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Summary

An archaeological evaluation was undertaken by Worcestershire Archaeology during April to May and October 2019 at Daventry South West, Northamptonshire (NGR SP 5592 6155). The project was commissioned by Orion Heritage on behalf of Stepnell Developments Limited in order to inform and support the site as it is promoted through the Local Plan and also to support an application for development. It comprised of the excavation of 119 trenches across the 48ha site.

The site comprises nine fields on Malabar Farm which lies to the south west of Daventry between the A425 and the A45. The fields are largely arable and enclosed by hedges.

Prior to the evaluation a geophysical survey of the site was undertaken in which anomalies thought to be of archaeological origin were recorded, particularly in the northern and southern parts of the site. To the south the anomalies were complex and were interpreted as deriving from the remains of possible late prehistoric or Roman settlement. The evaluation confirmed that the geophysical anomalies in the northern and southern parts of the site are mostly of archaeological origin; no significant archaeological features were identified in the 'blank' central part of the site. The anomalies in the north-eastern corner of the site appear to mostly be of post-medieval or later date and associated with mineral extraction.

The earliest archaeological evidence appears to date to the Mesolithic to early Neolithic periods, and is represented by a possible waterlogged layer in the southern part of the site, which contained flint and organic remains. The next phase of activity was represented by a small number of pits in the north-east part of the site. These pits probably date to the Bronze Age to middle Iron Age.

In the northern part of the site are a small number of largely sterile ditches, forming enclosures and boundaries of probable agricultural origin. These may date to the Iron Age period although few datable finds were recovered from these features.

A complex series of enclosures and associated features has been identified in the southern part of the site. The dateable finds from the features indicate the complex dates to the 1st to 2nd centuries AD, although the presence of some Iron Age pottery hints at an earlier date of origin. The function of the complex has not been established as there was only limited evidence for possible structural remains surviving within the excavated trenches, and there was no evidence of industrial or other processing activities. The pottery generally appears to be from local coarse wares suggesting that the complex is probably a lower status occupation site. A small part of this complex also includes some waterlogged remains.

The remains of a field system, which probably dated to the Roman period, was identified in the north-western part of the site.

No evidence of early medieval activity was identified at the site, and evidence of medieval and later activity appears to largely comprise of remains of agricultural or mineral extraction origin.

The methods adopted allow a high degree of confidence that the aims of the project have been achieved. Conditions were suitable in all of the trenches to identify the presence or absence of

archaeological features. It is considered that the nature, density and distribution of archaeological features provides an accurate characterisation of the development site as a whole.

Report

1 Introduction

1.1 Background to the project

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The archaeological advisor to the local planning authority considered that development at the proposed site has the potential to impact upon possible heritage assets, identified during a geophysical survey of the site.

The project conforms to a brief prepared by Planning Services, Northamptonshire County Council (NCC 2019). A written scheme of investigation (WSI) was prepared by Worcestershire Archaeology (WA 2019) and approved by Lesley-Ann Mather, County Archaeological Advisor. The evaluation also conforms to the industry guidelines and standards set out by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists in *Standard and guidance: for archaeological field evaluation* (CIfA 2014a).

1.2 Site location, topography and geology

The site is located approximately 1.5km south-west of the historic core of Daventry. It measures approximately 48 hectares and is bounded to the north by Staverton Road, to the east by the A45 Stefen Way and A361 Badby Road, to the south by Badby Park, and to the west by agricultural land and small parcel of woodland. The site comprises of agricultural land which is mostly under an arable regime, although three small pasture fields, farm buildings and woodland are also included within the proposed development area.

The site is located in a landscape of rolling hills and valleys. The highest point of the site is a small hill at Stepnell Spinney, measuring c.180m AOD. The elevation drops steeply from this hill towards the north, east and south-east, down to a height of about c.155m AOD. The north-eastern and eastern parts of the site are broadly level at this elevation. There is another small rise in the southern part of the site, with an elevation of approximately c.170m AOD.

The underlying bedrock geology is largely mapped as mudstone of the Whitby Mudstone Formation, with small areas of ferruginous limestone of the Marlstone Rock Formation recorded at the northern edge of the site. Superficial deposits of glacio-fluvial sand and gravel are recorded in the southern part of the site (BGS 2019). These are the only superficial deposits mapped on the site.

2 Archaeological and historical background

2.1 Introduction

An archaeological desk-based assessment (DBA) of the site was undertaken by Orion Heritage (Orion 2019). The findings presented in the DBA are summarised below.

2.2 Prehistoric and Roman

The DBA identified a number of prehistoric and Roman sites on or in the vicinity of the site. These included a flint scatter to the south of Drayton Lodge (the northern part of the site), aerial photographic evidence to suggest prehistoric activity in the south-west and north-west parts of the site, and a small number of unstratified Roman finds were also recorded to the south of Drayton Lodge.

Within the wider landscape context, the site is located 2km west of the Burnt Walls scheduled monument (NHLE 1003888) and 2.2km south-west of Borough Hill scheduled monument (NHLE 1010696). Burnt Walls is a small defensive earthwork consisting of a rampart on the north and south with possible outer ditch, and two ramparts to the west. The site has not been subject to systematic excavation but the Northamptonshire HER records the date of the site as probably early medieval to medieval¹. Borough Hill is an extensive multi-period site visible from the proposed development site. According to the Historic England listing it comprises of two Iron Age hillforts and a defended enclosure, two Bronze Age barrows, a Roman building complex and a barrow cemetery².

2.3 Early medieval, medieval and later periods

The DBA also noted the presence of a Saxon boundary that coincides with the southern site boundary, and ridge and furrow within the south-eastern part of the site. Evidence of possible parkland associated with Badby House is recorded by the HER within the south-western part of the site although subsequent landscape analysis has shown that the site did not form part of the Badby House parkland. A turnpike road ran along the northern site boundary and this is now Staverton Road.

2.4 Previous archaeological work on the site

A geophysical survey of the site was undertaken by Magnitude Surveys (Magnitude 2019), which identified a number of anomalies of probable archaeological origin. In the northern part of the site these anomalies were interpreted as a series of partially recorded enclosures, both rectangular and circular. In the southern part of the site a large cluster of anomalies were interpreted as an enclosure complex and a possible structure, field systems, and trackway features were also identified. The agricultural heritage of the area was evident within the results as ridge and furrow cultivation, which was prevalent across the site. In the central part of the site few geophysical anomalies of archaeological interest, other than the ridge and furrow cultivation, were identified.

3 Project aims

The general aims and scope of the project, as outlined in the WSI, were to undertake sufficient fieldwork to:

- determine the presence or absence of archaeological deposits beyond reasonable doubt;
- identify their location, nature date and preservation;
- assess their significance
- assess the likely impact of the proposed development.

The WSI also stated that the evaluation will be carried out with reference to the Research Agenda set out in the East Midlands Historic Environment Research Framework, and that the aims of the evaluation will be refined to address, where possible, research questions set out in the framework by period as a clearer picture of the nature and date of the site emerges.

4 Project methodology

The trenches were located across the site in order to test both the geophysical anomalies and apparently 'blank' areas of the site (Figures 1-3). The sampling strategy varied across the site with a smaller sampling percentage (2%) on areas where extensive archaeological features were identified by geophysical survey, and a larger percentage (2.5-3%) in apparently 'blank' areas. No evaluation

¹ https://www.heritagegateway.org.uk/Gateway/Results_Single.aspx?uid=MNN3604&resourceID=1044, accessed 19 November 2019

² <https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1010696>, accessed 19 November 2019

trenches were excavated in and south of Stepnell Spinney as no development is proposed in this area.

Each field at the site was assigned a number (Figure 1). One hundred and twenty trenches were proposed for excavation, but access to Field 4 (Trench 38, Figure 2) was not possible due to a lack of suitable access for the mechanical excavator. Ninety-two trenches were excavated between the 15 April and 23 May 2019, and the remaining 27 were excavated between the 7 October and 22 October 2019.

Deposits considered not to be significant were removed under constant archaeological supervision using 360° tracked excavators, employing toothless buckets. Subsequent excavation was undertaken by hand. Clean surfaces were inspected. Due to the range and quantity of features present in some parts of the site, and following discussions with the curator and Orion Heritage during three on-site monitoring meetings, only a representative sample of features were investigated. The selected deposits were excavated to retrieve artefactual material and environmental samples, as well as to determine their nature. Deposits were recorded according to standard Worcestershire Archaeology practice (WA 2012) and trench and feature locations were surveyed using a differential GPS with an accuracy limit set at <0.04m. On completion of excavation, trenches were reinstated by replacing the excavated material.

All fieldwork records were checked and cross-referenced. Analysis was undertaken through a combination of structural, artefactual and environmental evidence, allied to the information derived from other sources.

The project archive is currently held at the offices of Worcestershire Archaeology. The archive has been compiled with reference to guidelines and standards set out by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists in *Standard and guidance: for the creation, compilation, transfer and deposition of archaeological archives* (CIfA 2014b), the Archaeological Archives Forum in *Archaeological Archives. A guide to best practice in creation, compilation, transfer and curation* (AAF 2011) and local guidance in *Northampton Archaeological Archives Standard* (NCC 2020). Subject to the agreement of the landowner it is anticipated that it will be deposited at Northamptonshire Archaeological Resource Centre.

5 Archaeological results

5.1 Introduction

The trenches which identified archaeological deposits are illustrated on Figure 4, and the trench and context inventory is presented in Appendix 1. The features and deposits are ordered by broad phase and, where applicable, on a trench by trench basis.

5.2 Results

5.2.1 Natural deposits

Due to the size of the site the natural deposits varied considerably. In the northern, central, south eastern and south-western parts of the site they were typically heavy clays consistent with the bedrock deposits of Whitby Mudstone Formation mapped by the BGS. In the north-eastern and north-western edges of the site (Trenches 70, 74, 100-102, 105 and 115-117 in Fields 7 and 9), bands or areas of limestone were visible, consistent with the underlying Marlstone Rock Formation mapped by the BGS. In the southern part of the site (Trenches 8-10, 17-26 and 30-32 in Fields 1 and 2), where the elevation of the site rises, an area of sand and gravel was observed, consistent with the glaciofluvial deposits mapped in this area. The superficial deposits clearly overlaid deposits of clay mudstone.

5.2.2 Mesolithic to early Neolithic layer?

Trench 24 (Field 1)

At the southern end of Trench 24 a soft dark greyish black humic layer (2424) was revealed. It measured approximately 6m within the confines of the trench (Plate 1; Figure 13), and the northern edge of the layer may have been partially excavated as part of a larger sondage excavation in this trench (deposit 2414). Here it appeared to overly (2413), which was a firm mid-blueish grey silty clay, which yielded no finds. No finds were observed in layer 2424 although given its humic nature it was sampled (sample 11), in order to ascertain its environmental potential. This yielded a small number of flints of probable Mesolithic to early Neolithic date, although they did appear to be water worn, suggesting they may not have been *in-situ*. The sample was rich in waterlogged plant remains including plants and algae that grow in open water, and several caddis fly larvae cases were also present suggesting a fresh water environment.

5.2.3 Prehistoric activity

Trench 89 (Field 8)

A small pit (8912) measuring 0.69m by 0.56m was excavated in Trench 89 (Figure 33, Plate 2). It measured 0.25m in depth and was filled by charcoal rich dark grey brown clay silt (8911) and pale grey clayey silt (8913). Two small sherds of early Bronze Age pottery were recovered from fill 8911 while both deposits yielded small fragments of burnt bone, as well as fired clay and heat cracked stone. Environmental samples (14 and 21) from the fills yielded abundant charcoal and a small amount of hazelnut shell, although abundant modern remains were also present in the samples. Due to the presence of burnt bone the feature was treated as a possible cremation pit during the evaluation and at the request of Lesley-Ann Mather it was fully excavated at this stage. However, no evidence of a cremation urn was identified, and the size and profile of the feature suggests it was a small pit.

Two other features were identified in the trench close to Pit 8912. They were undated but contained similar, charcoal rich dark grey brown clay silt, fills, and the three features are likely to be contemporary. Feature 8908 measured 0.47m by 0.29m and was 0.09m in depth (Plate 3). Its fill (8907) yielded flint and fired clay and an environmental sample (16) yielded quantities of charcoal and abundant modern remains. Feature 8910 measured 0.48m by 0.39m and was 0.13m in depth (Plate 4). Its fill contained fired clay and an environmental sample (16) yielded quantities of charcoal and abundant modern remains. Both features were fully excavated during the evaluation.

Trench 117 (Field 9)

A small pit (11705) measuring 0.86m by 0.62m was excavated in Trench 117 (Figure 38, Plate 5). It was 0.19m in depth, and was filled by a mid-brownish red sandy clay (11706), which yielded 22 sherds of Bronze Age to middle Iron Age pottery, and a brownish orange sandy clay (11717). An environmental sample (5) yielded hazelnut shell, although evidence of modern contamination was also present. A second unexcavated pit (11707), with similar dimensions and upper fill was located 1.5m to the south (Plate 5), and it is likely that these features are a paired pit group (or possibly part of a larger group), common with pits of this date. Two other possible pits (11703 and 11711) were also identified in the same area, but these features had redder sterile fills and are probably natural in origin.

Residual finds (Trenches 8 (Field 1) and 104 (Field 9))

A Neolithic or Bronze Age flint knife was found in a modern ditch (828) in Trench 8 (Figure 9) and a residual sherd of possible Bronze Age to middle Iron Age pottery was recovered from Ditch 10407 in Trench 104 (Figure 36).

5.2.4 Northern enclosures: Iron Age to Roman?

In the northern part of the site a number of features, representing the truncated remains of enclosures and field boundaries, were identified in Trenches 85 and 87 (Field 8), and 95, 103 and 104 (Field 9).

In Trench 85 (Figure 31) a single undated ditch (8508) was identified. It measured 1.02m in width and 0.36m in depth and contained two fills (8507 and 8517). No finds were recovered from either fill.

In Trench 87 (Figure 32) a single ditch (8708) was identified (Plate 6). It measured 1.21m in width and 0.37m in depth, and contained a single fill (8707) which yielded two sherds of pottery dating to Roman period. An environmental sample (20) from this deposit yielded abundant modern remains and a small amount of charcoal.

In Trench 95 (Figure 34) a single undated ditch (9503), measuring 2.0m in width and 0.9m in depth was identified (Plate 7). An environmental sample (4) only revealed very limited evidence of the survival of remains.

In Trench 103 Ditch 10306, which measured 2.3m in width and 0.60m in depth, was also undated (Figure 35). An environmental sample (2) yielded a small amount of charred remains and abundant modern material.

Within Trench 104 (Figure 34), three ditches orientated east to west were identified. These appear to correlate with geophysical anomalies that represent an enclosure. Excavation of the southern ditch (10406) revealed that it was approximately 1.8m wide and 0.75m deep (Plate 8). No finds were recovered and an environmental sample (3) only revealed very limited evidence for the survival of remains. It was recut by ditch (10408) which measured 0.45m in depth. This ditch recut contained two sherds of pottery dating to the early to middle Iron Age. To the south of this ditch, and apparently located outside of the enclosure, was an undated curving gully (10404). It measured 0.5m in width and up to 0.12m in depth although it appeared truncated to the north (Plate 9).

The features identified in Trenches 85, 87, 95, 103 and 104 all correlate with a series of geophysical anomalies. These features appear to be focussed on and around an enclosure located at the western end of Trench 103. Given the apparently contemporary relationship of these features they have been group together and, on the basis of the pottery, dated to the Iron Age and/or Roman periods. However, it is noted that only very small quantities of pottery were recovered from these features.

5.2.5 Southern enclosures: Late Iron Age to early Roman

The trenches in the southern and south-eastern part of the site all targeted anomalies identified by the geophysical survey, or apparently blank areas between the features. These anomalies appeared to represent the remains of a complex group of enclosures and boundaries.

Trenches 3 and 4 (Field 1)

A small ditch (303) was identified in Trench 3 (Figure 5). It measured 0.66m in width and 0.15m in depth, and was orientated north to south. It yielded four sherds of 1st century AD pottery. It is unclear if this is the north-west to south-east linear anomaly identified in this area by the geophysical survey. In Trench 4 (Figure 6) this anomaly was identified as a small ditch (403). It measured 0.7m in width and 0.3m in depth. It appeared to terminate within the trench, and this correlates with a break in the anomaly at this location.

Trench 7 (Field 1)

Ditch 715 measured 1.7m in width and 0.64m in depth (Figure 8, Plate 10) and contained two sherds of 1st century AD pottery and animal bone. This ditch corresponds to a linear geophysical anomaly, which appears to form part of a trapezoidal enclosure.

Trench 8 (Field 1)

Ditch 816 was orientated north-east to south-west and measured 0.86m in width and 0.32 in depth, although it appeared to be a recut of undated Ditch 834 (Figure 9, Plate 11). The fill (817) of Ditch 816

yielded three sherds of late Iron Age to early Romano-British pottery and a single sherd of post-medieval pottery which is thought to be intrusive. This feature correlates to a linear geophysical anomaly.

To the north of Ditch 816/834 was unexcavated Ditch 820, which was orientated north-west to south-east, and also correlates to a linear geophysical anomaly targeted by this trench. Between these two features was an unexcavated elongated feature (818), the shape of which could tentatively be interpreted as a grave cut, although no bone was noted in the exposed fill (Plate 11).

At the southern end of the trench were a number of pits (802, 804, 806, 808 and 810). Pits 806, 808, and 810 had similar fills and excavation of Pit 806 revealed it was 1.0m wide and 0.13m deep. It yielded no finds. Pottery recovered from the surface of Pit 810 dated to the 2nd century AD. This pit was cut by a furrow (812).

Trench 9 (Field 1)

Ditch 915 measured 1.45m in width and 0.45m in depth (Figure 10, Plate 12). It had a single fill (916) which yielded pottery dating to the 1st century AD as well as animal bone and fired clay. An environmental sample (8) also revealed evidence of cereal crops. Ditch 919 was approximately 2.0m in width and 1.1m in depth and contained three fills (920, 921 and 922; Plate 13). Pottery from the ditch indicates that it dates to the 1st century AD, and animal bone and fired clay was also recovered, although a sample (7) did not yield any noteworthy environmental remains. This ditch was re-cut by undated Ditch 917, which did not yield any finds. These two ditches appear to correlate with two parallel linear anomalies identified during the geophysical survey.

Trench 10 (Field 1)

Curvi-linear gully 1008, could be broadly contemporary with this phase although no finds were recovered from its single fill (1009). It measured approximately 0.3m in width and up to 0.07m in depth (Figure 11).

Trench 17 (Field 1)

A series of unexcavated linear features were recorded in this trench, broadly correlating with the geophysical anomalies targeted by the trench. Assuming these features continue, as indicated by the geophysical survey, to Trenches 9 and 22, these features are probably also late Iron Age to early Roman in date. Undated ditch 1715 was excavated revealing it to be 3.0m in width and 0.25m in depth, although its single fill (1716) yielded no finds.

Trenches 18-20 (Field 1)

As indicated by the geophysical survey this area was largely devoid of any archaeological features contemporary with the enclosure system in this part of the site, although some post-medieval and modern features were observed.

Trenches 21 and 23: Mineral extraction? (Field 1)

These trenches targeted a series of apparently linear features identified by the geophysical survey. Machine excavation of both trenches revealed a series of unclear and apparently irregular and intercutting features, which appeared to be sealed by deep subsoil(s) (Plates 14 and 16). On-site they were interpreted as possible gravel extraction pits. However, no finds were observed during the machining, so hand excavated slots were excavated in both trenches. Feature 2103 in Trench 21 was an apparently linear feature (in plan; Plate 15), although excavation revealed that its profile changed significantly within the excavated slot, becoming shallower and narrower. It contained three fills including a dump of redeposited natural gravel. The feature yielded three sherds of Iron Age pottery although it is unclear if these were *in-situ*.

A possible quarry pit (2305) was identified in Trench 23 (Plate 16). Within the excavated slot it had a single fill (2306) which yielded a piece of animal bone. This feature had an unclear relationship with

Ditch 2303 which was aligned north to south and yielded a single sherd of Iron Age pottery, fired clay and animal bone.

It should be noted that the geophysical anomalies identified at the south-eastern ends of both Trenches were not observed cutting the natural substrate.

Trench 22 (Field 1)

Ditch 2244, located towards the western end of Trench 22 measured at least 1m in width and 1m in depth (Figure 12, Plate 17). It contained six fills which yielded no finds and was recut by Ditch 2237. This contained eight fills although finds were only recovered from the basal fill (2236; animal bone) and upper fill (2229; pottery, fired clay and animal bone). The pottery dated to the 1st century AD, and this feature correlates with a long arcing linear anomaly identified on the geophysical survey and also observed in Trenches 9 (915) and 17 (1709; unexcavated). An environmental sample (12) taken from the basal fill of the ditch did not reveal any significant environmental remains.

To the east of this ditch was a complex of pits and other intercutting features. A slot excavated through a linear feature revealed it to be a ditch measuring 1.44m in width and 0.48m in depth, containing two fills which yielded no finds. Pit 2246 measured about 1.9m by 1.5m and was 0.26m in depth. No finds were recovered, and a sample (13) taken from the feature did not yield any notable environmental evidence. However, pottery recovered from the surface of features 2212, 2216, 2225 and 2246 was all Iron Age or Iron Age to early Roman in date, suggesting all these features are broadly contemporary with this phase of activity.

Trench 24 (Field 1)

Ditch 2417 measured approximately 3.3m in width, and at least 1.5m in depth although it was not excavated below this depth due to safety considerations (Figure 13, Plates 18 and 19). It contained at least four fills, which yielded moderate quantities of pottery, fired clay, and animal bone, and small amounts of fuel ash slag, oyster shell and burnt stone. Pottery from upper three fills mostly dated to the 1st century AD, while the lowest excavated fill contained no dateable finds. A small amount of cereal was identified in an environmental sample (6) taken from this feature. This ditch correlates with a north-west to south east orientated linear anomaly identified during the geophysical survey.

To the south of the ditch was a silty colluvial layer (2425), although sherds of un-abraded pottery dating to the late 1st to 2nd centuries AD were recorded. It was visible below the subsoil for about 13m in the middle of the trench. A sondage through the layer revealed it to be 0.36m in depth. It could be masking further features cutting the natural substrate.

To the south of this were a series of apparently linear intercutting features, crossing the trench at oblique angles. The features were also cut by a live drain (2415). Due to this a sondage was excavated across the majority of these features, which revealed a number of layers and fills (Plate 20), although the relationships between the various features were not clear. Ditch 2403 appeared to contain three fills, the basal fill yielded pottery dating to the mid to late 1st century, while pottery from the upper fills dated to the early 2nd century. This feature may correlate with a linear geophysical anomaly orientated north-east to south-west. Ditch 2407 was filled by 2408 which yielded mid to late 1st century AD pottery. Above this was a sequence of deposits (2409, 2410, 2411 and 2422), which may have been part of this feature or later (re)cuts. These deposits yielded pottery dating to the 1st and 2nd centuries AD, and a sample (1) taken from 2410 revealed abundant waterlogged plant remains.

Trench 25 (Field 2)

A section of an apparently circular ditch (2503) was exposed in this trench (Figure 14, Plate 21). It measured 0.7m in width, 0.4m in depth, and was exposed for a length of 4.4m within the trench. Its single fill (2504) yielded 24 sherds of mid to late 1st century AD pottery. Although broadly located in the same area as a geophysical anomaly it does not appear to be the same size or shape.

Trenches 26-29 (Field 2)

Within Trench 26 a small ditch (2603), measuring 0.72m in width and 0.18m in depth, contained two fills (Figure 15). The basal fill (2605) yielded 85 sherds of mid to late 1st century AD pottery, and samples (9 and 10) revealed some evidence of cereal and charcoal. In Trench 27 a ditch (2703; Figure 16 and Plate 22), measuring 0.7m in width and 0.2m in depth, did not yield any finds. Ditch 2803 in Trench 28 (Figure 17), measured 1.48m in width and 0.32m in depth and also failed to yield any finds. Within Trench 29 two features were excavated (Figure 18). Ditch 2903 measured 1.0m in width and 0.55m in depth and yielded a small assemblage of animal bone. Gully 2905 measured 0.6m in width and 0.3m in depth and yielded pottery and a spindle whorl dating to the mid-1st century AD. All the features identified in these trenches correlate with anomalies identified during the geophysical survey, and are probably all landscape features associated with the late Iron Age to early Roman activity.

Trench 30 (Field 2)

A single archaeological feature (3003) was identified in this trench (Figure 19). It measured 0.6m in width and 0.2m in depth and yielded no finds. This feature correlates with a linear anomaly identified during the geophysical survey, and is probably associated with the late Iron Age to early Roman activity. Two other anomalies identified by the geophysical survey were not observed cutting the natural substrate within this trench. However, to the south of gully 3003 a patch of silting was observed which could correlate with the southern anomaly. This silting appeared to be filling or silting up of a natural depression in the topography of the area.

Trenches 31 and 33 (Field 2)

In Trench 31 Ditch 3103 measured 1.4m in width and 0.3m in depth (Figure 20). Although it yielded no finds it correlates to a geophysical anomaly which forms part of an apparent enclosure in this area, and it is likely to be contemporary with other features in this part of the site.

Ditch 3303 in Trench 33, measured 0.52m in width and 0.15m in depth (Figure 22) and yielded three sherds of Iron Age pottery. This feature correlates with the geophysical anomaly targeted by the trench, although the feature did appear to terminate with the trench suggesting it might be segmented or of variable depth.

Trench 36 (Field 3)

Ditch 3606 measured 1.42m in width and 0.63m in depth (Figure 23). It only yielded animal bone and as such is undated. However, it aligns with a linear geophysical anomaly and it is likely to be contemporary with other features identified in this part of the site.

5.2.6 North-western field system: Roman?

Trenches 71, 72 and 74 (Field 7), and 79 (Field 8)

In Trench 71 two parallel ditches spaced approximately 3m apart were identified (Figure 25). Ditch 7103 measured 1.36m in width and 0.24m and its single fill (7104) yielded no finds. Ditch 7105 measured 1.07m in width and 0.23m in depth (Plate 23), and contained a single fill (7106) which yielded two very small fragments of pottery of possible Roman date and a small fragment of chert. An environmental sample (19) from this ditch only yielded a very small quantity of charcoal and abundant modern remains.

In Trench 72 two ditches were also identified (Figure 26). Ditch 7203 measured 0.96m in width and 0.16m in depth, and its single fill (7204) yielded no finds. Ditch 7205 measured 1.08m in width and 0.39m in depth. It also contained a single fill (7206) which yielded no finds. An environmental sample (18) from this ditch only yielded a very small quantity of charcoal and abundant modern remains.

In Trench 74 four linear features, all orientated on the same broadly north-east to south-west alignment were identified (Figure 27). Ditch 7403 measured 1.26m in width and 0.43m in depth (Plate 24). It contained a single fill (7404) which yielded a small fragment of Roman pottery and two small

pieces of chert. An environmental sample (17) from this ditch only yielded a small quantity of charcoal, a single charred weed seed as well as abundant modern remains. Gully 7405 measured 0.48m in width and 0.16m in depth. Its single fill (7406) yielded no finds. Gullies 7407 and 7409 were intercutting, although due to their similar fills (7408 and 7410) the relationship between them was not established. Both fills yielded a single piece of flint.

In Trench 79 two ditches were identified (Figure 29). Ditch 7905 measured 0.54m in width and 0.16m in depth, and was filled by a single deposit (7906). Ditch 7907 measured 1.1m in width and 0.33m in depth and contained two fills. No finds were recovered from the basal fill (7908) but the upper fill (7913) yielded a small fragment of Roman pottery.

The features identified in Trenches 71, 72, 74 and 79 correlate with a series of geophysical anomalies, which appear to represent the remains of a field system. Given the apparently contemporary relationship of all these features they have been grouped together and, on the basis of the pottery, dated to the Roman period. However, it is noted that all the pottery recovered comprised of small fragments and could be intrusive.

5.2.7 Medieval and later activity

Quarry pits

Trench 9 (Field 1)

In the southern half of Trench 9 (Figure 10) were a number probable pit features (923, 925, 927, 929 and 933). Excavation of 927 revealed it to be 4.2m in width and up to 0.5m in depth, and yielded three fragments of post-medieval tile. A sherd of post-medieval pottery was also recovered from the surface (924) of Pit 923. These pits correspond to a series of irregular shapes anomalies identified during the geophysical survey.

Trenches 70 (Field 7), and 100 and 101 (Field 9)

Three quarry pits were located near the north-eastern corner of the site (Trenches 100 and 101) and one was located at the north-western corner of the site (Trench 70).

Quarry pit 10104, located in the middle of Trench 101, yielded five sherds of 12-14th century pottery, and no later material suggesting this feature may be medieval in date (Plate 25).

Quarry pit 10003, located in the centre of Trench 100, yielded a range of finds mostly of post-medieval date. This feature is not recorded on historic maps indicating it pre-dates the 1880s. Quarry pit 10015 was located at the eastern end of Trench 100 and no finds were recovered from this feature (Plate 26).

Quarry pit 7003 was located at the southern end of Trench 70. It did not yield any dateable finds.

These quarry pits broadly correlate with some of the geophysical anomalies targeted by the trenches. The pits appeared to be focussed on bands of limestone (mapped as Marlstone Rock Formation by the BGS).

Agricultural activity

Field boundaries

At the north-eastern end of Trench 17 (Field 1), excavation of Ditch 1703 yielded post-medieval pottery, glass, clay pipe and tile. This ditch corresponds to an irregularly orientated linear feature identified by the geophysical survey.

Post-medieval to modern ditches, corresponding to field boundaries recorded on early Ordnance Survey maps, were observed in Trenches 4 (405), 8 (828), 9 (911), 17 (1708), 19 (1903), 22 (2204), 66 (6603), 68 (6807), 69 (6911; Figure 24), 76 (7603), 77 (7704), 78 (7803), 99 (9903), 100 (10007) and 120 (12008). Slots were hand excavated in Ditches 828, 911, 1903, and 7704 and all four features yielded modern finds.

A ditch identified as a geophysical anomaly and targeted by Trenches 82 (8206; Figure 30) and 86 (8608) in Field 8 was not identified on historic mapping. However post-medieval pottery (from fill 8205) and tile (from fill 8607) indicated a post-medieval date.

A post-medieval ditch was also identified at the southern end of Trench 119 in Field 9 (Figure 39). It measured 2.3m in width and 0.52m in depth, and its fill (11912) yielded pottery and tile dating to the post-medieval period, as well as animal bone and an iron nail. This feature does not correlate with any geophysical anomalies, or any field boundaries recorded on historic Ordnance Survey mapping.

Ridge and furrow

Ridge and furrow activity was observed across the site typically corresponding with those identified by the geophysical survey. Post-medieval and modern stone and ceramic field drains were also observed in all fields, including trenches located on sandy deposits in Fields 1 and 2. The stone drains broadly corresponded to the alignment of the furrows, whilst the later ceramic system had typically been renewed and realigned on a number of occasions.

Other modern activity

Trench 120 in the south-east corner of Field 9 targeted a number of anomalies identified by the geophysical survey. However, machine excavation revealed a large pit containing modern brick, glass, and pottery, as well as a field boundary ditch (12008) and a range of field drains and no further excavation took place.

5.2.8 Undated features

Trench 6 (Field 1)

A single ditch (605) measured 0.8m in width and 0.45m in depth, and contained three fills which yielded no finds. It was orientated north-west to south-east (Figure 7).

Trench 32 (Field 2)

A single pit (3205) measured 0.66m in diameter and 0.33m in depth and contained two fills (Figure 21), which yielded no finds.

Trench 75 (Field 7)

A single ditch (7503) measured 0.97m in width and 0.22m in depth (Figure 28). It contained a single fill (7504) which did not yield any finds. It was orientated broadly north-east to south-west and was not identified by the geophysical survey.

Trench 82 (Field 8)

A gully (8208) was identified at the western end of the trench (Figure 30). It measured 0.42m in width and 0.21m in depth and contained a single fill (8207). It was not identified by the geophysical survey.

Trench 108 (Field 9)

A single ditch (10800), measured 0.6m in width and 0.4m in depth, and was oriented broadly east to west across the trench (Figure 37). This feature correlates with a linear geophysical anomaly orientated east to west in this part of the site.

5.2.9 Other targeted trenches

The geophysical anomalies targeted by Trenches 12, 13 and 45 were probably caused by ceramic field drains. The anomalies targeted by Trenches 2, 15, 16, 54, 56, 80, 83, 84, 99, 107 and 117 were not observed as natural or anthropogenic features within the excavated trenches.

6 Artefactual evidence by C Jane Evans and Rob Hedge

6.1 Artefact methodology

The project conforms to guidelines and standards set out by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists in *Standard and guidance for the collection, documentation, conservation and research of archaeological materials* (ClfA 2014c), as well as further guidance on pottery analysis, archive creation and museum deposition created by various pottery study groups (PCRG/SGRP/MPRG 2016), the Archaeological Archives Forum (AAF 2011), the Society of Museum Archaeologists (SMA 1993), and Northamptonshire Archaeological Resource Centre (NCC 2020).

6.1.1 Recovery policy

Artefacts were recovered according to standard Worcestershire Archaeology practice (WA 2012).

The majority of artefacts collected in the field were recovered by hand, but a small quantity of further material was retrieved from environmental samples (see below).

6.1.2 Method of analysis

The report covers all finds recovered from the two phases of evaluation undertaken in 2019. All hand-retrieved finds and finds from environmental samples were examined, with the aim of broadly dating and characterising activity on the site. Finds were identified, quantified and dated to period. A terminus post quem date was produced for each stratified context. The date was used for determining the broad date of phases defined for the site. All information was recorded on Microsoft Access 2007 database, with tables generated using Microsoft Excel.

The pottery and ceramic building material was examined under x20 magnification. Pottery was recorded, where possible, with reference to the Northamptonshire fabric series compiled by Aird and MacRobert and summarised in the Raunds report (Perrin 2006). Pottery was recorded by broad fabric class and quantified by count and weight.

Classification of worked flint follows conventions outlined in Ballin (2000), Inizan et al (1999), and Butler (2005); the material was catalogued according to type and dated where possible. Visible retouch, edge-damage, cortex, raw material characteristics and quality, burning, and breakage were noted.

6.1.3 Discard policy

Artefacts from topsoil and subsoil and unstratified contexts will normally be noted but not retained, unless they are of intrinsic interest (eg worked flint or flint debitage, featured pottery sherds, and other potential 'registered artefacts'). All artefacts will be collected from stratified excavated contexts, except for large assemblages of post-medieval or modern material, unless there is some special reason to retain such as local production. Such material may be noted and not retained, or, if appropriate, a representative sample may be collected and retained. Discard of finds from post-medieval and earlier deposits will only be instituted with reference to museum collection policy and/or with agreement of the local museum.

See the environmental section for other discard where appropriate.

6.2 Artefactual analysis

The artefacts are summarised in Tables 1 to 7.

