LAND AT RIDGE LANE, CALVERLEIGH, NEAR TIVERTON, DEVON

(Centred on NGR SS 9327 1363)

Results of Archaeological Monitoring and Recording

Planning Reference: Mid Devon District Council 17/01244/FULL (Condition 3)

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Planning Application no: 17/01244/FULL		Recipient museum: N/A		
OASIS ID: 328187		Museum Accession no: N/A		
Contractor's reference number/code: ACD1709		Dates fieldwork undertaken: 14 August 2018		

Introduction

Archaeological monitoring and recording was carried out by AC archaeology during groundworks associated with the construction of a new agricultural livestock building on land at Ridge Lane, Calverleigh, Near Tiverton, Devon (SX 92965 91778). The site comprised part of a wider pasture plot positioned on elevated ground to the north of Ridge Lane (Fig. 1). The monitored groundworks consisted of the bulk reduction of the area covered by the proposed new building.

The site is located approximately 150m to the west of a probable square enclosure has been identified through aerial photograph transcription. This is likely to be of late prehistoric or Romano-British date. An outlying single linear ditch may be associated.

Results (Fig.1; Plate 1)

The monitored area measured approximately 18m by 9.5m. It was machine-excavated onto natural subsoil, which consisted of a light greyish-red silty-clay with abundant gravel inclusions. This was exposed at a depth of 0.2m beneath a mid reddish-brown silty-clay subsoil and a dark greyish-brown silty-loam topsoil.

No archaeological features or deposits were exposed. A small collection of post-medieval and modern pottery and glass were recovered from the topsoil and subsoil. These are summarised below.

The finds by Naomi Payne

Six sherds (59g) of post-medieval pottery were recovered from topsoil and subsoil. The pottery includes a rim sherd from a stoneware marmalade jar, a piece of flower pot, three sherds of Staffordshire white ware and a sherd of industrial yellow earthenware. All of the sherds are 19th or early 20th century in date. A single fragment (32g) of green bottle glass was recovered from topsoil. This is from a modern beer bottle.

Comments

The results from the archaeological monitoring were negative. No archaeological features or deposits were exposed by the groundworks. The assemblage of finds recovered was of recent date and therefore provide no associated information that could be attributed to the nearby suspected prehistoric or Romano-British enclosure.

This report and the associated OASIS entry represent the archive for the project.

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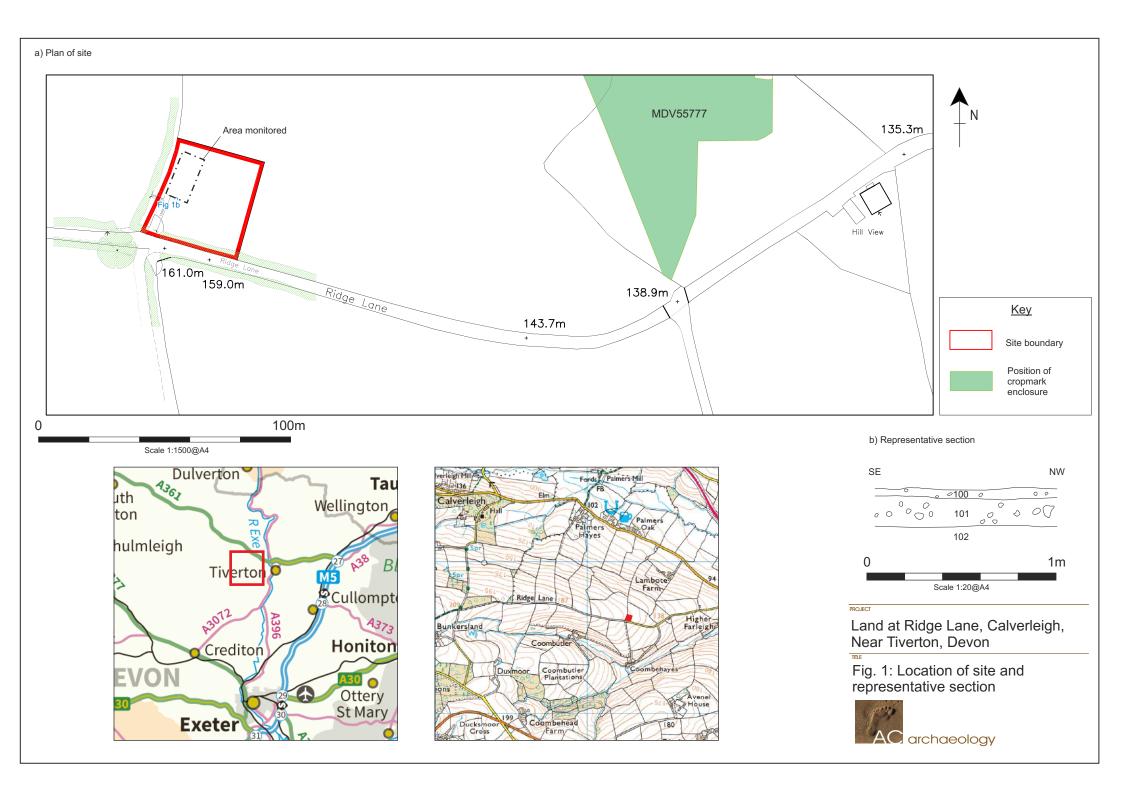




Plate 1: Showing stripped area. View to northeast (scale 2 x 1m)



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