0.04	
30	3002	Cut		Pit	Sub-circular in plan, steep side uneven base	1.37	0.64	0.37	
30	3003	Fill	3002	Single fill	Mid greyish brown silty clay; very rare chalk fragments.	1.37	0.64	0.37	
30	3004	Cut		Ditch	N-S oriented, steep sides, flat base.	>1.8	2.08	0.76	
30	3005	Fill		1st fill	Mid brownish grey silty clay; rare flint and chalk rubble, common chalk flecks	1.8	2.08	0.24	
30	3006	Fill		2nd fill	Mid brownish grey silty clay; frequent flint and chalk rubble.	1.8	2.08	0.16	
30	3007	Fill		3rd fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt; very rare chalk flecks and flint	1.8	2.08	0.23	
30	3008	Fill		4th fill	Mid greyish brown silty clay; diffused flint and chalk rubble.	1.8	2.08	0.15	
31	3100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	1.8	0.31	
31	3101	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; rare flint	25	1.8	>0.05	
31	3102	Cut		Ditch Terminus	NW-SE oriented. Steep and sides, flat base.	>1.5	0.7	0.25	
31	3103	Fill	3102	Single fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt; moderate flint and chalk rubble	1.5	0.7	0.25	
32	3200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	25	2	0.24	
32	3200	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, frequent dark and light brown silt mottling	25	2	>0.06	
33	3300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	24.5	1.8	0.29	
33	3301	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, occasional dark and light brown silt mottling	24.5	1.8	>0.06	
33	3302	Cut		Pit	Sub-circular shape in plan, steep sides flat base. NE-SW oriented	1.52	1.24	0.44	MBA
33	3303	Fill	3302	2nd fill	Mid greyish brown silt, moderate flint	1.52	1.07	0.36	MBA
33	3304	Fill	3302	1st fill	Mid greyish white degraded chalk rubble	1.52	0.45	0.16	

33	3305	Cut		Ditch	E-W oriented, steep sides, rounded base	>1.8	0.83	0.28	
33	3306	Fill	3305	Single fill	Mid reddish brown silt; moderate flint	1.8	0.83	0.28	
33	3307	Cut		Tree Throw	Straight sides uneven base.	>0.91	0.85	>0.32	
33	3308	Fill	3307	Single fill	Mid brown silt, moderate chalk rubble	0.91	0.85	>0.32	
34	3400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey sand; moderate flint, occasional chalk flecks.	28	1.85	0.22	
34	3401	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, occasional dark and light brown silt mottling	28	1.85	>0.2	
34	3402	Cut		Pit	Sub-oval shape in plan, straight sides, flat base. NW-SE oriented	1.01	0.62	0.31	
34	3403	Fill	3402	Single fill	Mid greyish brown silt, common flint.	1.01	0.62	0.31	
35	3500	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown silty clay; moderate flint, occasional chalk rubble.	24.9	1.8	0.29	
35	3501	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and dark brown silty clay mottling	24.9	1.8	>0.05	
35	3502	Cut		Ditch	E-W oriented, steep sides, uneven base	>1	0.53	0.19	
35	3503	Fill	3502	Single fill	Dark brown silty clay, moderate chalk rubble	1	0.53	0.19	
36	3600	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown silty clay; occasional chalk rubble.	24.75	2.1	0.28	
36	3601	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, occasional dark and light brown silt mottling	24.75	2.1	>0.08	
37	3700	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown silty clay; occasional chalk rubble.	24.55	2.1	0.29	
37	3701	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, occasional dark and light brown silt mottling	24.55	2.1	>0.07	
38	3800	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown silty clay; occasional flint.	24.79	2.1	0.29	
38	3801	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, occasional dark and light brown silt mottling	24.79	2.1	>0.06	
39	3900	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey silt; occasional chalk rubble and flint nodules.	23.9	1.8	0.23	
39	3901	Layer		Natural	Light brownish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, occasional dark and light brown silt mottling	23.9	1.8	0.04	
39	3902	Cut		Tree Throw	Sub-oval shape in plan, irregular sides and base.	>1.55	>0.7	0.35	
39	3903	Fill	3902	Single fill	Dark brown clayey silt, occasional chalk rubble	1.55	0.7	0.35	

40	4000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey silt; occasional flint.	25.55	2.1	0.29	
40	4001	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and patches of flinty gravel, occasional dark and light brown silt mottling	25.55	2.1	>0.09	
41	4100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey silt; occasional chalk rubble.	24.69	2.1	0.25	
41	4101	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules, patches of flinty gravel and light brown silt mottling	24.69	2.1	>0.1	
42	4200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey silt; occasional chalk rubble.	25.5	1.85	0.3	
42	4201	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; common flint	25.5	1.85	>0.03	
42	4202	Cut		Tree Throw	Irregular in plan, rounded sides, flat base	0.84	0.57	0.11	RB
42	4203	Fill	4202	Single fill	Mid grey brown silt, occasional flint and chalk rubble	0.84	0.57	0.11	RB
42	4204	Cut		Tree Throw	Sub-oval in plan, rounded sides, uneven plan	1.4	0.93	0.16	
42	4205	Fill	4204	Single fill	Mid greyish brown silt. Common chalk flecks	1.4	0.93	0.16	
42	4206	Cut		Ditch Terminus	N-S oriented, steep side, concave base.	>1.74	0.79	0.29	
42	4207	Fill	4207	Single fill	Dark greyish brown silt, occasional flint and chalk rubble	1.74	0.79	0.29	
42	4208	Cut		Ditch Terminus	N-S oriented, steep sides, flat base.	>1.9	>1.1	0.3	
42	4209	Fill	4208	2nd fill	Dark brown silt, common chalk rubble	1.9	1.1	0.1	
42	4210	Fill	4208	1st fill	Dark greyish brown silt, very rare chalk flecks	1.9	1.1	0.18	
43	4300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey silt; occasional chalk fragments and flint.	24.2	1.8	0.27	
43	4301	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; occasional flint nodules	24.2	1.8	>0.06	
43	4302	Cut		Tree Throw	Sub-circular in plan, irregular sides and base	>1.7	1.45	>0.36	
43	4303	Fill	4302	Single fill	Dark Brown clayey silt; occasional patches of decayed chalk rubble	1.7	1.45	>0.36	
44	4400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey silt; common chalk fragments and flint.	25	1.85	0.26	
44	4401	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; diffused flint	25	1.85	>0.11	
45	4500	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey silt; common flint.	26	1.85	0.29	
45	4501	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; diffused flint	26	1.85	>0.06	
46	4600	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey silt; common flint and chalk rubble	25	1.85	0.25	
46	4600	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; diffused flint	25	1.85	0.15	
47	4700	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey silt; common flint, rare chalk rubble	24	1.8	0.4	

47	4701	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; diffused flint	24	1.8	>0.02	
47	4702	Cut		Ditch Terminus	NW-SE oriented, Straight sides, rounded base	>1.2	1.08	0.42	
47	4703	Fill	4702	Single fill	Mid brown silt; Diffused flint	1.2	1.08	0.42	
48	4800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid greyish brown clayey silt; rare chalk flecks and occasional flint	24.75	2.1	0.3	
48	4801	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; diffused patches of flint gravel	24.75	2.1	>0.12	
48	4802	Cut		Ditch	E-W oriented, Steep sides, flat base	>2.1	0.61	0.36	
48	4803	Fill	4802	Single fill	Mid greyish brown chalky silt, moderate chalk fragments	2.1	0.61	0.36	
49	4900	Layer		Topsoil	Mid greyish brown clayey silt; rare chalk flecks and occasional flint	24	2.1	0.25	
49	4901	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; diffused patches of flint gravel and light brown silt mottling	24	2.1	>0.09	
50	5000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey silt; common chalk rubble and flint	26	1.85	0.24	
50	5001	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; diffused flint	26	1.85	>0.12	
51	5100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown silty clay; occasional chalk rubble and flint	24.73	1.85	0.25	
51	5101	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; moderate flint	24.73	1.85	>0.08	
52	5200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown silty clay; occasional chalk rubble and flint	24.6	1.85	0.24	
52	5201	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; rare flint	24.6	1.85	>0.09	
53	5300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown silty clay; common chalk flecks	25.56	1.85	0.29	
53	5301	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; common flint	25.56	1.85	>0.13	
53	5302	Cut		Gully	N-S oriented, Straight sides, flat base.	2.15	0.46	0.33	MBA
53	5303	Fill	5302	2nd fill	Mid greyish brown silt, occasional chalk flecks, rare flint	2.15	0.46	0.24	MBA
53	5304	Fill	5302	1st fill	light greyish white silt, diffused chalk rubble, occasional flint	2.15	0.22	0.11	MBA
54	5400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown silty clay; common chalk flecks	26.62	1.85	0.23	
54	5401	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; common flint	26.62	1.85	>0.11	
55	5500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid greyish brown silty clay; occasional chalk flecks and flint	25.1	1.8	0.26	
55	5501	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt; common flint and light brown silt mottling	25.1	1.8	>0.1	
55	5502	Cut		Ditch	NE-SW oriented, straight sides, uneven base	>2.5	0.84	0.21	
55	5503	Fill	5502	Single fill	Light greyish brown silt; diffused chalk flecks, occasional flint	2.5	0.84	0.21	
55	5504	Cut		Ditch	NE-SW oriented, gradual sides, flat base	>2.5	1.36	0.18	

55	5505	Fill	5504	Single fill	Mid greyish brown silt; rare flint, moderate chalk flecks	2.5	1.36	0.18	
56	5600	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; moderate chalk fragments and flint	24.9	1.8	0.25	
56	5601	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt	24.9	1.8	>0.09	
57	5700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brown clayey silt; moderate chalk fragments and flint	24.42	1.8	0.27	
57	5701	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light brown silt mottling	24.42	1.8	>0.05	
58	5800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brown clayey silt; moderate chalk fragments	24.5	2.1	0.29	
58	5801	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate patches of flint gravel	24.5	2.1	>0.09	
58	5802	Cut		Ditch	NE-SW oriented, straight sides, flat base	>2.1	1.38	0.83	
58	5803	Fill	5802	1st fill	Mix of silt and white chalk rubble	2.1	0.91	0.63	
58	5804	Fill	5802	2nd fill	Light grey mix of silt and chalk rubble	2.1	0.82	0.4	
58	5805	Fill	5802	3rd fill	Light brown grey silt; diffused chalk fragments	2.1	1.08	0.37	
58	5806	Fill	5802	4th fill	Dark grey brown clayey silt; moderate chalk flecks, rare flint	2.1	1.38	0.24	
59	5900	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brownish grey clayey silt; diffused chalk fragments	23.6	1.8	0.34	
59	5901	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate patches of flint gravel	23.6	1.8	>0.06	
59	5902	Cut		Pit	Sub-circular in plan, concave sides, flat base	1	1	0.18	
59	5903	Fill	5902	Single fill	Mid greyish brown; frequent chalk fragment	1	1	0.18	
59	5904	Cut		Ditch	NW-SE oriented. Steep sides, flat base, symmetrical profile	>1.85	1.41	0.71	
59	5905	Fill	5904	3rd fill	Mid brownish grey clayey silt; occasional flint nodules and chalk flecks	1.85	1.41	0.3	
59	5906	Fill	5904	2nd fill	Light greyish brown silt; diffused chalk rubble	1.85	0.9	0.16	
59	5907	Fill	5904	1st fill	Mid brownish grey silt; diffused chalk rubble	1.85	0.8	0.5	
60	6000	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brownish grey clayey silt; moderate chalk fragments and flint	23.68	1.8	0.26	
60	6001	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light brown silt mottling	23.68	1.8	>0.07	
60	6002	Cut		Ditch	NW-SE oriented, Straight sides, rounded base	>2.1	1.1	0.68	
60	6003	Fill	6002	1st fill	Light grey mix of chalk rubble and silt; rare flint	2.1	0.62	0.41	
60	6004	Fill	6002	2nd fill	Mid cream chalky silt	2.1	0.88	0.17	
60	6005	Fill	6002	3rd fill	Light greyish brown clayey silt; moderate chalk fragments, rare flint	2.1	1.1	0.17	
61	6100	Layer		Topsoil	Mid brownish grey clayey silt; moderate chalk fragments and flint	25	2	0.29	

61	6101	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light brown silt mottling	25	2	>0.05	
61	6102	Cut		Ditch	E-W oriented, straight sides, flat base	>2	0.86	0.39	
61	6103	Fill	6102	2nd fill	Mid yellowish brown clayey silt; frequent chalk fragments	2	0.86	0.21	
61	6104	Cut		Ditch Terminus	NE-SW oriented, steep sides, rounded base	>1.67	0.84	0.23	
61	6105	Fill	6104	Single fill	Mid brown silt; moderate chalk fragments, frequent flint	1.67	0.84	0.23	
61	6106	Fill	6102	1st fill	Pale greyish yellow mix of chalk and silt; occasional mid brown silt mottling	2	0.45	0.18	
62	6200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; moderate flint, diffused chalk flecks	25	2	0.21	
62	6201	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light and dark brown silt mottling, rare flint nodules	25	2	>0.09	
63	6300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; moderate flint, frequent chalk flecks and fragments	25	2	0.31	
63	6301	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light and dark brown silt mottling, rare flint	25	2	>0.01	
63	6302	Cut		Ditch	NE-SW oriented, gentle to steep sides, flat base	>2	1.48	0.46	
63	6303	Fill	6302	1st Fill	Pale greyish brown chalky silt; frequent chalk rubble, rare flint	2	1.25	0.1	
63	6304	Cut		Bioturbation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
63	6305	Fill	6304	Bioturbation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
63	6306	Fill	6302	2nd Fill	Mid yellowish brown clayey silt; rare chalk flecks and fragments, rare flint	2	1.42	0.36	
64	6400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; frequent flint and chalk flecks	25	2	0.27	
64	6401	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light and dark brown silt mottling, occasional flint nodules	25	2	>0.08	
65	6500	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; frequent chalk flecks	25	2	0.31	
65	6501	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light and dark brown silt mottling, occasional flint nodules	25	2	>0.08	
65	6502	Cut		Tree Throw	Irregular in plan, steep sides, irregular base	1.82	1.4	0.29	
65	6503	Fill	6502	Single fill	Dark brown clayey silt; occasional chalk rubble	1.82	1.4	0.29	
65	6504	Cut		Ditch	NE-SW oriented, straight sides, concave base	>1	>0.21	0.17	
65	6505	Fill	6504	Single fill	Pale yellow grey clayey silt, frequent chalk rubble	1	0.21	0.17	
66	6600	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; occasional chalk flecks	25	2	0.27	
66	6601	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light brown silt mottling	25	2	>0.04	
66	6602	Cut		Ditch Terminus	NE-SW oriented, straight sides, concave base	>0.6	>0.72	0.28	