Thirty-three of the trenches excavated produced finds (3, 7-9, 12, 17, 19, 21-26, 29, 33, 36, 40, 71, 74, 77, 79, 82, 86-7, 89, 91, 98, 100-01, 103-04, 117 and 119), from 89 stratified contexts (Table 7). The largest assemblages came from Trenches 7, 9, 24 and 26. Pottery was the most common artefact, but a range of other materials was also recorded (Table 1). Using pottery as an index of artefact condition, this was fairly poor with the majority of sherds displaying moderate to high levels of abrasion, and the average sherd weight being below average (9g).

Finds dated from the Mesolithic period onwards, but the main period of activity seems to be focussed on the 1st century AD, the late pre-Roman Iron Age to early Roman period. It is likely that this focus is in fact post conquest, but this hypothesis needs to be tested by more detailed analysis of pottery forms and fabrics. There were no well-dated small finds and no samian that might have provided more secure dating. There is evidence for Roman activity continuing into the early 2nd century, but nothing that need necessarily date later than mid-2nd century.

| Period | Material class | Material subtype | Object specific type | Count | Weight(g) |
|----------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|-------|-----------|
| Mesolithic | stone | flint | microburin | 1 | 1 |
| Mesolithic/early Neolithic | stone | flint | flake core | 1 | 12 |
| Neolithic/Bronze Age | stone | flint | knife | 1 | 7 |
| early Bronze Age | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 2 | 3 |
| prehistoric | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 25 | 27 |
| prehistoric | stone | chert | chip | 2 | 0.2 |
| prehistoric | stone | chert | chunk | 1 | 0.4 |
| prehistoric | stone | flint | chip | 1 | 1 |
| prehistoric | stone | flint | chunk | 7 | 40.1 |
| prehistoric | stone | flint | flake | 3 | 10.7 |
| prehistoric | stone | flint | utilised flake | 1 | 5.1 |
| prehistoric | stone | quartz | chip | 1 | 0.1 |
| Iron Age | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 65 | 545.5 |
| Iron Age? | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 23 | 121 |
| Iron Age/Roman | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 12 | 388 |
| Iron Age/Roman | stone | | quern | 1 | 769 |
| LIA/ERB | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 36 | 196.5 |
| early Roman | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 175 | 1802 |
| early Roman? | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 2 | 11 |
| Roman | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 33 | 305 |
| Roman? | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 4 | 26 |
| Roman? | ceramic | fired clay | spindle whorl? | 1 | 10 |
| medieval | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 6 | 51 |

| Period | Material class | Material subtype | Object specific type | Count | Weight(g) |
|-------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|-------|-----------|
| late med/early post-med | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 1 | 7 |
| post-medieval | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 8 | 126 |
| post-medieval | ceramic | fired clay | clay pipe | 2 | 5 |
| post-medieval | ceramic | fired clay | roof tile(flat) | 1 | 192 |
| post-medieval | glass | bottle glass | fragment | 3 | 55 |
| post-medieval | glass | bottle glass | vessel | 1 | 17 |
| post-medieval | stone | slate | fragment | 1 | 8 |
| post-medieval/modern | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 1 | 8 |
| post-medieval/modern | ceramic | fired clay | brick | 5 | 1790 |
| post-medieval/modern | ceramic | fired clay | brick/tile | 4 | 42 |
| post-medieval/modern | ceramic | fired clay | tile | 38 | 1763 |
| modern | ceramic | earthenware | pot | 14 | 46 |
| modern | metal | copper alloy | cartridge | 1 | 5 |
| undated | bone | animal bone | fragment | 22 | 92 |
| undated | ceramic | fired clay | fragment | 377 | 980 |
| undated | metal | iron | nail | 7 | 40 |
| undated | organic | animal bone | mammal bone | 352 | 4022 |
| undated | organic | bone | bone fragment | 3 | 0.1 |
| undated | organic | charcoal | | 7 | 4 |
| undated | organic | charcoal | fragment | 1 | 1 |
| undated | organic | fuel ash slag | fragment | 1 | 64 |
| undated | organic | shell | oyster shell | 1 | 41 |
| undated | organic | wood | | 6 | 2 |
| undated | stone | | fragment | 1 | 2170 |
| undated | stone | burnt stone | burnt stone | 9 | 101 |

| Period | Material class | Material subtype | Object specific type | Count | Weight(g) |
|---------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------|-----------|
| undated | stone | burnt stone | fragment | 5 | 52 |
| undated | stone | heat-cracked stone | fragment | 27 | 1478 |

Table 1: Quantification of the assemblage by period, material and object type

6.2.1 Summary artefactual evidence by period and type

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| Artefact class | Artefact type | Raw material | count | weight (g) | period | start date | end date |
|--------------------|----------------|--------------|-------|------------|------------------------------|------------|----------|
| tool | knife | flint | 1 | 7 | Neolithic / Bronze Age | -4000 | -1500 |
| | utilised flake | flint | 1 | 5.1 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 |
| Subtotal: tools | | | 2 | 12.1 | | | |
| debitage | microburin | flint | 1 | 1 | Mesolithic | -10000 | -4000 |
| | flake core | flint | 1 | 12 | Mesolithic / early Neolithic | -10000 | -3000 |
| | chip | chert | 2 | 0.2 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 |
| | | flint | 1 | 1 | | | |
| | | quartz | 1 | 0.1 | | | |
| | chunk | chert | 1 | 0.4 | | | |
| | | flint | 7 | 40.1 | | | |
| flake | flint | 3 | 10.7 | | | | |
| Subtotal: debitage | | | 17 | 65.5 | | | |
| Overall total: | | | 19 | 77.6 | | | |

Table 2: Quantification of lithic artefacts

Nineteen fragments of knapped stone were identified (Table 2), from Trenches 8, 24, 71, 74, 89, and 117. Of these, 14 were recovered from environmental samples; the remaining five were hand-collected during excavation. The majority of artefacts were of moderate to poor-quality flint, with thin and contused cortex suggesting that it probably comprised pebble flint from a local glaciofluvial source. Much of the flint showed varying degrees of re-cortication: most notably, a flake and a utilised flake from Trench 74 had a thick off-white patina. Two small chips and one chunk were of light grey chert, and one small chip of white quartz was also noted.

Most of the artefacts were residual fragments of small debitage; few could be reliably attributed to specific periods, with two exceptions:

- A Neolithic/Bronze Age knife was recovered from the fill of a modern ditch in Trench 8 (fill 829).
- A small assemblage from Trench 24, recovered from a peat/humic layer (layer 2424, Sample 11), includes a microburin and is therefore probably Mesolithic. All the flint is quite well-rounded, suggesting that it could be water-worn and may not therefore be *in-situ*.

Other stone

Two fragments of worked stone were recovered. A worn fragment, probably from a rotary quern, was recovered from Trench 8 (Pit 810, fill 811). Although not closely datable in itself it was associated with diagnostically 2nd century pottery. The other fragment, probably building stone, came from the topsoil in Trench 9 (layer 900) and is undated. In addition, small quantities of burnt stone were recorded from Trenches 8, 24, 26 and 89 (Table 3).

| Area/Trench | Count | Weight(g) |
|-------------|-------|-----------|
| 8 | 2 | 33 |
| 24 | 9 | 101 |
| 26 | 3 | 19 |
| 89 | 27 | 1478 |
| Total | 41 | 1631 |

Table 3: Quantification of the burnt stone by trench

The pottery

The pottery was recorded by broad fabric class (Table 4), with reference to Northamptonshire fabric codes where this was possible.

| Period | Northamptonshire Fabric Code | Fabric name | Count | Weight(g) | Average weight |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------|-----------|----------------|
| Bronze Age- Middle Iron Age | - | angular quartz | 23 | 23 | 1 |
| early Bronze Age | A | grogged ware | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Iron Age-early Roman | A | grogged ware | 188 | 1700.5 | 9 |
| Iron Age-early Roman | AB | grog & shell | 54 | 959 | 18 |
| Iron Age | B | shelly | 73 | 417.5 | 6 |
| Roman | C | reduced | 26 | 280 | 11 |
| | D | cream | 2 | 30 | 15 |
| | D | oxidised | 6 | 7 | 1 |
| | D11 | CG colour coated | 3 | 5 | 2 |

| Period | Northamptonshire Fabric Code | Fabric name | Count | Weight(g) | Average weight |
|----------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------|
| medieval | - | medieval glazed ware | 2 | 10 | 5 |
| | - | medieval sand | 2 | 6 | 3 |
| | - | medieval shell | 3 | 42 | 14 |
| post-medieval | - | post-medieval buff ware | 3 | 56 | 19 |
| | - | post-medieval red ware | 4 | 22 | 6 |
| | - | post-medieval orange ware | 1 | 48 | 48 |
| post-medieval/modern | - | Jasperware | 1 | 8 | 8 |
| modern | - | modern china | 14 | 46 | 3 |
| Total | | | 407 | 3663 | 9 |

Table 4: Quantification of the pottery by period and fabric class

The earliest diagnostic pottery comprised two sherds of early Bronze Age Beaker pottery found in Pit 8912 (fill 8911) in Trench 89. The sherds were in a grog-tempered fabric (Fabric A) and had impressed comb decoration. The sherds tempered with angular white quartz were not in themselves diagnostic, but the fabric is characteristic of regional pottery dating from the Bronze Age to Middle Iron Age, see for example fabric 1 from Whitmoor Haye, Staffordshire (Laura Griffin, *pers comm*). Twenty-two very fragmentary sherds in this fabric were associated with a pit in Trench 117 (11705, fill 11706), presumably from the same vessel, with a further small sherd from a ditch in Trench 104 (10408, fill 10407). A couple of other early sherds are described below amongst the grog and grog/shell tempered ware.

The most common fabric class by far comprised grog-tempered wares (Fabric A), representing almost 50% of the assemblage and particularly associated with Trenches 24 (44 sherds, 807g), 25 (24 sherds, 404g) and 26 (102 sherds, 275g). Diagnostic rims came from Belgic/early Roman forms, such as bead rim and everted rim jars, a jar with a lid seat rim (cf Marney 1989, fig 35.41), and a platter (cf Marney 1989, fig 34 7-10), and various wheelmade, tooled or foot-ring bases were noted. These forms probably date to the early Roman period, ie the mid-late 1st century, thus dating activity associated with Trenches 24-26. For the purposes of spot dating, many sherds in this fabric class could only be attributed a general Late Iron Age-early Roman date. Based on evidence elsewhere (Marney 1989, 89), many of these could also date to the early Roman period. However, grog temper was used over a long period in this region. A handmade, grog-tempered base recorded from Trench 21 (Ditch 2103, fill 2104) has been attributed a general Iron Age date. A small sherd with possible finger impressed decoration was associated with the early pottery in Trench 104, described above (Ditch 10408, fill 10407) and is likely to be contemporary with it.

The majority of the grog and shell tempered wares (Fabric AB) came from a similar area of the site, from Trenches 22 and 24. The pottery from Trench 24 is likely to be broadly contemporary with the grog-tempered wares described above. Forms included jars with lid seat rims (Trench 24, Ditch 2403, fills 2404 and 2406). However, 12 sherds of scored ware were also noted in this fabric class, from

Trenches 22 (Pit 2246, fill 2245) and 24 (Ditch 2417, fills 2418 and 2420). Scored wares are very broadly dated, starting around the fourth century BC but continuing into the first half of the 1st century AD at least (Elsdon 199, 89). For spot dating purposes these were therefore given a very broad Iron Age/Roman date, though they are unlikely to date much after the mid-1st century AD. Another pit in Trench 22 (2212, fill 2211) produced a tiny rim with fingernail decoration on the tip. It was not possible to identify the form from the very short profile surviving, but this is likely to date to the early to Middle Iron Age. Another, potentially earlier sherd came from a gully in Trench 22 (2226, fill 2225). This had distinctive finger wiping on the external surface.

No diagnostic forms were included amongst the shelly wares (Fabric B). For spot dating purposes these were attributed a broad Iron Age date, based on the presence of number of handmade sherds. The distribution of this fabric across the site also differs from the grog-based fabrics described above. The majority of sherds came from Trench 9, in particular from Ditch 915 (fill 916). This produced 51 sherds (231g) most probably from a single handmade vessel. A further five sherds came from Ditch 919 (fills 921 and 922). Only small quantities were recovered from Trenches 21-24 and Trenches 29, 33 and 104.

The majority of the diagnostically Roman fabrics came from Trench 24. Reduced wares were most common (Fabric C), mainly blue-grey sandy wares. Diagnostic forms, where present, indicated a 2nd century date. These included copies of BB1 forms; a jar with wavy decoration on the neck, dating from c AD 120-late 2nd (Trench 8, Pit 810, fill 811), and a bead rim bowl or dish of a broadly similar date (Trench 24, Pit 2403, fill 2405). The latter context also produced a lid-seat jar similar to an early 2nd century type illustrated from a kiln at Caldecotte, Milton Keynes (Marney 1989, fig 40.61-2, fig 39.26). One sherd, also from Trench 24, had a fumed surface. If this is a deliberate surface finish, rather than the result of use, this might suggest a later 1st to early 2nd century date. Other Roman wares from Trench 24 (layer 2425) comprised the rim from a necked jar/bowl in a cream ware, and an oxidised body sherd (both Fabric D). A further oxidised sherd came from a ditch in Trench 8 (820, fill 821). The only import was a folded beaker in Central Gaulish Black-slipped ware (Tomber and Dore 1998, 50, CNG BS), dating to the earlier 2nd century (Fabric D11). This was represented by two sherds from Ditch 2403 (fill 2406) and a further sherd from Ditch 2407 (fill 2411).

Only a handful of medieval, post-medieval and modern pottery was recovered. Trench 101 (pit 10104, fill 10103) produced five sherds of medieval pottery dating to the 12th-14th centuries; three from the base of a shell-tempered jug with a degraded glaze, and two unglazed sherds from a sand-tempered cook pot. The two further sherds of medieval glazed ware came from Trench 100 (Pit 10003, fill 10004), dating to the 12th-14th centuries, and Trench 119 (Ditch 11911, fill 11912) from a jug with a brownish glaze, dating to the 15th to 16th centuries. Eight sherds of post medieval red, orange and buff ware were identified; from Trenches 8 (Ditch 816, fill 817), 9 (Pit 923, fill 924), 17 (Ditch 1703, fill 1704), 89 (Furrow 8206, fill 8205) and 100 (Pit 10003, fill 10004).

Other fired clay

The most significant fired clay find was a spindle whorl, formed from a ring of clay. This was recovered from Trench 29 (Gully 2905, fill 2906) and was associated with two small sherds of Roman pottery. By association, and taking into account the fine fabric used, this is likely to be a Roman find. It has a diameter of 33mm, is 10.3mm thick, and has a central perforation of 11.5mm.

Four hundred and twenty-eight fragments of fired clay were recorded (4.7kg) from twenty-one trenches (Table 5). The heaviest concentrations were in Trenches 100, 89 and 24. The finds from Trench 89 were found in Pit 8912 (fill 8911), associated with two sherds of early Bronze Age pottery, lithics, and bone. There was nothing diagnostic about the fired clay, apart from one piece from Trench 24 (Ditch 2417, fill 2418) and a couple of pieces from Trench 89 (Pit 8912, fill 8911) which had a wattle impression suggesting it was from an oven or other structure.

Two fragments of post-medieval clay pipe stem were recovered, from Trench 17 (Ditch 1703, fill 1704) and Trench 100 (Pit 10003, fill 10004).

| Area/Trench | Count | Weight(g) | Average Weight(g) | % Weight |
|-------------|-------|-----------|-------------------|----------|
| 3 | 4 | 283 | 71 | 6% |
| 7 | 9 | 276 | 31 | 6% |
| 9 | 8 | 313 | 39 | 7% |
| 12 | 1 | 126 | 126 | 3% |
| 17 | 3 | 20 | 7 | <1% |
| 19 | 3 | 141 | 47 | 3% |
| 21 | 1 | 9 | 9 | <1% |
| 22 | 14 | 62 | 4 | 1% |
| 23 | 2 | 1 | 1 | <1% |
| 24 | 23 | 469 | 20 | 10% |
| 26 | 26 | 46 | 2 | 1% |
| 29 | 1 | 10 | 10 | <1% |
| 74 | 1 | 0.5 | 1 | <1% |
| 77 | 2 | 28 | 14 | 1% |
| 86 | 1 | 192 | 192 | 4% |
| 89 | 282 | 527.5 | 2 | 11% |
| 100 | 15 | 1955 | 130 | 41% |
| 103 | 3 | 0.5 | 0 | <1% |
| 104 | 12 | 10 | 1 | <1% |
| 117 | 6 | 235.5 | 39 | 5% |
| 119 | 11 | 77 | 7 | 2% |
| Total | 428 | 4782 | 11 | |

Table 5: Quantification of the fired clay by trench

Ceramic building material

A number of trenches produced small quantities of brick and tile (Table 6), none of which justify detailed discussion.

| Trench | Object Specific Type | Period | Count | Weight(g) | Average weight |
|--------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------|-------------|----------------|
| 3 | tile | post-medieval/modern | 4 | 283 | 71 |
| 7 | brick/tile | post-medieval/modern | 2 | 25 | 13 |
| 7 | tile | post-medieval/modern | 7 | 251 | 36 |
| 9 | tile | post-medieval/modern | 3 | 298 | 99 |
| 12 | tile | post-medieval/modern | 1 | 126 | 126 |
| 17 | brick/tile | post-medieval/modern | 2 | 17 | 9 |
| 19 | tile | post-medieval/modern | 3 | 141 | 47 |
| 24 | tile | post-medieval/modern | 1 | 227 | 227 |
| 100 | brick | post-medieval/modern | 5 | 1790 | 358 |
| 100 | tile | post-medieval/modern | 3 | 125 | 42 |
| 117 | tile | post-medieval/modern | 5 | 235 | 47 |
| 119 | tile | post-medieval/modern | 11 | 77 | 7 |
| Total | | | 47 | 3595 | 76 |

Table 6: Quantification of the brick and tile by trench

Metal and glass finds

Seven corroded iron nails were recorded, from Trenches 7, 9, 19, 24, 100 and 119. While not closely datable in themselves, most were associated with post-medieval or modern finds. One, from Trench 24 (Ditch 2403, fill 2406) is likely to be Roman based on context and associated finds; it was associated with a sherd from a 2nd century colour-coated ware beaker.

Four fragments of post-medieval bottle glass were recovered from Trenches 8, 17 and 100.

Ditch 911 (fill 912), in Trench 9 produced a metal cap from a modern shot gun cartridge.

Fuel ash slag

A single fragment (64g) was recovered from Trench 24 (Ditch 2417, fill 2418), associated with early Roman pottery.

| Context | Material class | Material subtype/object specific type | Count | Weight(g) | Period | Start date | End date | Tpq date range |
|---------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------|------------|----------|----------------|
| 304 | ceramic | pot | 4 | 4 | LIA/ERB | 0 | 99 | 1st AD |
| 306 | ceramic | tile | 4 | 283 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | 1540-2000 |

| Context | Material class | Material subtype/object specific type | Count | Weight(g) | Period | Start date | End date | Tp q date range |
|---------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------|------------|----------|---------------------------------|
| 710 | ceramic | tile | 6 | 238 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | 1540-2000 |
| | metal | nail (Fe) | 1 | 2 | undated | | | |
| 716 | ceramic | pot | 2 | 18 | LIA/ERB | 0 | 99 | 1st AD |
| | organic | mammal bone | 42 | 36 | undated | | | |
| 717 | ceramic | pot | 2 | 21 | LIA/ERB | 0 | 99 | 1540-2000 |
| | ceramic | brick/tile | 2 | 25 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | |
| | ceramic | tile | 1 | 13 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | |
| 807 | organic | charcoal | 6 | 3 | undated | | | undated |
| 811 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 37 | Iron Age | | | 120 -late C2nd AD |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 8 | Roman | 120 | late 2nd | |
| | stone | quern | 1 | 769 | Iron Age/Roman | | | |
| 817 | ceramic | pot | 2 | 87 | LIA/ERB | 0 | 99 | 1st AD (1540-2000 intrusive) |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 3 | Iron Age | | | |
| | stone | burnt stone | 2 | 33 | undated | | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 6 | post-medieval | 1540 | 1899 | |
| 821 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 3 | Roman | mid 1st | 410+ | AD 43-410+ |
| 829 | stone | flint knife | 1 | 7 | Neolithic/Bronze Age | -4000 | -1500 | 1700-1900 |
| | glass | vessel | 1 | 17 | post-medieval | 1700 | 1900 | |
| 900 | stone | stone fragment | 1 | 2170 | undated | | | undated |
| | organic | mammal bone | 1 | 101 | undated | | | |
| 912 | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 1 | 9 | undated | | | 1900-2000 |
| | metal | cartridge | 1 | 5 | modern | 1900 | 2000 | |
| 916 | organic | mammal bone | 29 | 167 | undated | | | 1st AD |
| | ceramic | pot | 39 | 228 | Iron Age | | | |

| Context | Material class | Material subtype/object specific type | Count | Weight(g) | Period | Start date | End date | Tp q date range |
|---------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------|------------|----------|-----------------|
| | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 3 | 4 | undated | | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 1 | LIA/ERB | 0 | 99 | |
| | ceramic | pot | 12 | 3 | ?Iron Age | | | |
| 921 | organic | mammal bone | 14 | 311 | undated | | | 1st AD |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 24 | Iron Age | | | |
| | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 1 | 2 | undated | | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 0.5 | LIA/ERB | 0 | 99 | |
| 922 | ceramic | pot | 3 | 20 | Iron Age? | -800 | 42 | -800-42 AD |
| | organic | mammal bone | 24 | 324 | undated | | | |
| 924 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 9 | post-medieval | 1600 | 1799 | 1600-1799 |
| 928 | ceramic | tile | 3 | 298 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | 1540-2000 |
| 1200 | ceramic | tile | 1 | 126 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | 1540-2000 |
| 1704 | ceramic | pot | 2 | 23 | post-medieval | 1540 | 1899 | 1540-2000 |
| | ceramic | clay pipe | 1 | 3 | post-medieval | 1540 | 1899 | |
| | ceramic | brick/tile | 2 | 17 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | |
| 1706 | glass | pot | 2 | 49 | post-medieval | 1540 | 1899 | 1540-1899 |
| 1716 | organic | mammal bone | 1 | 6 | undated | | | undated |
| 1904 | ceramic | tile | 3 | 141 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | 1900-2000 |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 3 | modern | 1900 | 2000 | |
| | metal | nail (Fe) | 1 | 9 | undated | | | |
| 2104 | ceramic | pot | 2 | 55 | Iron Age | -800 | 42 | -800-42 |
| | organic | mammal bone | 2 | 25 | undated | | | |
| | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 1 | 9 | undated | | | |

| Context | Material class | Material subtype/object specific type | Count | Weight(g) | Period | Start date | End date | Tp q date range |
|---------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------|------------|-----------|-----------------|
| 2106 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 6 | Iron Age | -800 | 42 | -800-42 AD |
| 2211 | ceramic | pot | 2 | 17 | Iron Age | -800 | 42 | -800 to -101 |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 4 | Iron Age | -800 | -101 | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 1 | 19 | undated | | | |
| 2215 | ceramic | pot | 5 | 10 | Iron Age | -800 | 42 | -800-42 AD |
| 2219 | organic | mammal bone | 2 | 53 | undated | | | undated |
| 2225 | ceramic | pot | 2 | 44 | Iron Age | -800 | 42 | -800-42 AD |
| 2227 | organic | mammal bone | 1 | 5 | undated | | | undated |
| 2229 | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 14 | 62 | undated | | | 1st AD |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 33 | Iron Age | -800 | 42 | |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 34 | LIA/ERB | 0 | 99 | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 3 | 8 | undated | | | |
| 2236 | organic | mammal bone | 6 | 3 | undated | | | undated |
| 2245 | ceramic | pot | 9 | 331 | Iron Age/Roman | -400 | 99 | -400-99 AD |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 3 | ?Iron Age | | | |
| 2300 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 19 | Iron Age? | -800 | 42 | -800-42 AD |
| 2304 | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 2 | 1 | undated | | | undated |
| | organic | mammal bone | 1 | 2 | undated | | | |
| 2306 | organic | mammal bone | 1 | 5 | undated | | | undated |
| 2401 | organic | mammal bone | 4 | 72 | undated | | | undated |
| 2404 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 16 | early Roman | late 1st | | mid-late 1st AD |
| | ceramic | pot | 19 | 441 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 12 | 238 | undated | | | |
| 2405 | ceramic | pot | 14 | 136 | Roman | early 2nd | | early 2nd AD |
| | ceramic | pot | 8 | 167 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st? | |

| Context | Material class | Material subtype/object specific type | Count | Weight(g) | Period | Start date | End date | Tpq date range |
|---------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------|--------------|------------|-----------------|
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 5 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st | |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 23 | early Roman | mid-late 1st | early 2nd? | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 6 | 67 | undated | | | |
| 2406 | metal | nail (Fe) | 1 | 9 | undated | | | early 2nd AD |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 3 | Roman | early 2nd | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 6 | Roman | late 1st | 2nd | |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 4 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st? | |
| | ceramic | pot | 4 | 66 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 10 | 72 | undated | | | |
| 2408 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 39 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st | mid-late 1st AD |
| | organic | mammal bone | 21 | 639 | undated | | | |
| 2409 | organic | mammal bone | 10 | 232 | undated | | | undated |
| 2410 | stone | burnt stone | 5 | 62 | undated | | | 1st AD |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 3 | LIA/ERB | 0 | 99 | |
| 2411 | ceramic | pot | 9 | 197 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st | early 2nd AD |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 2 | Roman | early 2nd | | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 19 | 230 | undated | | | |
| 2413 | organic | mammal bone | 8 | 89 | undated | | | undated |
| | organic | wood | 6 | 2 | undated | | | |
| 2414 | ceramic | pot | 2 | 16 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st | mid-late 1st AD |
| | organic | mammal bone | 11 | 291 | undated | | | |
| 2418 | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 4 | 104 | undated | | | late 1st AD |
| | organic | fuel ash slag | 1 | 64 | undated | | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 45 | Iron Age/Roman | -400 | 99 | |
| | ceramic | pot | 5 | 54 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st | |

| Context | Material class | Material subtype/object specific type | Count | Weight(g) | Period | Start date | End date | Tp q date range |
|---------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|------------|----------|-----------------|
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 7 | Roman | late 1st | | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 21 | 229 | undated | | | |
| | organic | oyster shell | 1 | 41 | undated | | | |
| 2419 | stone | burnt stone | 2 | 33 | undated | | | late 1st AD |
| | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 14 | 111 | undated | | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 8 | 36 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st | |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 8 | Roman | late 1st | | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 21 | 84 | undated | | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 12 | Iron Age | | | |
| 2420 | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 3 | 17 | undated | | | -400-99 |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 67 | Iron Age | -800 | 42 | |
| | ceramic | pot | 5 | 48 | Iron Age? | | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 12 | Iron Age/Roman | -400 | 99 | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 12 | 303 | undated | | | |
| 2421 | organic | mammal bone | 2 | 270 | undated | | | undated |
| 2423 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 10 | Roman | late 1st | | late 1st AD |
| | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 1 | 10 | undated | | | |
| 2424 | stone | burnt stone | 2 | 6 | undated | | | -10000-43 AD |
| | stone | flint chunk | 4 | 27 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 | |
| | stone | flint flake core | 1 | 12 | Mesolithic/early Neolithic | -10000 | -3000 | |
| | stone | flint microburin | 1 | 1 | Mesolithic | -10000 | -4000 | |
| | stone | flint chip | 1 | 1 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 | |
| 2425 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 25 | Roman? | mid 1st | | late 1st-2nd AD |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 30 | Roman | late 1st | 2nd | |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 49 | Roman | | | |

| Context | Material class | Material subtype/object specific type | Count | Weight(g) | Period | Start date | End date | Tp date range |
|---------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------|------------|----------|-----------------|
| | ceramic | pot | 5 | 75 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 2 | 2 | undated | | | |
| 2430 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 28 | Iron Age? | -800 | 42 | -800-42 AD |
| 2434 | ceramic | tile | 1 | 227 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | 1540-2000 |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 11 | early Roman? | mid 1st | late 1st | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 1 | 25 | undated | | | |
| 2504 | ceramic | pot | 24 | 404 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st | mid-late 1st AD |
| | organic | mammal bone | 5 | 2 | undated | | | |
| 2604 | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 25 | 43 | undated | | | undated |
| | stone | burnt stone | 3 | 19 | undated | | | |
| 2605 | ceramic | pot | 85 | 259 | early Roman | mid 1st | late 1st | mid-late 1st AD |
| | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 1 | 3 | undated | | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 17 | 16 | LIA/ERB | 0 | 99 | |
| 2904 | organic | mammal bone | 15 | 29 | undated | | | undated |
| 2906 | ceramic | pot | 2 | 3 | Roman | mid 1st | | Mid 1st AD |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 0.5 | Iron Age | | | |
| | ceramic | spindle whorl? | 1 | 10 | Roman? | mid 1st | | |
| 3304 | ceramic | pot | 3 | 5 | Iron Age | -800 | 42 | -800-42 |
| 3603 | bone | Animal bone | 22 | 92 | undated | | | undated |
| 4003 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 13 | Roman | mid 1st | 2nd | mid-1st-2nd AD |
| 7106 | stone | chert | 1 | 0.4 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 | Roman? |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 0.5 | Roman? | | | |
| 7404 | stone | chert | 2 | 0.2 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 | AD 43-410+ |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 0.5 | Roman? | | | |
| 7408 | stone | flint | 1 | 10.3 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 | -10000-AD43 |

| Context | Material class | Material subtype/object specific type | Count | Weight(g) | Period | Start date | End date | Tpq date range |
|---------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------|------------|----------|----------------|
| 7410 | stone | flint | 1 | 5.1 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 | -10000-AD43 |
| 7705 | ceramic | pot | 12 | 43 | modern | 1800 | 2000 | 1800-2000 |
| | ceramic | fired clay | 2 | 28 | undated | | | |
| 7913 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 0.5 | Roman? | | | AD 43+? |
| 8205 | ceramic | pot | 2 | 81 | post-medieval | 1600 | 1800 | 1600-1800 |
| 8607 | ceramic | tile | 1 | 192 | post-medieval | 1700 | 1900 | 1700-1900 |
| 8707 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 4 | LIA/ERB | 0 | 99 | AD 43-410+ |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 2 | Roman | 43 | 410+ | |
| | organic | charcoal | 1 | 1 | undated | | | |
| 8907 | ceramic | fired clay | 1 | 0.5 | undated | | | -10000-AD43 |
| | stone | flint | 1 | 0.2 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 | |
| 8909 | ceramic | fired clay | 55 | 36 | undated | | | undated |
| 8911 | ceramic | pot | 2 | 3 | early Bronze Age | -2350 | -1601 | -2350 - -1601 |
| | ceramic | fired clay | 223 | 482 | undated | | | |
| | organic | bone | 3 | 0.1 | undated | | | |
| | stone | flint | 2 | 7.3 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 | |
| | stone | quartz | 1 | 0.1 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 | |
| 8913 | ceramic | fired clay | 3 | 9 | undated | | | undated |
| | stone | burnt stone | 27 | 1478 | undated | | | |
| 9101 | ceramic | pot | 2 | 25 | Roman | 43 | 410+ | AD 43-410+ |
| 9801 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 8 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | 1540-2000 |
| 9814 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 7 | LIA/ERB | 0 | 99 | 1st AD |
| 10004 | ceramic | tile | 3 | 125 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | 1800-2000 |
| | ceramic | brick | 4 | 197 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | |
| | ceramic | clay pipe | 1 | 2 | post-medieval | 1540 | 1899 | |

| Context | Material class | Material subtype/object specific type | Count | Weight(g) | Period | Start date | End date | Tpq date range |
|---------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------|-------------|----------|-------------------|
| | stone | slate | 1 | 8 | post-medieval | 1540 | 1899 | |
| | ceramic | brick | 1 | 1593 | post-medieval/modern | 1800 | 2000 | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 1 | 5 | undated | | | |
| | metal | nail (Fe) | 3 | 18 | undated | | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 3 | medieval | 1100 | 1399 | |
| | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 6 | 38 | undated | | | |
| | glass | vessel | 1 | 6 | post-medieval | 1540 | 1899 | |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 7 | post-medieval | 1540 | 1899 | |
| 10103 | ceramic | pot | 5 | 486 | medieval | 1100 | 1399 | 1100-1399 |
| | organic | mammal bone | 14 | 6 | undated | | | |
| 10304 | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 3 | 0.5 | undated | | | undated |
| | organic | mammal bone | 14 | 65 | undated | | | |
| 10403 | organic | mammal bone | 12 | 5 | undated | | | undated |
| 10407 | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 12 | 10 | undated | | | ?Bronze Age - MIA |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 1 | prehistoric | | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 2 | 5 | prehistoric | ?Bronze Age | MIA? | |
| 10409 | ceramic | pot | 1 | 1 | LIA/ERB | 0 | 99 | 1st AD |
| 11700 | ceramic | tile | 5 | 235 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | 1540-2000 |
| 11706 | stone | flint chunk | 1 | 2 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 | -10000-43 AD |
| | ceramic | fired clay fragment | 1 | 0.5 | undated | | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 22 | 21 | prehistoric | ?Bronze Age | MIA? | |
| 11717 | stone | flint chunk | 1 | 4 | prehistoric | -10000 | 43 | -10000-43 AD |
| 11901 | organic | charcoal | 1 | 1 | undated | | | undated |

| Context | Material class | Material subtype/object specific type | Count | Weight(g) | Period | Start date | End date | TPQ date range |
|---------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------|-------------------------|------------|----------|----------------|
| 11912 | ceramic | tile | 11 | 77 | post-medieval/modern | 1540 | 2000 | 1540-2000 |
| | metal | nail (Fe) | 1 | 2 | undated | | | |
| | ceramic | pot | 1 | 7 | late med/early post-med | 1400 | 1599 | |
| | organic | mammal bone | 3 | 2 | undated | | | |

Table 7: Summary of context dating based on artefacts

6.2.2 Significance

The finds indicate various phases of activity across the site. The assemblage dated from the Mesolithic/early Neolithic period through to the modern period. The earliest activity, represented by Mesolithic flint, was associated with a humic layer in Trench 24. A Neolithic/Bronze Age knife hinted at some level of activity dating to this period, though the knife was residual in a modern ditch. Two sherds of early Bronze Age Beaker pottery were associated with fragments of burnt clay, lithics and bone in Pit 8912 (fill 8911) in Trench 89. Small quantities of Bronze Age-Middle Iron Age pottery were associated with Trenches 104 and 117, and an early-Middle Iron Age sherd was recovered from Trench 22. The shell tempered ware, which includes sherds of scored ware, is in an Iron Age tradition. There seemed to be a concentration of this in Trench 9, perhaps indicating a focus of Iron Age activity there. The main focus of activity, however, dated to the late pre-Roman Iron Age or, perhaps more likely, early Roman period; i.e. the 1st or, more likely, latter half of the 1st century AD. This activity was focussed around Trenches 24, 25 and 26. The finds from Trench 24 suggest that activity there continued into the 2nd century. The only Roman small finds were a spindle whorl from Trench 29, associated with two small sherds of Roman pottery, and a nail associated with 2nd century pottery in Trench 24. There was only scant evidence for medieval activity; occasional sherds dated to the 12th-14th century from Trenches 100 and 101, and late medieval-early post-medieval pottery from Trench 119. A scattering of post-medieval and modern pottery, clay pipe, and brick or tile was recovered across the site.

6.2.3 Recommendations

The aim of the assessment was to date and characterise the finds, identifying material of particular interest. To achieve this, the pottery was recorded by broad fabric class and quantified by count and weight. The prehistoric and Roman pottery will require more detailed analysis by fabric and form a part of any future post-excavation programme. This, and full analysis of the knapped stone, should be incorporated into any further stages of work at the site. No further work is recommended on the post-Roman finds, though their presence needs to be noted.

7 Environmental remains

The environmental project conforms to guidance by English Heritage (2011) and Association for Environmental Archaeology (1995).

7.1 Aims

The aims of the assessment were to determine the state of preservation, type, and quantity of environmental remains recovered, from the samples and information provided. This information will be used to assess the importance of the environmental remains.

7.2 Methods

7.2.1 Sampling policy

Samples were taken according to standard Worcestershire Archaeology practice (2012). A total of 21 samples (each of up to 60 litres) of Mesolithic to Roman date were taken from the site (Table 6). The WSI stated that eight of the most productive looking samples would be selected for processing, assessment and discussion, although ultimately all 21 samples have been processed and assessed.

| Context | Sample | Feature type | Fill of | Position of fill | Period | Sample volume (L) | Volume Processed (L) |
|---------|--------|--------------|---------|------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| 916 | 8 | Ditch | 915 | | Iron Age | 10 | 10 |
| 921 | 7 | Ditch | 919 | Secondary | Early Roman | 10 | 10 |
| 2236 | 12 | Ditch | 2237 | Primary | undated | 10 | 10 |
| 2245 | 13 | Pit | 2246 | Primary | Iron Age/Roman | 10 | 10 |
| 2410 | 1 | Ditch | 2407 | | Late Iron Age/early Roman | 10 | 10 |
| 2419 | 6 | Ditch | 2417 | Other | early Roman | 10 | 10 |
| 2424 | 11 | Layer | - | - | Mesolithic/Neolithic | 10 | 10 |
| 2604 | 9 | Ditch | 2603 | Secondary | undated | 10 | 10 |
| 2605 | 10 | Ditch | 2603 | Primary | early Roman | 10 | 10 |
| 7106 | 19 | Ditch | 7105 | | Roman? | 10 | 10 |
| 7206 | 18 | Ditch | 7025 | Secondary | Roman? | 10 | 10 |
| 7404 | 17 | Ditch | 7403 | | Roman? | 10 | 10 |
| 8707 | 20 | Ditch | 8708 | | Iron Age/Roman? | 10 | 10 |
| 8907 | 16 | Pit | 8908 | | Early Bronze Age? | 10 | 10 |
| 8909 | 15 | Pit | 8910 | | Early Bronze Age? | 10 | 10 |
| 8911 | 14 | Pit | 8912 | Primary | Early Bronze Age | 60 | 20 |
| 8913 | 21 | Posthole | 8912 | Secondary | Early Bronze Age | 10 | 10 |
| 9505 | 4 | Ditch | 9503 | Secondary | Iron Age/Roman? | 10 | 10 |
| 10304 | 2 | Ditch | 10306 | Secondary | Iron Age/Roman? | 10 | 10 |

| Context | Sample | Feature type | Fill of | Position of fill | Period | Sample volume (L) | Volume Processed (L) |
|---------|--------|--------------|---------|------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| 10405 | 3 | Ditch | 10406 | Primary | Iron Age/Roman? | 10 | 10 |
| 11706 | 5 | Pit | 11705 | Secondary | Bronze Age/Iron Age | 20 | 20 |

Table 6: List of bulk samples

7.2.2 Processing and analysis

Hand-collected animal bone by Elizabeth Pearson

This material was quantified according to fragment count and weight by context. Comments were made on the condition and presence of juvenile bones and dominant species. Animal bone was identified with the aid of modern bone reference collections housed at the Worcestershire Archaeology and identification guides (Schmid 1972 and Hillson 1992).

Plant macrofossil remains by Kath Hunter Dowse

The samples were processed by flotation using a Siraf tank. The flots were collected on a 300µm sieve and the residue retained on a 1mm mesh. This allows for the recovery of items such as small animal bones, molluscs and seeds.

Samples were assessed for their potential for plant remains and other environmental evidence including charcoal. The residues were sorted in-house by Worcestershire Archaeology with charcoal and other plant remains extracted from the greater than 2mm fraction. The flots and material extracted from the residues were rapidly assessed by the author using an MTL stereo microscope.

In order to meet the aims of the evaluation, the assessment of charcoal attempted to identify the presence of ring porous or diffuse vessel patterns, and whether the charcoal represents roundwood, heartwood, twig or root. However, the act of trying to identify the above characteristics in abraded charcoal is by necessity destructive, so this was not carried out on all of the fragments from the evaluation. The frequency of all environmental remains has been recorded using the following criteria:

- * 1-5 items
- ** 6-10 items
- *** 11-50 items
- **** 50-100+ items

The frequency for charcoal recorded in Table 9 in brackets eg (***) represents the proportion that appears to be larger than 2mm in all dimensions and may be identifiable to species.

Where identification of other plant macrofossils has taken place, the nomenclature for cereals follows Zohary *et al* 2012 and other plants Stace 2010. The term “seed” may include achene, fruit, nutlet etc.

The criteria used to select samples for further analysis of archaeobotanical remains is based on a scheme developed by Wendy Carruthers (Carruthers *pers comm*). This allows various factors to be taken into account when assessing samples. The priority categories used in this assessment are as follows:

- A. high potential on archaeobotanical grounds (i.e. rare or interesting plant taxa or exceptional preservation) or due to the scarcity of information from this type of deposit (eg Neolithic contexts).
- B. good potential due to reasonable preservation and/or frequent identifiable charred plant remains, i.e. the assemblage can provide a useful amount of information.
- C. some charred material but present in low concentrations or very poorly preserved. The samples will only be worth including if part of a group, or if the context is especially important or particular information is required.
- D. no charred material or so few to have been fully identified and recorded. Any information recovered from C and D samples can be included in the final report if necessary.

7.2.3 Discard policy

The scanned residues will be retained with the archive.

7.3 Results

7.3.1 Hand-collected animal bone by Elizabeth Pearson

A total of 4.14 kg (377 fragments) of animal bone was hand-collected from the site (Table 7). A large proportion of the bone was collected from a wet area of Trench 24, where animal bone was of late Iron Age to early Roman date and was well-preserved and present in relatively large fragments. The remainder of the bone was moderately well-preserved and more fragmented.

A relatively high proportion of the bone overall appeared to be cattle-sized, with some sheep/goat bone noted.

| Context | Count | Weight(g) | Feature type | Period |
|--------------------|-------|-----------|--------------|---------|
| <i>Animal bone</i> | | | | |
| 716 | 42 | 36 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 900 | 1 | 101 | Topsoil | undated |
| 916 | 29 | 167 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 921 | 14 | 311 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 922 | 24 | 324 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 1716 | 1 | 6 | Ditch | undated |
| 2104 | 2 | 25 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2211 | 1 | 19 | Pit | LIA/ERB |
| 2219 | 2 | 53 | Ditch | undated |
| 2227 | 1 | 5 | Pit | undated |
| 2229 | 3 | 8 | | LIA/ERB |
| 2236 | 6 | 3 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2304 | 1 | 2 | Ditch | undated |

| Context | Count | Weight(g) | Feature type | Period |
|---------|-------|-----------|--------------|------------|
| 2306 | 1 | 5 | Pit | undated |
| 2401 | 4 | 72 | Subsoil | undated |
| 2404 | 12 | 238 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2405 | 6 | 67 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2406 | 10 | 72 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2408 | 6 | 202 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2408 | 4 | 120 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2408 | 11 | 317 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2409 | 10 | 232 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2411 | 17 | 203 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2411 | 2 | 27 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2413 | 8 | 89 | | undated |
| 2414 | 4 | 66 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2414 | 4 | 27 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2414 | 3 | 198 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2418 | 19 | 224 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2418 | 2 | 5 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2419 | 2 | 7 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2419 | 19 | 77 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2420 | 12 | 303 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2421 | 2 | 270 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2425 | 2 | 2 | Colluvium | LIA/ERB |
| 2434 | 1 | 25 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2504 | 5 | 2 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 2904 | 15 | 29 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |
| 10004 | 1 | 5 | Pit | Medieval |
| 3603 | 22 | 92 | Ditch | undated |
| 8911 | 3 | 0.1 | Pit | Bronze Age |

| Context | Count | Weight(g) | Feature type | Period |
|---------------------|------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| 10103 | 14 | 6 | Pit | Post-medieval |
| 10304 | 14 | 65 | Ditch | Iron Age? |
| 10403 | 12 | 5 | Ditch | Iron Age? |
| 11912 | 3 | 2 | Ditch | Post-medieval |
| Total | 377 | 4114.1 | | |
| | | | | |
| <i>Charcoal</i> | | | | |
| 807 | 6 | 3 | Pit | Undated |
| 11901 | 1 | 1 | Subsoil | Undated |
| 8707 | 1 | 1 | Ditch | prehistoric |
| | | | | |
| <i>Oyster shell</i> | | | | |
| 2418 | 1 | 41 | Ditch | LIA/ERB |

Table 7: Hand-collected animal bone and other organics; LIA = Late Iron Age, ERB = Early Romano-British

7.3.2 Plant macrofossil remains by Kath Hunter Dowse

The results of the assessment are summarised in Tables 8 and 9. All of the samples assessed contain charcoal but only seven contained fragments larger than 2mm in all dimensions. Several samples also contained a mixture of modern roots and cereal chaff.

Prehistoric

Layer 2424 in Trench 24, of Mesolithic to Early Neolithic date, was sample rich in waterlogged plant remains. The majority of these appeared to be moss stems which are not currently identified to species. There were frequent seeds, mainly sedge (*Carex* sp) and rush (*Juncus* sp) species commonly found growing in wet places. A small number of water-crow's-foot (*Ranunculus* sub-gen *batracium*) seeds, stone wort oogonia (*Chara* sp) and a single seed of watercress (*Nasturtium officinale*) are plants and algae that grow in open water. Several caddis fly larvae cases were also present suggesting a fresh water environment. Seeds of common nettle (*Urtica dioica*) and bur chervil (*Anthriscus caucalis*) are species which may have been growing close by.

Fill 8911 of Pit 8912 (Trench 89) contained fragments of hazelnut shell (*Corylus avellana*) and some charcoal which maybe suitable for radiocarbon dating. Fill 8913 the same feature contained a single fragment of hazelnut shell and some charcoal which may be suitable for radiocarbon dating. Fill 8907 of Feature 8906 contained few remains though some of the charcoal may be suitable for radiocarbon dating. Fill 8907 of Pit 8908 contains charcoal fragments which may be suitable for radiocarbon dating.

Fill 11706 of Pit 11705 (Trench 117) contained 21 fragments of hazelnut shell (*Corylus avellana*) which might be suitable for radiocarbon dating. This sample also contained a mixture of modern roots, cereal straw, wheat rachis and weed seeds which suggests modern contamination.

Roman

Of the samples dated to this period, only three fills (916, 2419 and 2604) of Ditches 915 (Trench 9), 2417 (Trench 24) and 2603 (Trench 26), respectively, contained identifiable charred plant remains. Fill 2419 contained a single spelt wheat spikelet fork (*Triticum spelta*). Fill 916 contained a relatively small amount of wheat (*Triticum* sp.) and barley (*Hordeum* sp) grains. Fill 2604 contained a small amount of barley grain (*Hordeum* sp) and some weed seeds.

Fill 2410 of Ditch 2407 (Trench 24) consisted mainly of waterlogged plant remains. The majority of which appeared to be a mix of roots, wood and unidentifiable leaf and stem fragments. The sample also contained frequent waterlogged seeds. None of the species identified were from water plants, though the sedge (*Carex* sp), wild celery (*Apium graveolens*) and hemlock (*Conium maculatum*) may have been growing close to the edge of and into the ditch. Other species such as common and small nettle (*Urtica dioica* and *Urtica urens*), fool's parsley (*Aethusa cynapium*) and dock (*Rumex* sp) may have been growing in open disturbed ground close by. The presence of fruit stones identified as Sloe (*Prunus spinosa*) and a small damson/bullace (*Prunus* sp), with elder (*Sambucus nigra*) and blackberry type (*Rubus* sp) may indicate a hedgerow or woodland margin close by. Alternatively, these fruits may have come from wood that was dumped into the ditch. There were also some fragmentary insect remains and ostracods preserved in the sample.

Fill 8707 of Ditch 8712 (Trench 87) contained only a few charcoal fragments greater than 2 mm in all dimensions.

Other samples

The remaining samples had no significant plant remains preserved.

| Context | Sample | Large mammal | Small mammal | Mollusc | Charcoal | Charred plant | Mineralized plant | Waterlogged plant | Artefacts |
|---------|--------|--------------|--------------|---------|----------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| 916 | 8 | occ | | | occ | occ | | | occ fired clay, pot, mod chert |
| 921 | 7 | occ | | | occ | | | | occ pot, mod chert |
| 2236 | 12 | occ | | | occ | | | | mod chert |
| 2245 | 13 | occ | occ | occ | | | | | occ fossil(?), pot, mod chert |
| 2410 | 1 | occ | | | mod | occ | occ | abt | occ oyster shell, pot, burnt stone, mod chert |
| 2419 | 6 | occ | | occ | occ | | | | occ fired clay, pot, chert, burnt stone |
| 2424 | 11 | | | | occ | | | abt | occ burnt stone, mod chert/flint. |
| 2604 | 9 | occ | | | occ | | | | occ fired clay, pot, burnt stone, mod chert. |

| Context | Sample | Large mammal | Small mammal | Mollusc | Charcoal | Charred plant | Mineralized plant | Waterlogged plant | Artefacts |
|---------|--------|--------------|--------------|---------|----------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| 2605 | 10 | occ | | | occ | occ | | | occ fired clay, pot(?), mod chert |
| 7106 | 19 | | occ | occ | | | occ | occ | occ pot, flint / chert, pottery, stone (worked/other) |
| 7206 | 18 | occ | occ | occ | | | abt | | occ coal |
| 7404 | 17 | | | occ | occ | | abt | | occ fired clay, flint/chert, stone (worked/other) |
| 8707 | 20 | | | occ | | | abt | | |
| 8907 | 16 | | | abt | | | abt | | occ fired clay, flint |
| 8909 | 15 | | | abt | | | abt | | occ fired clay |
| 8911 | 14 | occ** | | abt | occ | | abt | | abt fired clay, occ pot, flint, mod heat-cracked & burnt stone |
| 8913 | 21 | | | mod | occ | | | | occ fired clay, heat-cracked & burnt stone |
| 9505 | 4 | | | | occ | | | | |
| 10304 | 2 | occ | | | occ | | | | occ fired clay, pot |
| 10405 | 3 | | | | occ | | | | |
| 11706 | 5 | occ | | | occ | occ | | | occ fired clay, pot, chert flake |

Table 8: Summary of environmental samples; occ = occasional, mod = moderate, abt = abundant

| Context | Context | Sample | Date | Sample vol /L | Flot volume | % scanned | Charred | | | | | | | Waterlogged | | | | | Comments | Potential | Charcoal | |
|---------|------------|--------|------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|---------|------------|-------|--------|------|-----------|-----|-------------|------|-----------|------|-----------|----------|--|----------|--------|
| | | | | | | | Grain | Cereal NFI | Chaff | Legume | Seed | Fruit/nut | ACL | Charcoal | Seed | Stem/leaf | Wood | Fruit/nut | | | | Insect |
| 2410 | ditch fill | 1 | 1st cen AD | 10 | 100 | 60 | * | | | | | | | (*) | **** | **** | ** | ** | * | Charred barley (<i>Hordeum</i> sp.) and wheat (<i>Triticum</i> sp.) grains. Charcoal includes diffuse roundwood. Abundant waterlogged plant remains. abundant roots, leaves and stems. Seeds include sloe (<i>Prunus spinosa</i>) and damson/bullace size stones (<i>Prunus</i> sp.), nettle (<i>Urtica dioica</i>), small nettle (<i>Urtica urens</i>), fool's parsley (<i>Aethusa cynapium</i>), elder (<i>Sambucus nigra</i>) hemlock (<i>Conium maculatum</i>), bur chervil (<i>Anthriscus caucalis</i>), wild celery (<i>Apium graveolens</i>), possible bristly oxtongue (cf. <i>Helminthotheca echioides</i>), blackberry type (<i>Rubus</i> sp.), cinquefoil (<i>Potentilla</i> sp.), dock (<i>Rumex</i> sp.), buttercup type (<i>Ranunculus</i> sp.), sedge (<i>Carex</i> sp.), stichwort type (<i>Stellaria</i> sp.), possible hemp-nettle type (cf. <i>Galeopsis</i> sp.), possible hazelnut shell fragment (cf. <i>Corylus avellana</i>), daisy family (Asteraceae), Carrot | B/C | poor |

| Context | Context | Sample | Date | Sample vol /L | Flot volume | % scanned | Charred | | | | | | | Waterlogged | | | | | Comments | Potential | Charcoal | | |
|---------|------------|--------|------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|---------|------------|-------|--------|------|-----------|-----|-------------|------|-----------|------|-----------|----------|-----------|---|--------|------|
| | | | | | | | Grain | Cereal NFI | Chaff | Legume | Seed | Fruit/nut | ACL | Charcoal | Seed | Stem/leaf | Wood | Fruit/nut | | | | Insect | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | family (Apiaceae), dead-nettle family (Laminaceae). Insect and ostracods. Animal bone, possible oyster shell and pottery | | |
| 10304 | ditch fill | 2 | IA? | 10 | >1 | 100 | | * | * | | | | * | (**) | | | | | | | Glume bases (<i>Triticum spelta/dicoccum</i>), possible grass type seed (cf. Poaceae), indet seed. Amorphous charred fragments. Abundant modern roots, cereal straw. Bone some burnt. | | |
| 10405 | ditch fill | 3 | 1st cen AD | 10 | >1 | 100 | | * | | | | | * | | | | | | | | Cereal nfi, grass (Poaceae). Charcoals appears to be impregnated with iron. Modern roots, seeds, cereal straw and grass. | | |
| 9505 | ditch fill | 4 | IA? | 10 | >1 | 100 | | | | | | | * | (*)* | | | | | | | Possible rye grass (cf. <i>Lolium</i> sp.). Modern roots, leaves and insects. Possible pottery | D | poor |
| 11706 | pit fill | 5 | BA-MIA | 20 | 5 | 100 | | | | | | | *** | * | | | | | | | Charred hazelnut shell fragments (<i>Corylus avellana</i>). Burnt bone and pottery. Modern cereal chaff, roots and seeds. | B | poor |

| Context | Context | Sample | Date | Sample vol /L | Flot volume | % scanned | Charred | | | | | | | | Waterlogged | | | | | Comments | Potential | Charcoal | |
|---------|------------|--------|---------------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|---------|------------|-------|--------|------|-----------|-----|-------------|-------------|-----------|------|-----------|--------|----------|---|----------|------|
| | | | | | | | Grain | Cereal NFI | Chaff | Legume | Seed | Fruit/nut | ACL | Charcoal | Seed | Stem/leaf | Wood | Fruit/nut | Insect | | | | |
| 2419 | ditch fill | 6 | Late 1st cen AD | 10 | 2 | 100 | * | * | * | * | | | | (*)* | | | | | | | Spelt spikelet fork (<i>Triticum spelta</i>), wheat grain (<i>Triticum.sp.</i>), legume seeds. Charcoal includes ring porous. Modern roots. | D | poor |
| 921 | ditch fill | 7 | 1st cen AD | 10 | >1 | 100 | | | | | * | | | * | | | | | | | Daisy family (Asteraceae). Bone. Modern roots and seeds | D | poor |
| 916 | ditch fill | 8 | 1st cen AD | 10 | 1 | 100 | ** | * | | | * | | | ** | | | | | | | Wheat (<i>Triticum sp.</i>), barley (<i>Hordeum sp.</i>), grass family (poaceae), large and small mammal bone, possible pottery Modern roots | C/D | poor |
| 2604 | ditch fill | 9 | mid-late 1st cen AD | 10 | 5 | 100 | * | * | * | ** | * | | * | (**)** * | | | | | | | Barley grain and rachis fragment (<i>Hordeum sp.</i>), cereal nfi, black bindweed (<i>Fallopia convolvulus</i>), eyebright/bartsia (<i>Euphrasia/Odontites sp.</i>), grass family (Poaceae), poppy (<i>Papaver sp.</i>), legume 2mm. Amorphous charred fragments. Charcoal includes diffuse roundwood, burnt bone, Modern roots | ?B | fair |

| Context | Context | Sample | Date | Sample vol /L | Flot volume | % scanned | Charred | | | | | | | Waterlogged | | | | | Comments | Potential | Charcoal | | |
|---------|------------|--------|---------------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|---------|------------|-------|--------|------|-----------|-----|-------------|------|-----------|------|-----------|----------|---|---|--------|------|
| | | | | | | | Grain | Cereal NFI | Chaff | Legume | Seed | Fruit/nut | ACL | Charcoal | Seed | Stem/leaf | Wood | Fruit/nut | | | | Insect | |
| 2605 | ditch fill | 10 | mid-late 1st cen AD | 10 | >1 | 100 | | | | | | | * | (**)** | | | | | | | Amorphous charred fragments. Burnt bone, Modern roots and insects | D | fair |
| 2424 | layer | 11 | 10000-3000 BC | 10 | 300 | 10 | | | | | | | | (*)* | *** | **** | | | * | Charcoal includes ring porous. Abundant moss stems with other plant fragments. Bur chervil (<i>Anthriscus caucalis</i>), nettle (<i>Urtica dioica</i>), watercress (<i>Nasturtium officinale</i>) water-crowsfoot (<i>Ranunculus</i> sub gen. <i>batracium</i>), possible lesser spearwort (<i>Ranunculus</i> cf. <i>flammula</i>), buttercup type (<i>Ranunculus</i> sp.), sedge (<i>Carex</i> sp.), rush (<i>Juncus</i> sp.), knotweed type (<i>Persicaria</i> sp.), dead-nettle family (Laminaceae), indet. seeds. Stonewort (<i>Chara</i> sp.), Caddisfly larvae case (sandy), insect. | B/C | poor | |
| 2236 | ditch fill | 12 | LIA-ERB | 10 | 0.1 | 100 | | | | | | | | (*)* | | | | | | Very small flot with, molluscs, modern roots and seeds, Bone | D | poor | |

| Context | Context | Sample | Date | Sample vol /L | Flot volume | % scanned | Charred | | | | | | | Waterlogged | | | | | Comments | Potential | Charcoal | | |
|---------|--------------------|--------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|---------|------------|-------|--------|------|-----------|--------------|-------------|------|-----------|------|-----------|----------|-----------|---|--------|----------|
| | | | | | | | Grain | Cereal NFI | Chaff | Legume | Seed | Fruit/nut | ACL | Charcoal | Seed | Stem/leaf | Wood | Fruit/nut | | | | Insect | |
| 2245 | pit fill | 13 | 400BC-99AD | 10 | 8 | 100 | | | | | | | * | (**) *** | | | | | | | Amorphous charred fragments. Abundant roots, frequent <i>Cecilioides acicula</i> and other molluscs, Bone including small mammal, fossil ?fish tooth fragment | | fair |
| 8911 | fill of pit [8912] | 14 | EBA | | 5 | 100 | | | | | | * | (****) ** | | | | | | | | Small flot with abundant modern roots and cereal chaff. Abundant charcoal from residue includes ring and diffuse porous. Some roundwood. X5 fragments of hazelnut shell (<i>Corylus avellana</i>) | D | good |
| 8909 | fill of pit [8910] | 15 | undated | | 5 | 100 | | | | | | | (****) * | | | | | | | | Small flot with abundant modern roots and cereal chaff with insects and seeds. Abundant charcoal from residue includes ring porous. | D | good |
| 8907 | fill of pit [8908] | 16 | Prehistoric | | 5 | 100 | | | | | | | (****) ** | | | | | | | | Small flot with abundant modern roots with cereal chaff and seeds. Charcoal includes ring and diffuse porous fragments. | D | moderate |

| Context | Context | Sample | Date | Sample vol /L | Flot volume | % scanned | Charred | | | | | | | Waterlogged | | | | | Comments | Potential | Charcoal | | |
|---------|--------------------------------|--------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|---------|------------|-------|--------|------|-----------|-----|-------------|------|-----------|------|-----------|----------|-----------|---|--------|------|
| | | | | | | | Grain | Cereal NFI | Chaff | Legume | Seed | Fruit/nut | ACL | Charcoal | Seed | Stem/leaf | Wood | Fruit/nut | | | | Insect | |
| 7404 | fill of ditch [7403] | 17 | Prehistoric | | <2 | 100 | | | | | * | | | * | | | | | | | A single charred seed of scentless mayweed (<i>Tripleurospermum inodorum</i>). Abundant modern roots with cereal chaff and insects. | D | poor |
| 7206 | secondary fill of ditch [7025] | 18 | | | 2 | 100 | | | | | | | | * | | | | | | | Abundant modern roots with cereal chaff and insects. Bone, coal. | D | poor |
| 7106 | fill of ditch [7105] | 19 | Prehistoric | | 20 | 100 | | | | | | | | (*)* | | | | | | | Abundant modern roots with cereal chaff. ?pottery, coal. Molluscs | D | poor |
| 8707 | fill of ditch [8708] | 20 | Early Roman | | 2 | 100 | | | | | | | | (*)* | | | | | | | Abundant modern roots with cereal chaff. | D | poor |

| Context | Context | Sample | Date | Sample vol /L | Flot volume | % scanned | Charred | | | | | | | Waterlogged | | | | | Comments | Potential | Charcoal | | |
|---------|-------------------------|--------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|---------|------------|-------|--------|------|-----------|-----|-------------|------|-----------|------|-----------|----------|-----------|--|--------|------|
| | | | | | | | Grain | Cereal NFI | Chaff | Legume | Seed | Fruit/nut | ACL | Charcoal | Seed | Stem/leaf | Wood | Fruit/nut | | | | Insect | |
| 8913 | fill of posthole [8912] | 21 | Prehistoric | | 2 | 100 | | | | | | * | | (****) | | | | | | | Abundant modern roots with cereal chaff and seeds. Abundant charcoal and a single hazelnut shell fragment(Corylus avellana) from the residue. Charcoal includes ring and diffuse porous fragments. | D | good |

Table 9: Plant remains and other environmental evidence

Recommendations

Due to the paucity of identifiable charred remains from all of the samples no further identification work is recommended.

No further work is recommended on the charcoal remains.

The hazelnut shell fragments from contexts 8911, 8913 and 11706 along with the barley grains from 2604, may be suitable for radiocarbon dating the features in which they were found. However, it is clear that all contexts assessed are potentially contaminated with modern cereal chaff, possibly from the practice of ploughing stubble back into agricultural land undertaken since the late 20th century in Britain.

Whilst there are abundant waterlogged plant remains in deposits 2410 and 2424, both have been allowed to dry out. This has resulted in visible distortion of some of the plant remains. In particular many of the fruit stones have split open and twisted. Much of the dried plant remains have clumped together possibly obscuring more delicate material. Advice should be sought as to whether either the seeds or moss stems from 2424 could still be used for dating. There was no evidence of economic plants in either of these two samples so further analysis would be limited to trying to characterise the local environment. The insect remains from both samples might offer further information about the local environment and/or land use close by.

This assessment has highlighted the potential for well-preserved waterlogged organic remains. Any further excavations in the area should take this into account when designing a sampling strategy.

7.4 Environmental synthesis by Elizabeth Pearson

Assessment of the bulk samples showed low potential for providing information on the arable economy.

However, deposits were waterlogged in the southern part of Trench 24, have the potential to provide some information on the surrounding Mesolithic to Early Neolithic and Early Roman environment. Should further fieldwork take place, and sampling of waterlogged material of Mesolithic to early Neolithic and early Roman is possible, the potential for further analysis is high.

Should radiocarbon dating be needed as a result of further fieldwork on the site, the assessment shows potential for recovering suitable material.

Further fieldwork is likely to result in recovery of a moderate quantity of hand-collected animal bone which may be suitable for analysis.

8 Discussion

8.1 Geophysical survey validation

The evaluation has confirmed that most of the anomalies recorded by the geophysical survey are caused by archaeological features and deposits. The mapped extent of the anomalies appears broadly accurate with the extent of the identified features. In areas where unclear or few anomalies were recorded there were no substantial archaeological features, although in Trench 89 and 117 clusters of prehistoric features were identified. Due to their small size these would not have been detectable by geophysical survey. In some cases, these features were identified as post-medieval field boundaries (in Trenches 76-78), or post-medieval quarrying.

Generally, the features appeared fairly well preserved, and were typically sealed by topsoil and subsoil of around 0.4m to 0.6m in depth in total. In the southern area where trenches were placed across the crest of a low ridge (Trenches 8, 9, 10, 17 and 22), and the southern part of Fields 7 and 8 (Trenches 77,78 and 88 to 93) there was almost no subsoil present and the surviving topsoil typically measured 0.2 to 0.3m in depth.

8.2 Finds and environmental evidence

The finds from the site broadly indicate that four main phases of archaeological activity survive at the site and these are discussed below (sections 7.3-7.8). The finds appear to be generally typical of a lower status rural settlement in the region. The majority of the late Iron Age to early Roman finds are local coarse wares and the only notable evidence of trade were two sherds of central Gaulish colour coated wares. A possible spindle whorl was identified in Trench 29 and appears to be the only evidence of processing activity at the site. However, given that this was found in a gully which the geophysical survey indicates is on the periphery of the main area of activity, it is likely that this represents a casual loss.

Generally, environmental evidence was limited to small quantities of remains such as charred cereal remains and molluscs, which is also typical of a lower status rural site in the region. However, evidence of potentially well preserved waterlogged environmental remains, encompassing both the earlier prehistoric and early Roman periods, was identified in Trench 24. These remains included abundant waterlogged plant remains and some evidence of insect and ostracod remains.

8.3 Possible Mesolithic activity?

A layer (2424) containing possible Mesolithic flints was identified in Trench 24. Sampling of the deposit for environmental remains also revealed evidence of waterlogged material including plant, algae and fly larvae cases. The full extent of this feature has not been identified.

8.4 Bronze Age to middle Iron Age activity

A pit in Trench 89 yielded pottery dating to the early Bronze Age, as well as flint, fired clay and burnt bone. Two other small undated features in this trench had similar fills and were probably contemporary.

A pit in Trench 117 yielded pottery dating to broadly to the Bronze Age to middle Iron Age. This was one of a possible pair of pits identified in the trench and may suggest a localised area of activity dating to this period in this part of the site.

No other *in-situ* evidence dating to this period was identified at the site, although a single sherd of redeposited pottery of the same date was recovered from a ditch in Trench 104.

8.5 Northern enclosures: Iron Age to Roman?

The geophysical survey mapped a small group of features in the northern part of site. The evaluation has confirmed the presence of these features, although excavation revealed they were generally sterile and yielded few finds and little environmental evidence. Due to this there remains a level of uncertainty in the nature and date of these features. The form and sterile fills indicates they are likely of agricultural function, and the limited finds evidence hint that they may date to the Iron Age and/or Roman periods.

8.6 Southern enclosures: Late Iron Age to early Roman

The geophysical survey mapped an extensive complex of features in the southern part of the site. The excavations have revealed that these archaeological features typically comprise of ditches, gullies and pits. Two possible ring ditch/gullies were also identified in this area (Trenches 10 and 25), although few postholes were observed.

Generally, the finds from this area were typical of a lower-status rural settlement. The recovered pottery and other datable finds indicate that the complex dates to the mid-1st to mid-2nd centuries AD, although a small number of Iron Age sherds suggest it may have its origins in the late Iron Age. No finds typical of a higher status site, such as samian, amphora or metalwork, were recovered, although three sherds of imported central Gaulish slipware were found in Trench 24. No evidence of industrial or other *in-situ* processing activities (eg corn-drying) were identified, although a possible

spindle whorl was recovered from Trench 29, and a wattle impression on a piece of fired clay from Trench 24 suggests it may be from an oven or other structure.

In Trenches 21 and 23 a series of unclear and apparently irregular and intercutting features were identified which appeared to be sealed by deep subsoil(s). These were tentatively identified as extraction pits, although hand excavation of small sections of these features was largely inconclusive. These excavations did yield small quantities of Iron Age pottery, suggesting they are related to the complex.

8.7 North-western field system: Roman?

The geophysical survey mapped a series of features in the north-western corner of the site. The excavations have revealed that these archaeological features typically comprise of ditches and gullies, which were generally fairly sterile. The limited finds evidence suggests this field system dates to the Roman period, although it is noted that all the fragments of pottery were very small and could be intrusive or residual.

8.8 Early medieval activity

Although the desk-based assessment of the site revealed evidence of a potential Saxon boundary on the southern edge of the site, no evidence of any early medieval activity was identified during the evaluation.

8.9 Medieval and post-medieval activity

The geophysical anomalies identified in the north-eastern and north-western area of the site largely appeared to relate to medieval (Trench 101), post-medieval (Trench 100) or undated (Trench 70) mineral extraction, or modern activity (Trench 120). A series of post-medieval field boundary ditches were identified across the site, although most of these correlated with boundaries recorded on historic Ordnance Survey mapping.

9 Significance

It is noted that only limited evidence of prehistoric and Roman activity has previously been identified at and in the vicinity of the site, and any such activity would be of local interest.

A layer at the southern end of Trench 24, has been tentatively identified as Mesolithic in date. If this date is proved to be correct this feature is likely to be of local to regional significance, depending on the extent and exact nature of the layer and activity associated with it. It should be noted that environmental evidence from this trench also identifies the potential for waterlogged remains to survive, which may add to its significance.

The remaining earlier prehistoric activity appears limited to small discrete pits which were identified in Trenches 89 and 117. These are of local significance.

Given the sterile nature of the Iron Age to Roman enclosures and features identified in the northern part of the site (Trenches 85, 87, 95, 103 and 104) these features are likely to be of local significance.

Based on the evidence gathered during the evaluation the Late Iron Age and early Roman activity in the southern part of the site is also likely to be of local significance. However, if Late Iron Age or Roman buildings, or evidence of industrial or other processing activities are present in this area, this is likely to be of local to regional significance, depending on the nature of the activity. The potential for waterlogged remains to survive in and around Trench 24 is again noted.

The field systems identified in the north-western corner of the site (Trenches 71, 72 and 74) are of local significance.

The medieval and post-medieval agricultural and quarrying features are of negligible significance.

10 Conclusions

One hundred and nineteen trenches were excavated. The archaeological evaluation has largely validated the results of the geophysical survey. The geophysical anomalies in the northern and southern parts of the site are mostly of archaeological origin and no significant archaeological features were identified in the 'blank' central part of the site. The anomalies in the north-eastern corner of the site appear to mostly be of post-medieval or later date and associated with mineral extraction. Some of the anomalies in the north-western corner of the site also relate to later mineral extraction and post-medieval agricultural activity.