66	6603	Fill	6602	Single fill	Mid brownish grey clayey silt; occasional flint	0.6	0.72	0.28	
66	6604	Cut		Tree Throw	Sub-circular in plan, steep sides, uneven base	>1.6	>1.2	0.55	
66	6605	Fill	6604	Single fill	Mid brown clayey silt; common chalk rubble, rare flint nodules	1.6	1.2	0.55	
67	6700	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; occasional chalk flecks	25	2	0.3	
67	6701	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light brown silt mottling	25	2	>0.1	
67	6702	Cut		Ditch	N-S oriented, steep sides, concave base	>1.9	1.5	0.76	MBA
67	6703	Fill	6702	1st fill	Pale yellow grey clayey silt, frequent chalk rubble, rare flint	1.9	1.5	0.55	MBA
67	6704	Cut		Post Hole	Sub-circular in plan, concave sides, flat base	0.5	0.44	0.21	
67	6705	Fill	6704	1st fill	Pale yellowish grey chalky silt; occasional chalk fragments	0.48	0.42	0.15	
67	6706	Cut		Post Hole	Sub-circular in plan, steep sides flat base	0.46	0.4	0.28	
67	6707	Fill	6706	1st fill	Pale yellowish grey chalky silt; rare chalk fragments	>0.2	0.44	0.19	
67	6708	Fill	6706	2nd fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt; rare chalk fragments	0.46	0.4	0.09	
67	6709	Fill	6704	2nd fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt; rare chalk fragments	0.5	0.44	0.06	
67	6710	Fill	6702	2nd fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt; rare chalk rubble	1.9	1.5	0.3	MBA
67	6711	Context	6702	Animal Bone Group	Skull and ribs	N/A	N/A	N/A	
68	6800	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; moderate flint, diffused chalk flecks	25	2	0.22	
68	6801	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light and dark brown silt mottling, rare flint nodules	25	2	>0.08	
69	6900	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; diffused chalk flecks and rubble	25	2	0.26	
69	6901	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light and dark brown silt mottling, rare flint nodules	25	2	>0.06	
69	6902	Cut		Tree Throw	Sub-circular in plan, steep sides, uneven base	2.39	0.67	22	
69	6903	Fill	6902	Single fill	Mid brown silt; rare chalk flecks and flint	2.39	0.67	22	
69	6904	Cut		Ditch	N-S oriented, steep sides, flat base	>1m	0.59	0.26	
69	6905	Fill	6904	1st fill	Mid whitish grey clayey silt; frequent chalk rubble	1	0.59	0.19	
69	6906	Cut		Ditch Terminus	N-S oriented, steep sides, flat base.	1	>0.58	0.2	
69	6907	Fill	6906	Single fill	Dark brown silty clay, occasional chalk flecks and rubble	1	>0.58	0.2	
69	6908	Fill	6904	2nd fill	Dark brown silty clay, common chalk flecks	1	0.59	0.26	
69	6909	Cut		Ditch Terminus	N-S oriented, rounded sides, flat base	1.01	0.45	0.23	
69	6910	Fill	6909	1st fill	Light whitish grey silt; diffused chalk rubble, common flint	0.98	0.13	0.15	
69	6911	Fill	6909	2nd Fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt; common chalk fragment and flint	1.01	0.22	0.08	

69	6912	Cut		Ditch	N-S oriented, convex sides, flat base	>1	0.53	0.28	
69	6913	Fill	6912	1st Fill	Light whitish grey silt; common flint and chalk fragments	1	0.53	0.28	
69	6914	Fill	6912	2nd Fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt; common chalk fragment and flint	1	0.53	0.08	
69	6915	Cut		Tree Throw	NE-SW oriented, steep sides, rounded base	>1.45	1.22	0.32	
69	6916	Fill	6915	2nd Fill	Mid brown silt; rare chalk flecks , occasional flint	1.45	1.22	0.26	
69	6917	Fill	6915	1st Fill	Light grey mix of chalk rubble and silt	1.45	1.22	0.06	
70	7000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; diffused chalk flecks and flint	25	2	0.22	
70	7001	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light and dark brown silt mottling, frequent flint nodules and flint	25	2	>0.1	
70	7002	Cut		Ditch	N-S oriented, concave sides, concave base	>2	0.6	0.23	
70	7003	fill	7002	Single fill	Mid yellowish brown clayey silt; frequent chalk fragments	2	0.6	0.23	
70	7004	Cut		Ditch	NE-SW oriented, steep sides concave base	>2	1	0.37	
70	7005	Fill	7004	2nd fill	Mid reddish brown clayey silt. Frequent flint and chalk flecks	2	1	0.15	
70	7006	Cut		Tree Throw	Irregular in plan, steep sides, irregular base	N/A	>1.17	0.4	
70	7007	Fill	7006	Single fill	Mid greyish brown clayey silt; moderate chalk flecks and fragments	N/A	>1.17	0.4	
70	7008	Fill	7004	1st fill	Light yellowish brown degraded chalk	2	1	0.22	
71	7100	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; diffused chalk flecks and flint	25	2	0.28	
71	7101	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light and dark brown silt mottling, frequent flint nodules and flint	25	2	>0.06	
71	7102	Cut		Tree Throw	Irregular in plan, steep sides, uneven base	1	0.98	0.15	
71	7103	Fill	7102	Single fill	Mid greyish brown silt; moderate chalk flecks	1	0.98	0.15	
71	7104	Cut		Tree Throw	Irregular in plan, gentle sides, uneven base	1.35	1.2	0.1	
71	7105	Fill	7104	Single fill	Mid Brown clayey silt; moderate chalk fragments	1.35	1.2	0.1	
71	7106	Cut		Ditch Terminus	NE-SW oriented, convex sides, flat base	2.1	1.76	0.34	Pre
71	7107	Fill	7106	1st fill	Light whitish grey silt; diffused chalk rubble, occasional flint	0.76	0.7	0.29	Pre
71	7108	Fill	7106	2nd fill	mid greyish brown clayey silt; occasional chalk fragments and flint	0.88	0.8	0.11	Pre
72	7200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; diffused chalk flecks and flint	25	2	0.27	
72	7201	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light and dark brown silt mottling, moderate flint nodules and flint	25	2	>0.03	
72	7202	Cut		Ditch	N-S oriented, steep sides, flat base.	>2	1.4	0.42	

72	7203	Fill	7202	2nd fill	Mid reddish brown silt; moderate chalk flecks, rare flint	2	1.4	0.29	
72	7204	Fill	7202	1st fill	Light greyish white chalky silt; diffused chalk rubble	2	0.49	0.14	
73	7300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; diffused chalk rubble, moderate flint	25	2	0.27	
73	7301	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light brown silt mottling, rare flint	25	2	>0.07	
73	7302	Cut		Pit/Tree throw	Irregular in plan, Concave sides, rounded base	>1.5	1.04	0.31	
73	7303	Fill	7302	Single fill	Dark brown silt; moderate flint and chalk flecks	1.5	1.04	0.31	
74	7400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; diffused chalk rubble, moderate flint	25	2	0.28	
74	7401	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light brown silt mottling, rare flint	25	2	>0.04	
74	7402	Cut		Ditch	NW-SE oriented, straight sides, flat base	>2	0.83	0.2	
74	7403	Fill	7402	Single fill	Mid greyish brown silt; rare flint and chalk flecks	2	0.83	0.2	
74	7404	Cut		Tree Throw	Sub-rounded in plan, steep base, uneven base	1.35	>0.5	0.29	
74	7405	Fill	7404	Single fill	Dark greyish brown clayey silt; rare flint and chalk flecks	1.35	0.5	0.29	
74	7406	Cut		Tree Throw	Irregular in plan, steep sides, flat base	1.1	>0.6	0.41	
74	7407	Fill	7406	Single fill	Dark greyish brown clayey silt; rare flint and chalk flecks	1.1	>0.6	0.41	
75	7500	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; diffused chalk flecks, moderate flint	25	2	0.32	
75	7501	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light and dark brown silt mottling, rare flint	25	2	>0.06	
75	7502	Cut		Ditch	NE-SW oriented, steep sides concave base	>2	0.4	0.38	
75	7503	Fill	7502	2nd fill	Mid greyish brown silty clay, diffused chalk fragments, rare flint	2	0.4	0.2	
75	7504	Fill	7502	1st fill	Dark brown clayey silt, rare chalk fragments	2	0.4	0.18	
76	7600	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; diffused chalk flecks and flint	25	2	0.23	
76	7601	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light and dark brown silt mottling, frequent flint nodules	25	2	>0.07	
76	7602	Cut		Ditch	Linear, unexcavated	>2	1.4	-	
76	7603	Fill	7602	Single fill	Mid reddish brown silt; moderate chalk flecks, rare flint	>2	1.4	-	
77	7700	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt; moderate flint and chalk flecks	24.85	1.8	0.32	
77	7701	Layer		Subsoil	Mid reddish brown silt, moderate chalk fragments	24.85	1.8	0.16	
77	7702	Layer		Natural	Light greyish white mix of degraded chalk and clayey silt, moderate light and dark brown silt mottling, frequent flint nodules	24.85	1.8	>0.19	
77	7703	Cut		Ditch	NW-SE oriented, concave sides, flat base	>1.8	0.58	0.25	

77	7704	Fill	7703	Single fill	Light brownish white chalky silt; diffused chalk fragments, moderate flint	1.8	0.58	0.25	
77	7705	Cut		Tree Throw	Sub-oval in plan, steep sides, uneven base	1.42	0.9	0.35	
77	7706	Fill	7705	Single fill	Mid reddish brown silt, moderate chalk fragments and flint.	1.42	0.9	0.35	
77	7707	Cut		Tree Throw	Sub-oval in plan, convex sides, uneven base	>2	>0.5	>0.4	
77	7708	Fill	7707	Single fill	Mid reddish brown silty clay; frequent chalk fragments	2	>0.5	>0.4	
78	7800	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt with compact-loose diffused sub-angular flint inclusions	25	1.85	0.3	
78	7801	Layer		Natural	Degraded chalk, compact. Moderate mottling of dark reddish brown or light creamish clayey silt, moderate-frequent sub-angular flint inclusions	25	1.85	0.08	
79	7900	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt with compact-loose diffused sub-angular flint inclusions	25	1.85	0.3	
79	7901	Layer		Natural	Degraded chalk, compact. Moderate mottling of dark reddish brown or light creamish clayey silt, moderate-frequent sub-angular flint inclusions	25	1.85	0.05	
80	8000	Layer		Topsoil	Dark brown clayey silt with compact-loose diffused sub-angular flint inclusions	25	1.85	0.2	
80	8001	Layer		Natural	Degraded chalk, compact. Moderate mottling of dark reddish brown or light creamish clayey silt, moderate-frequent sub-angular flint inclusions	25	1.85	0.16	
81	8100	Layer		Topsoil	Mid-dark greyish brown clayey silt with friable flint inclusions	25	1.85	0.24	
81	8101	Layer		Natural	Light brownish chalk with clayey silt compact inclusions	25	1.85	0.06	
81	8102	cut		cut of gully	Linear in plan with regular symmetrical sides and a flat base	1	0.49	0.1	
81	8103	fill	8102	fill of gully	Mid greyish brown moderate clayey silt with flint inclusions	1	0.49	0.1	
81	8104	cut		cut of gully	Linear in plan with regular symmetrical sides and a concave base	1	0.5	0.1	
81	8105	fill	8104	fill of gully	Mid greyish brown moderate clayey silt with flint inclusions	1	0.5	0.1	
81	8106	cut		cut of treebole	Irregular in plan, with irregular sides and base	0.82	0.89	0.21	
81	8107	fill	8106	fill of treebole	Mid greyish brown moderate clayey silt with flint inclusions	0.82	0.89	0.21	MBA
81	8108	cut		cut of treebole	Irregular in plan, with irregular sides and base	0.46	0.8	0.45	
81	8109	fill	8108	fill of treebole	Mid greyish brown moderate clayey silt with flint inclusions	0.46	0.8	0.45	
82	8200	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown silt	25	1.8	0.25	
82	8201	Layer		Natural	Pale yellowish grey silt and chalk	25	1.85	0.12	
82	8202	cut		Cut of Ditch Terminus	Linear in plan with moderate sides and an uneven base	1.56	0.53	0.21	
82	8203	Fill	8202	Fill of Ditch Terminus	Mid pale yellowish green silty chalk	1.56	0.12	0.21	
82	8204	Fill	8202	Fill of Ditch Terminus	Mid greyish brown clayey silt with flint inclusions	1.56	0.35	0.21	

83	8300	Layer		Topsoil	Dark greyish brown clayey silt with occasional chalk and flint inclusions	25.5	1.85	0.28	
83	8301	Layer		Natural	white chalk	25.5	1.85	0.01	
83	8302	cut		cut of gully	Linear in plan with steep sides and a flat base	1.85	0.45	0.13	
83	8303	fill	8302	Fill of gully	Mid brown clayey silt with abundant flint inclusions	1.85	0.45	0.13	
84	8400	Layer		Topsoil	Dark grey brown clayey silt	25	1.85	0.29	
84	8401	Layer		Natural	Light brownish chalk with clayey silt compact inclusions	25	1.85	0.07	
84	8402	cut		cut of pit	Circular in plan with vertical sides and a flat base	0.82	0.88	0.77	
84	8403	fill	8402	fill of pit	Mid whitish brown silt	0.82	0.88	0.5	
84	8404	fill	8402	fill of pit	Mid to dark brown silt	0.82	0.6	0.41	
84	8405	cut		Cut of Ditch	Linear in plan with steep sides and a flat base	2	1.03	0.49	
84	8406	fill	8405	Fill of Ditch	Mid white brown silty chalk	2	0.37	0.37	
84	8407	fill	8405	Fill of Ditch	Mid grey brown clayey silt	2	1.03	0.49	
84	8408	cut		cut of treebole	Irregular in plan, with irregular sides and base				
84	8409	fill	8408	fill of treebole	Mid greyish brown moderate clayey silt with flint inclusions				
84	8410	cut		Cut of Ditch Terminus	Linear in plan with rounded sides, and a flat base	1.2	0.46	0.27	
84	8411	fill	8410	Fill of Ditch Terminus	Mid greyish brown clayey silt with flint inclusions	1.2	0.46	0.27	
85	8500	Layer		Topsoil	Mid greyish brown clayey silt with flint inclusions	24.9	1.85	0.28	
85	8501	Layer		Natural	Degraded chalk, compact.	24.9	1.85	0.1	
86	8601	Layer		Topsoil	Mid greyish brown clayey silt with flint inclusions	24.7	1.85	0.3	
86	8602	Layer		Natural	Degraded chalk, compact.	24.7	1.85	0.06	
87	8700	Layer		Topsoil	Mid greyish brown clayey silt with flint inclusions	24.7	1.85	0.32	
87	8701	Layer		Natural	Degraded chalk, compact.	24.7	1.85	0.32	
87	8702	cut		Cut of Quarry Pit	Sub-circular in plan with gently sloping sides	11.5	1.8	0.8	
87	8703	fill	8703	Fill of Quarry Pit	Mid brown clayey silt with abundant flint inclusions, and occasional CBM fragments	11.5	1.8	0.8	
88	8800	Layer		Topsoil	Mid greyish brown clayey silt with flint inclusions	24.7	1.85	0.32	
88	8801	Layer		Natural	Degraded chalk, compact.	24.7	1.85	0.32	
88	8802	cut		Cut of Quarry Pit	Sub-circular in plan with moderately sloping sides	12	1.8	1	
88	8803	fill	8803	Fill of Quarry Pit	Mid brown clayey silt with abundant flint inclusions, and occasional CBM fragments	12	1.8	1	
89	8900	Layer		Topsoil	Mid greyish brown clayey silt with flint inclusions	25.1	1.85	0.27	
89	8901	Layer		Natural	Degraded chalk, compact.	25.1	1.85	0.08	
90	9000	Layer		Topsoil	Mid greyish brown clayey silt with flint inclusions	24.7	1.85	0.2	
90	9001	Layer		Natural	Degraded chalk, compact.	24.7	1.85	0.06	