The earliest archaeological evidence appears to date to the Mesolithic to early Neolithic periods, and is represented by a possible waterlogged layer in the southern part of the site, which contained flint and organic remains. The next phase of activity was represented by a small number of pits in the northern part of the site. These pits probably date to the early Bronze Age and Bronze Age to middle Iron Age.

In the northern and north-western areas of the site are a small number of largely sterile ditches, forming enclosures and boundaries of probable agricultural origin. These may date to the Iron Age and Roman periods although very few datable finds were recovered from these features.

A complex series of enclosures and associated features was identified in the southern part of the site. The dateable finds from the features indicate the complex dates to the 1st to 2nd centuries AD, although the presence of some Iron Age pottery hints at an earlier date for its origin. The function of the complex has not been established as there was only limited evidence for possible structural remains surviving within the excavated trenches, and there was no evidence of industrial or other processing activities. The pottery generally appears to be from local coarse wares suggesting that the complex is probably a lower status occupation site. A small part of this complex also includes some waterlogged remains.

No evidence of early medieval activity was identified at the site, and evidence of medieval and later activity appears to largely comprise of remains of agricultural or mineral extraction origin.

The methods adopted allow a high degree of confidence that the aims of the project have been achieved. Conditions were suitable in all of the trenches to identify the presence or absence of archaeological features. It is considered that the nature, density and distribution of archaeological features provides an accurate characterisation of the development site as a whole.

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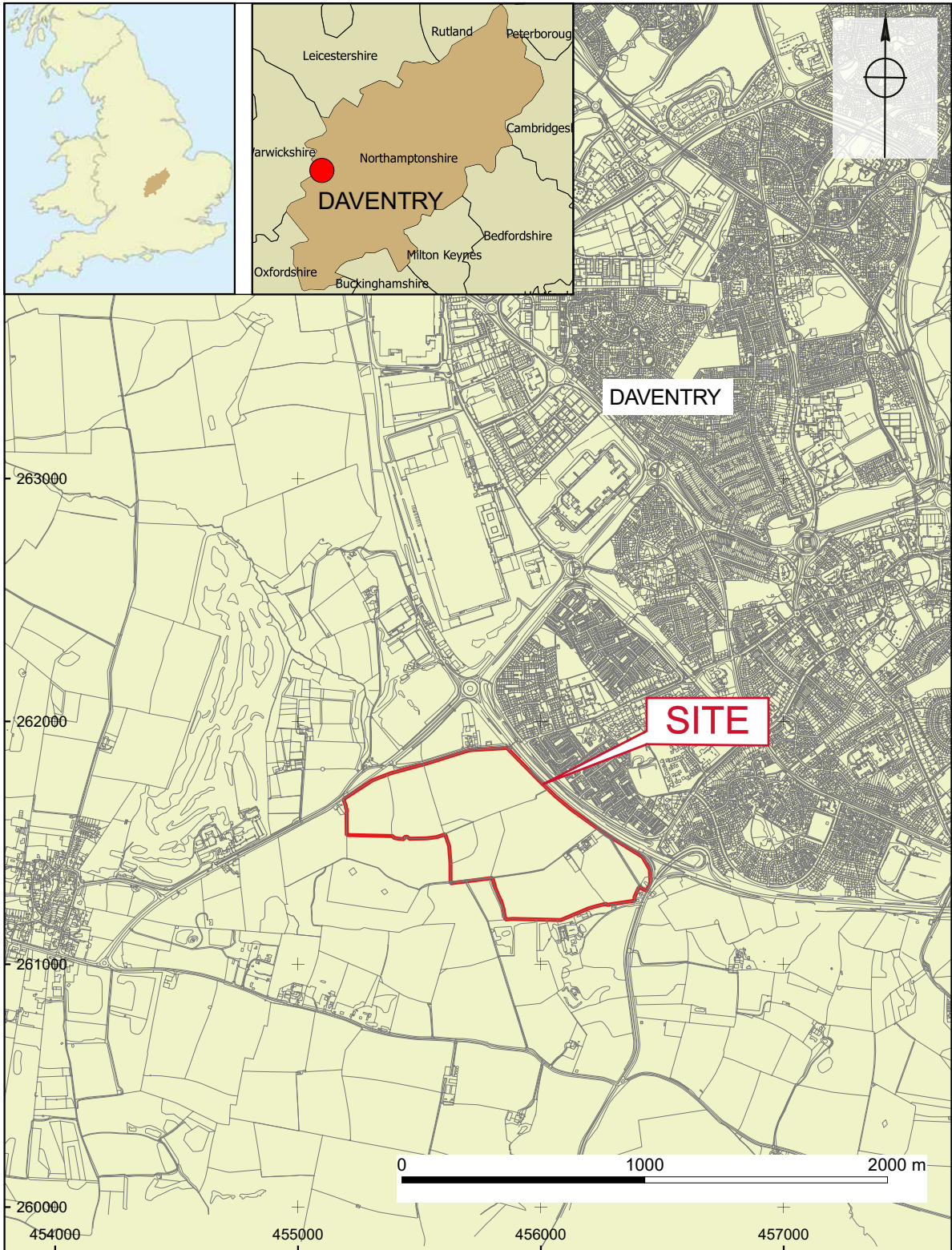
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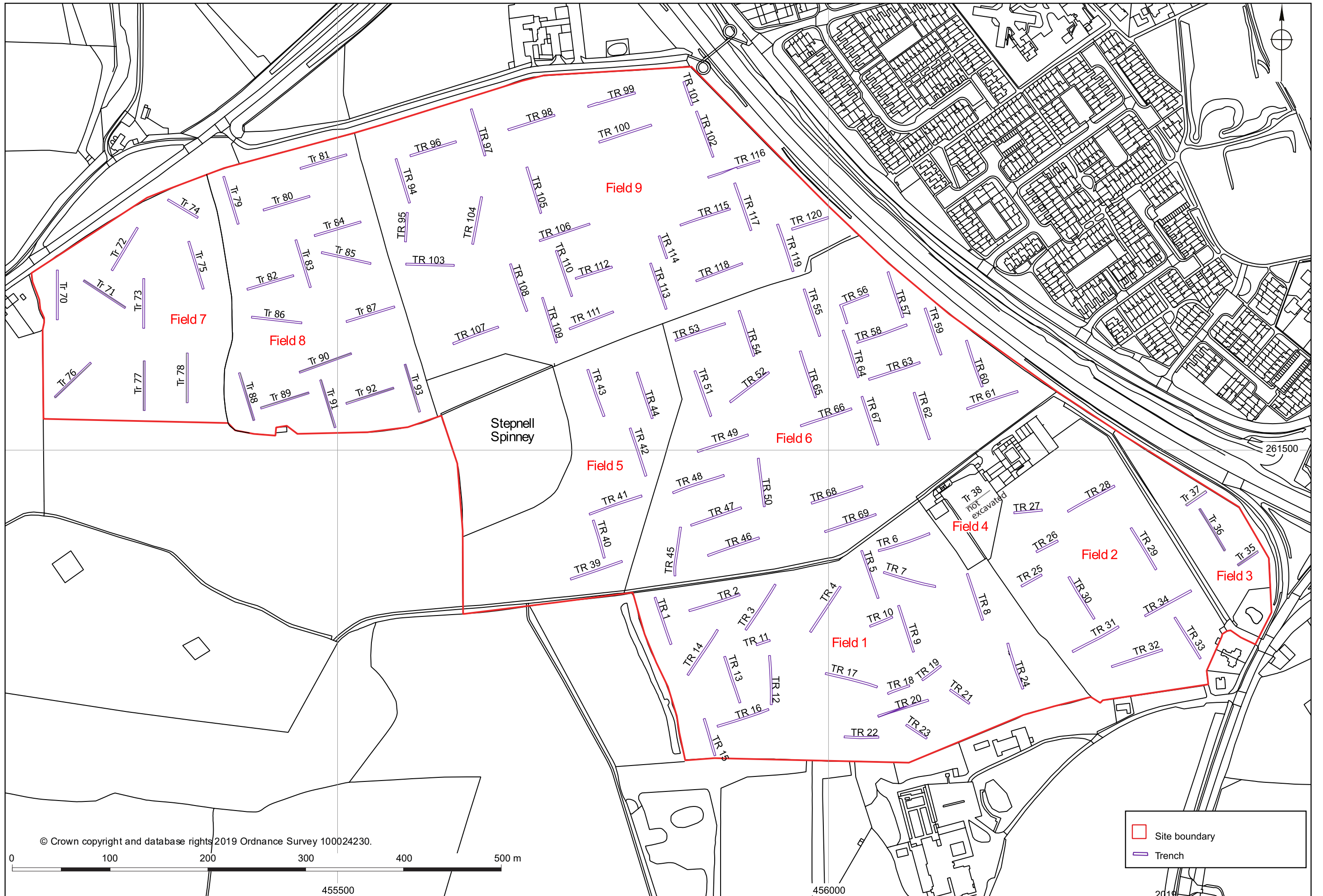
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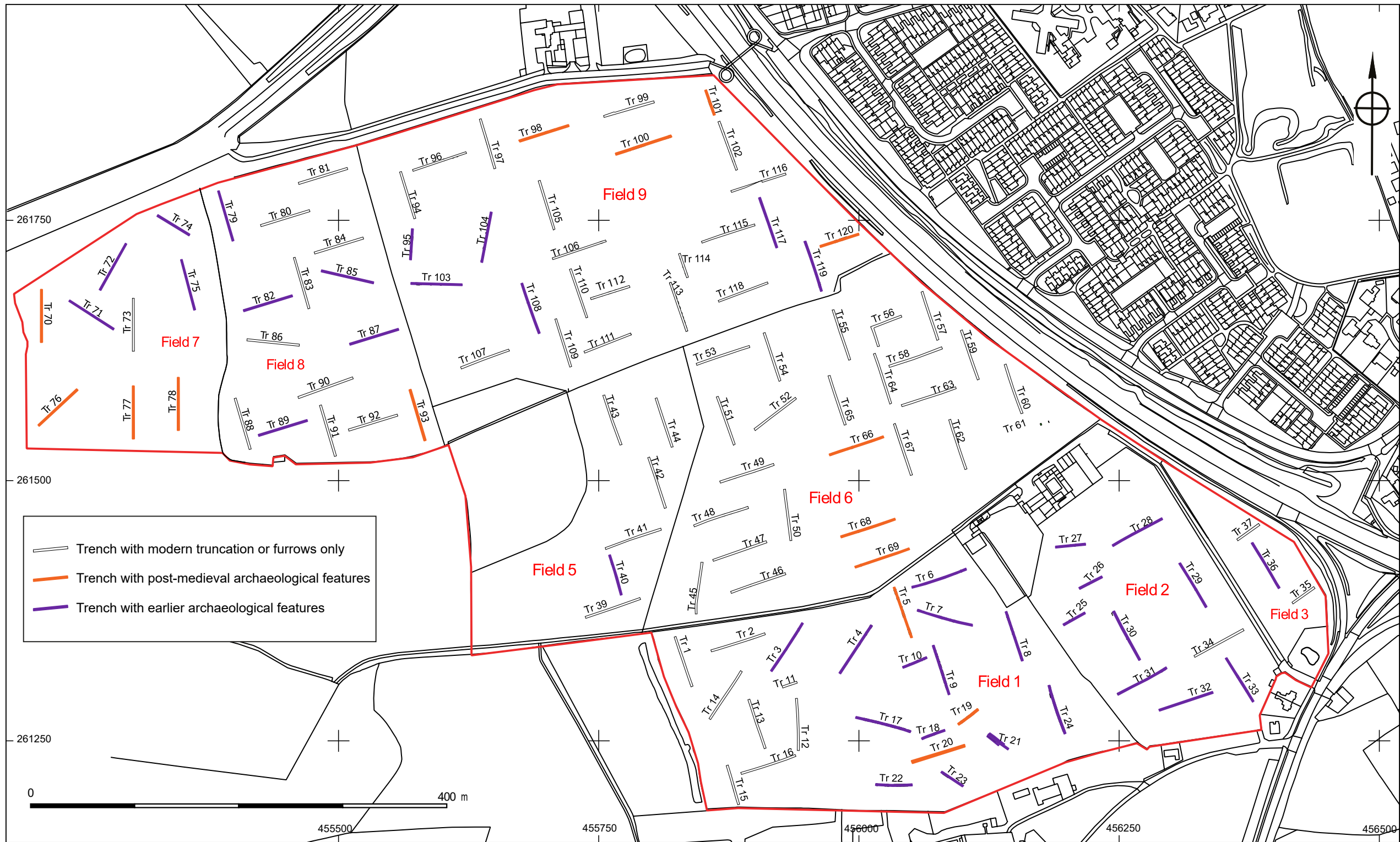
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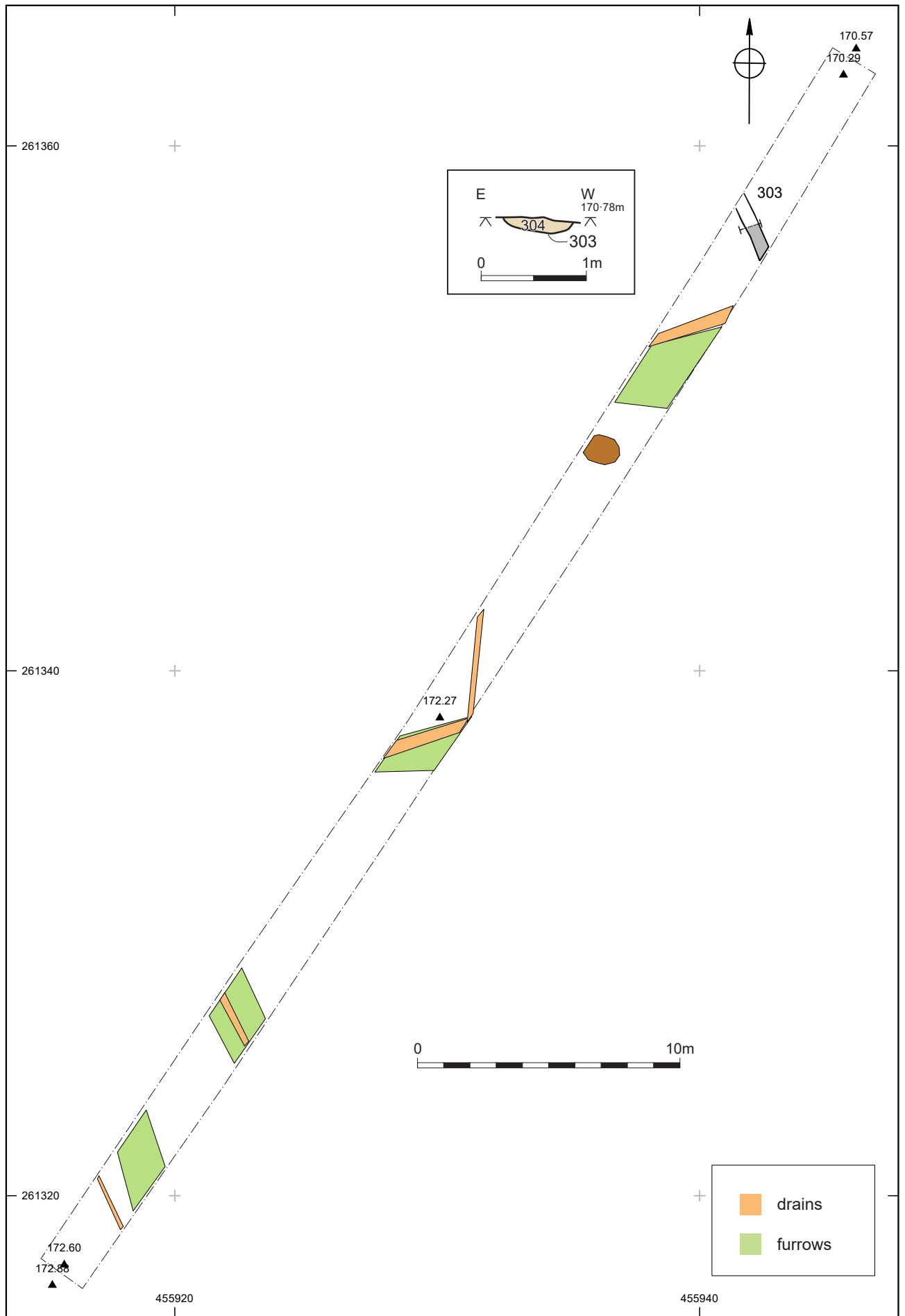
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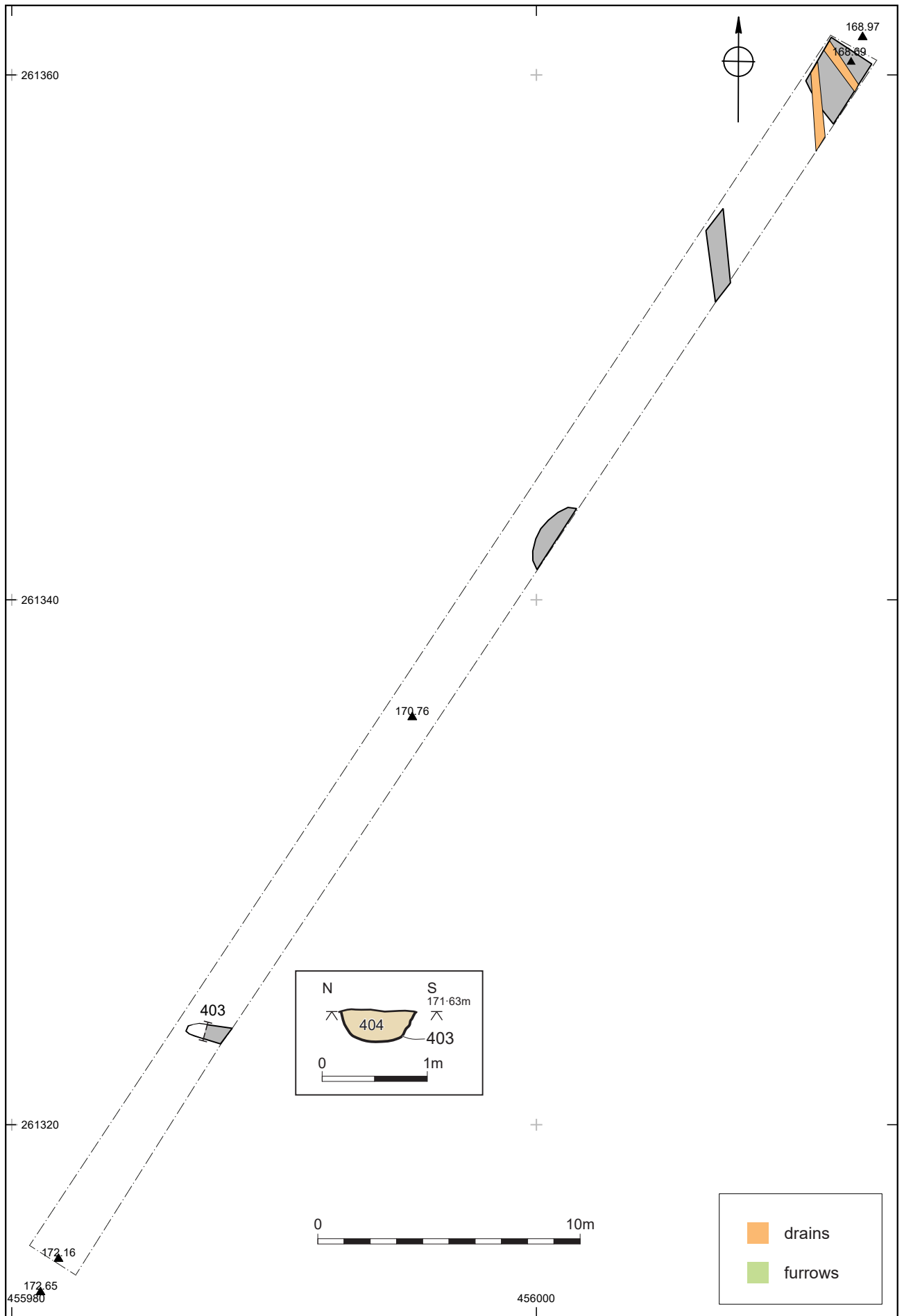
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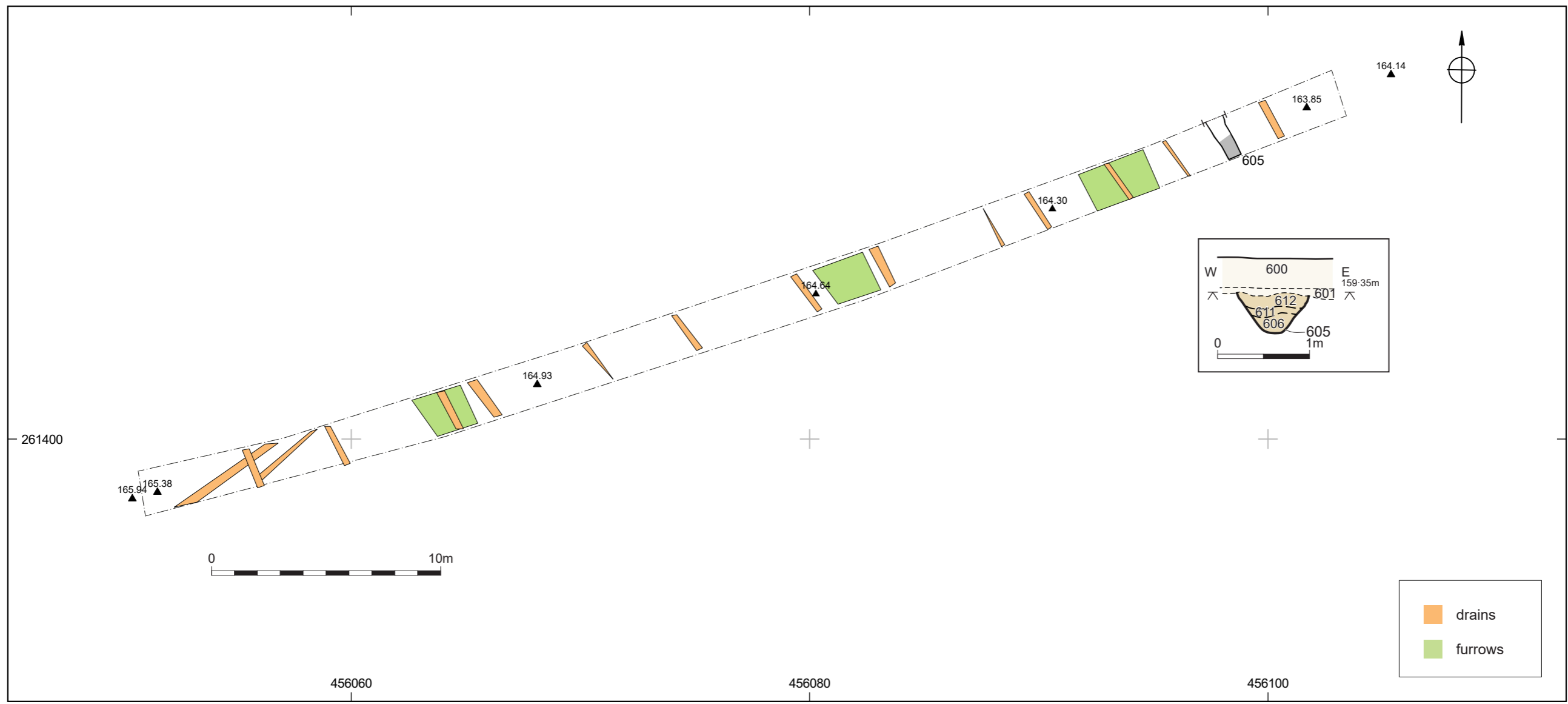
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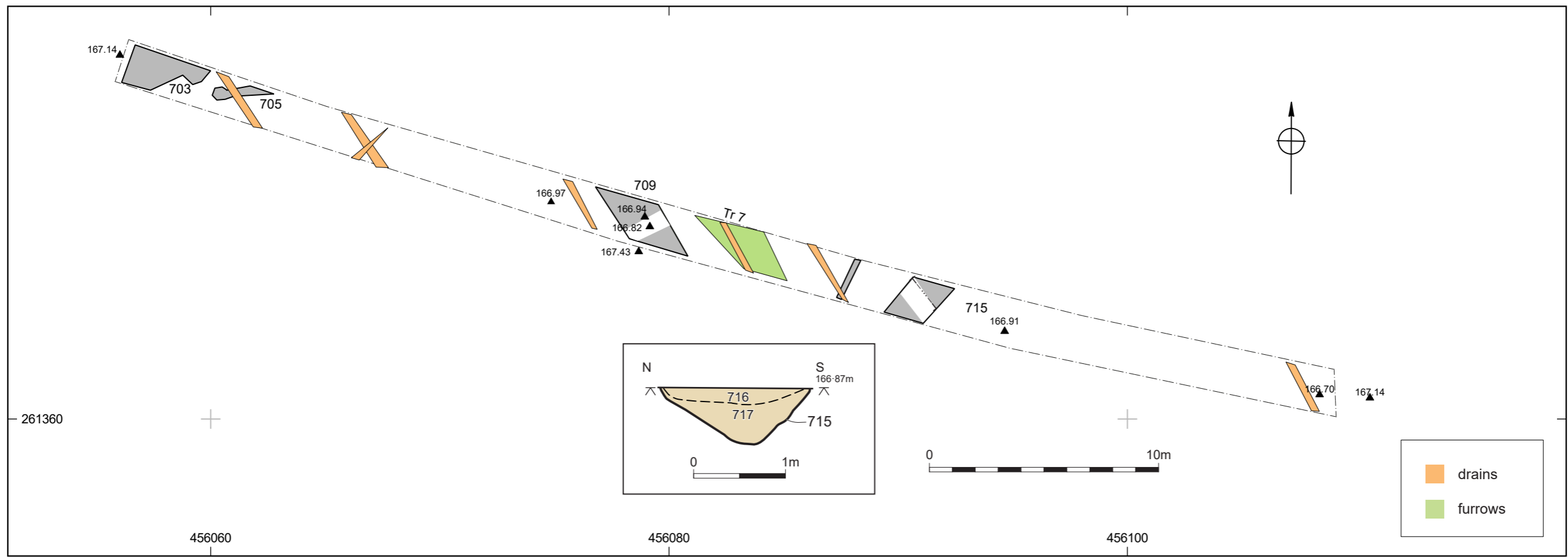
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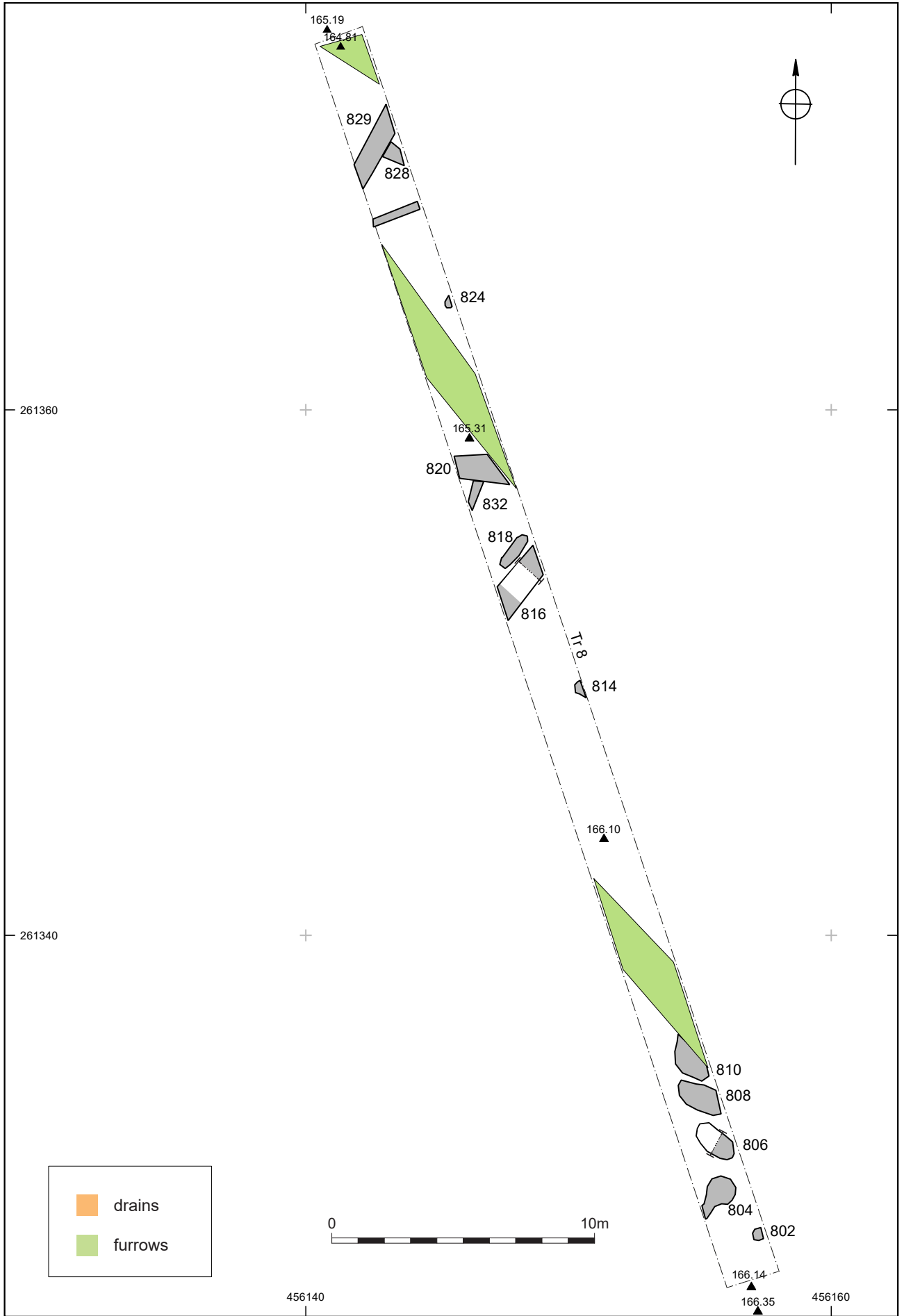
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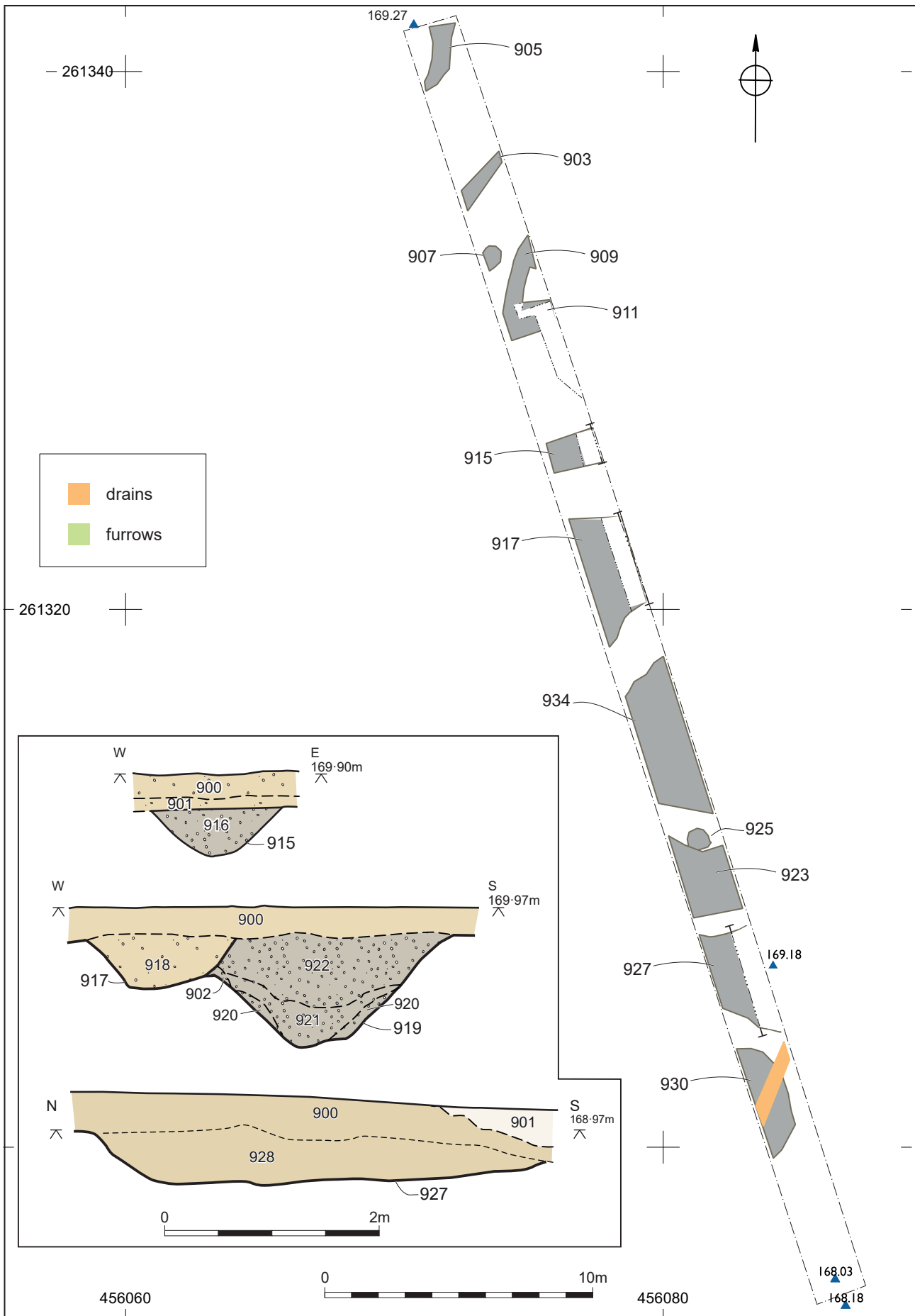
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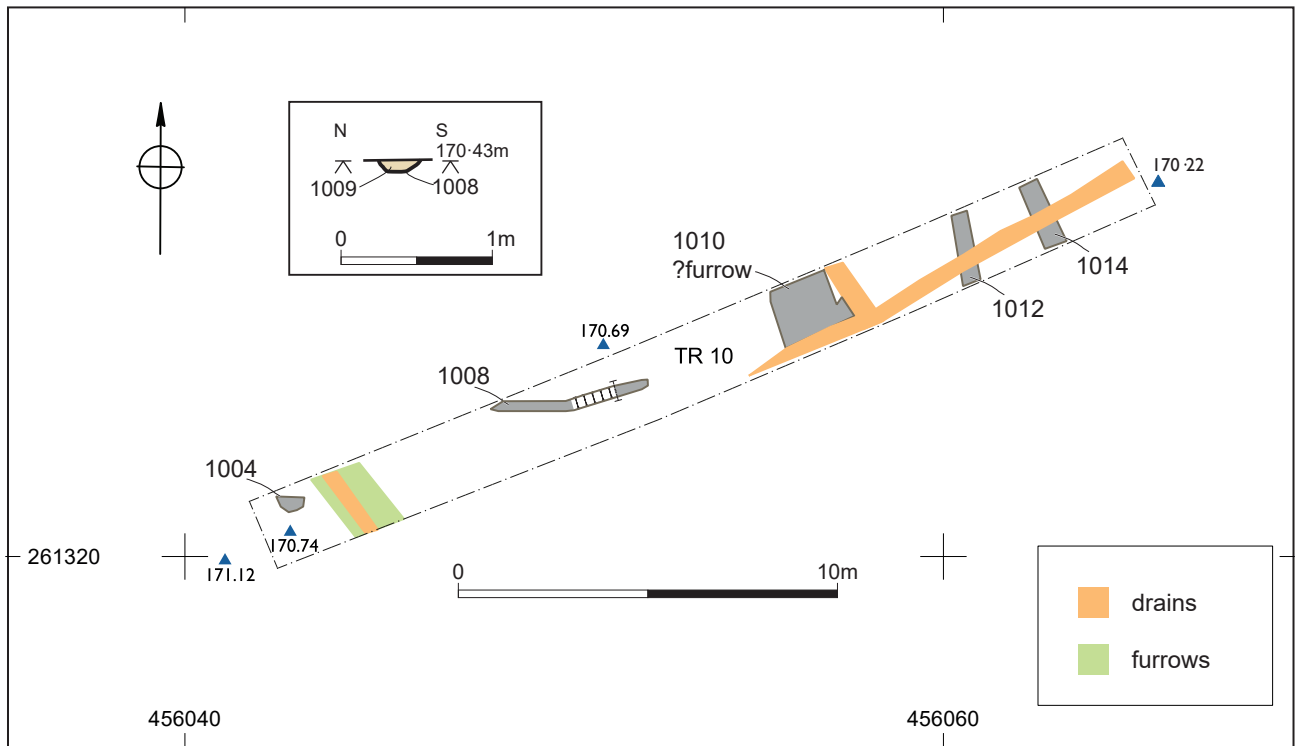
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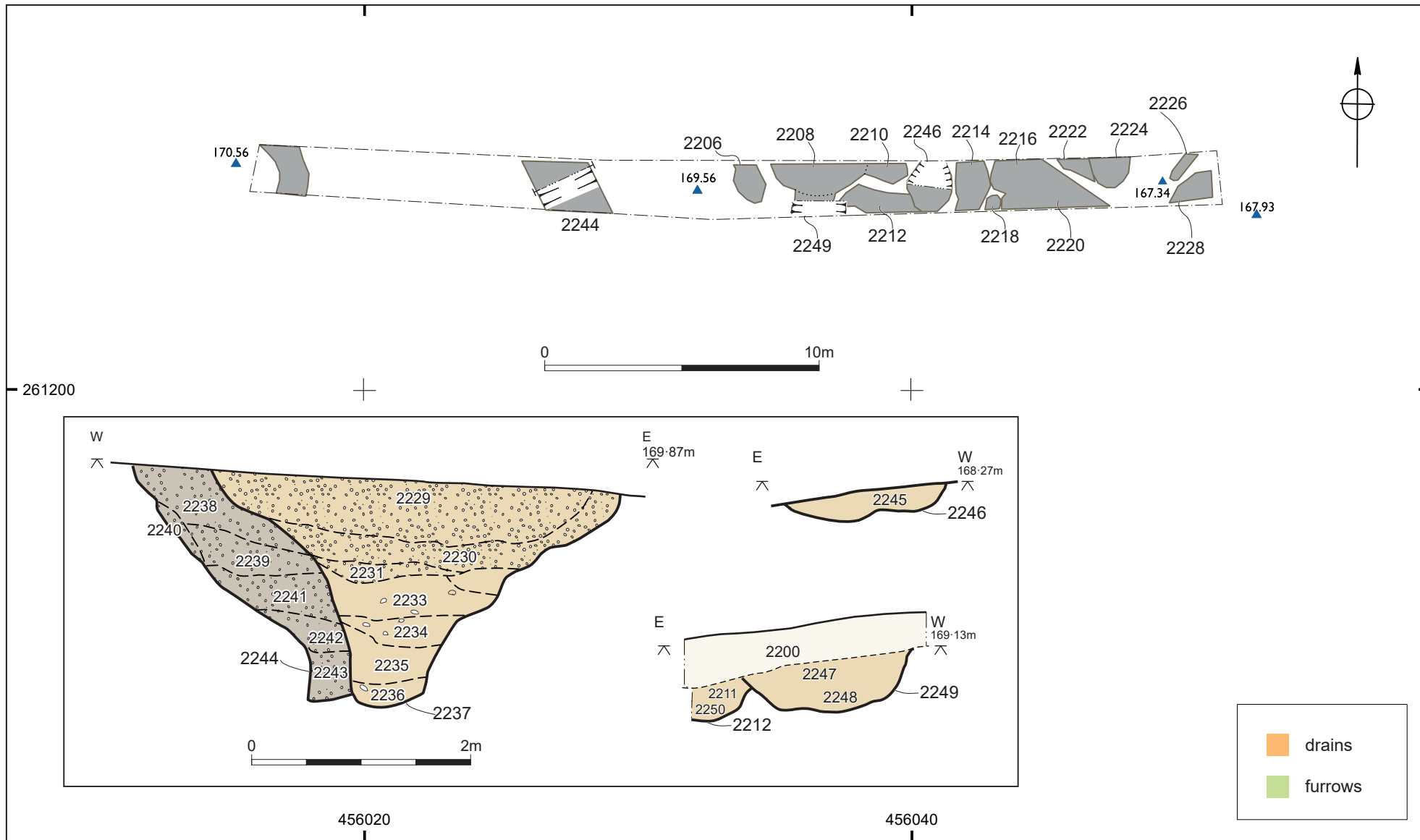
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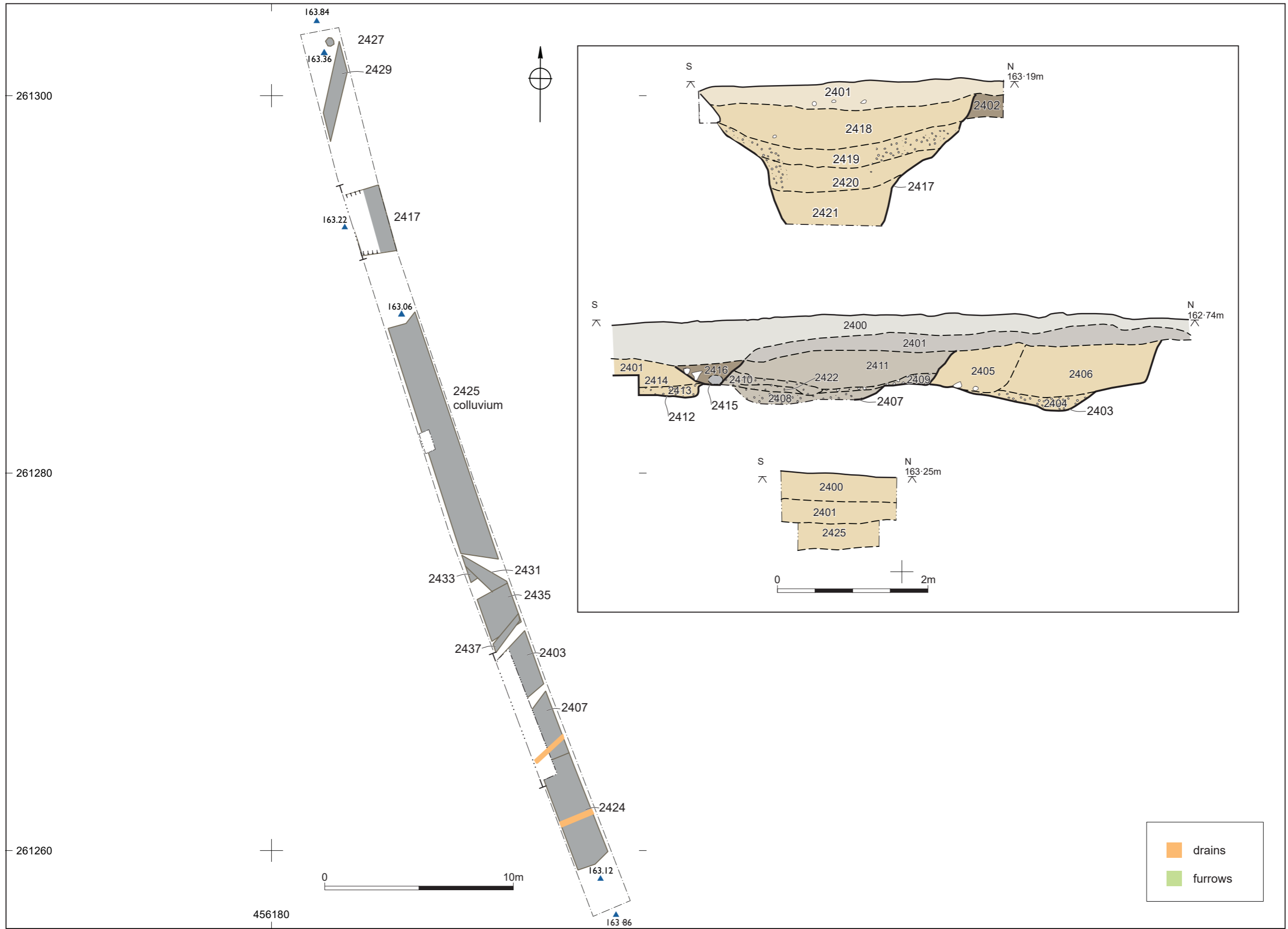
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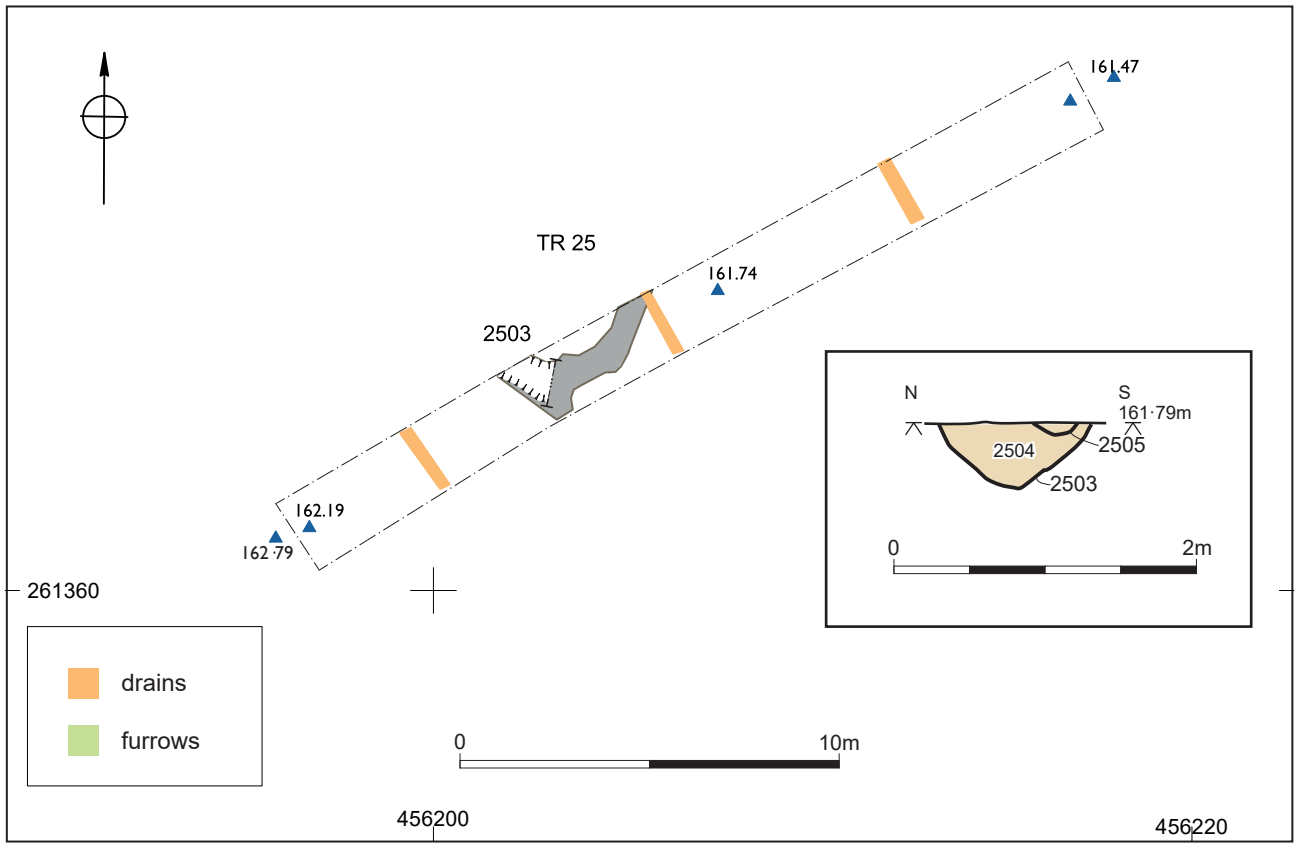
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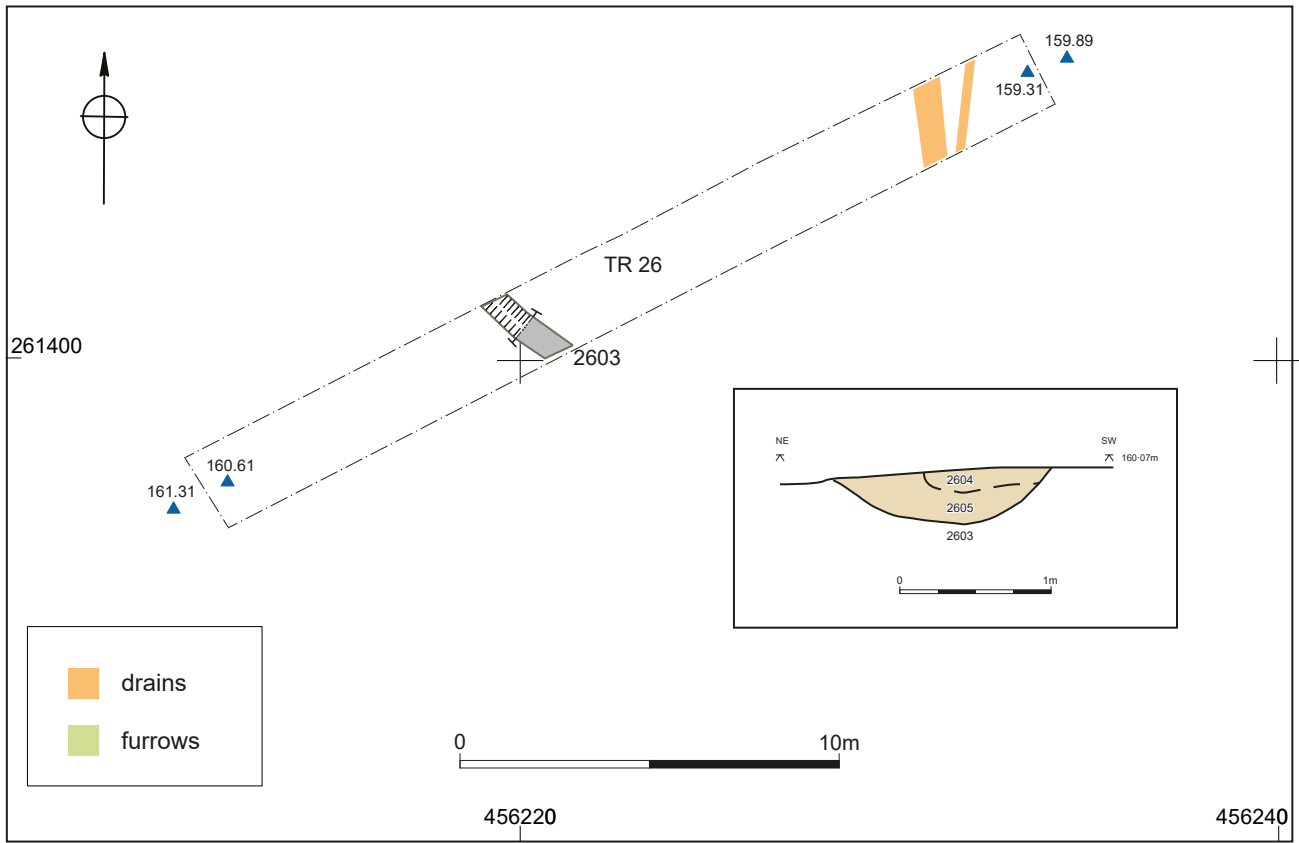
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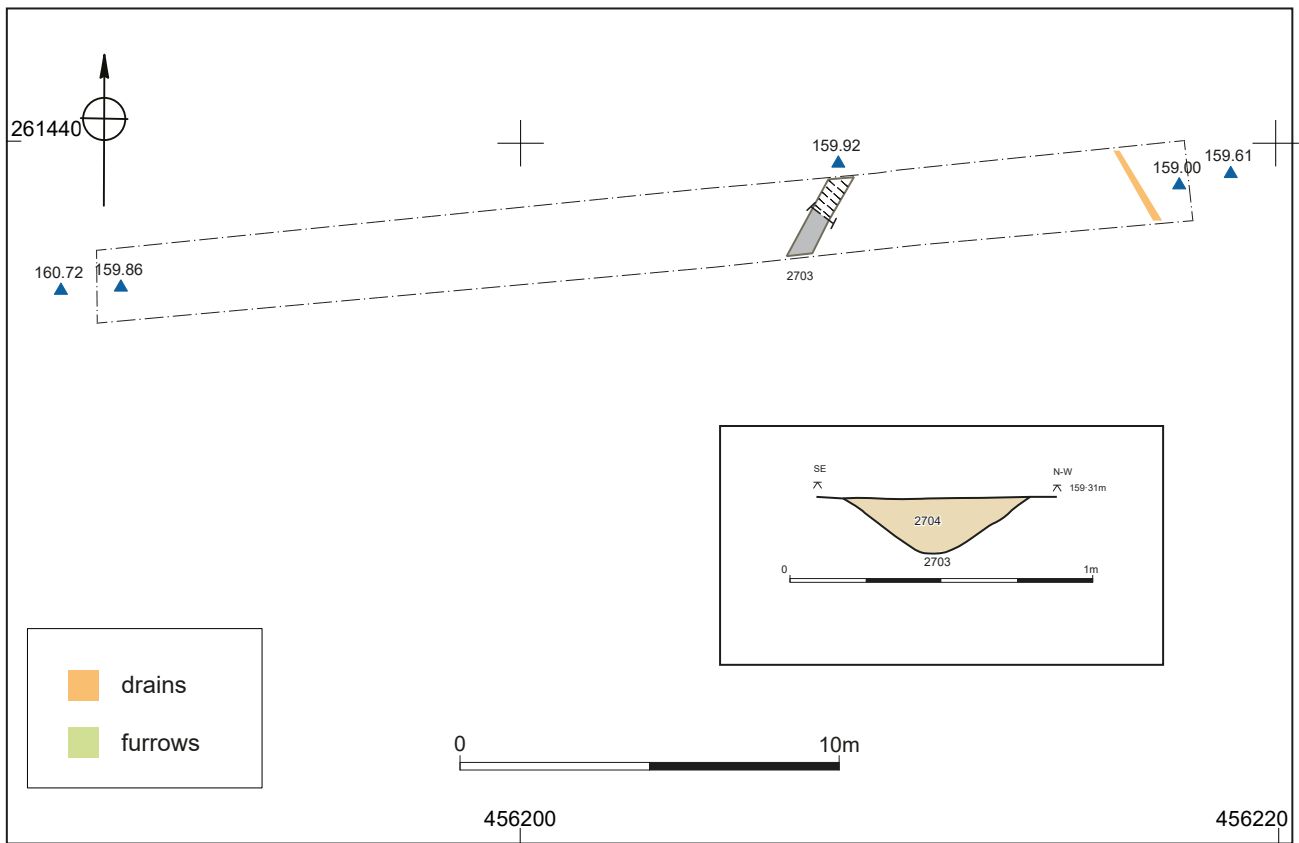
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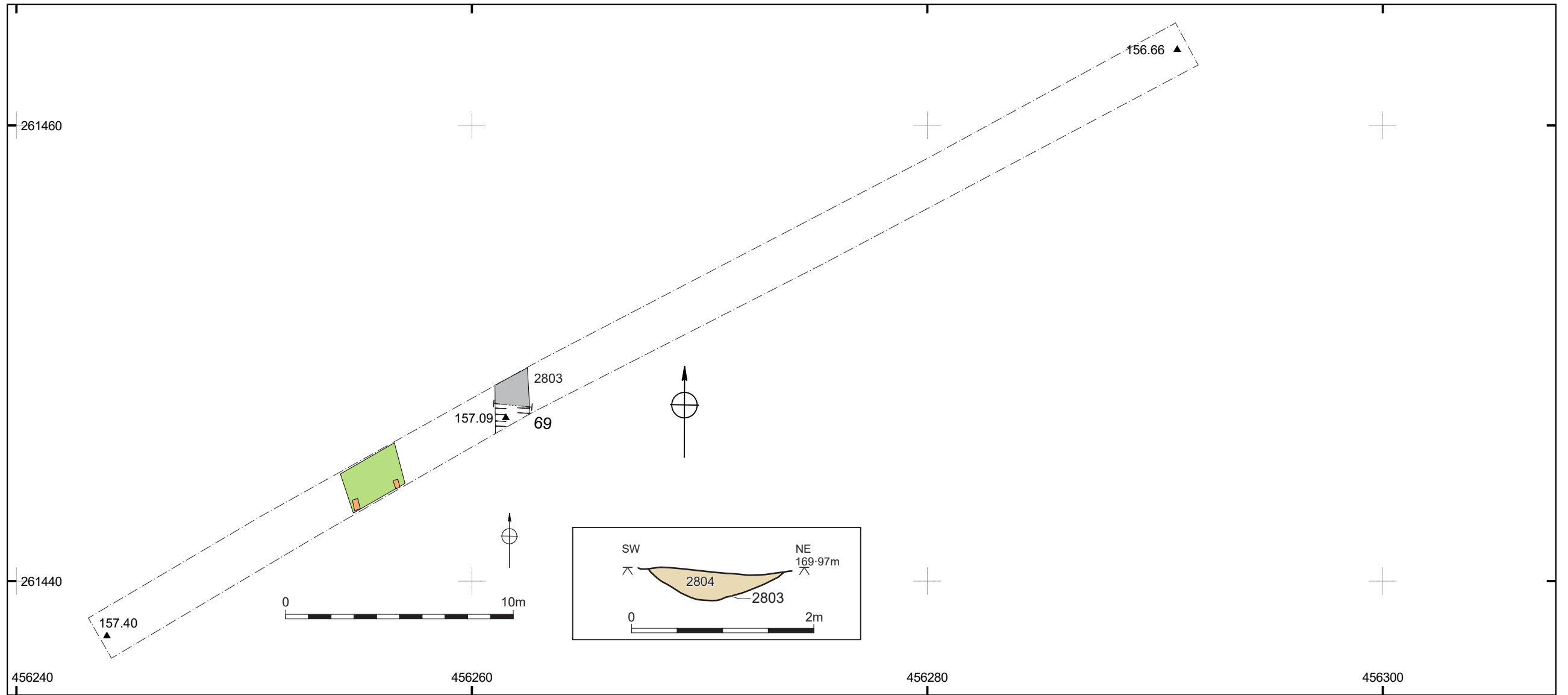
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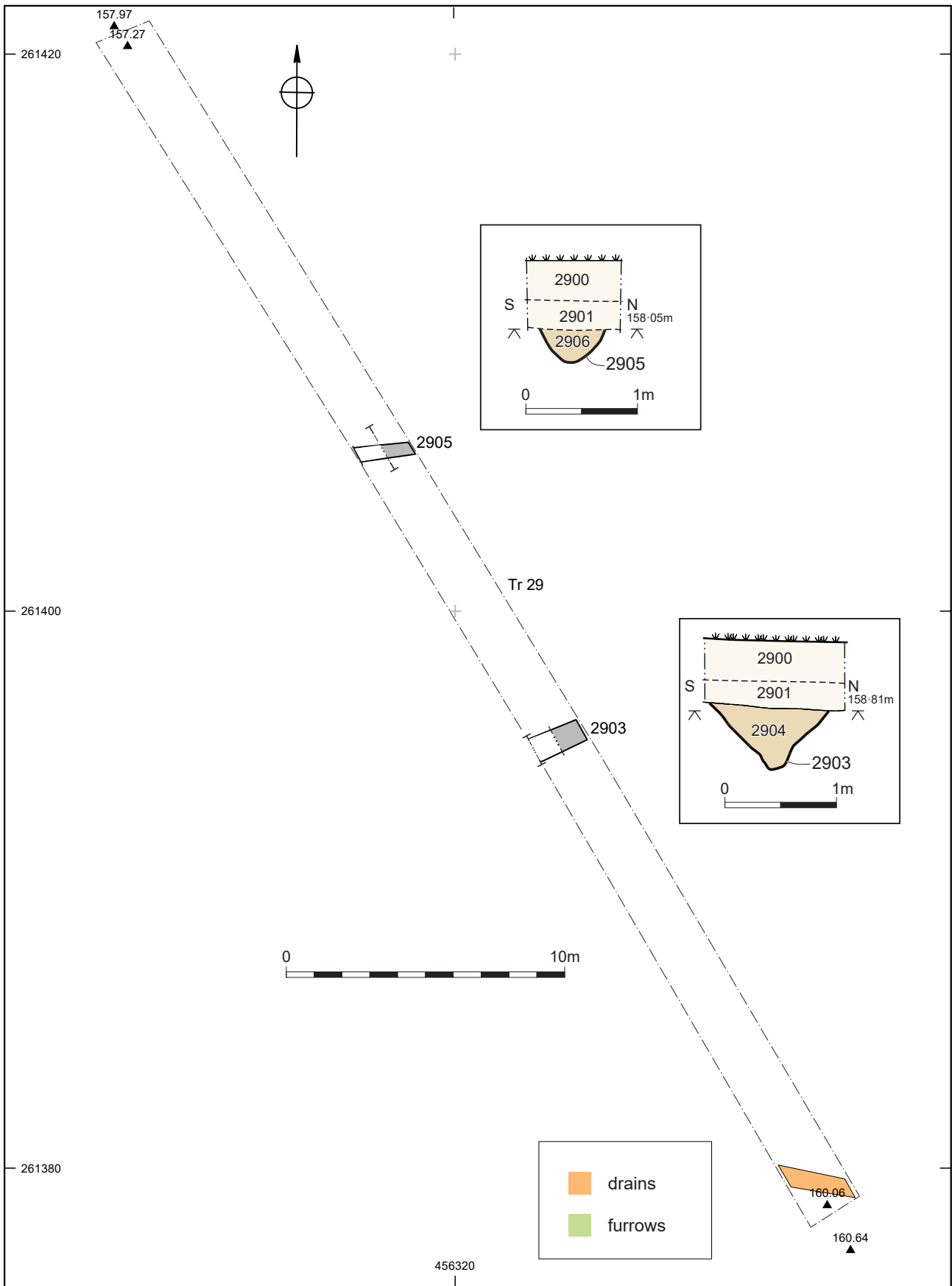
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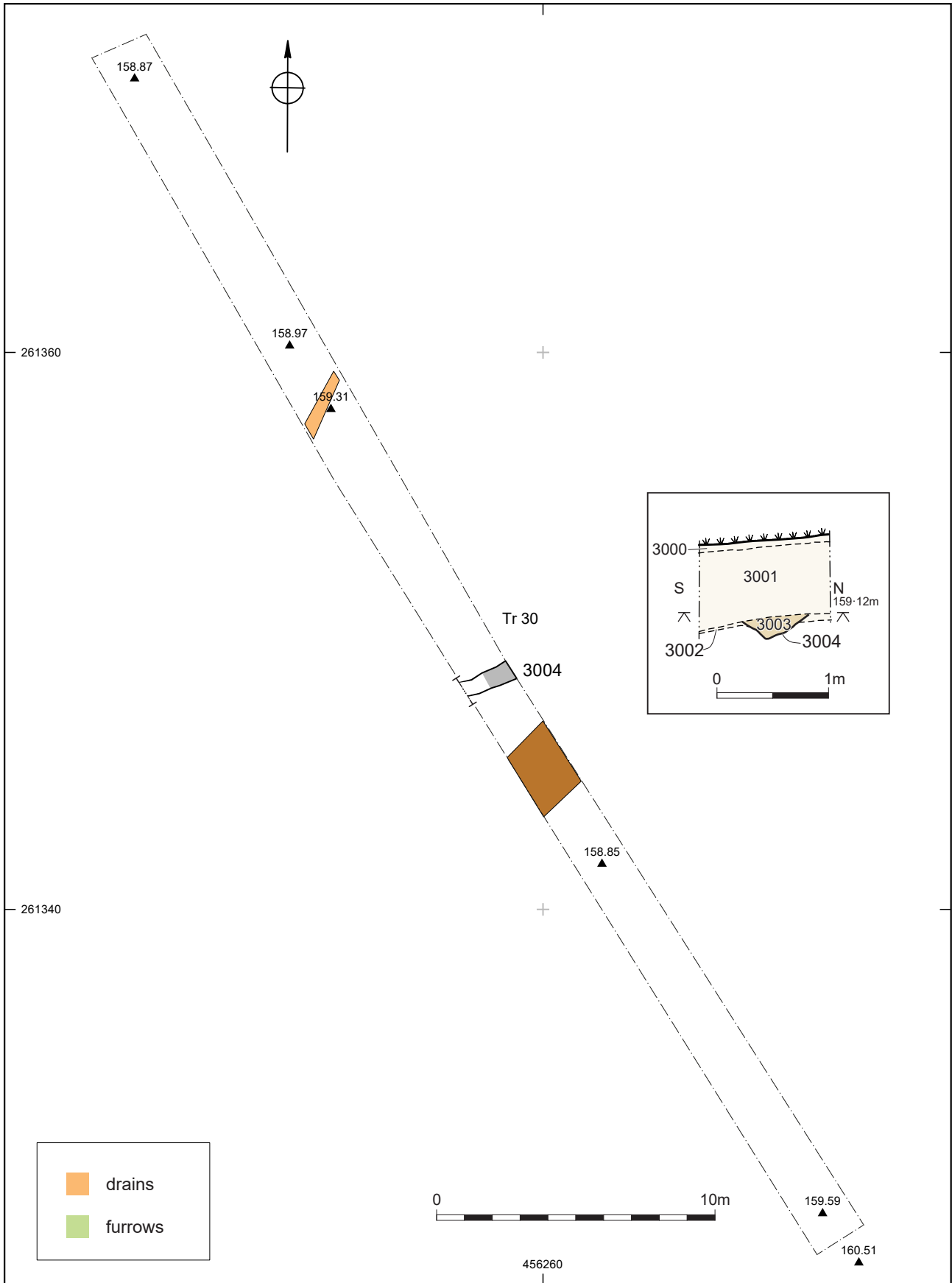
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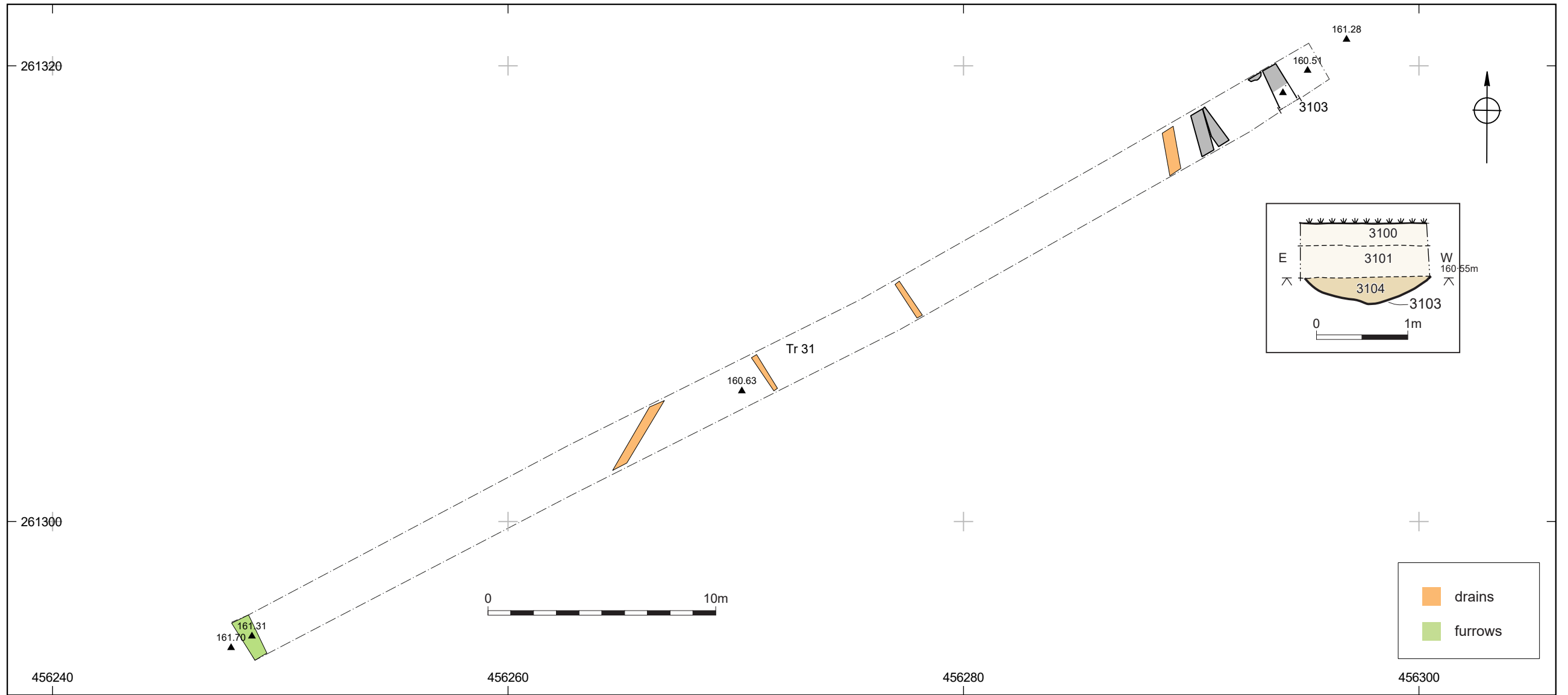
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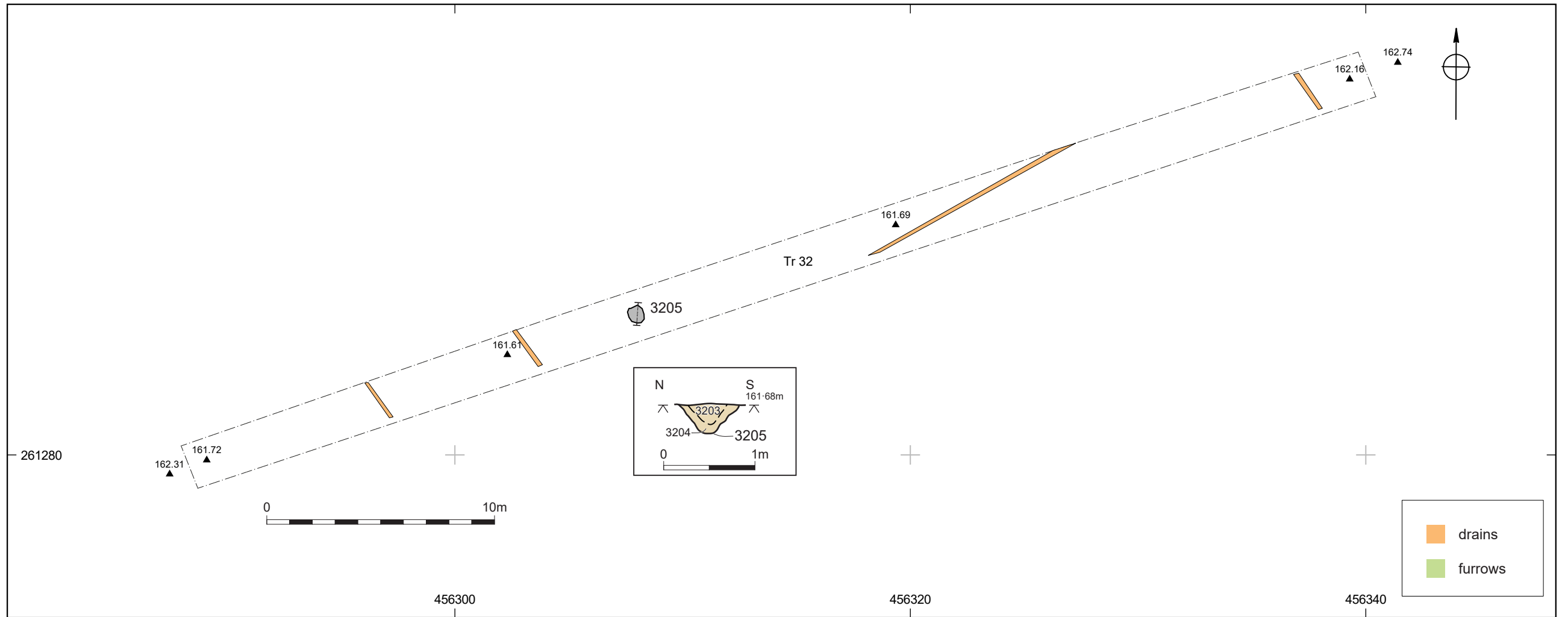