APPENDIX B: THE FINDS

Context	Class	Ra No.	Description	Fabric Code	Ct.	Wt. (g)	Spot-date
206	burnt flint		pebble		1	5	
800	flint		flake, recorticated		1	11	
807	prehistoric pottery		Grog-tempered body	Gt1	2	4	Pre
810	prehistoric pottery	2	Fine flint-tempered base and lower vessel. No rim	FI2	21	532	Pre
818 <21>	flint		flakes, shatter		9	12	
837	CBM		tile		1	20	
845	flint		flakes, recorticated		2	66	
1404	flint		flakes, recorticated		2	16	
1507	Bronze Age pottery		Fine flint-tempered	FI2	1	11	MBA
1508	Bronze Age pottery		Flint and calcareous tempered body. Horizontal cordon with fingernail impression	F11	3	45	MBA
2305	Bronze Age pottery ironstone		Calcined flint/calcareous-temp (natural)	F11	1	14	MBA
2306	flint		flake, recorticated		1	38	
3007	burnt flint		unworked		1	10	
3303	Bronze Age pottery		Flint-tempered	FI3	2	20	MBA
4203	burnt flint Roman pottery		unworked Fine greyware body	GW2	1	15	RB
5100	Roman pottery?		Grog and qz-temp body	Gt2	1	1	
5303	Bronze Age pottery		Calcined flint/calcareous-temp	F11	1	3	MBA
5505	fired/burnt clay		amorphous		3	5	
6703	worked stone	1	sandstone		1	908	
6710	Bronze Age pottery		Calcined flint/calcareous-temp, straight sided vessel, square rim		1	48	MBA
7007	ironstone		(natural)		1	41	
7108	flint		long flake, recorticated		1	17	
8100	Roman pottery		Greyware body	GW1	3	16	RB
8107	Bronze Age pottery		calcareous-temp body frags	Calc1	1	4	MBA

APPENDIX C: THE PALAEOENVIRONMENTAL EVIDENCE

Table 1 Assessment of the palaeoenvironmental remains

Feature	Context	Sample	Volume (L)	Flot size (ml)	Roots %	Grain	Chaff	Cereal Notes	Charred Other	Notes for Table	Charcoal > 4/2mm	Other
Trench 8												
Ditches												
817	818	21	20	70	95	-	-	-	*	indet seed	*/*	moll-t*****
842	843	22	18	45	95	-	-	-	-	-	*/*	moll-t*****
Pit												
814	816	20	5	25	95	-	-	-	*	<i>Vicia/Lathyrus</i>	-/*	moll-t****
Cremation												
809	810	19	2	30	95	-	-	-	-	-	*/*	moll-t****
	811	23	9	70	95	-	-	-	-	-	*/*	moll-t*****
Trench 13												
Ditch												
1302	1303	12	16	5	50	-	-	-	-	-	-/*	moll-t*****
Trench 48												
Ditch												
4802	4803	13	20	230	95	-	-	-	*	nut fragment (cf. <i>Prunus</i>)	*/*	moll-t*****
Trench 55												
Ditch												
5502	5503	16	19	100	95	-	-	-	-	-	-/*	moll-t*****
Trench 59												
Ditch												
5904	5907	15	18	75	95	-	-	-	-	-	*/*	moll-t*****
Pit												
5902	5903	14	18	180	95	-	-	-	-	-	*/*	moll-t*****
Trench 67												
Ditch												
6702	6703	17	19	75	95	-	-	-	-	-	*/*	moll-t*****
Trench 84												
Pit												
8402	8404	18	17	40	95	-	-	-	-	-	*/*	moll-t*****

Key: * = 1–4 items; ** = 5–19 items; *** = 20–49 items; **** = 50–99 items; ***** = >100 items
moll-t = terrestrial mollusc

Table 2 Assessment of the mollusc sequence from ring ditch 820

Trench	8			
Feature	Ring ditch			
Feature Type	Ditch			Recut Ditch
Cut Number	820			822
Context	821			823
Sample	24	25	26	27
Depth (M)	0.32-0.42	0.21-0.32	0.17-0.21	0.0-0.12
Weight (G)	1500	1500	1500	1500
Open Country Species				
<i>Pupilla muscorum</i>	C	C	B	A
<i>Vertigo pygmaea</i>	C	-	-	-
<i>Vertigo</i> sp.	-	-	C	-
<i>Vallonia costata</i>	-	C	B	A
<i>Vallonia excentrica</i>	-	-	B	A
<i>Helicella itala</i>	C	C	-	A
<i>Truncatellina cylindrica</i>	-	-	C	-
Intermediate Species				
<i>Trochulus hispidus</i>	-	-	-	C
<i>Pomatias elegans</i>	-	-	C	+
<i>Cochlicopa lubrica</i>	-	-	C	-
<i>Cochlicopa</i> sp.	C	+	C	C
Shade-loving Species				
<i>Carychium</i> sp.	-	-	C	-
<i>Aegopinella nitidula</i>	-	-	-	C
<i>Cochlodina laminata</i>	-	-	C	-
Burrowing Species				
<i>Cecilioides acicula</i>	-	-	A	A
Total	8	8	30	100+

Key: C = 1–4 shells; B = 5–9 shells; A = 10+ shells, + = shell frag

Table 3 Assessment of the mollusc sequence from Wessex linear ditch 1302

Trench	13										
Feature Label	Wessex linear ditch										
Cut Number	1302										
Context	1303			1304		1306	1305		1308		1309
Sample	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Depth (M)	1.06- 1.15	0.95- 1.06	0.88- 0.95	0.75- 0.86	0.65- 0.75	0.56- 0.60	0.44- 0.56	0.33- 0.44	0.23- 0.29	0.14- 0.23	0.0- 0.10
Weight (G)	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500
Open Country Species											
<i>Pupilla muscorum</i>	B	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
<i>Vertigo pygmaea</i>	-	-	-	-	-	C	B	A	C	C	C
<i>Vertigo sp.</i>	-	C	-	-	-	B	B	C	C	C	C
<i>Vallonia costata</i>	C	A	B	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	B
<i>Vallonia excentrica</i>	C	C	B	B	B	A	A	A	B	A	B
<i>Helicella itala</i>	C	C	C	C	B	B	B	B	B	B	C
Introduced helicellids	-	-	-	-	-	C	C	-	C	-	-
Intermediate Species											
<i>Trochulus hispidus</i>	C	C	C	B	A	A	A	A	A	C	C
<i>Cochlicopa lubrica</i>	-	-	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	-	C
<i>Cochlicopa lubricella</i>	-	-	-	-	-	C	C	C	-	-	-
<i>Cochlicopa sp.</i>	-	C	C	C	C	B	B	C	C	C	C
<i>Punctum pygmaeum</i>	-	-	C	-	-	-	C	C	C	-	-
<i>Limax/Deroceras</i>	-	-	-	-	C	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Nesovitrea hammonis</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C	-	-
Burrowing Species											
<i>Ceciliooides acicula</i>	-	-	-	C	C	C	C	C	B	-	C
Total	15	30	22	40	100+	100+	100+	100+	100+	100+	100+

Key: C = 1–4 shells; B = 5–9 shells; A = 10+ shells, + = shell frag

Table 4: Identified animal species by fragment count (NISP) and weight and context.

Cut	Fill	BOS	O/C	LM	MM	Ind	Total	Weight (g)
Middle Bronze Age								
1506	1508			1			1	6
6702	6703	18					18	1543
6702	6710	20	1				21	275
Subtotal		38	1	1			40	1824
Undated								
803	805			1			1	13
1502	1503			2			2	18

2304	2305					1	1	3
3004	3007					2	2	1
6906	6907		1		1		2	11
Subtotal			1	3	1	3	8	46
Total		38	2	4	1	3	48	
Weight		1814	12	37	3	4	1870	

BOS = Cattle; O/C = sheep/goat; LM= large sized mammal; MM = medium sized mammal; Ind = indeterminate

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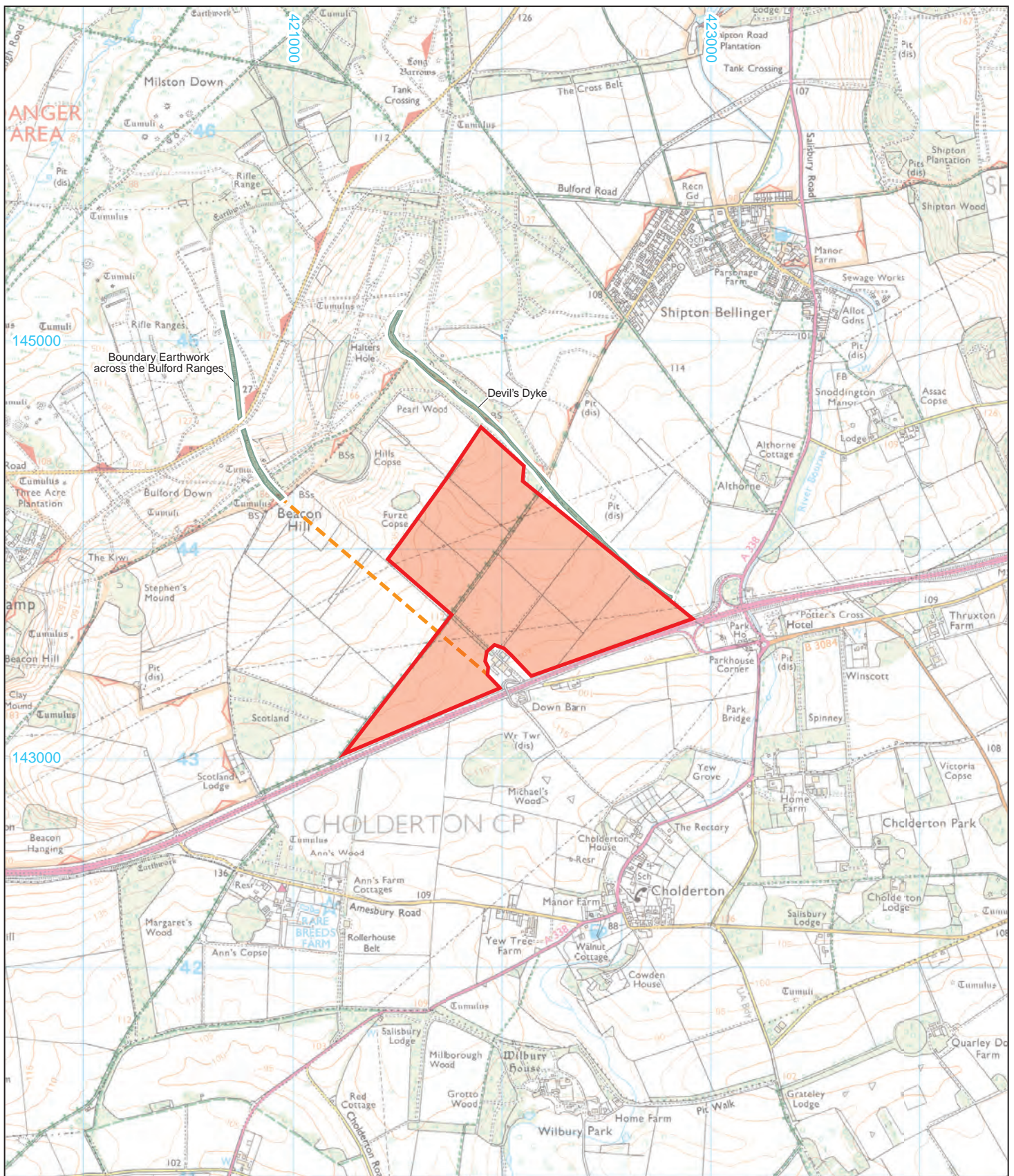
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APPENDIX D: OASIS REPORT FORM

PROJECT DETAILS	
Project Name	Down Barn Farm, Cholderton, Wiltshire
Short description	<p>An archaeological evaluation was undertaken by Cotswold Archaeology in December 2019 – January 2020 at Down Barn Farm, Cholderton, Wiltshire. Ninety trenches were excavated across nine fields, targeted on geophysical anomalies. Two targeted areas of archaeological mitigation were also excavated.</p> <p>Fifty one of the ninety trenches contained archaeological features. A ring ditch, with two offset entrances, of prehistoric date was identified within Trench 8. Two distinct phases of activity were evident, with an unusually shaped recut of the feature adding an additional stretch of ditch to the southern entrance which created a dog-leg porch type structure. The ditch was associated with a possible cremation vessel, located outside the southern entrance. It was not possible to closely determine the feature's date or function although the lack of domestic waste would suggest that it was likely ceremonial.</p> <p>A stretch of a Wessex Linear Ditch was also excavated within Trench 13, confirming it extended through, and beyond the site. Where exposed, it measured 6.6m in width and 1.16m in depth with no evidence of surviving external banks or re-cutting. It did not contain any dateable artefacts. Cropmark evidence suggests that the ditch truncated the earlier field system, marking a shift in landscape usage.</p> <p>Ditches associated with a coaxial field system were identified across the site. Many features were undated although limited ceramic evidence suggests they were likely to have been constructed in the Middle Bronze Age. A placed deposit of a cow skull and ribs was excavated within one of the ditch terminals.</p> <p>A very small assemblage of unstratified Romano-British pottery was also recovered, suggesting a low level of activity within the site during this period.</p>
Project dates	13 December 2019 – 17 January 2020
Project type	Trial Trench Evaluation