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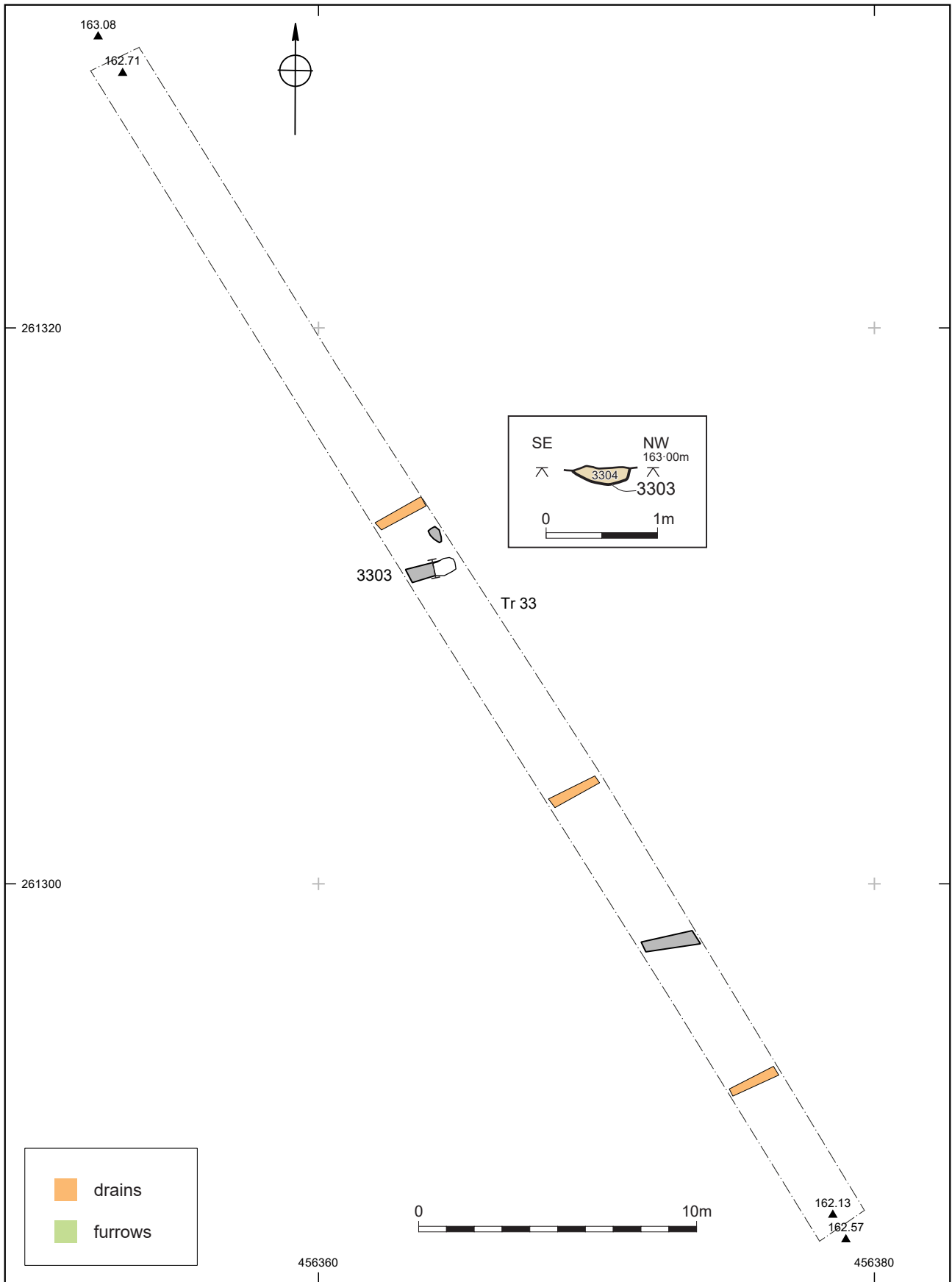
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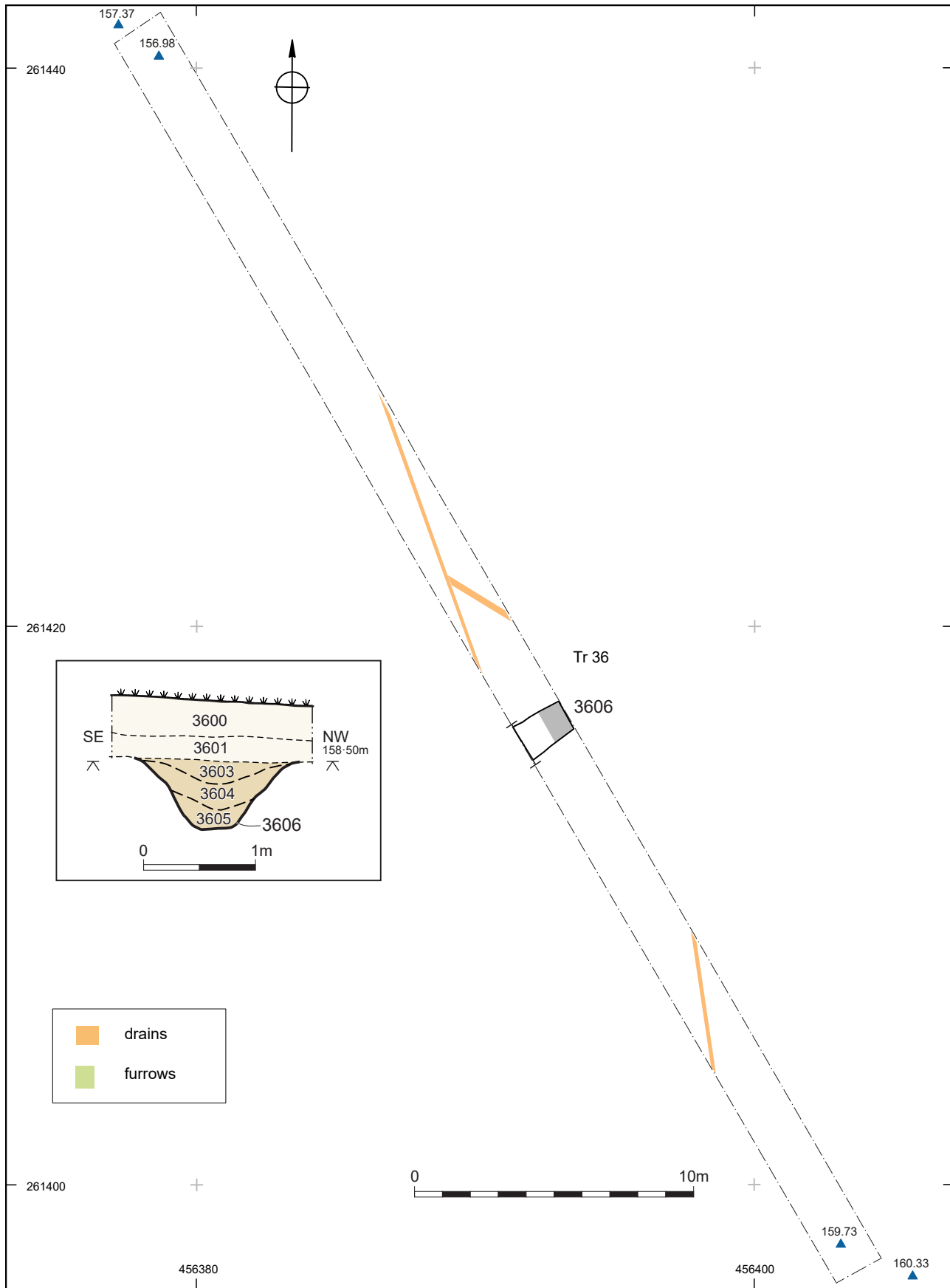
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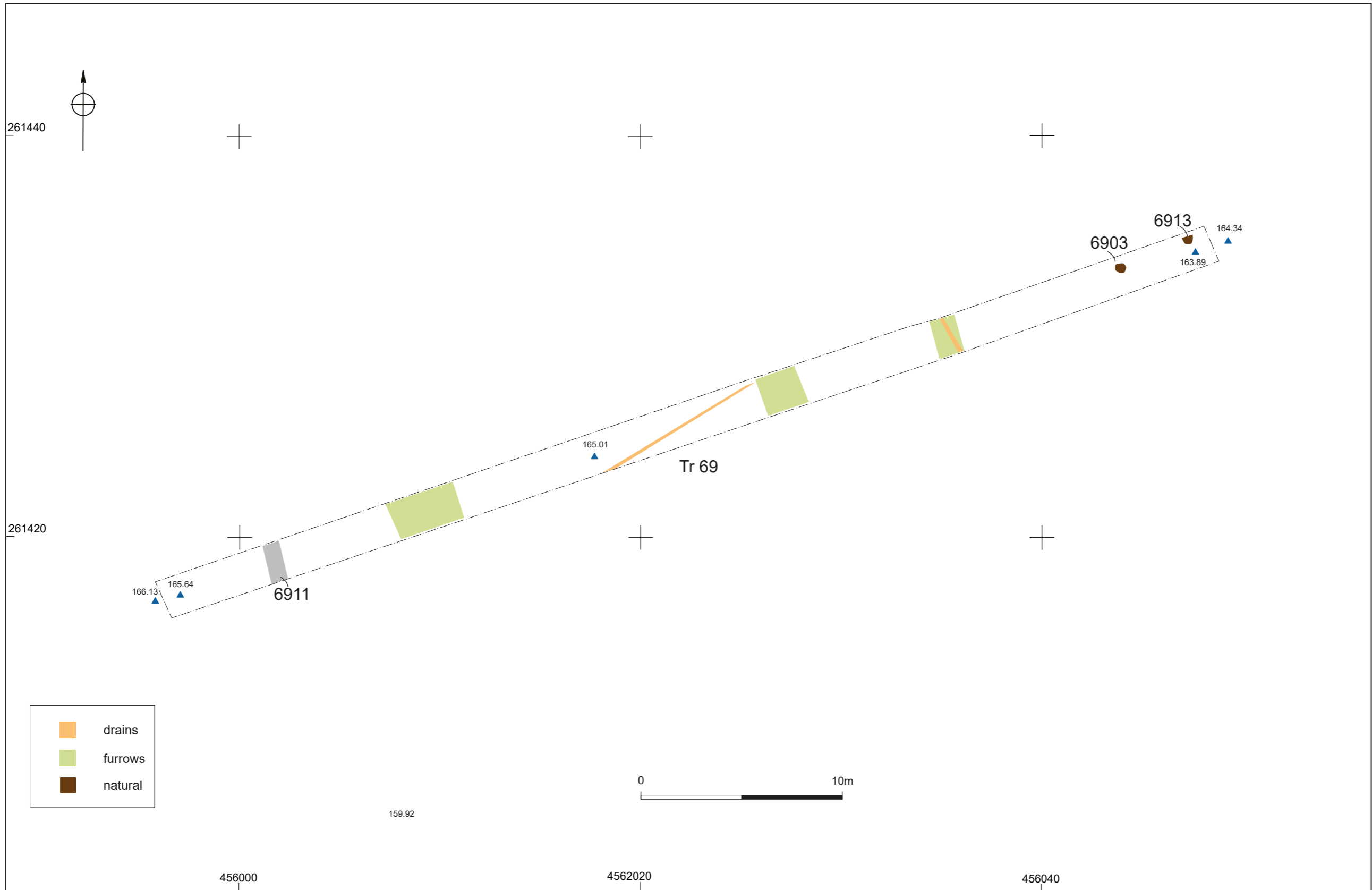
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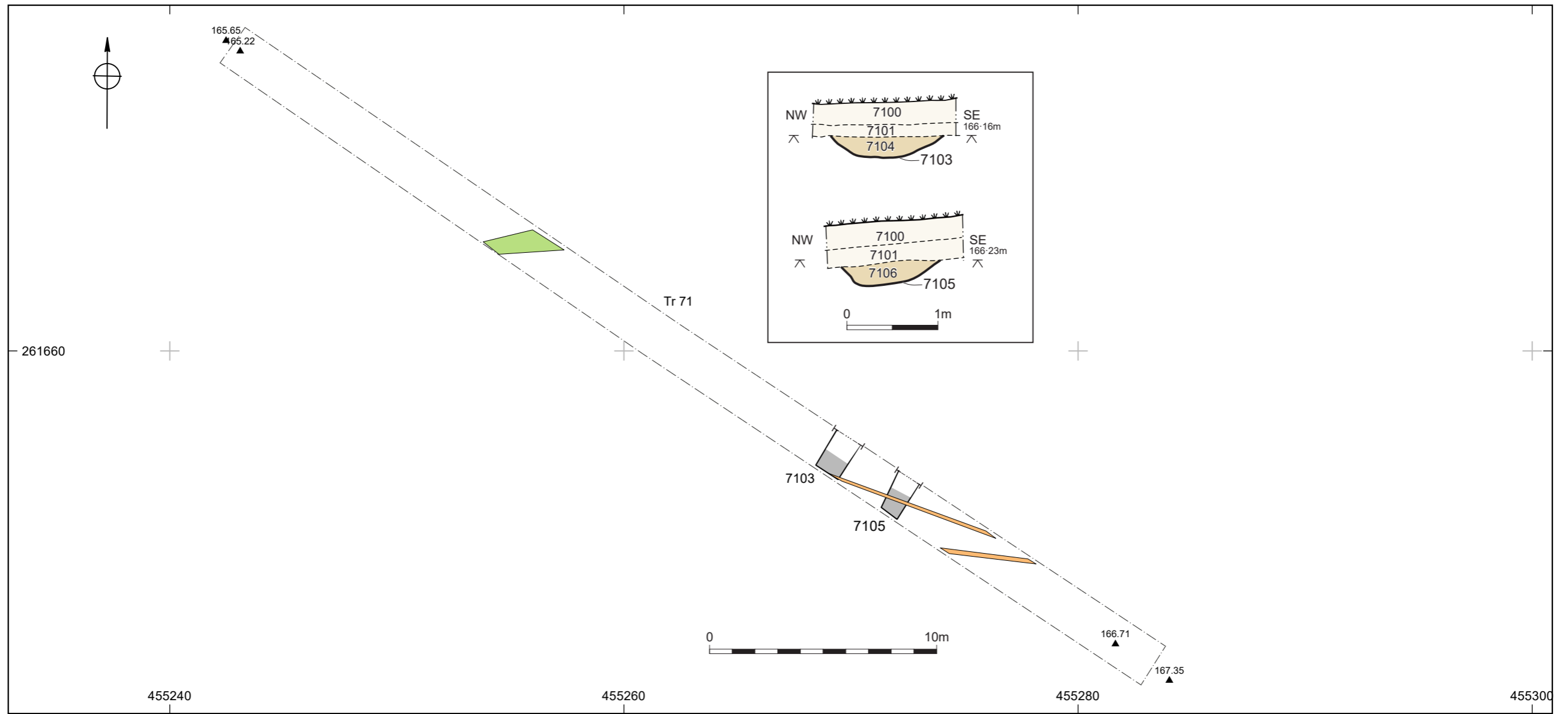
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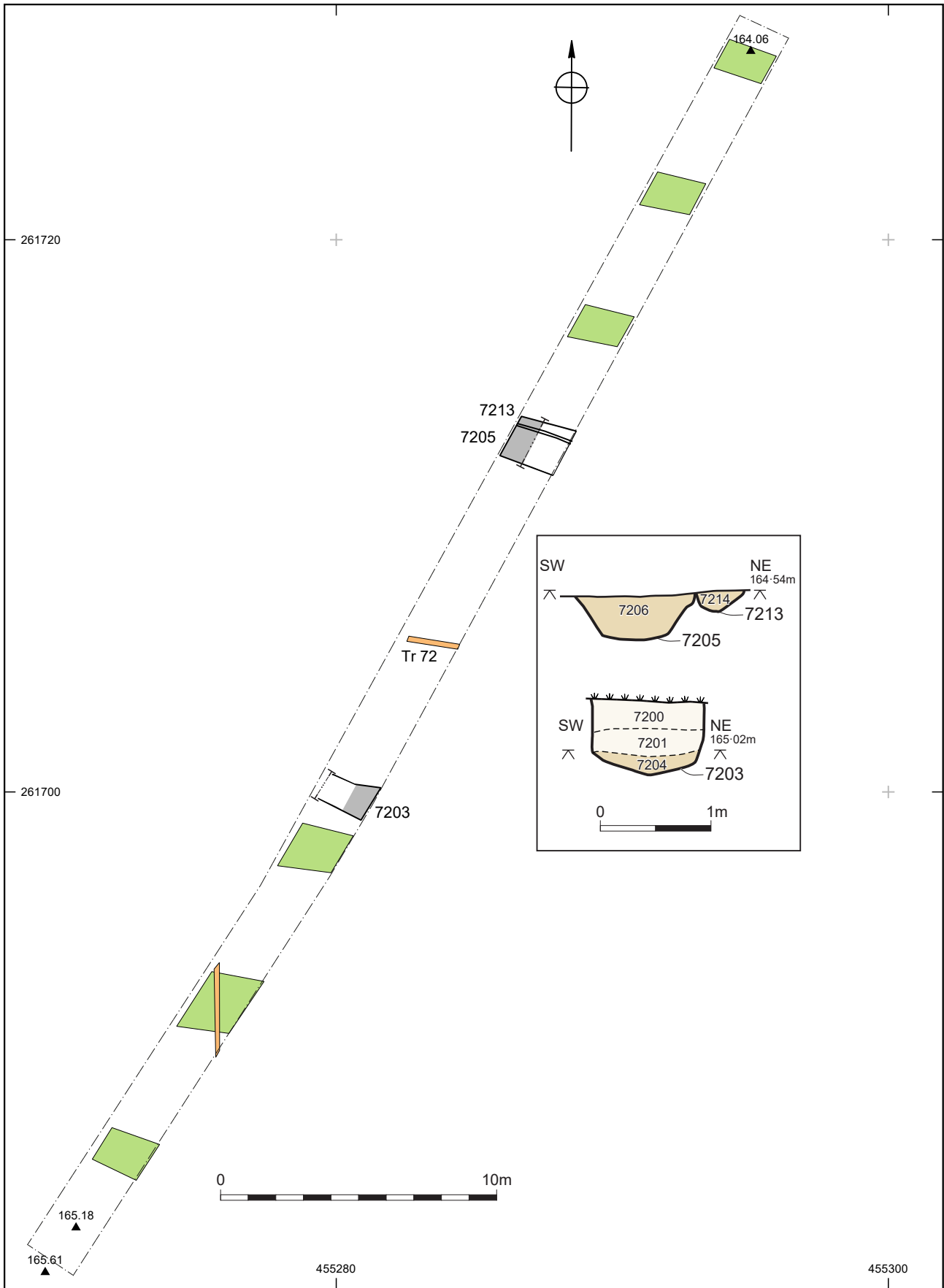
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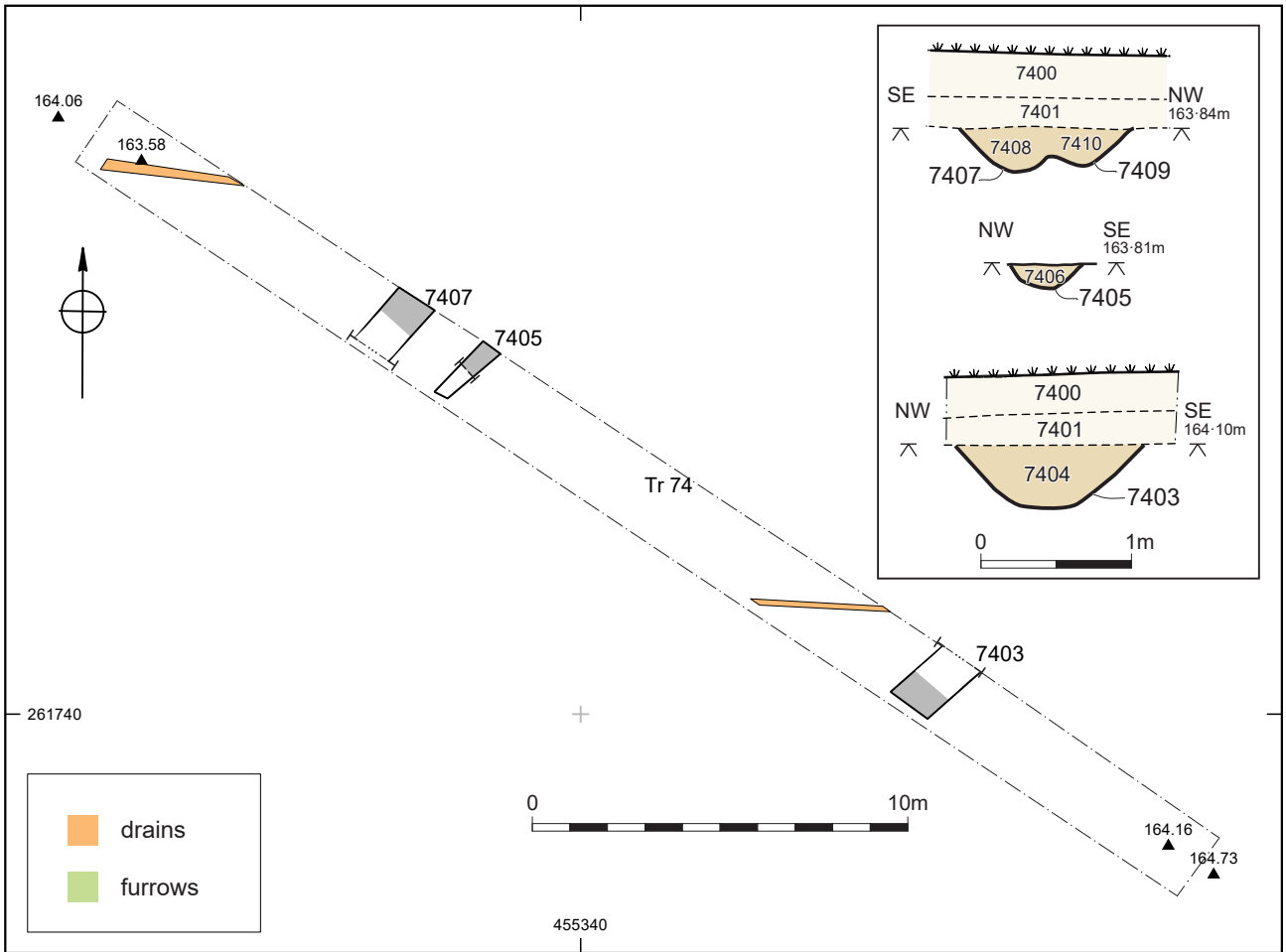
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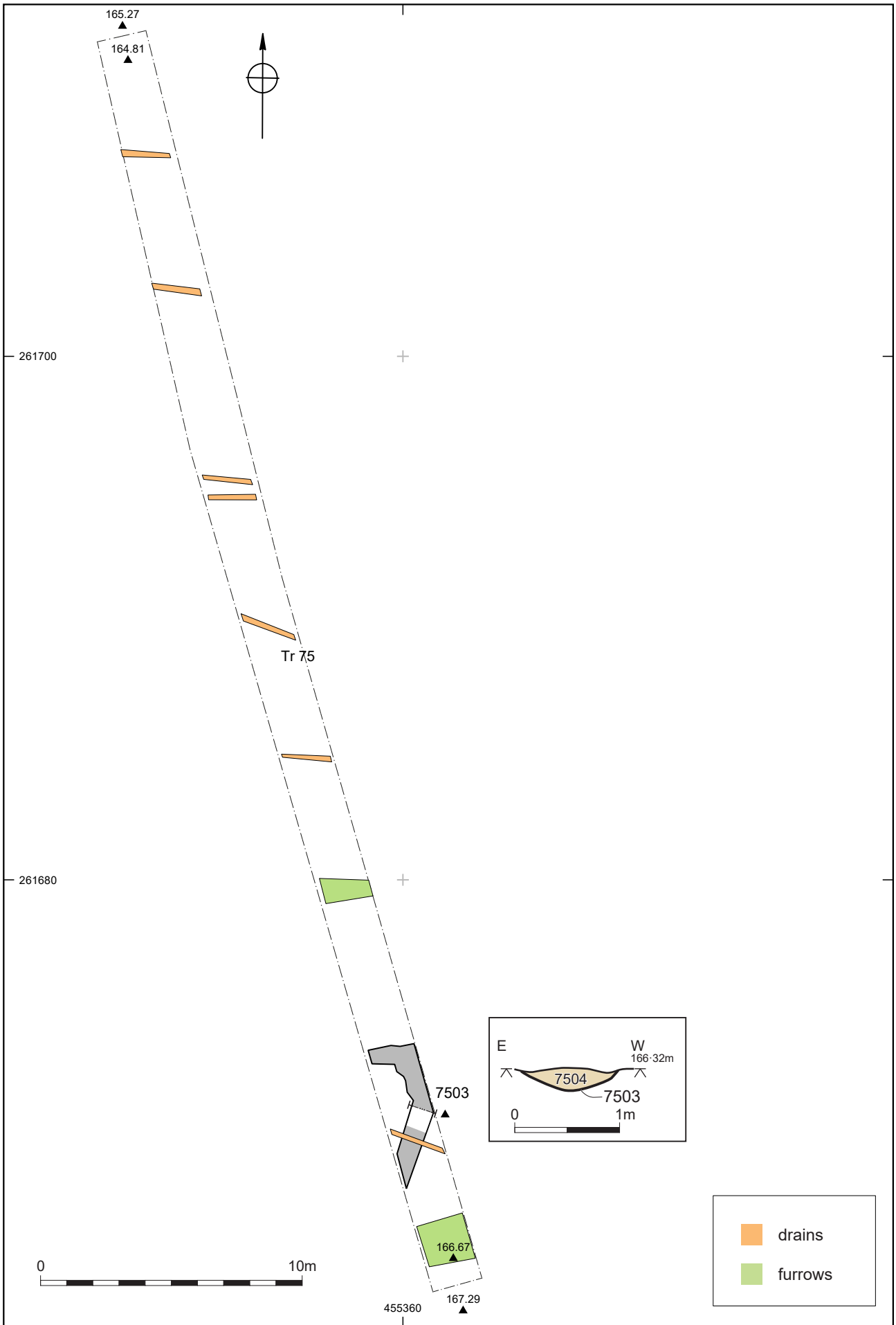
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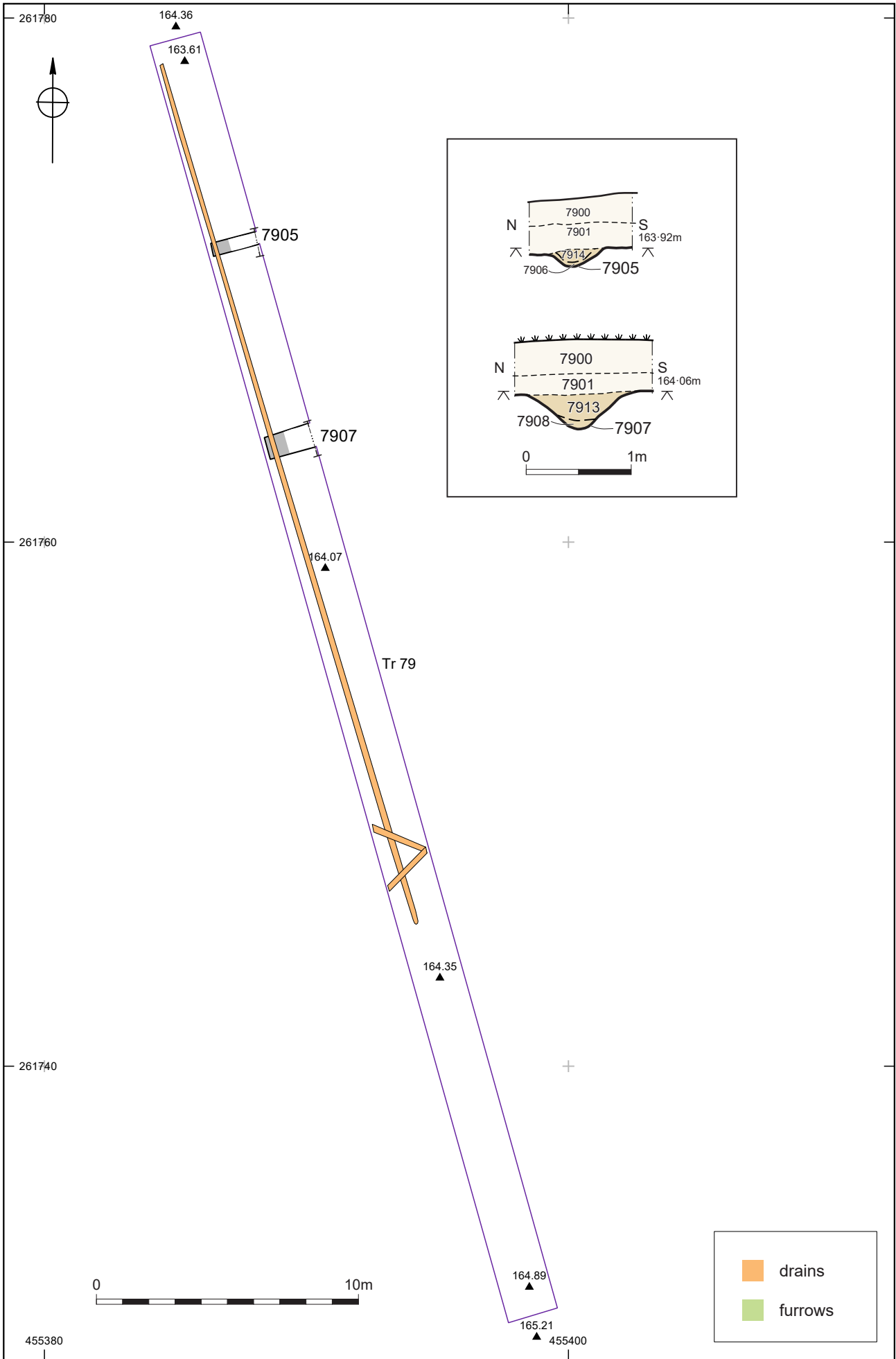
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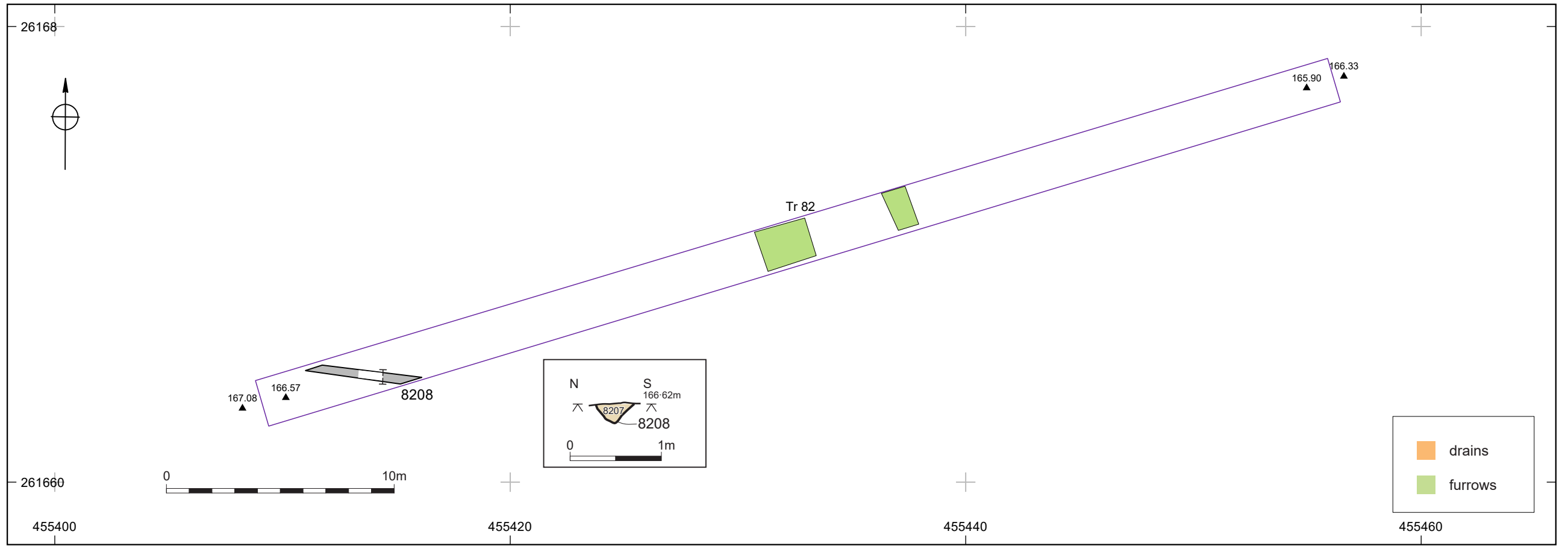
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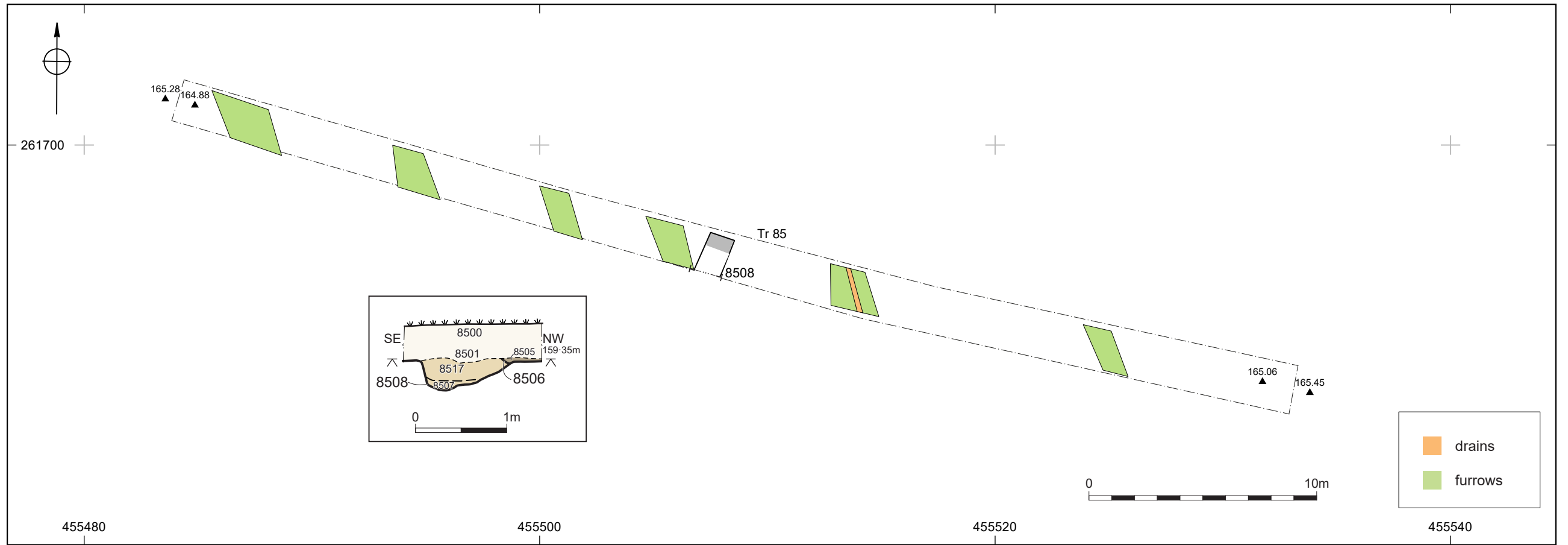
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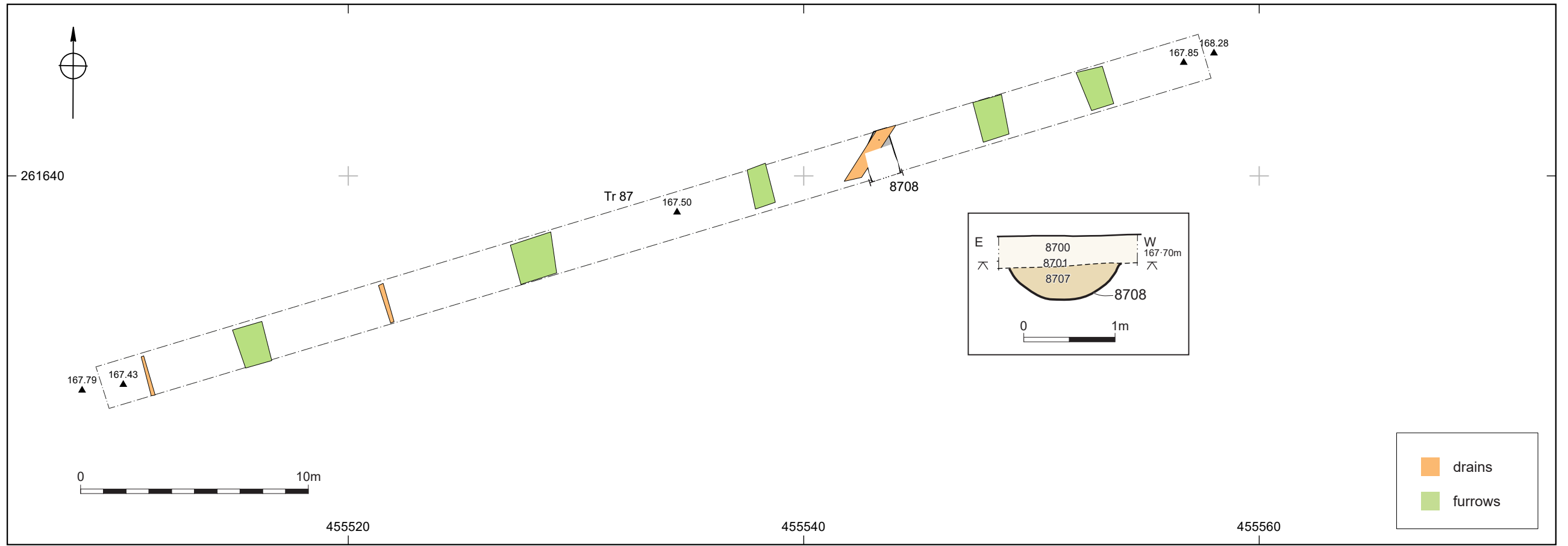
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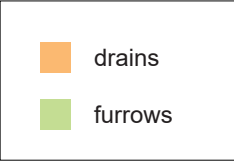
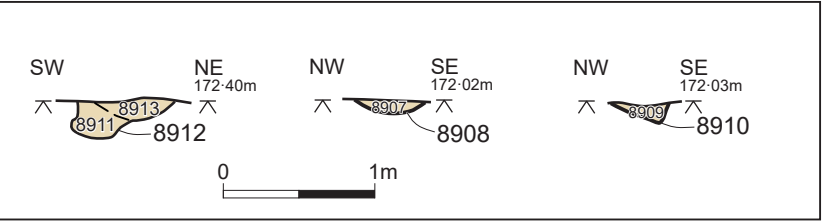
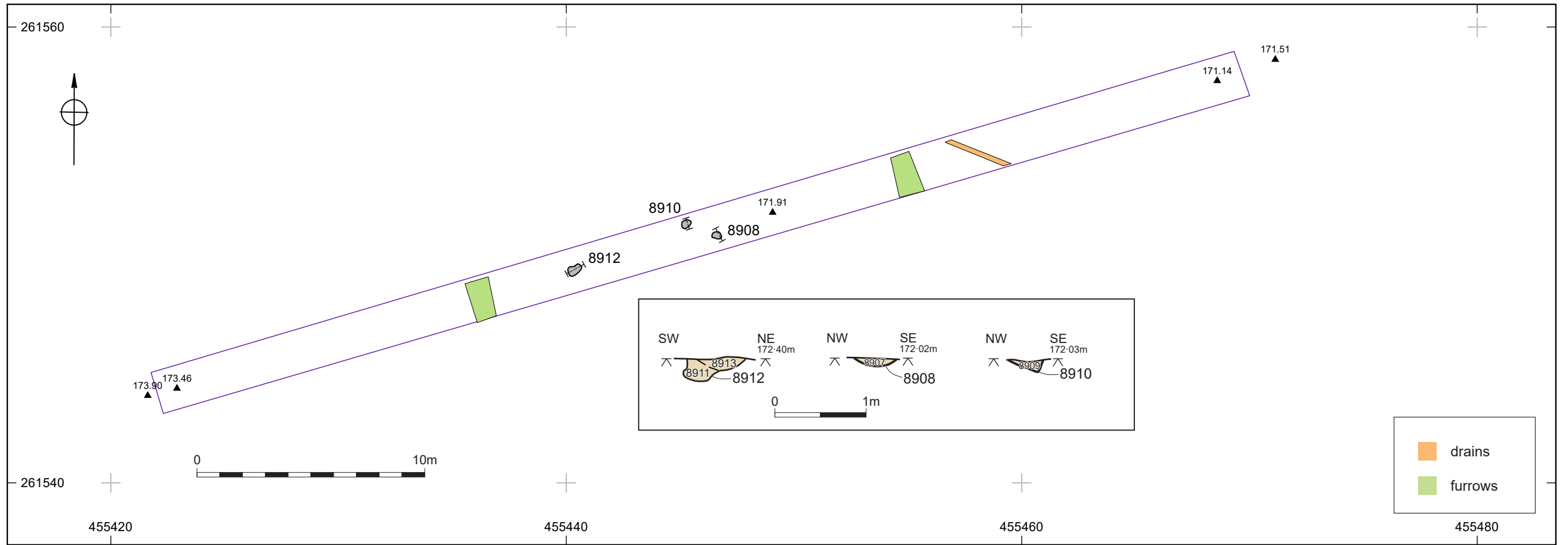
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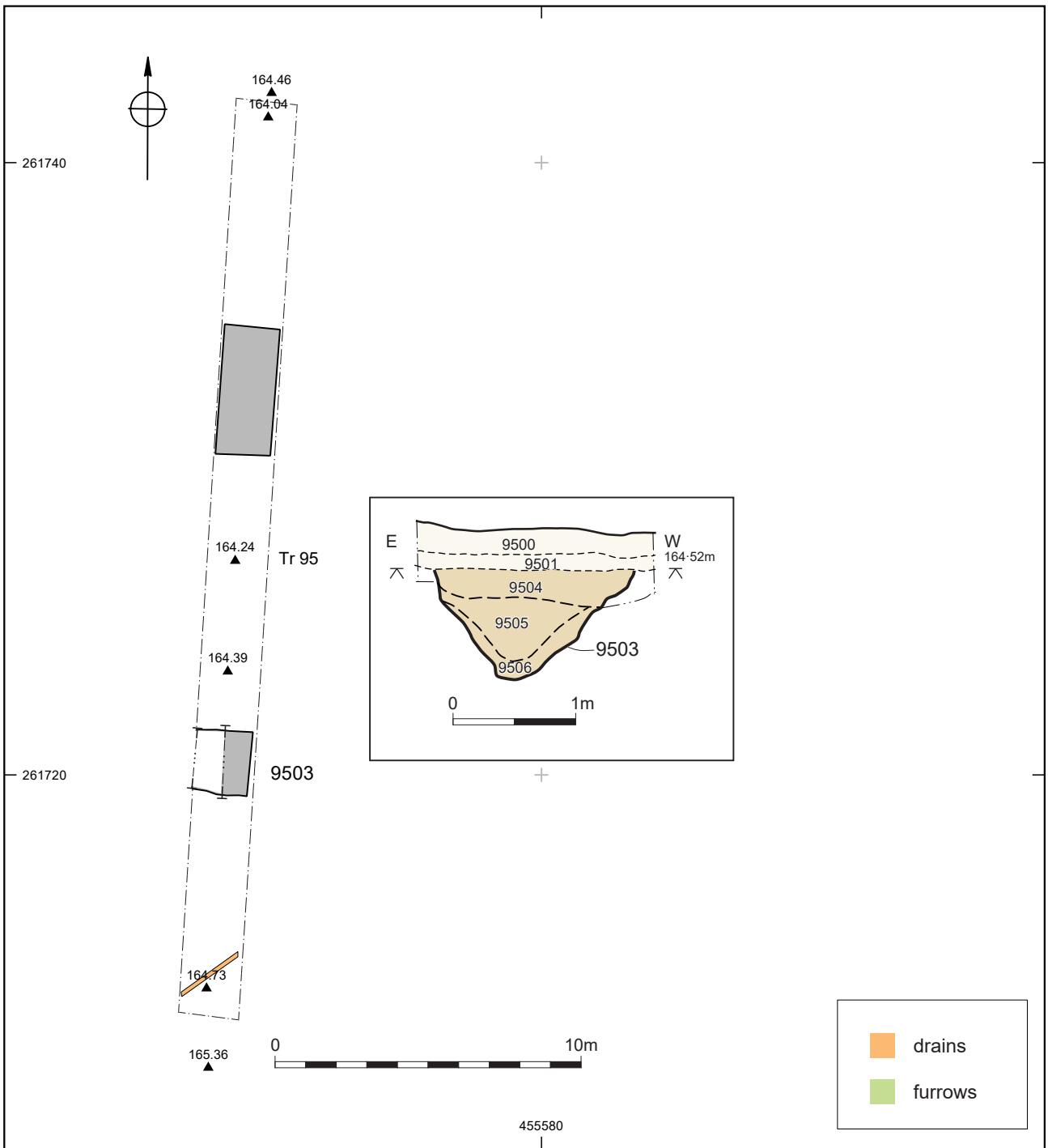
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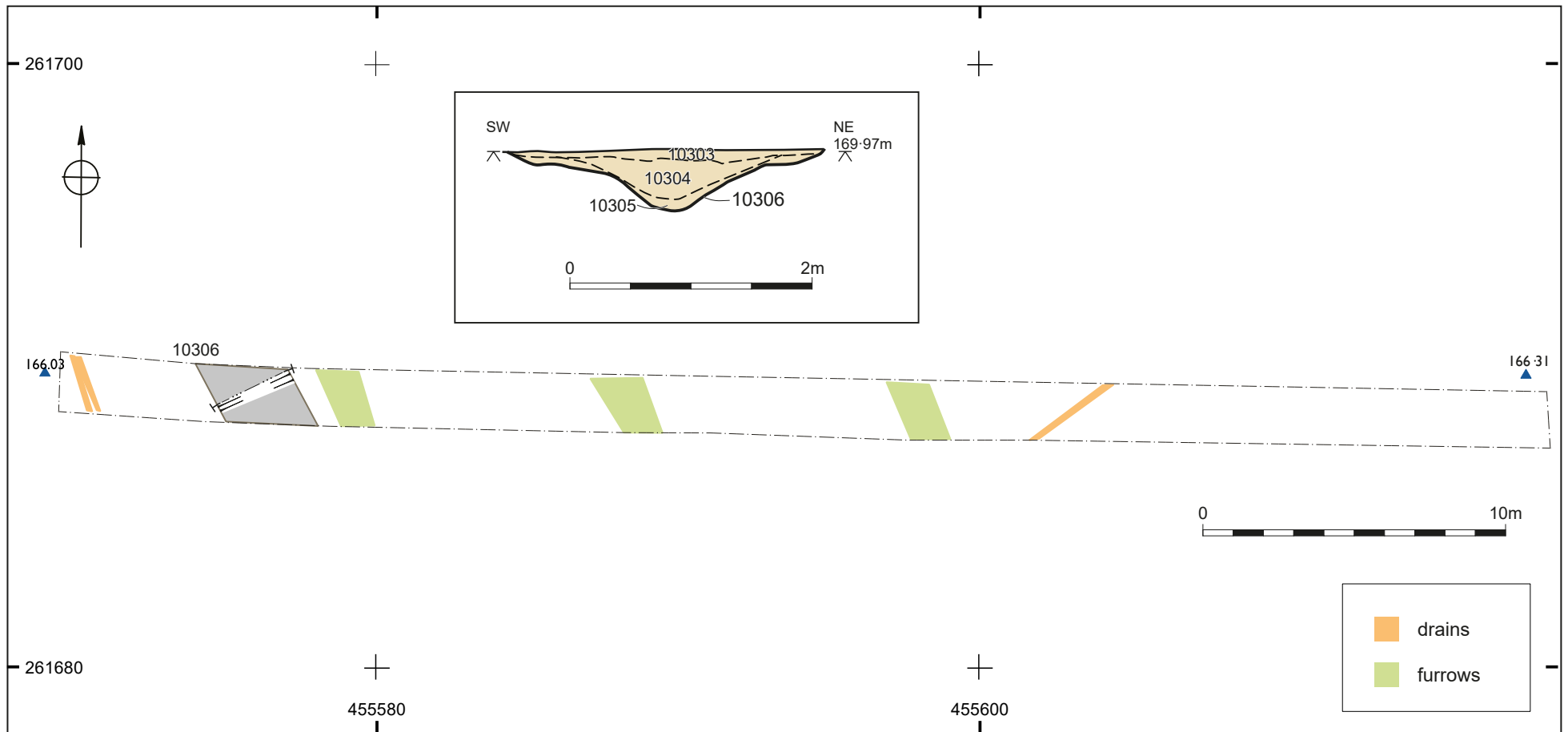
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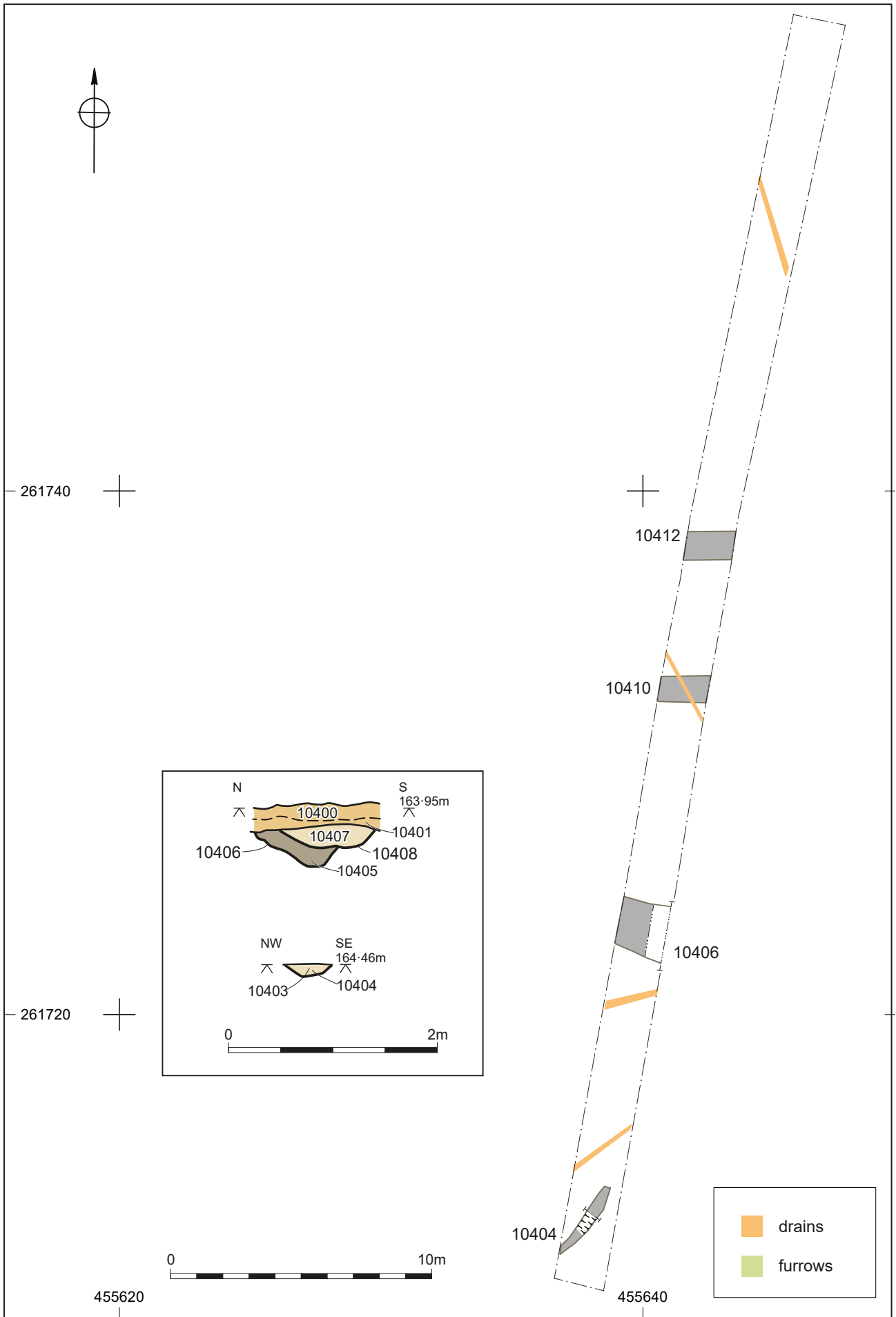
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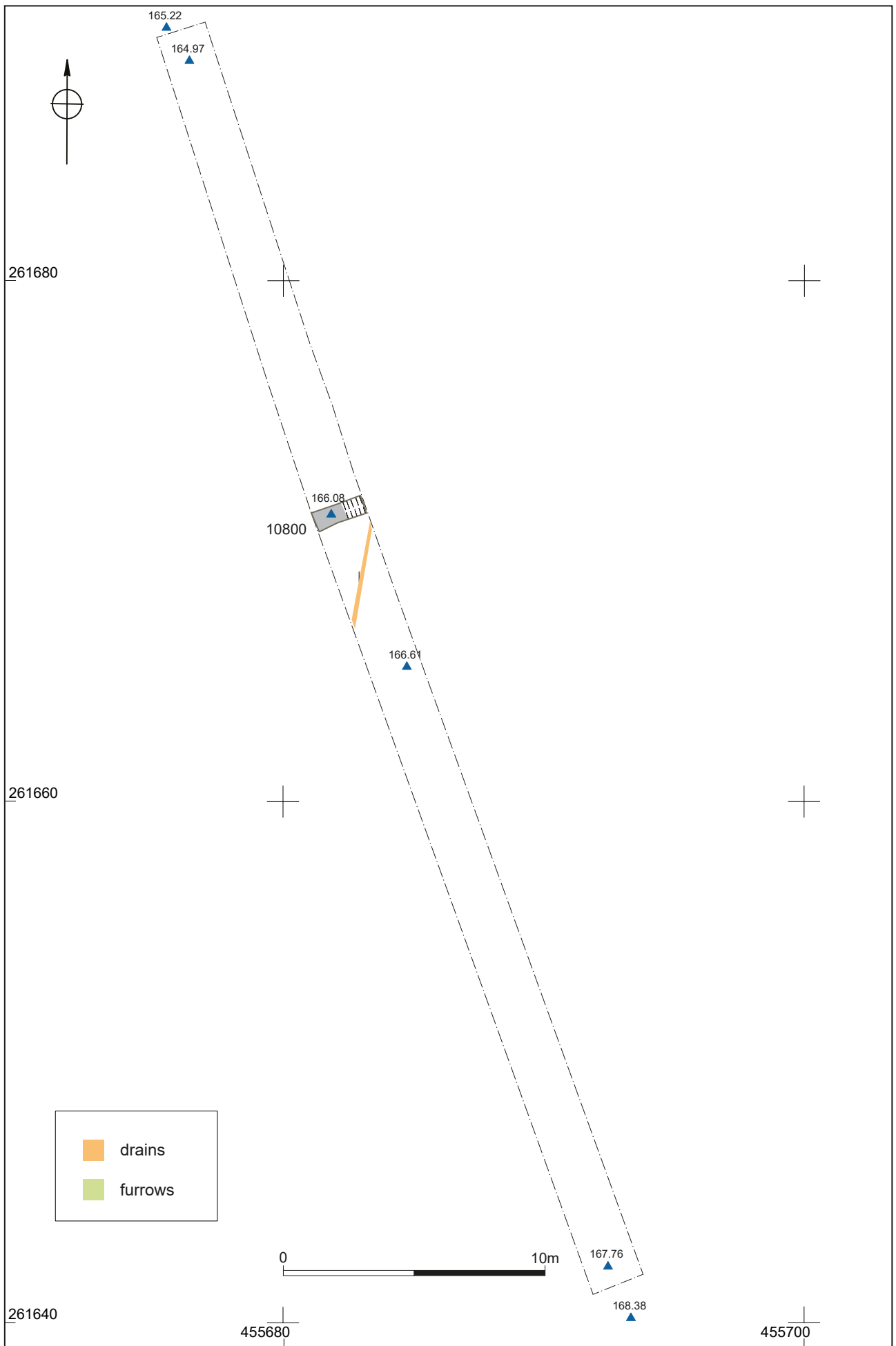
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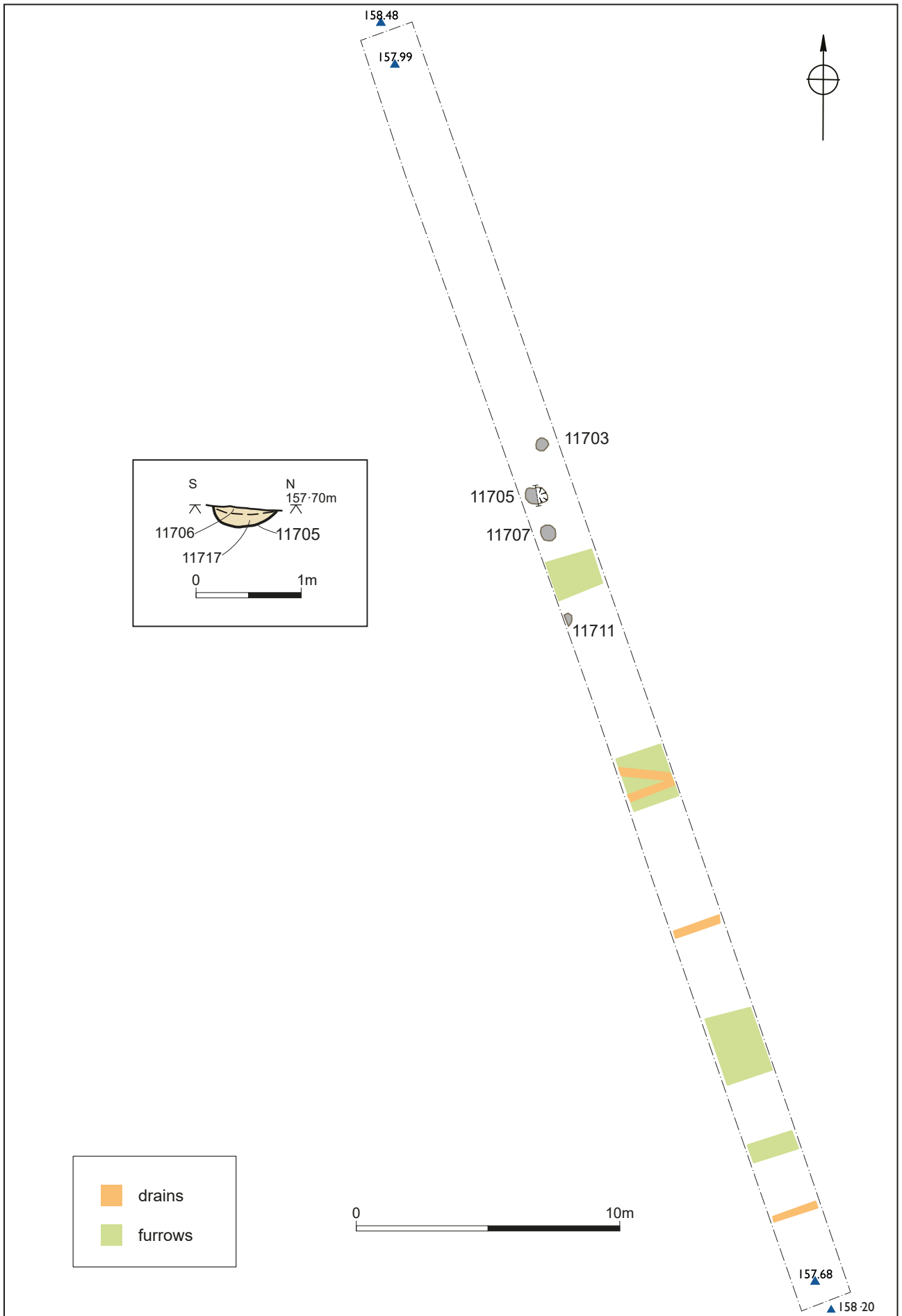
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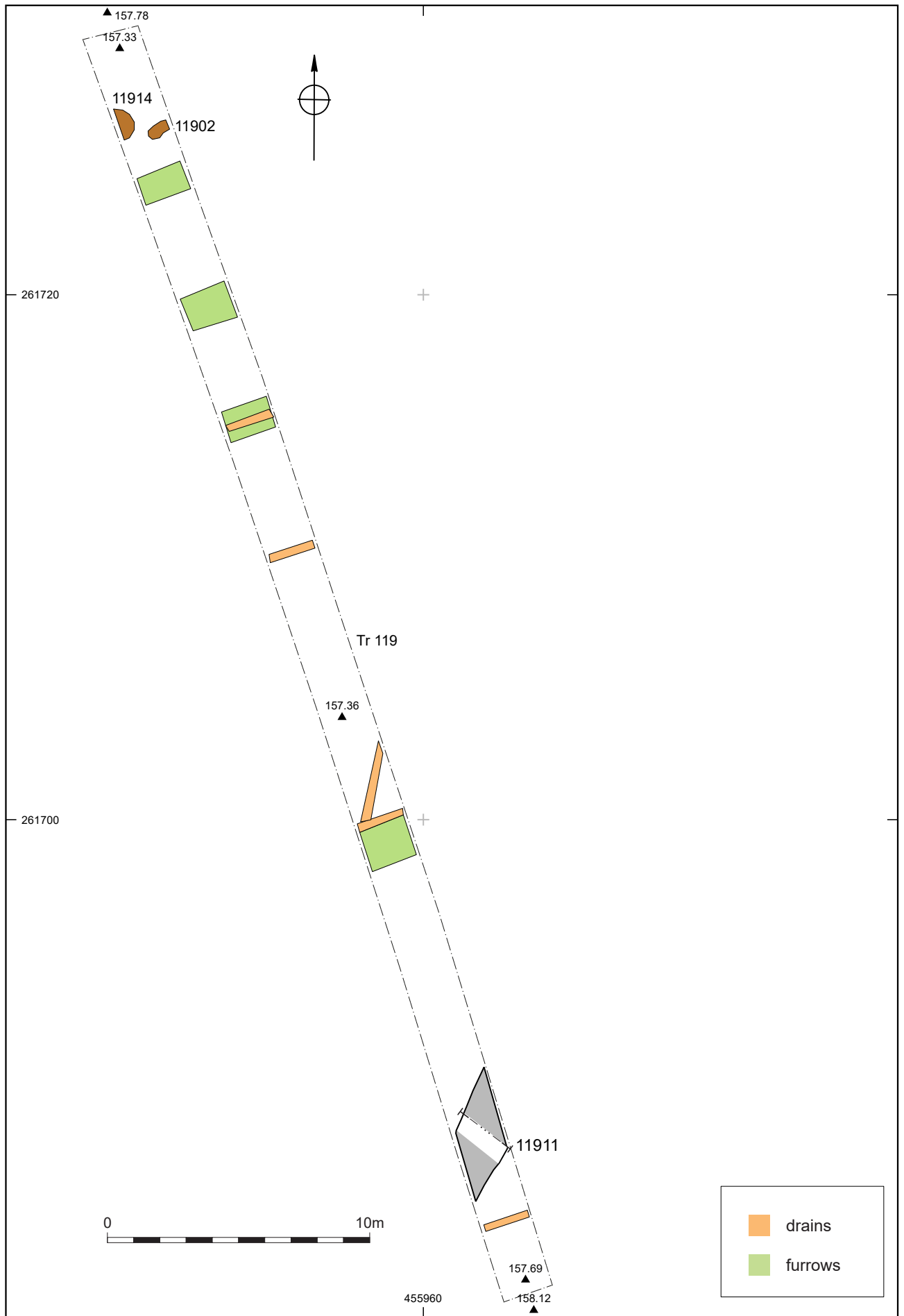
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Trench 117