Previous work	Desk-based Assessment (Pegasus 2019) Geophysical Survey (Magnitude 2019)	
Future work	Unknown	
PROJECT LOCATION		
Site Location	Down Barn Farm, Cholderton, Wiltshire	
Study area (M ² /ha)	c. 94ha	
Site co-ordinates	422062 143393	
PROJECT CREATORS		
Name of organisation	Cotswold Archaeology	
Project Brief originator	Wiltshire Council	
Project Design (WSI) originator	Cotswold Archaeology	
Project Manager	Ray Kennedy	
Project Supervisor	Sam Wilson	
MONUMENT TYPE	Ring ditch Wessex Linear Ditch Field system	
SIGNIFICANT FINDS	Ring ditch Wessex Linear Ditch Field system	
PROJECT ARCHIVES	Intended final location of archive (museum/Accession no.)	Content (e.g. pottery, animal bone etc)
Physical	The Salisbury Museum	Ceramics, animal bone etc
Paper	The Salisbury Museum	Context sheets, trench sheets, registers, drawings
Digital	The Salisbury Museum	Digital photos etc
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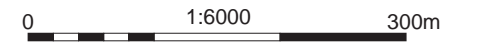
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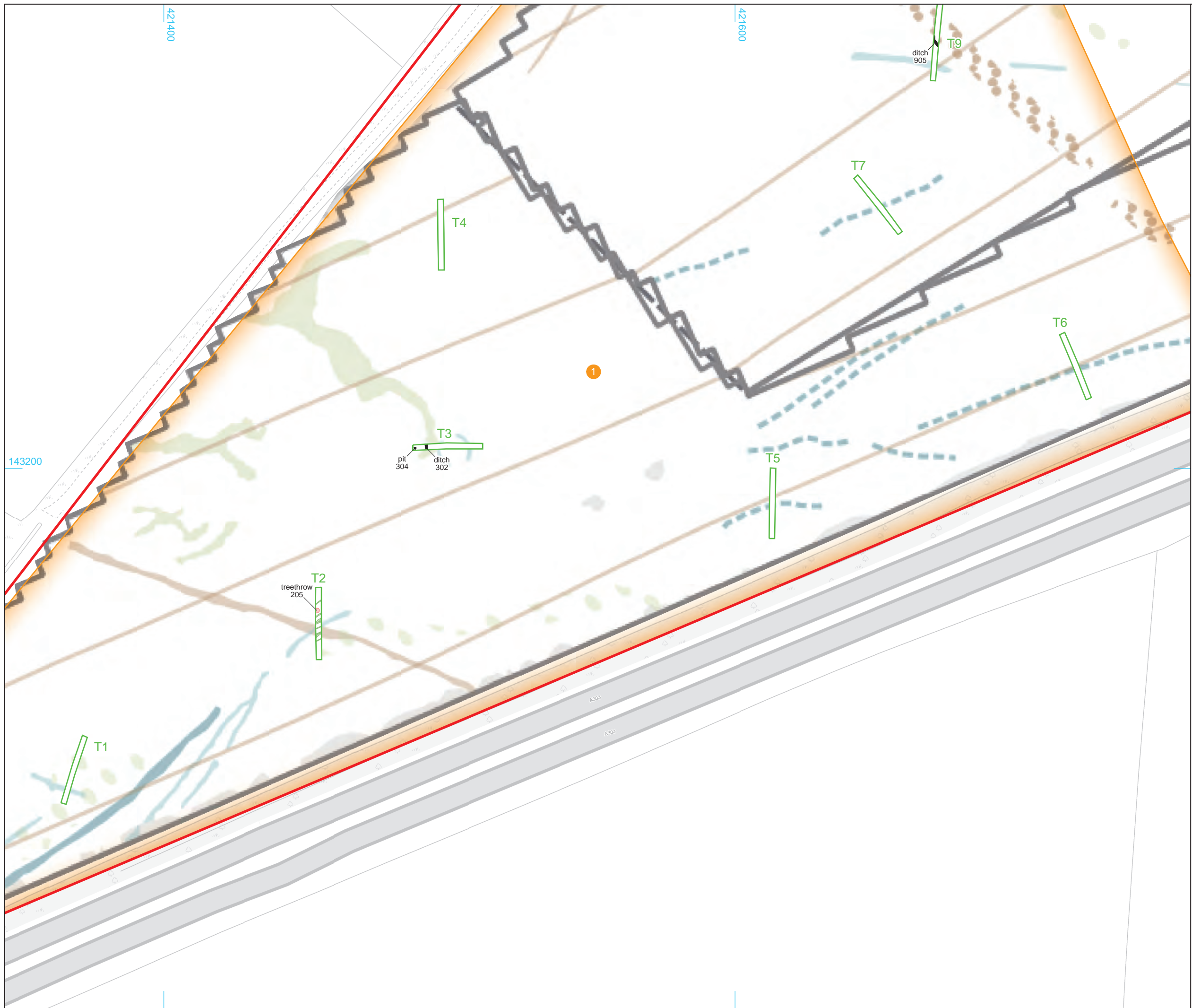
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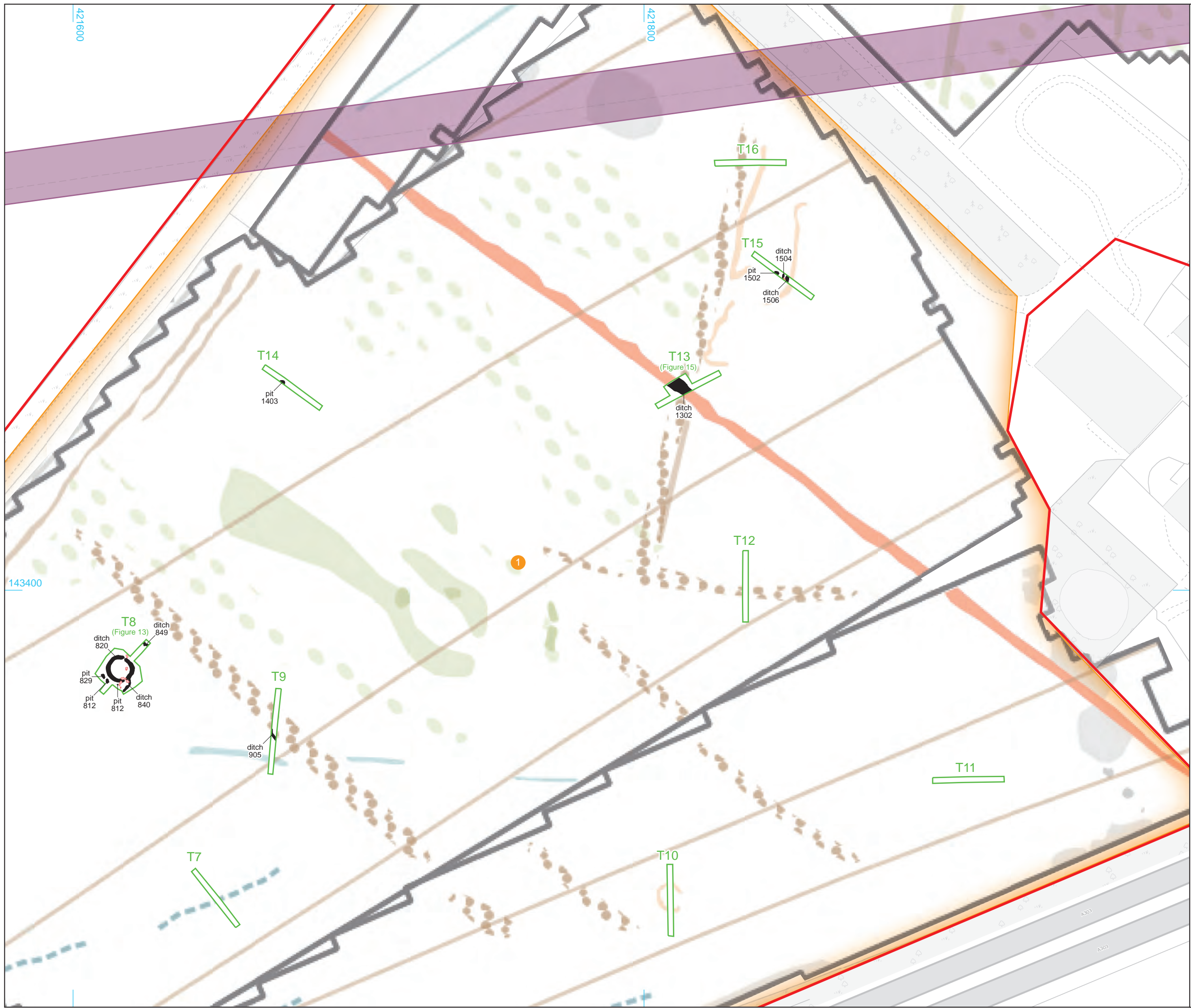
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- Site boundary
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- Archaeological feature
- Treethrow
- Report-labelled Field
- Overhead line buffer

- Geophysical survey results
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FIGURE TITLE
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- Overhead line buffer
- Below-ground water buffer

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- Treethrow
- Report-labelled Field
- Overhead line buffer
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- Geophysical survey results
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 - Probable archaeology (strong)
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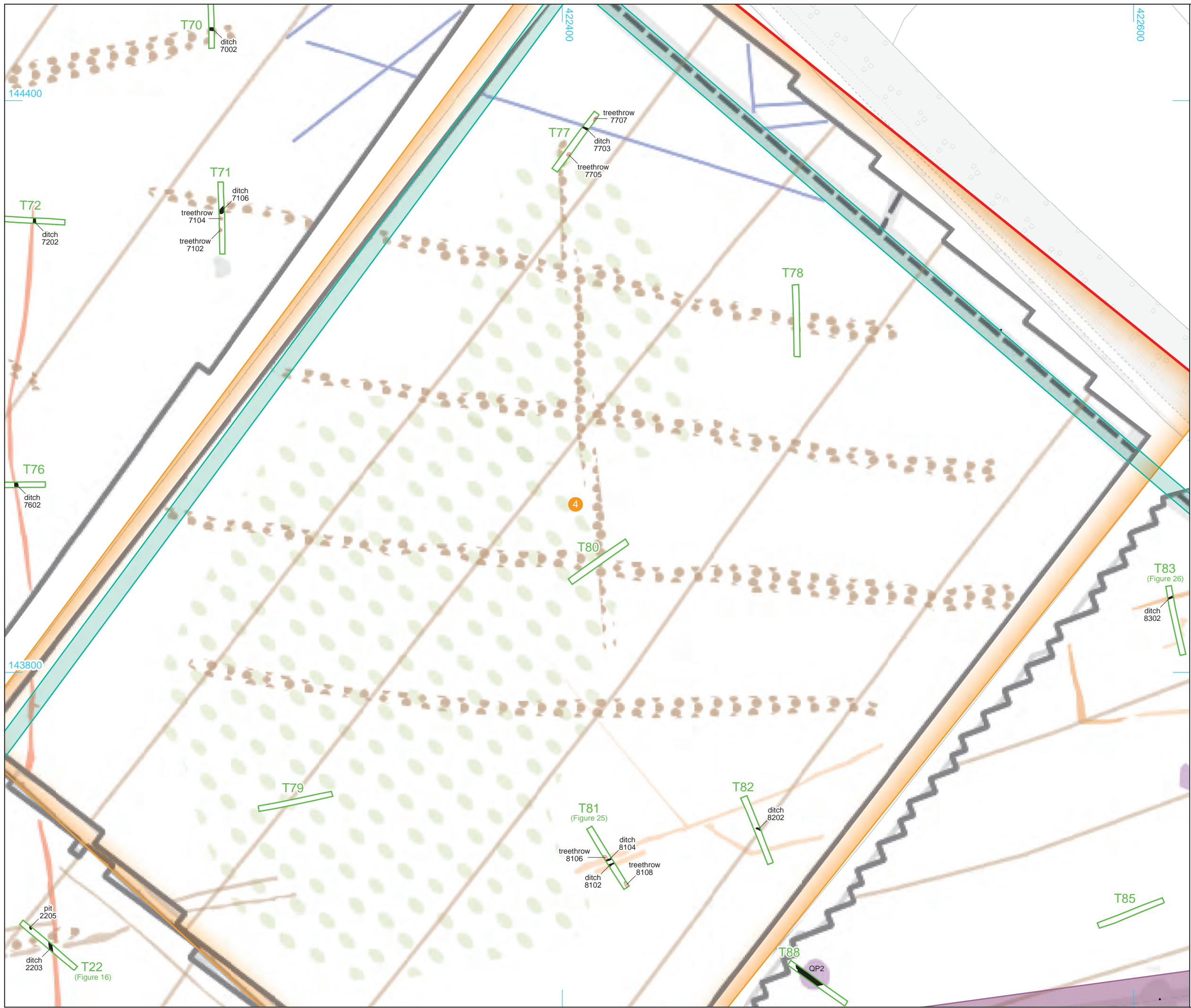
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Field 3 trench location plan showing archaeological features and geophysical survey interpretation

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- Evaluation trench
- Archaeological feature
- Treethrow
- 1 Report-labelled Field
- Overhead line buffer
- Below-ground water buffer

- Geophysical survey results
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Field 4 trench location plan showing archaeological features and geophysical survey interpretation

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- Archaeological feature
- Treethrow
- Report-labelled Field
- Overhead line buffer
- Below-ground water buffer

Geophysical survey results
(Magnititude Surveys Ltd 2019)

- Survey boundary
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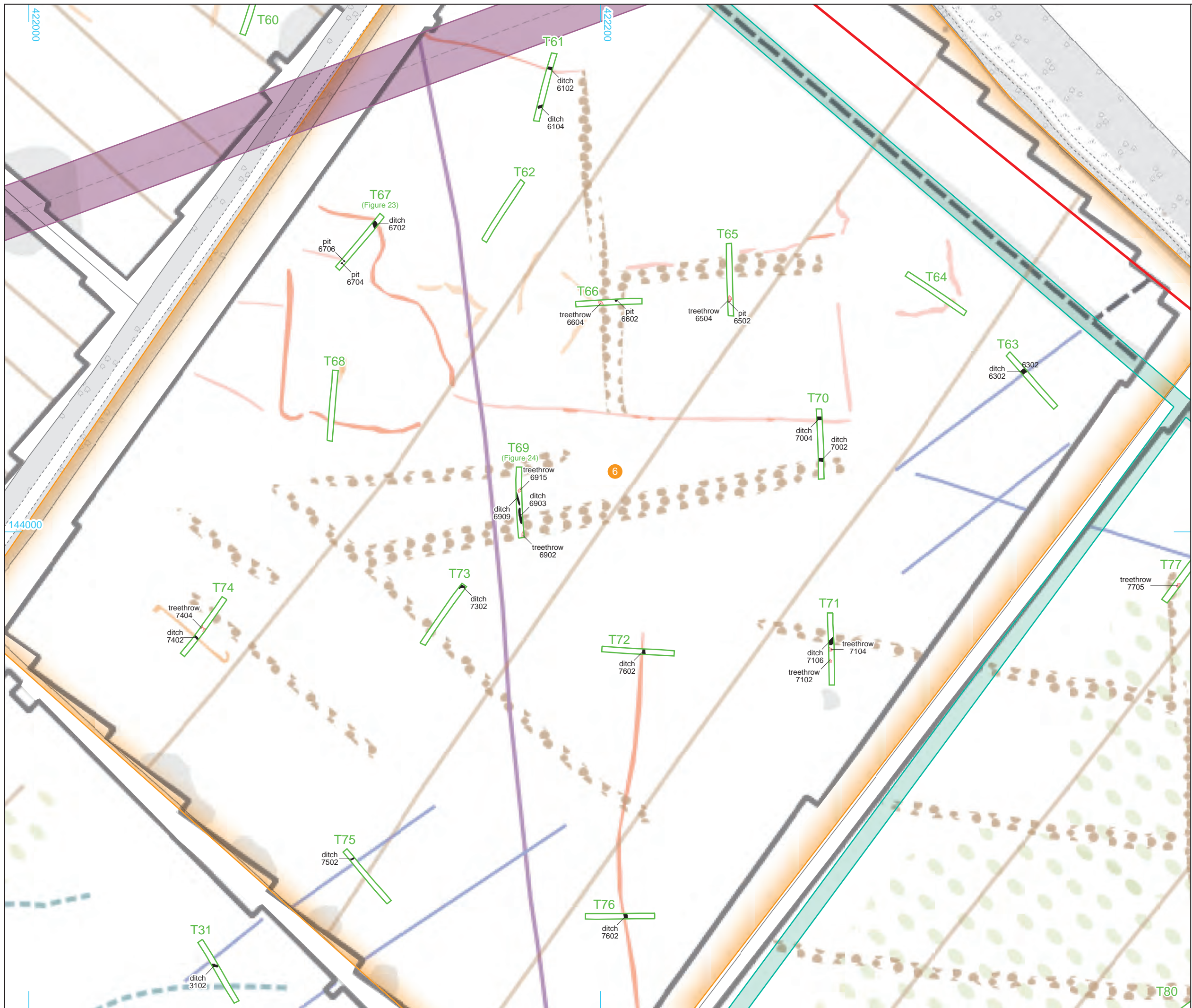
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Field 5 trench location plan showing archaeological features and geophysical survey interpretation