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Trench 119

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Plates



Plate 1: Trench 24 showing layer 2424 which yielded Mesolithic flints. Note the modern drain at the top of the photo. Photo looking north



Plate 2: Pit 8912 in Trench 89. Photo looking north-west



Plate 3: Feature 8908 in Trench 89. Photo looking south-west



Plate 4: Pit 8910 in Trench 89. Photo looking north-east



Plate 5: A prehistoric pit (11705) was excavated in Trench 117 (right of shot) and appears to be one of a pair of pits. Unexcavated pit 11707 is visible to the left. Photo looking south-west



Plate 6: Ditch 8708 in Trench 87. Photo looking south-east



Plate 7: Ditch 9503 in Trench 95. Generally, the features in Trenches 95, 103 and 104 were fairly sterile. Photo looking west.



Plate 8: Enclosure ditch 10406 in Trench 104. Photo looking south-east



Plate 9: Curving gully 10404 could represent the truncated remains of a structure. The approximate outline of the feature has been marked with white paint. Photo looking north-east



Plate 10: Ditch 715 represented the north-western side of a trapezoidal shaped enclosure identified by the geophysical survey. Note the field drain cutting the feature just beyond the section. Photo looking north-east



Plate 11: Ditch 816/834 in Trench 8. Note elongated Pit 818 to the left. Photo looking north-east



Plate 12: Ditch 915 in Trench 9. Photo looking north-east



Plate 13: An oblique view of Ditch 919, which was cut by Ditch 917. Photo looking north



Plate 14: Archaeological activity in Trench 21 was difficult to interpret and may have been compromised, or comprised of, quarrying activity. Photo looking east.