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- Treethrow
- Report-labelled Field
- Overhead line buffer
- Below-ground water buffer

- Geophysical survey results
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- Survey boundary
 - Probable archaeology (strong)
 - Possible archaeology (strong)
 - Agricultural (spread)
 - Agricultural (trend)
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 - Industrial / modern (trend)
 - Service



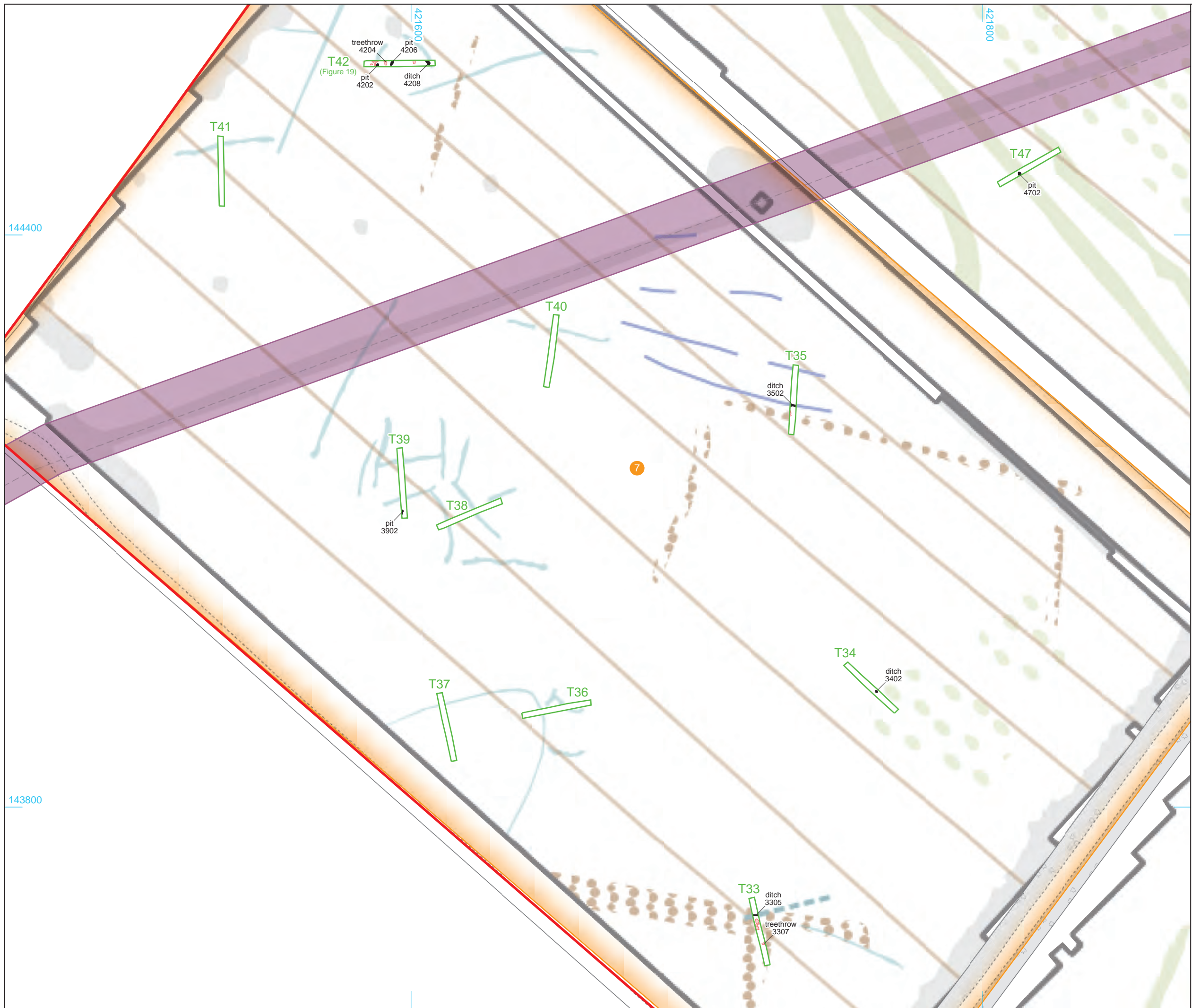
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Field 6 trench location plan showing archaeological features and geophysical survey interpretation

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- Geophysical survey results
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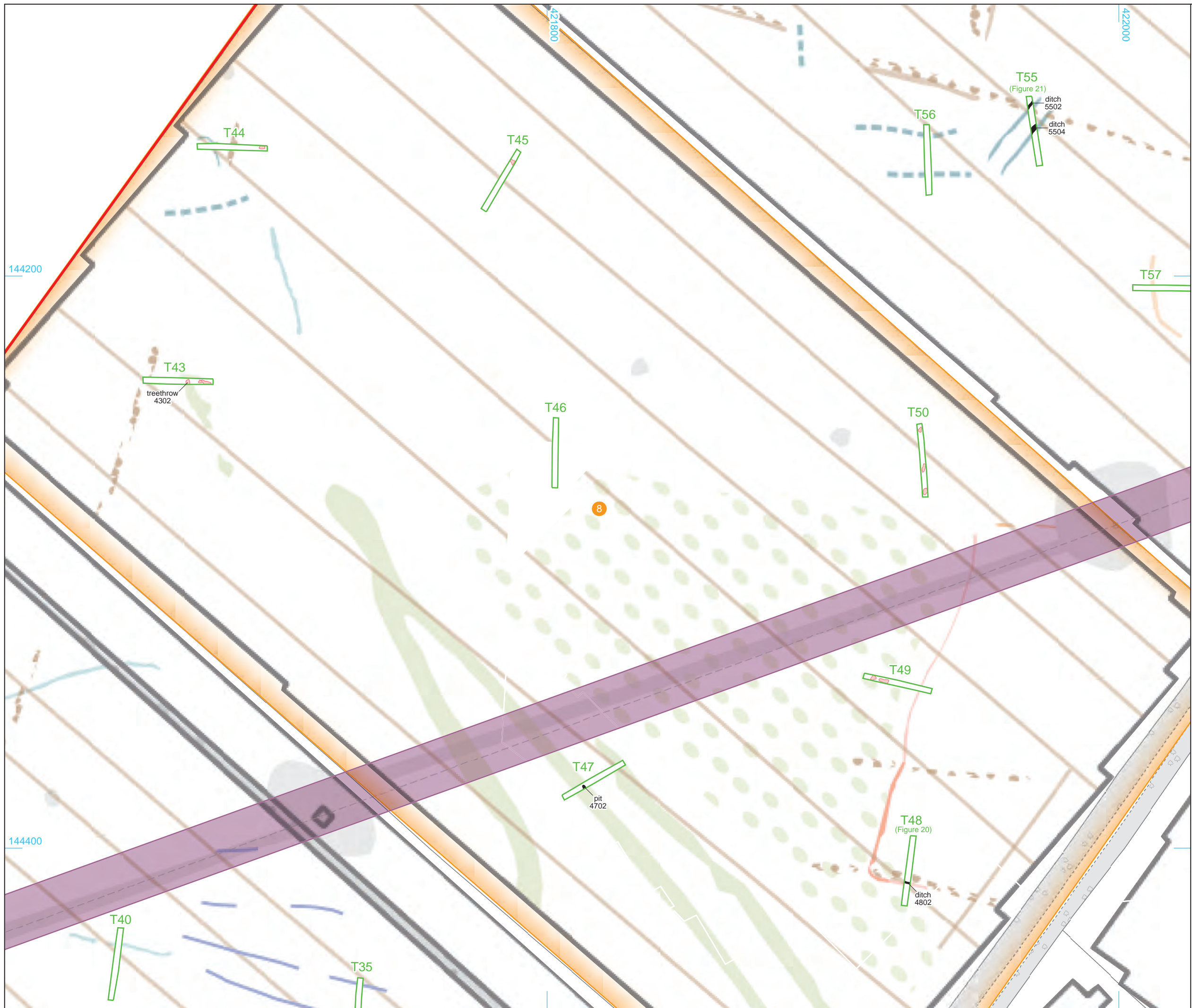
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FIGURE TITLE
Field 7 trench location plan showing archaeological features and geophysical survey interpretation

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- Evaluation trench
- Archaeological feature
- Treethrow
- 1 Report-labelled Field
- Overhead line buffer

- Geophysical survey results
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- Survey boundary
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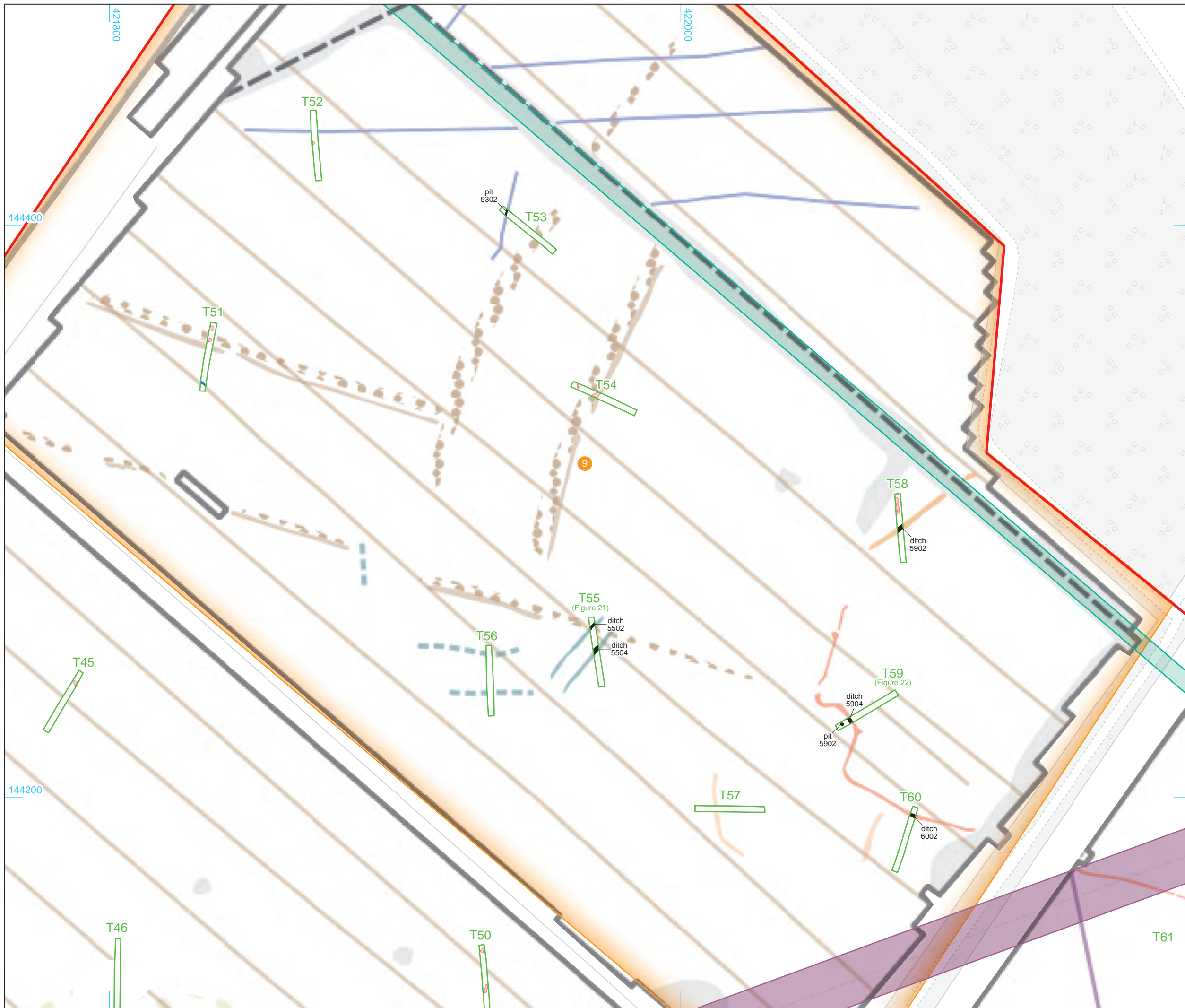
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FIGURE TITLE
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- Modern feature
- Treethrow
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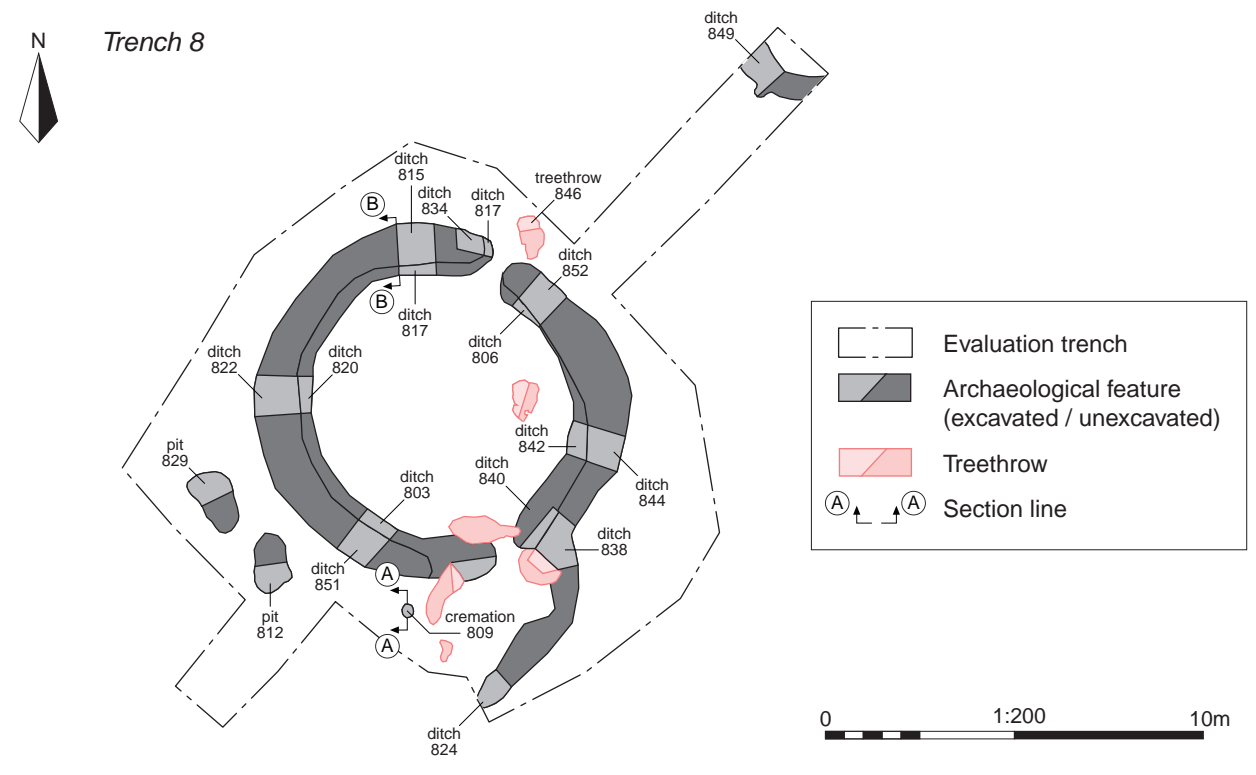
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FIGURE TITLE
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Aerial view of Trench 8, looking north-west (1m scales)

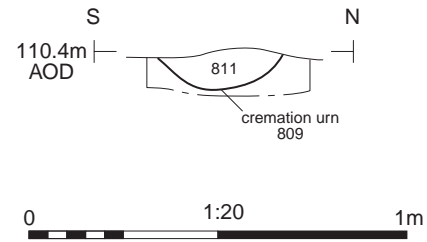
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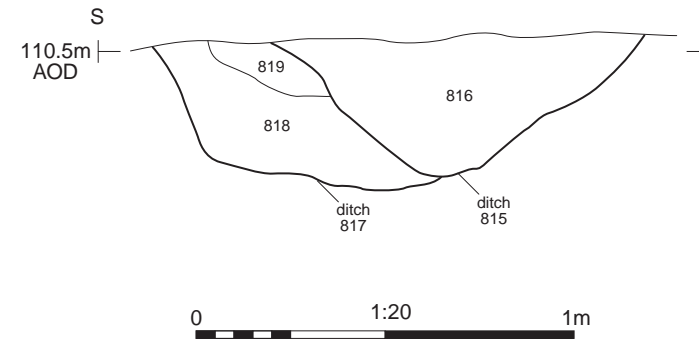
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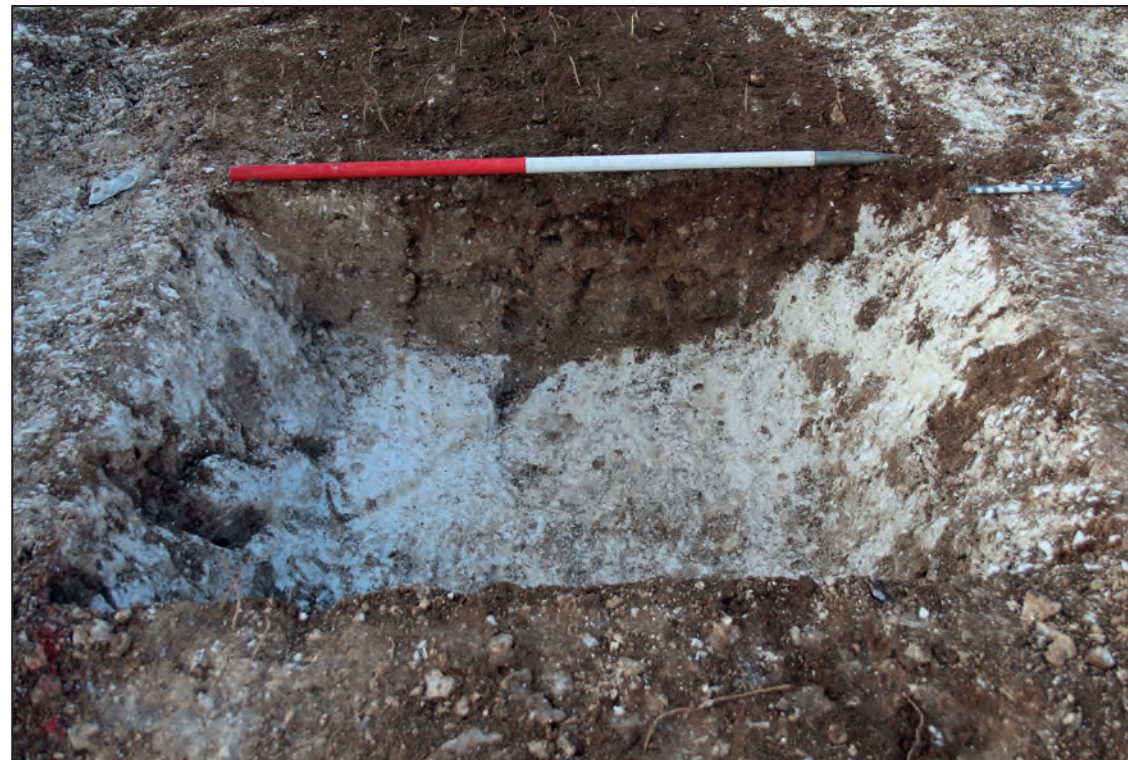
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Possible cremation urn 809, looking south-west (0.15m scale)



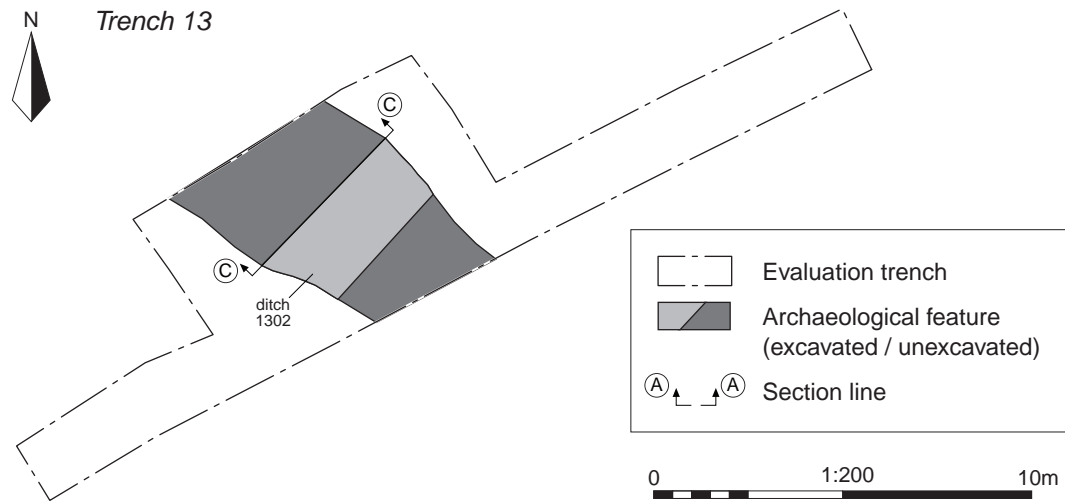
Ditches 817 (left) and 815 (right), looking west (1m scale)


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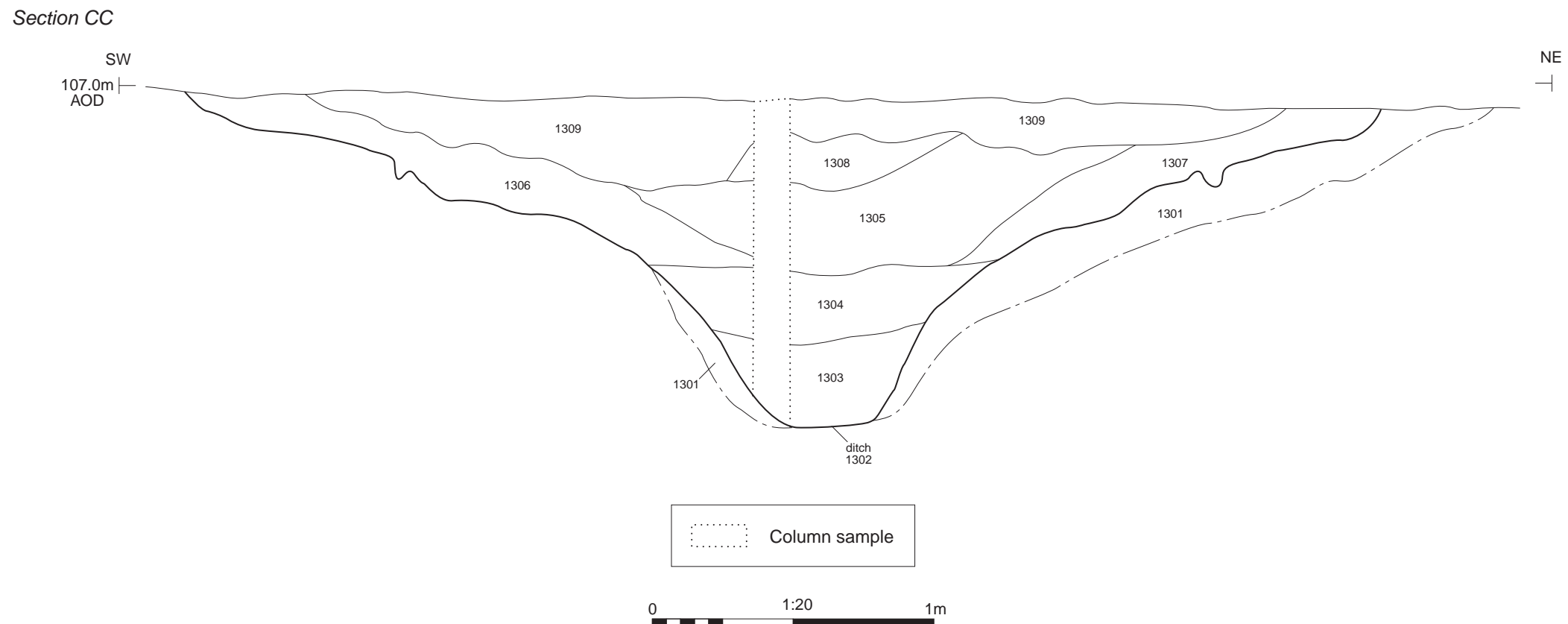
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Ditch 1302, looking north-west (2m scale)

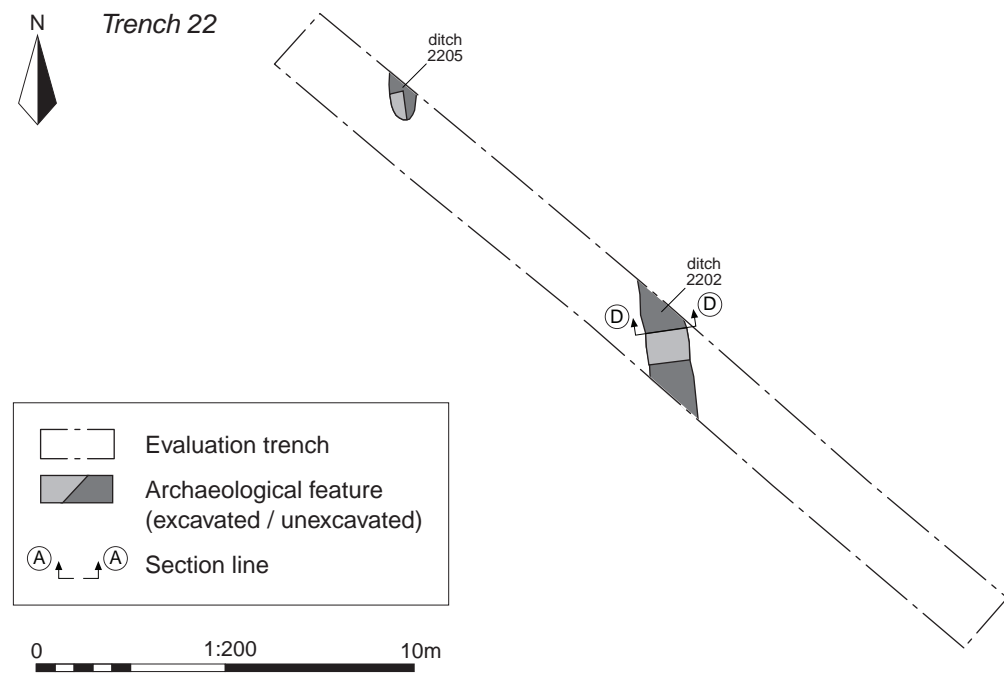


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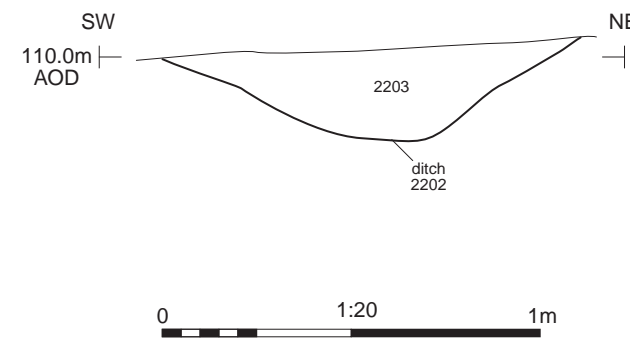
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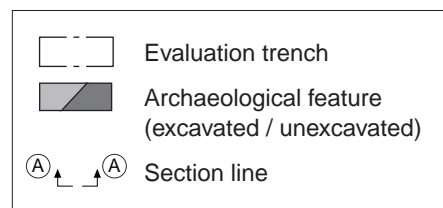
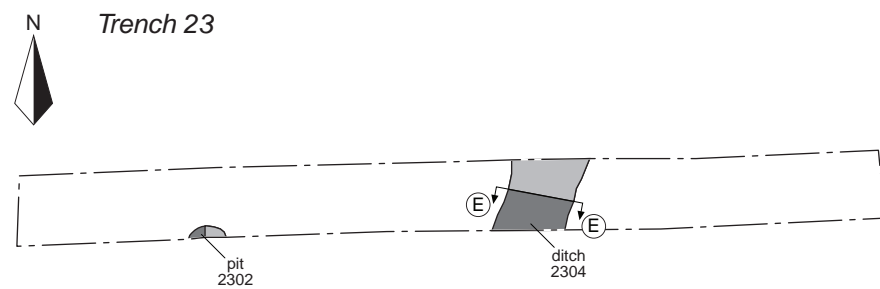
Ditch 2202, looking north-west (0.5m scale)

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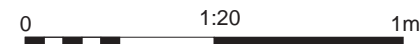
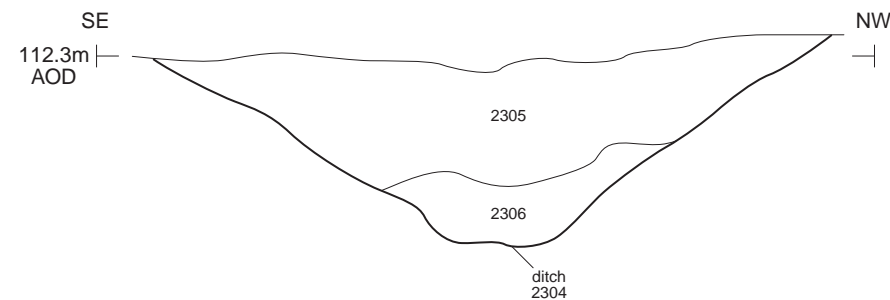
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Ditch 2304, looking south-west (1m scale)

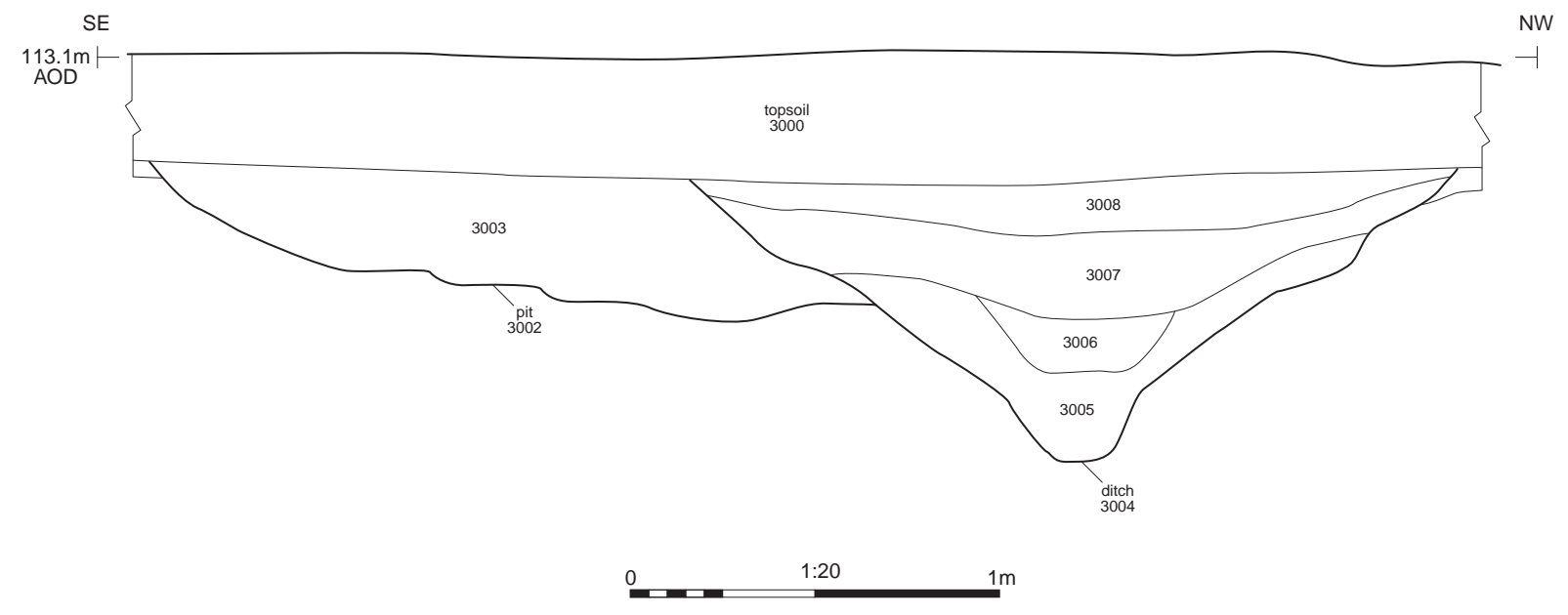

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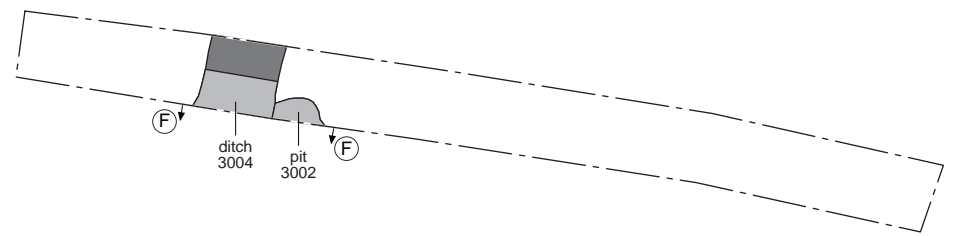
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Trench 30



- Evaluation trench
- Archaeological feature (excavated / unexcavated)
- Section line



Pit 3002 (left) and 3004 (right) looking south-west (1m scale)

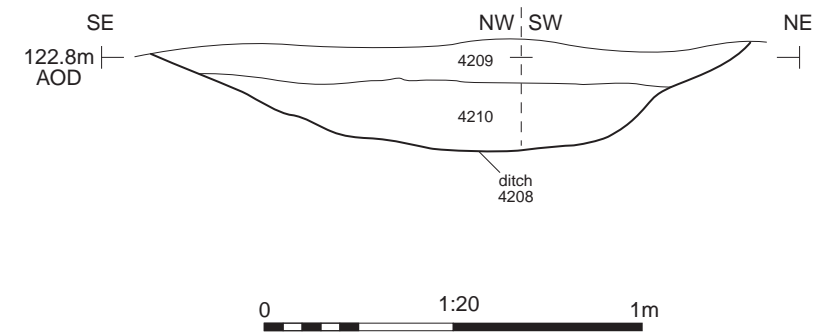
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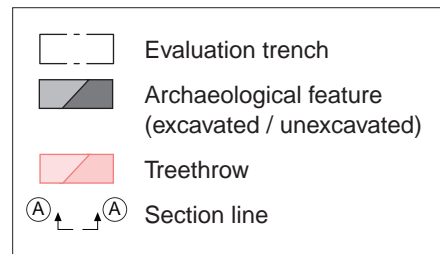
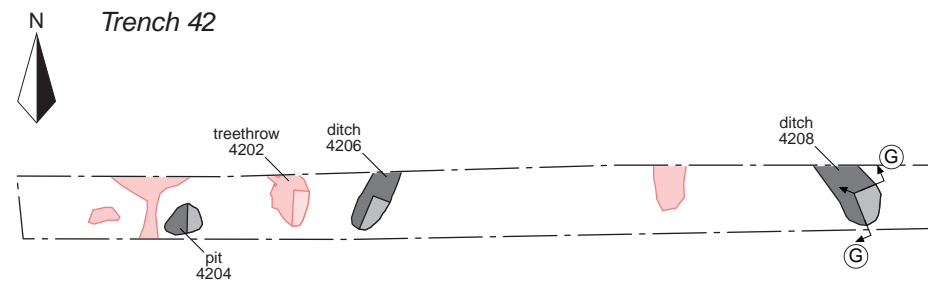
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Trench 42



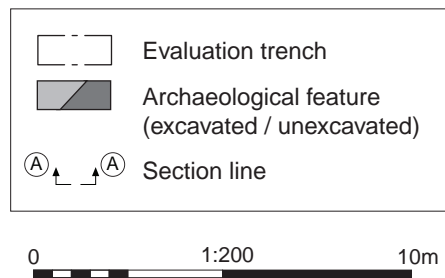
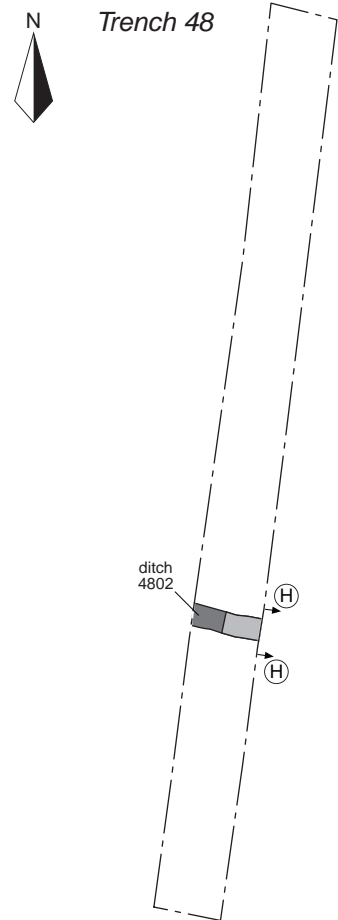
Ditch 4208, looking north-west (0.3m scale)


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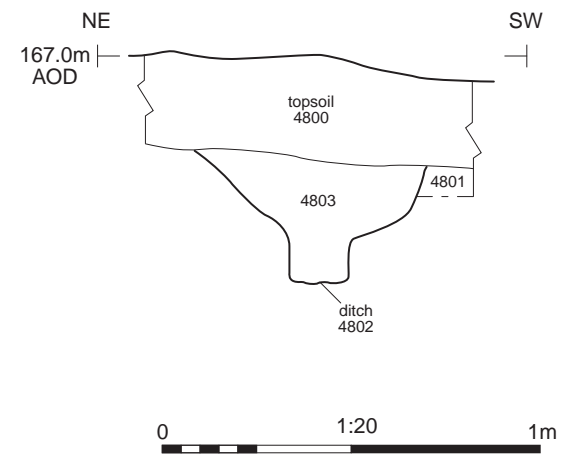
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FIGURE TITLE
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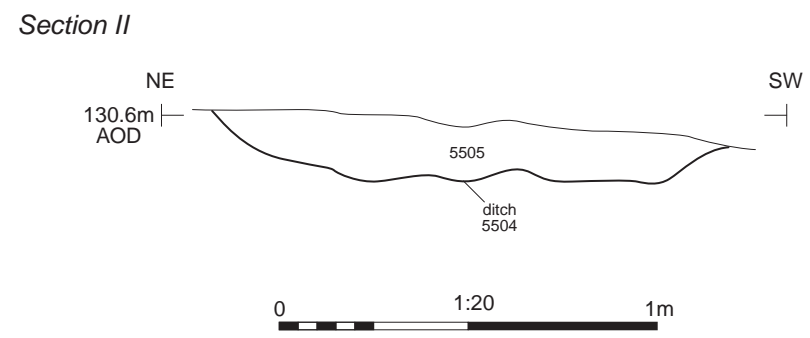
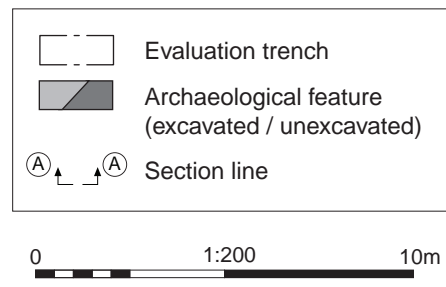
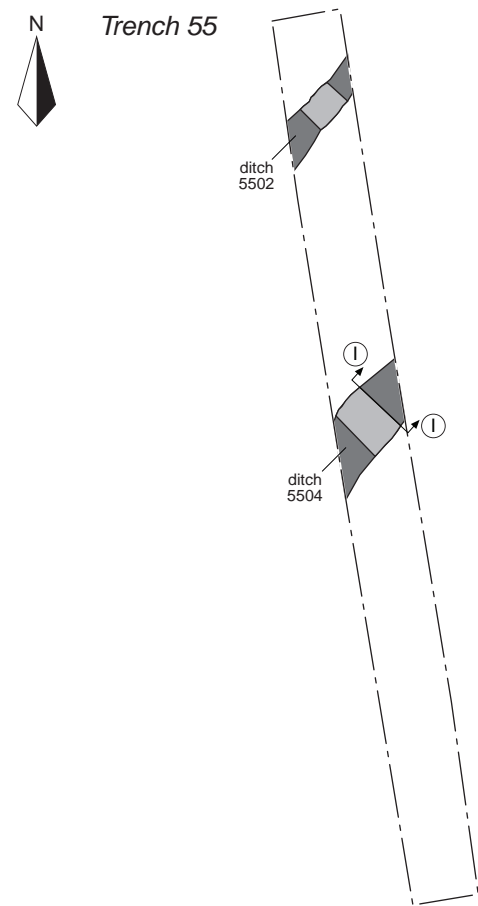
Ditch 4802, looking north-east (1m scale)

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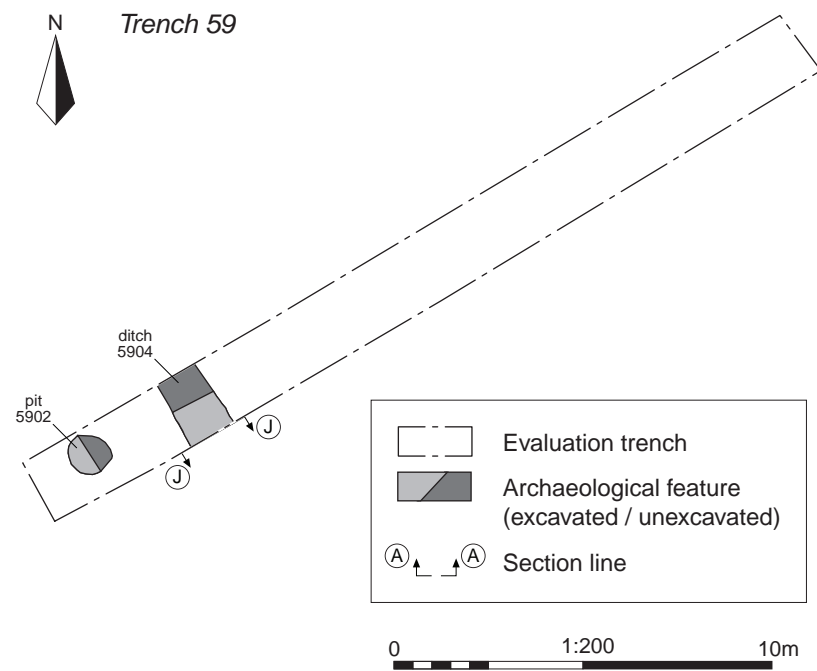
Ditch 5504, looking north-east (1m scale)

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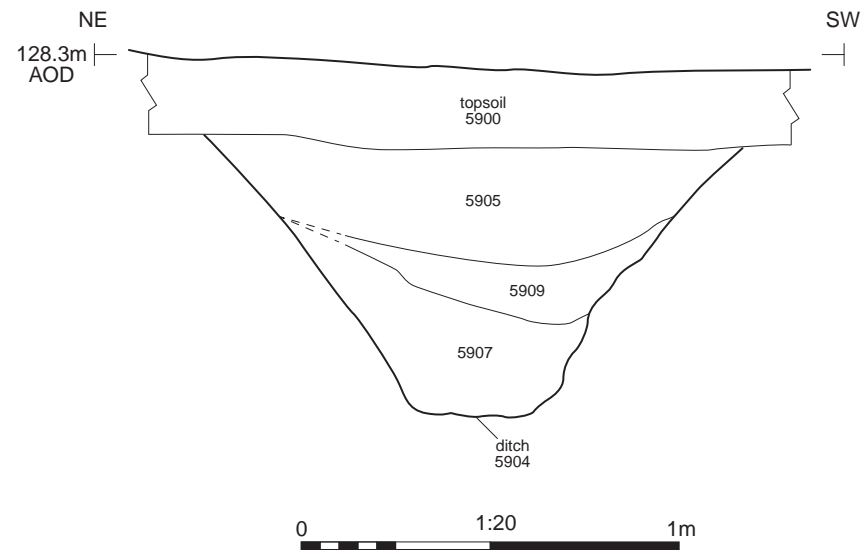
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Trench 55: plan, section and photograph

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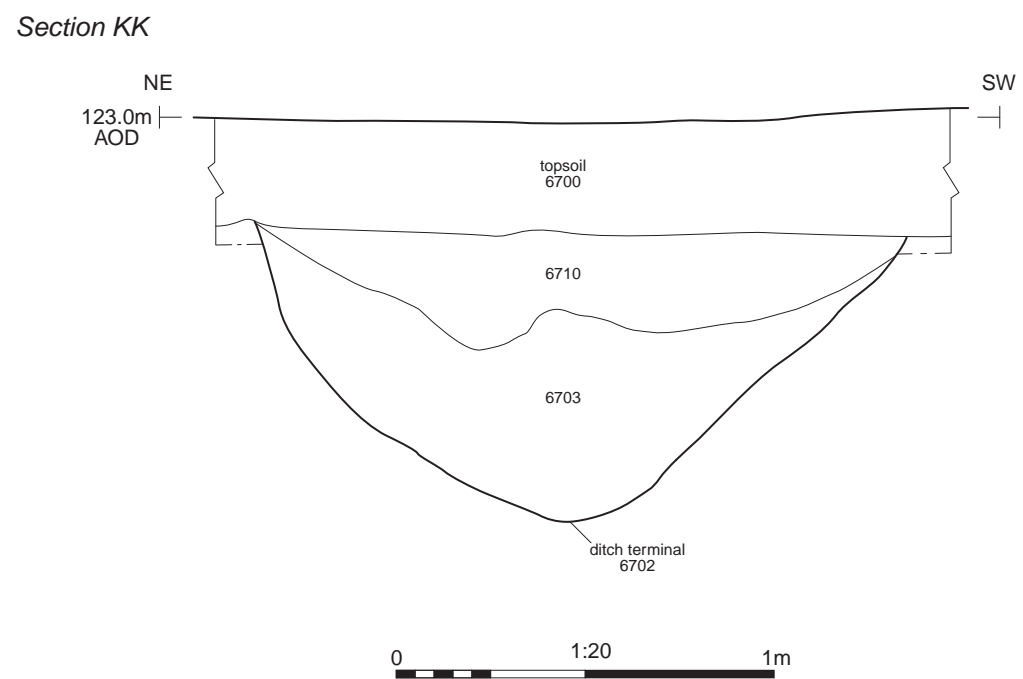
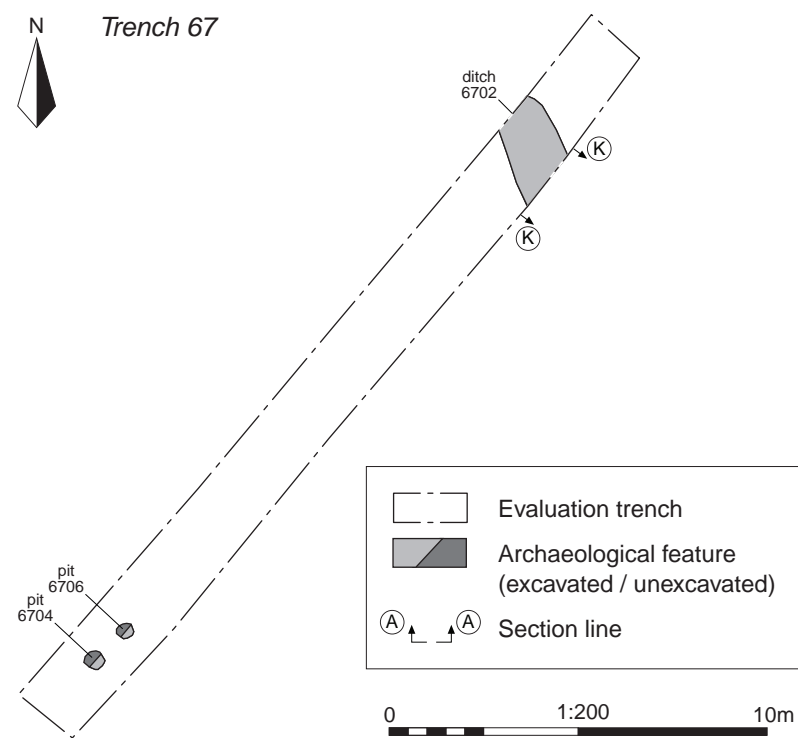
Ditch 5904, looking south-east (1m scale)

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FIGURE TITLE
Trench 59: plan, section and photograph

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Place deposit within ditch terminal, looking north-west (1m scale)



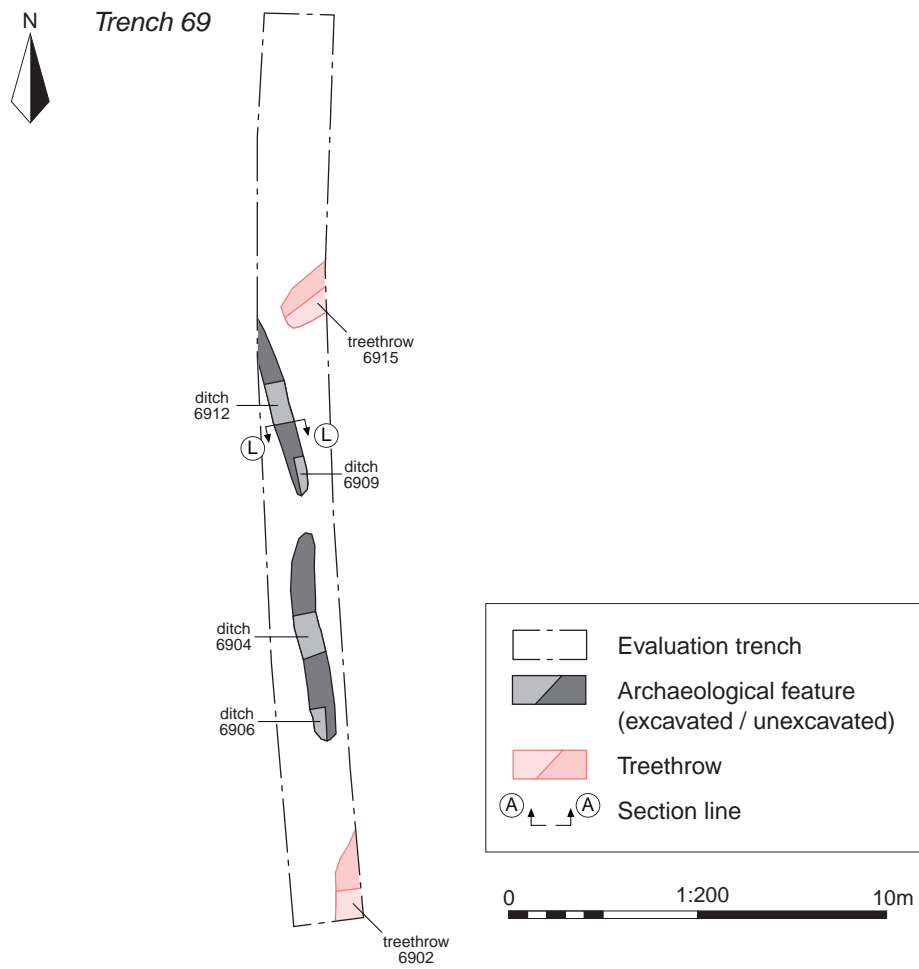
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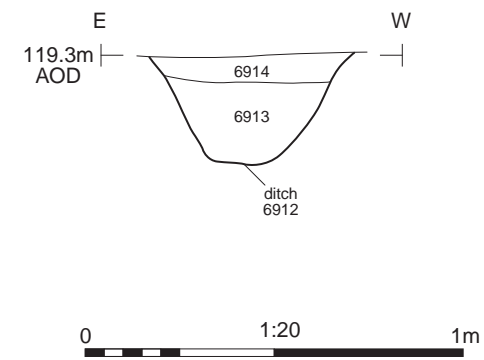
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FIGURE TITLE
Trench 67: plan, section and photograph

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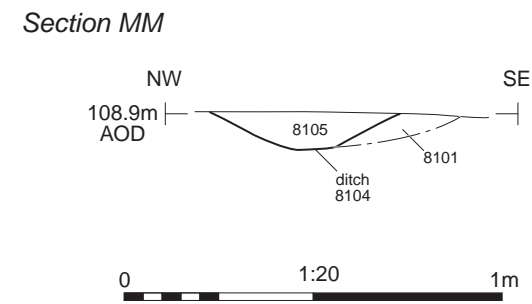
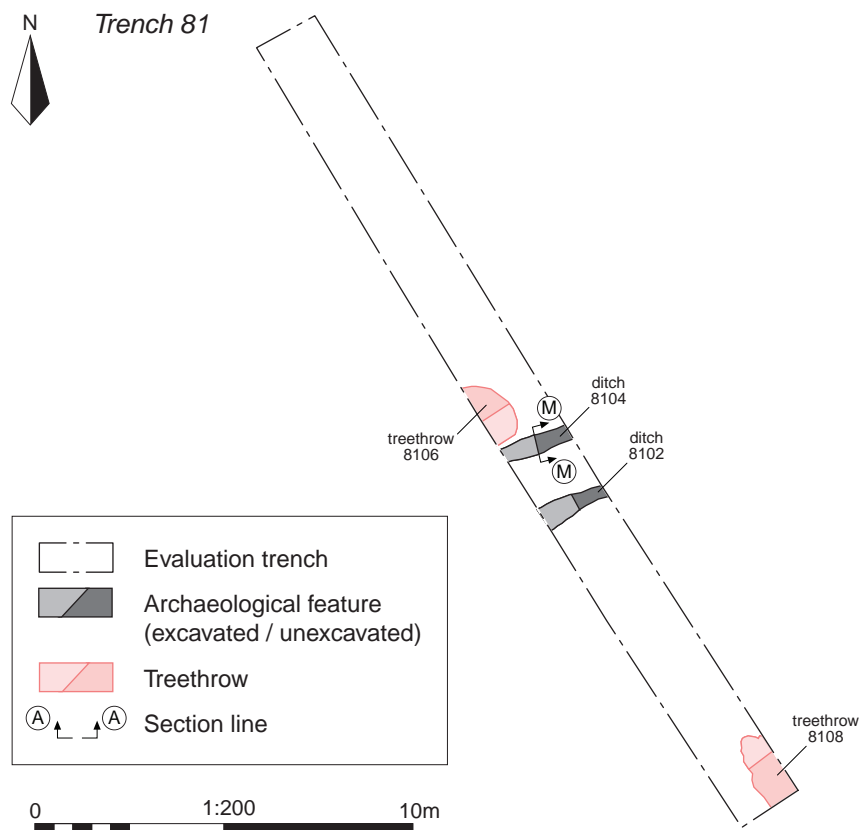
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FIGURE TITLE
Trench 69: plan, section and photograph

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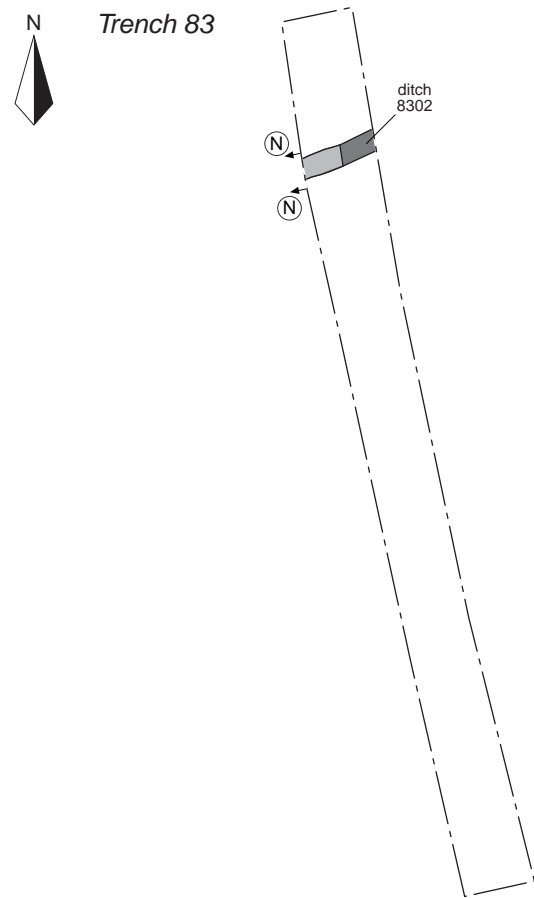
Ditch 8104, looking north-east (0.3m scale)

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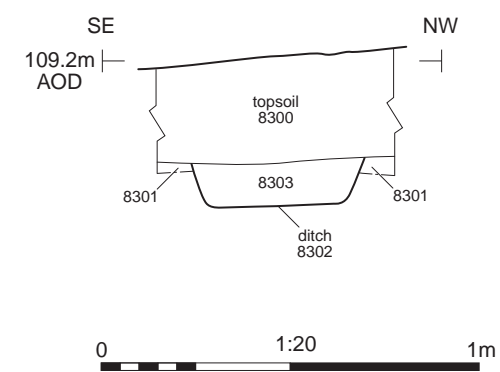
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FIGURE TITLE
Trench 81: plan, section and photograph

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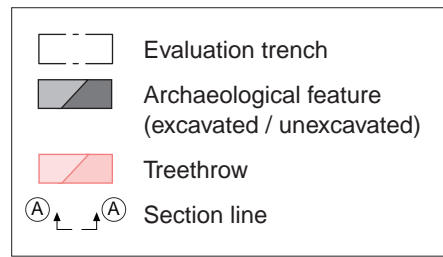
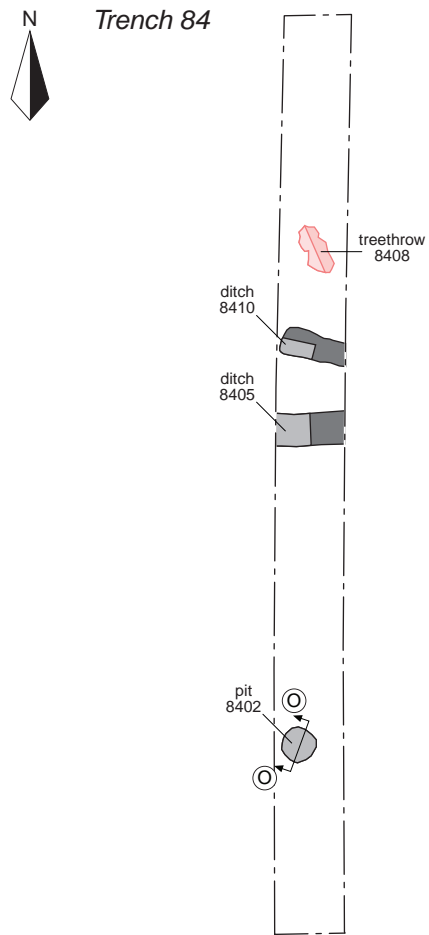
Ditch 8302, looking south-west (0.5m scale)

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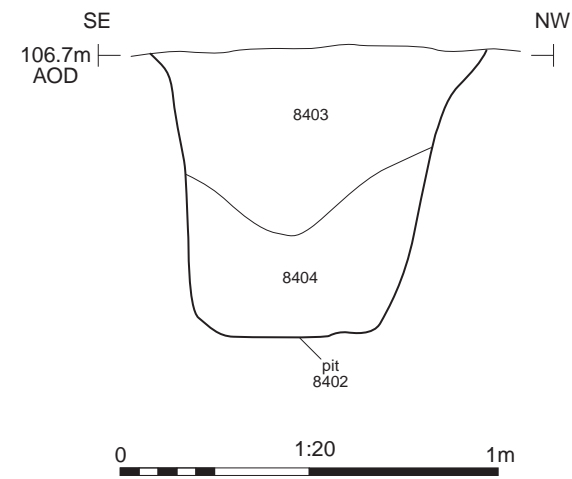
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FIGURE TITLE
Trench 83: plan, section and photograph

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FIGURE TITLE
Trench 84: plan, section and photograph

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