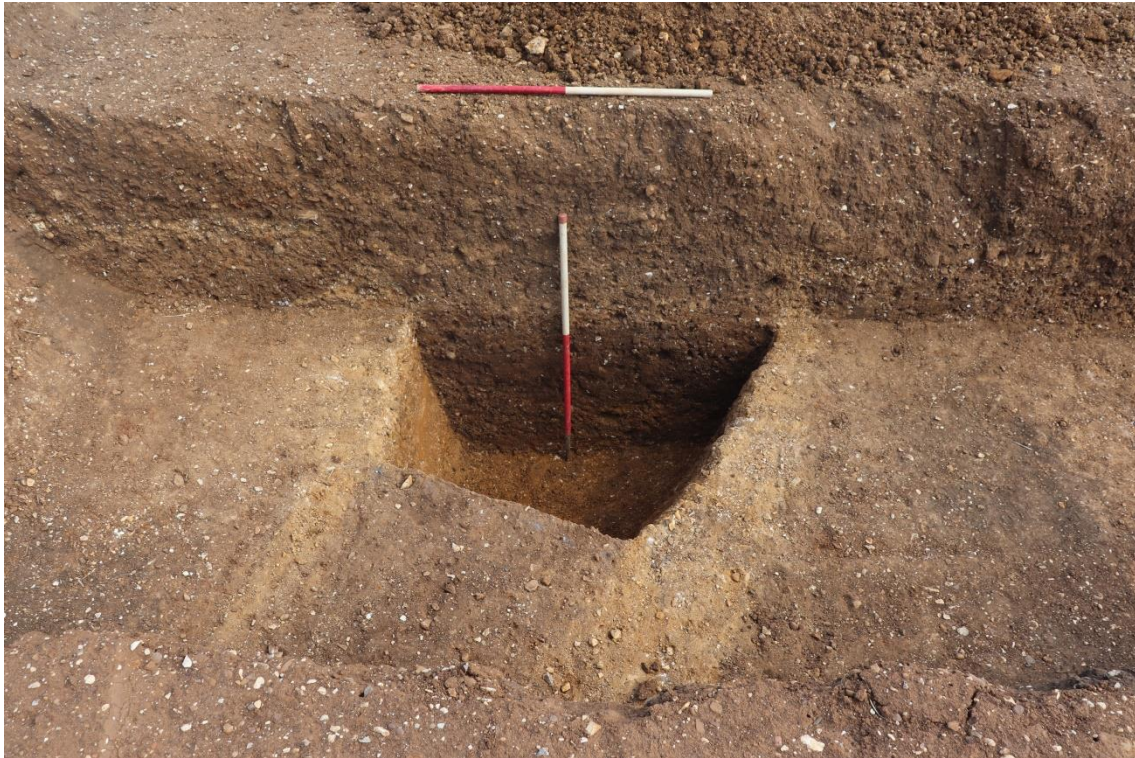


Plate 15: Excavation of a possible feature in Trench 21 revealed a steep sided, flat based, feature (2103). Note the other irregular shaped features or deposits to either side. Photo looking north-east



Plate 16: A possible quarry pit (2305) was also identified in Trench 23. This had an unclear relationship with a possible ditch (2303 in foreground)



Plate 17: Ditch 2244 in Trench 22. This ditch contained a number of fills and a distinct recut (2237). Photo looking north-west



Plate 18: Ditch 2417 in Trench 24. This feature was not fully excavated. Photo looking north-west



Plate 19: Ditch 2417 in Trench 24. This feature was not fully excavated. Photo looking west



Plate 20: A sondage was excavated through various features near the southern end of Trench 24. Ditch 2403 is furthest away. In the foreground (lower left) is 2414 which may be the same deposit as 2424. Photo looking north-west



Plate 21: Sub-circular shaped Ditch 2503. The scales are illustrating the arc of the feature. Photo looking south-east



Plate 22: Ditch 2703 in Trench 27. Photo looking north-west



Plate 23: Ditch 7105 in Trench 71. Photo looking north-east



Plate 24: Ditch 7403 in Trench 74. Photo looking north-east



Plate 25: Quarry pit 10104 in Trench 101. Photo looking north-east



Plate 26: Quarry pit 10015 was located at the eastern end of Trench 100. Photo looking south-east

Appendix 1: Trench descriptions

Trench 1

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|--------------|---|
| 100 | Topsoil | Layer | Occasional flakes of chert, less than 0.80mm. Rare modern brick pieces, occasional rooting | 0.24m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 101 | Subsoil | Layer | Occasional chert flakes, less than 0.80mm | 0.24m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 102 | Natural | Layer | Rare orange clay mottling, rare sub-rounded and sub-angular pebbles about 60mm. Very rare block of ? red sandstone/ironstone? | 0.05m plus | Compact blueish yellow |
| 103 | Furrow | Cut | Possible cut of furrow, could be natural | | |
| 104 | Furrow | Fill | Occasional sub-angular and sub-rounded stones less than 60mm | | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 105 | Pit | Cut | Cut of possible sub oval pit, on investigation proved to be natural | | |
| 106 | Pit | Fill | Occasional sub-angular limestone/chert flakes. Subsoil feature - natural | | Moderately Compact greyish brown |
| 107 | Pit | Cut | Irregular, possible subsoil patch or natural | | |
| 108 | Pit | Fill | Rare sub-angular and sub-rounded flakes and stones - Natural feature | | Moderately Compact greyish brown |

Trench 2

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|--------------|---|
| 200 | Topsoil | Layer | Cohesive. Occasional sub-angular and sub-rounded pebbles and gravels | 0.21m | Soft greyish brown silty clay |
| 201 | Subsoil | Layer | Occasional sub-angular and sub-rounded pebbles | 0.16m | Moderately Compact yellowish brown silty clay |
| 202 | Natural | Layer | Very rare sub-angular flakes less than 20mm | 0.02m + | Moderately Compact yellowish brown clay |
| 203 | Furrow | Cut | 0.7m wide. | | |
| 204 | Furrow | Fill | Occasional sub-angular flakes of chert and stones 10-60mm | | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 205 | Pit | Cut | Irregular - 1.8m in diameter. | | |

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|-----|-----|------|---|---|
| 206 | Pit | Fill | Occasional sub-angular chert fragments, rare sub-rounded pebbles and gravels. Possible tree throw or other natural feature. | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
|-----|-----|------|---|---|

Trench 3

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|---------------|---|
| 300 | Topsoil | Layer | Soft and cohesive. Occasional rooting and sub-rounded pebbles and gravels and sub-angular chert , rare pieces of iron stone flake, rare post-medieval debris - clay pipe brick fragments | 0.38m | Soft greyish brown silty clay |
| 301 | Subsoil | Layer | Occasional sub-rounded pebbles and gravel | 0.10m | Moderately Compact yellowish brown silty clay |
| 302 | Natural | Layer | Orangey yellow. Rare sub-angular pebbles less than 30mm | 0.02m + | Compact blueish grey clay |
| 303 | Gully | Cut | Linear cut with a moderate to gentle top break of slope gradual/concave sides a gentle break of slope at the base. Orientated N-S. 50% excavated. Width: 0.66m, length: 2.32m. | 0.15m | |
| 304 | Gully | Fill | Occasional pottery, occasional charcoal, rare sub-angular pebbles. 50% excavated. Conditions sunny excavated with mattock. Possibly Roman, but quite abraded. Fill likely weathered in. | | Compact orangey brown silty clay |
| 305 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 306 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 307 | Pit | Cut | Cut of possible pit | | |
| 308 | Pit | Fill | Fill of possible pit | | |
| 309 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 310 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 311 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 312 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 313 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 314 | Furrow | Fill | | | |

Trench 4

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|---------------------------------|
| 400 | Topsoil | Layer | Very common rooting and plant remains and very common medium to small rounded and sub-rounded stone pebbles scattered remains of ? modern material (tile, brick, glass) natural flint chunks and natural small gravel | 0.25m | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 401 | Subsoil | Layer | Whitish grey mottling, very common small rounded stone pebbles natural small gravel and common rounded and sub-rounded sandstone and ironstone fragments. | 0.10m | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 402 | Natural | Layer | Very common iron panning, medium to small rounded and sub-rounded poorly sorted pebbles, limestone and sandstone fragments and small gravel. | | Loose orangey yellow sandy silt |
| 403 | Ditch | Cut | Sub-linear in plan, with rounded corners. Sharp top break of slope, steep, sloping sides, gradual base break of slope, u-shaped base - partially concave. Orientated E-W. About 40% of the extent of the feature within T4 was excavated. Shallow and narrow terminus of ditch. Width: 0.70m | 0.30m | |
| 404 | Ditch | Fill | Very common gravel, medium to small angular to sub-angular limestone fragments and pebbles plus sparse iron panning. About 40% of extent of feature in T4 excavated. Natural infilling. | 0.30m | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |

Trench 5

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|---|
| 500 | Topsoil | Layer | Frequent rooting and plant remains. Common medium to small poorly sorted rounded and sub-rounded pebbles and poorly sorted flint chunks. | 0.25m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 501 | Subsoil | Layer | Whiteish-grey mottling, common small sub-angular pebbles and gravel. | 0.10m | Loose greyish brown sandy clay |

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| 502 | Natural | Layer | Frequent mottling, sparse iron panning patches and small sub-angular stones and gravel. | Moderately Compact brownish orange sandy clay |
| 503 | Ditch | Cut | Linear feature | |
| 504 | Ditch | Cut | Unexcavated feature | greyish brown silt |
| 507 | Pit | Cut | Unexcavated feature | |

Trench 6

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
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| 600 | Topsoil | Layer | Described as a mid grey soil. Infrequent rooting, Sparse sub-angular poorly sorted stones, (20-60mm)and rare sub-angular flint | 0.30m | Friable grey |
| 601 | Subsoil | Layer | Sparse sub-circular to sub-angular poorly sorted stones (10-70mm) | 0.24m | Friable orangey brown |
| 602 | Natural | Layer | Clay/mudstone with no inclusions | | Firm yellowish brown clay |
| 605 | Ditch | Cut | Linear, sharp top break of slope, concave sides, indeterminate base break of slope, rounded base. NNW-SSE. Cut of ditch. Possible field boundary. Runs at slightly different alignment to furrows within Trench 6 | | |
| 606 | Ditch | Fill | Occasional sub-angular stones (< 80mm) and sub-rounded pebbles. Rare charcoal flecks. Basal fill formed by natural inwashing | 0.23m | Moderately Compact blueish grey silty clay |
| 607 | Linear | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 608 | Linear | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 609 | Furrow | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 610 | Furrow | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 611 | Ditch | Fill | Middle fill of ditch [605]. Sterile. Could be due to deliberate or partial slighting of ditch. | 0.09m | Moderately Compact yellowish brown clay |
| 612 | Ditch | Fill | Width 0.78m. Upper fill of ditch [605]. Probably arose from deliberate slighting of ditch | 0.16m | Moderately Compact blueish grey silty clay |

Trench 7

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|-------------------------------|
| 700 | Topsoil | Layer | Medium rooting. Sparse sub-angular poorly sorted stones and chert (10-60mm) | 0.35m | Friable brownish grey |
| 701 | Subsoil | Layer | Spars sub-angular stones (10-40mm) | 0.21m | Friable orangey brown loam |
| 702 | Natural | Layer | Light grey lenses | | Firm yellowish brown clay |
| 703 | Unknown | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 704 | Unknown | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 705 | Unknown | Cut | Cut of bulb-shaped feature | | |
| 706 | Unknown | Fill | Fill of bulb-shaped feature | | |
| 707 | Pit | Cut | Circular feature | | |
| 708 | Pit | Fill | Fill of circular feature | | |
| 709 | Furrow | Cut | | 0.12m | |
| 710 | Furrow | Fill | Clayey sandy silt, frequent natural pebbles. 1.45m wide | 0.12m | reddish brown sandy clay |
| 711 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 712 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 713 | Gully | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 714 | Gully | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 715 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan with square corners. Top break of slope gradual on north side, sharp on south side. Convex sides, Gradual base break of slope, concave base, Orientated E-W. Interpreted as the cut of an Iron Age enclosure ditch. | 0.64m | |
| 716 | Ditch | Fill | Upper fill of 715. Contained pottery and bone | 0.16m | Soft greyish black sandy loam |
| 717 | Ditch | Fill | Contained moderate poorly sorted sub-angular stones (10-60mm) rare flint and sparse charcoal flecks. Pottery and CBM | 0.48m | Firm brownish grey silt loam |

Trench 8

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|------------------|-------------------------------|
| 800 | Topsoil | Layer | Mid grey soil, medium rooting, moderate sub-angular stones, poorly sorted (5- | 0.37m | Friable grey |
| 801 | Subsoil | Layer | sandy soil, rare sub-angular poorly sorted stones (10- | >0.19m | Soft orangey brown sandy silt |

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| | | | 40mm) | | |
| 802 | Pit | Cut | Sub-circular in plan, 0.44m diameter | | |
| 803 | Pit | Fill | Frequent sub-angular limestone flakes <80mm, occasional sub-angular red sandstone pieces <30mm. | | Moderately Compact greyish brown sandy silt |
| 804 | Pit | Cut | Sub-circular in plan, diameter 1.16m | | |
| 805 | Pit | Fill | Frequent sub-angular flakes of limestone and chert (<50mm), rare sub-angular blocks red sandstone (<80mm) | | Moderately Compact greyish brown sandy silt |
| 806 | Pit | Cut | Sub-oval top break of slope, sharp to north, rounded to south. Sides - concave to north, shallower to west and south. Rounded base break of slope, slightly concave base. Orientated approximately E-W. Cut of possible pit in southern end of trench. Part of series of three similar pits [808], [] and []. Feature heavily truncated by recent ploughing. | | |
| 807 | Pit | Fill | Frequent sub-angular and sub-rounded gravels and pebbles. Patches of very small pea gravel. Contained no finds but included charcoal and burnt bone. Possibly a dump of domestic/consumption waste. | 0.13m | Soft reddish brown sandy silt |
| 808 | Pit | Cut | Sub-oval cut, 1.1m wide, 2.0m long | | |
| 809 | Pit | Fill | Abundant sub-angular limestone flakes (<10mm) occasional sub-rounded stones (<60mm) | | Moderately Compact reddish brown sandy silt |
| 810 | Pit | Cut | Sub circular cut, 1.8m diameter. Truncated by furrow [812]. | | |
| 811 | Pit | Fill | Fill of Pit 810 | | |
| 812 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 813 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 814 | Pit | Cut | Sub circular, 0.54m diameter | | |
| 815 | Pit | Fill | Rare sub-angular gravels | | greyish brown sandy silt |
| 816 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. Sharp top break of slope, steep sides, rounded base break of slope, concave, rounded base, orientated NE-SW. Ditch had been recorded by geophysics. | | |

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| | | | Appears to be a recut of ditch {834} which was | | |
| 817 | Ditch | Fill | Occasional sub-angular pebbles and gravels. 1 sherd earthenware pot/ | 0.32m | Firm greyish brown sandy silt |
| 818 | Pit | Cut | 0.5 by 1.5m | | |
| 819 | Pit | Fill | Rare sub-rounded pebbles, occasional sub-angular flakes of limestone and chert | | Moderately Compact greyish brown sandy silt |
| 820 | Ditch | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 821 | Ditch | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 822 | Furrow | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 823 | Furrow | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 824 | Pit | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 825 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 826 | Gully | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 827 | Gully | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 828 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan, square corners, irregular top break of slope, concave sides, gradual base break of slope and concave base. Orientated NE-SW. Modern ditch. | | |
| 829 | Ditch | Fill | Contained common sub-angular stone and sparse poorly sorted flint. Fill of modern ditch. Flint scraper and modern glass found in fill. | 0.26m | Soft brownish grey sandy loam |
| 830 | Gully | Fill | Fill of gully which is cut by modern ditch [838]. Homogenous fill suggesting deliberate backfilling of this gully. | 0.18m | Soft greyish brown sandy loam |
| 831 | Gully | Cut | Linear in plan, rounded top break of slope. Slightly concave sides, rounded base break of slope, concave base. Orientated E-W. Possible drainage gully. | | |
| 832 | Ditch | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 833 | Ditch | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 834 | Natural | Layer | Sandstone and blueish grey clay. | | Firm yellowish brown clay |
| 835 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of ditch mostly truncated by re-cut [816]. | | Firm orangey brown sandy silt |
| 8340 | Ditch | Cut | Linear, squared corners. Sharp top break of slope, moderately sloping sides, gradual base break of slope. Orientated E-W. Ditch recut by [816]. | 0.09m | |

Trench 9

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|--------------------------------|
| 900 | Topsoil | Layer | Low rooting, moderate poorly sorted sub-circular stones (<10mm) | 0.18m | Friable greyish brown |
| 901 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.20m | Soft orangey brown sandy silt |
| 902 | Natural | Layer | Natural | | Firm yellowish grey sandy clay |
| 903 | Linear | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 904 | Linear | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 905 | Gully | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 906 | Gully | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 907 | Pit | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 908 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 909 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan, rounded corners, gradual top break of slope, gently sloping sides, gradual base break of slope, flat base, orientated N-S. Width 0.52m. Unclear relationship with [911] - probably contemporary features | 0.15m | |
| 910 | Ditch | Fill | Greyish reddish brown. Common small sub angular and sub rounded stones. | | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 911 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan, rounded corners, gradual top break of slope, undulating sides, moderate base break of slope, V-shaped and concave base. Orientated NE-SW. Cut of a ditch, probably contemporary with [909]. Width 0.97m | 0.17m | |
| 912 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of Ditch 911 | 0.17m | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 915 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan, sub-rounded corners steep top break of slope, moderately steep and straight sides, gradual to steep base break of slope, moderately flat base, orientated NE-SW. Width 1.45m | 0.45m | |
| 916 | Ditch | Fill | Width 1.45m. Finds: pottery, bone and flint | 0.45m | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 917 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan, sub-rounded corners. Moderately steep top break of slope, Moderately | 0.51m | |

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| | | | steep and straight sides, sharp base break of slope, flat base. Orientated NE-SW. Width 1.68m | | |
| 918 | Ditch | Fill | Width 1.68m | 0.51m | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 919 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. Rounded corners, steep top break of slope, steep sides - the southern side is slightly undulating. Sharp base break of slope. Concave/U-shaped base. Orientated NE-SW. Part of possible double ditch. | | |
| 920 | Ditch | Fill | Mottled blueish-orange clay and mixed orangey gravel. Possible slumping. | 0.1m | Firm blueish orange clay |
| 921 | Ditch | Fill | Sample taken. Finds of pottery, bone and flint | 0.4m | Firm blueish grey silty clay |
| 922 | Ditch | Fill | Finds of pottery, bone, flint | 0.66m | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 923 | Pit | Cut | | | |
| 924 | Pit | Fill | Frequent small to large sub-angular stones. Finds of flint and pottery. | | Loose reddish brown sandy silt |
| 925 | Pit | Cut | | | |
| 926 | Pit | Fill | Frequent small sub-rounded stones | | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 927 | Pit | Cut | Irregular pit, rounded corners. Gradual top break of slope, moderately steep on northern-most side. Gently sloping sides, very gradual on eastern side. Gradual base break of slope, flat base. 4.22m diameter | 0.4-0.5m | |
| 928 | Pit | Fill | Sandy/gravelly silt - very common small, medium and large sub-angular and sub-rounded stones | 0.4-0.5m | Loose reddish brown sandy silt |
| 929 | Pit | Cut | | | |
| 930 | Pit | Fill | Mid-dark greyish reddish brown sandy silt. Frequent small to medium sub-angular stones. | | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 931 | Drain | Cut | Modern drain | | |
| 932 | Drain | Fill | Fill of modern drain | | |

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| 933 | Pit | Cut | | |
| 934 | Pit | Fill | Irregular patches of redeposited natural gravel throughout. Flint inclusions. | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 1005 | Pit | Fill | Fill of small pit | |

Trench 10

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1000 | Topsoil | Layer | Mid greyish brown. Abundant small sub-angular stones and very common rooting. | 0.30m | Friable greyish brown silt |
| 1001 | Subsoil | Layer | Mid grey/yellowish brown - includes common small sub-angular and sub-rounded stones. | 0.10m | Firm greyish brown silty clay |
| 1003 | Natural | Layer | Orange tinge. Uncommon sub-rounded stones | | Firm yellowish grey clay |
| 1004 | Pit | Cut | Cut of small pit | | |
| 1006 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 1007 | Furrow | Fill | | | Firm brownish grey silty clay |
| 1008 | Gully | Cut | Curvilinear in plan, sharp top break of slope, steep sides, sharp base break of slope, concave, almost flat base. Orientated E-W at slot. Possible drip gully for roundhouse. Heavily truncated by plough and/or manuring. Appears completely truncated to east. Survives in better condition in west. | 0.07m | |
| 1009 | Gully | Fill | Width 0.28m. Clayey sandy silt, moderate natural pebbles and cobbles. No finds. | 0.07m | Loose brownish grey clayey sand |
| 1010 | Furrow | Cut | Possible furrow | | |
| 1011 | Furrow | Fill | Mottled with orange. Common stone inclusions | | Soft greyish brown silty clay |
| 1012 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 1013 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 1014 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 1015 | Furrow | Fill | | | |

Trench 11

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
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| 1100 | Topsoil | Layer | Same as 300 | 0.20m | |
| 1101 | Subsoil | Layer | As per 301 | 0.12m | |
| 1102 | Natural | Layer | Very rare sub-angular flakes of chert | | Moderately Compact blueish grey silty clay |
| 1103 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 1104 | Furrow | Fill | | | |

Trench 12

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|--|
| 1200 | Topsoil | Layer | As per 300 | 0.22m | |
| 1201 | Subsoil | Layer | Occasional sub-angular and sub-rounded stones | 0.30m | Moderately Compact yellowish brown silty clay |
| 1202 | Natural | Layer | Orangey sandy clay mottling. Rare sub-angular flakes of chert and very rare sub-rounded pebbles. | | Moderately Compact blueish grey clay |
| 1203 | Pit | Cut | Seen in section only | 0.32m max | |
| 1204 | Pit | Fill | Occasional sub-angular stones and sub-rounded pebbles. Ashy in places. Appears to be modern dumping. | 0.32m max | Moderately Compact brownish grey silty clay |

Trench 13

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
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| 1300 | Topsoil | Layer | As per 100 | 0.29m | |
| 1301 | Subsoil | Layer | Occasional sub-angular and sub-rounded stones <50mm | 0.27m | Moderately Compact yellowish brown silty clay |
| 1302 | Natural | Layer | As per 1202 | | |

Trench 14

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
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| 1400 | Topsoil | Layer | As per 100, and with modern debris (plastic, cloth, ceramic, brick) | 0.34m | |

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| 1401 | Subsoil | Layer | As per 101 | 0.21m |
| 1402 | Natural | Layer | As 102 | |

Trench 15

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
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| 1500 | Topsoil | Layer | As per 100 | 0.30m | |
| 1501 | Subsoil | Layer | Orange speckling, rare sub-rounded and sub-angular pebbles | 0.30m | Moderately Compact yellowish brown silty clay |
| 1502 | Natural | Layer | Mixture of blueish grey and yellowish brown clay, with very rare sub-angular pebbles | | Moderately Compact blueish grey clay |
| 1503 | Natural | Cut | 11m long, irregular feature. Probably a variation in the natural | | |
| 1504 | Natural | Fill | Rare sub -rounded and sub-angular pebbles. Rare charcoal flakes. Interpreted as a dump of material for drainage or more probably a variation in the natural. | | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |

Trench 16

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|------------------|---|
| 1600 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.26m | Friable brownish grey sandy clay |
| 1601 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.32m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 1602 | Natural | Layer | Natural | | Compact brownish orange sandy clay |

Trench 17

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1700 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy gravelly silt | 0.30m | Soft greyish brown sandy silt |
| 1701 | Subsoil | Layer | Sandy gravelly silt | 0.30m | Loose orangey brown sandy silt |
| 1702 | Natural | Layer | Sand and gravel | | yellowish orange sand |
| 1703 | Ditch | Cut | Modern or post-medieval ditch. Profile not fully established within constraints of excavation. | | |
| 1704 | Ditch | Fill | Modern finds | 0.25m | Firm greyish brown sandy |

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| | | | | | silt |
| 1705 | Ditch | Fill | Loose to compacted. Frequent gravel and iron stone/panning | 0.55m | Loose orangey brown silty sand |
| 1706 | Ditch | Fill | Greenish grey brown. Occasional Iron stone and gravel. Find: modern/post medieval glass bottle. | | Firm greenish brown silt |
| 1707 | Ditch | Cut | Post medieval boundary visible on historic OS | | |
| 1708 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of ditch | | Firm greyish brown sandy silt |
| 1709 | Ditch | Cut | Geophysics indicates this was main outer enclosure ditch...may need realignment to clarify | | |
| 1710 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of ditch | | orangey brown sandy silt |
| 1711 | Ditch | Cut | Cut of ditch | | |
| 1712 | Ditch | Fill | Same as 1710 | | |
| 1713 | Ditch | Cut | Very irregular in plan | | |
| 1714 | Ditch | Fill | Same as 1710 | | |
| 1715 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan, very round corners, gradual top break of slope, very sloping sides, eastern most side almost horizontal, gradual base break of slope, flat base, orientated N-S. Geophysics overlay suggested that this may be an enclosure ditch but the shallowness of the feature that may be the terminus lies nearby to the south. Width 3.05m | 0.25m | |
| 1716 | Ditch | Fill | Frequent sub-rounded and sub-angular stones (0.5 cm to 4cm). One animal tooth | 0.25m | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 1719 | Pit | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 1720 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | greyish brown silty sand |

Trench 18

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 1800 | Topsoil | Layer | Common sub-rounded stones (1cm - 6cm) | 0.30m | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 1801 | Subsoil | Layer | Moderate sub-rounded stones (1cm-5cm) | 0.18m | Loose yellowish brown sandy silt |
| 1802 | Natural | Layer | Sandy gravel, made up of sub-angular and sub-rounded stones (1cm-10cm) | | Loose orangey yellow sand |

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| 1803 | Pit | Cut | Irregular in plan, rounded corners, sharp top break of slope, moderately steep and concave sides, sharp base break of slope, very undulating base. Width: < 4m, length: < 1.8m. Cut of possible quarry pit. | 0.36-0.52m | |
| 1804 | Pit | Fill | Width: < 4m, length: 1.8m. Fill of quarry pit. | 0.36-0.52m | Loose yellowish brown sandy silt |

Trench 19

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 1900 | Topsoil | Layer | Infrequent medium sub-angular stones | 0.31m | Loose brownish grey sandy loam |
| 1901 | Subsoil | Layer | Common small to medium stones. | 0.18m | Loose yellowish brown sandy loam |
| 1902 | Natural | Layer | Sandy gravel with moderate small to large sub-angular stones. | | Loose yellowish orange sand |
| 1903 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan, rounded corners, gradual top break of slope, sides: slightly concave, gently sloping. Slightly undulating in the north-easternmost side. Gradual base break of slope, concave base. Orientated E-W. Width 0.96m. Length < 1.8m. | 0.25m | |
| 1904 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 0.96m, length: <1.8m. Pottery and metal in finds. | 0.25m | Firm greyish brown silty sand |

Trench 20

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 2000 | Topsoil | Layer | Common sub-rounded to sub-angular stones (1cm - 10cm) | 0.29m | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 2001 | subsoil | Layer | Mid yellowish-brown. Common sub-rounded to sub-angular stones (1cm-7cm). | 0.30m | Loose yellowish brown sandy silt |
| 2002 | Natural | Layer | Sandy gravel, made up of sub-angular and sub-rounded stones (1cm - 10cm) | | Loose orangey yellow sand |
| 2003 | Ditch | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2004 | Ditch | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2005 | Ditch | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2006 | Ditch | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2007 | Ditch | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |

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| 2008 | Ditch | Fill | Unexcavated feature |
| 2009 | Ditch | Cut | Unexcavated feature |
| 2010 | Ditch | Fill | Unexcavated feature |
| 2011 | Pit | Cut | Unexcavated feature |
| 2012 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature |

Trench 21

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
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| 2100 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.35m | Soft greyish brown silty sand |
| 2101 | Topsoil | Layer | Subsoil/colluvium | <0.8m | reddish brown silty sand |
| 2102 | Natural | Layer | Bands of sand and sand and gravel at NW end. Pale yellowish brown sandy silt with light grey patches at SE end. | | yellowish orange sand |
| 2103 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan, sharp top break of slope, sides almost vertical, and smooth. Rounded base break of slope, flattish base. Orientated NE-SW. Apparently linear feature at NW end of trench. Profile changes distinctly between the two sections (0.9m to 1.85m). Feature almost certainly associated with quarrying in trench. Finds indicate this is a historic rather than modern activity. | c1.04m | |
| 2104 | Ditch | Fill | Occasional moderate pebbles, occasional charcoal flecks. | 0.72m | Firm reddish brown sandy silt |
| 2105 | Ditch | Fill | Redeposited natural sand. | 0.08m | Loose brownish yellow sand |
| 2106 | Ditch | Fill | One sherd of pottery recovered. | 0.45m | Firm greyish brown silty sand |

Trench 22

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
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| 2200 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.26m | Friable brownish grey sandy clay |
| 2201 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.16m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 2202 | Natural | Layer | Yellowish/reddish-orange clayey sand and gravel with patches of blue-grey clay. | | Compact yellowish orange clayey sand |
| 2203 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of Ditch 2204. | | Friable greyish brown sandy |

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| | | | | | silt |
| 2204 | Ditch | Cut | Cut of post-medieval ditch | | |
| 2205 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | Friable brownish grey silty sand |
| 2206 | Pit | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2207 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | Friable brownish grey silty sand |
| 2208 | Pit | Cut | Cut of possible pit. Similar to 2206. | | |
| 2209 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | Friable brownish grey sandy silt |
| 2210 | Pit | Cut | Cut of possible pit | | |
| 2211 | Pit | Fill | No finds or dating. Width 0.55m + | 0.22m | Soft greyish brown sandy silt |
| 2212 | Pit | Cut | Cut of possible pit. Slot excavated to test relationship with [2249]. Appears to be round or irregular in plan. Sharp top break of slope. Sides moderately steep and concave. Gentle base break of slope. Base possibly concave, not fully visible. Possibly cut by 2249. | 0.35m | |
| 2213 | Pit | Fill | Same as 2205 | | |
| 2214 | Pit | Cut | Cur of possible pit. | | |
| 2215 | Pit | Fill | Fill of possible pit. Same as 2205 | | |
| 2217 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2218 | Pit | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2219 | Ditch | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | Friable orangey brown sandy silt |
| 2220 | Ditch | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2221 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | Friable yellowish brown clayey sand |
| 2222 | Pit | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2223 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2224 | Pit | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2225 | Gully | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2226 | Gully | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2227 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2229 | Ditch | Fill | Clayey sandy silt. Width: 1.74m. Upper fill of ditch recut [2237]. Gravelly fill containing a few sherds of pottery. Some fragments of fired clay deposited in one go in centre of fill. Possibly deliberate backfill/closure event. Pottery probably Roman. | 0.29m | Friable brownish grey clayey sand |

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| 2230 | Ditch | Fill | Clayey sandy silt. Width: 1.64m. Fill of ditch recut [2237]. Gravelly fill with some charcoal and no finds. Deliberate backfill? | 0.13m | Friable greyish brown clayey sand |
| 2231 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of ditch recut. Small band of sandy material. Weathering or siltation. | 0.09m | Friable brownish grey clayey sand |
| 2232 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 0.34m. Fill of ditch recut [2237]. Small patch of slumping/edge stabilisation on eastern edge. | 0.12m | Compact blueish grey silty clay |
| 2233 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 0.85m. Fill of ditch [2237]. Clayey, fairly sterile. Possibly a gradual build-up through weathering and waterlogging. | 0.19m | Moderately Compact orangey grey sandy clay |
| 2234 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of ditch recut [2237]. Width: 0.6m. Sandy fill, possibly a deliberate deposit. Similar to naturals seen higher up. | 0.14m | Friable orangey red clayey sand |
| 2235 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of ditch recut [2237]. Width: 0.45m. Clayey fill with occasional patches of red clayey sand. Possibly a waterlogging deposit with signs of edge stabilisation. No finds. | 0.29m | Compact greenish blue clay |
| 2236 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 0.35m. Mixed silty clay and red clayey sand. Basal fill of ditch recut [2237]. Mix of gleying clay material from waterlogging and red clayey sand from edge stabilisation. Contained bone. | 0.1m | Compact blueish grey silty clay |
| 2237 | Ditch | Cut | Width 1.86m. Ditch recut of ditch [2244]. Deep, steep-sided ditch with a narrow base. Fills suggest it was frequently waterlogged. Lack of finds may indicate an agricultural use for this enclosure. See [2244]. | 1.05m | |
| 2238 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 0.82m. Upper fill of ditch [2244]. Stony, sandy fill with no finds. May be a natural build-up of material before ditch was re-cut. | 0.26m | Friable brownish grey clayey sand |
| 2239 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 0.62m. Fill of ditch [2244]. Clayey fill with no finds. Possible siltation or slumping? | 0.18m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 2240 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 0.08m. Sand and gravel. Occasional charcoal. Small patch of redeposited natural slumping down west die of ditch | 0.1m | Moderately Compact brownish red sand |

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| 2241 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of ditch [2244]. Width 0.6m. Contains moderate sub-angular pebbles, occasional charcoal. Quite similar to natural higher up - possibly a weathering fill. | | Moderately Compact brownish red clayey sand |
| 2242 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 0.39m. Fill of ditch [2244]. Clayey fill with no finds. Possibly a result of gleying/siltation through waterlogging. | 0.15m | Compact greenish grey sandy clay |
| 2243 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 0.2m. Basal fill of ditch [2244]. Clayey sand and gravel, containing rare charcoal. Redeposited natural likely from initial sloping and edge stabilisation. | 0.23m | Moderately Compact orangey red clayey sand |
| 2244 | Ditch | Cut | Width: 1m+. Length: 1m+. Cut of ditch. Linear in plan, sharp top break of slope, steep, irregular sides, mostly convex and a little undercut. Sharp base break of slope. Concave base. Aligned N-S. Steep sided V-shaped ditch with a slight undercut at base. Truncated by recut [2237]. Main enclosure ditch but contained few finds. This may indicate an agricultural rather than domestic purpose. Finds from recut appear to be Roman, suggesting this may be of Iron Age/Roman date. Depth and profile suggest slightly defensive purpose. Appears to have been completely filled-in before being recut...suggestive of abandonment and later return to the site? | 1.03m | |
| 2245 | Pit | Fill | Width: 1.48m. Length: 1.86m+. Fill of pit [2246]. Mixed fill containing natural gravels and topsoil like materials. Contained a number of sherds of pottery possibly from the same vessel throughout the fill. Mixed nature of fill and finds suggest a deliberate backfill. | 0.26m | Loose brownish grey silty sand |
| 2246 | Pit | Cut | Sub-ovoid in plan. Sharp top break of slope. Sides moderately steep and concave. Moderate base break of slope. Base mostly flat. Width: 1.48m. Length: 1.86m. Cut of possible pit, wide shallow and ovoid. May be two features, but not clear due to position in the trench. | 0.26m | |

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| 2247 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 1.44m. Upper fill of ditch [2249]. Soft, sandy, stony fill with occasional patches of mixed redeposited naturals. Quite similar to topsoil. May be a deliberate closure fill? | 0.25m | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 2248 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 1.38m. Basal fill of ditch [2249]. Slightly darker and more humic than upper fill. Occasional patches of mixed redeposited natural throughout. Suggestive of gradual build-up with edge stabilisation events occurring at the same time. No finds or dating. | 0.26m | Soft greyish brown sandy silt |
| 2249 | Ditch | Cut | Width: 1.44m. Length: 0.92m +. Linear in plan. Sharp top break of slope. Steep and concave sides. Moderate base break of slope. Orientated N-S (roughly). Cut of wide, shallow ditch. Possibly truncated by or truncates possible pits [2212] and [2208]. Located close to enclosure ditch [2244]. May be an earlier, smaller enclosure or internal partition? No finds or dating. | 0.48m | |
| 2250 | Pit | Fill | Width 0.46m | 0.18m | Soft greyish brown sandy silt |

Trench 23

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|--------------|--------------------------------|
| 2300 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.32m | Soft greyish brown silty sand |
| 2301 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.22m | Firm orangey brown silty sand |
| 2302 | Natural | Layer | Clayey silty sand, frequent gravel patches, at NW end of trench. Very compacted light orangey-grey sandy silty clay at SE end. | | Firm orangey brown clayey sand |
| 2303 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. Top break of slope: moderate. Moderate and smooth sides. Base break of slope: shallow. Flat base. Orientated N-S. Width - 0.60m -1.2m, Length: 2m+. Might be a ditch visible on geophysical survey to N of trench. Unclear relationship to [2305] as fills are nearly identical. One small ceramic fragment recovered, so date not established. | 0.34m + | |

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| 2304 | Ditch | Fill | Moderate pebbles, occasional cobbles and charcoal flecks. Width: 0.6m - 1.2m. Length: 2.0m +. Yielded small fragment of ceramic/pot and animal bone. | 0.34m + | Firm reddish brown sandy silt |
| 2305 | Pit | Cut | Shape in plan unclear - possibly a large pit. Top break of slope: sharp. Steep, smooth sides. Base break of slope: rounded. Nature of base unclear - probably concave. Width: 1.26m (exc) length: 0.64m (exc). Cut of a large feature at NW end of T23. Unclear within the confines of the trench, but could be a large pit (quarrying most likely) or possibly a very large ditch as indicated by the geophysics, but this appears less likely. Further work may clarify. Relationship with ditch [2303] unclear as fill is near identical. | 0.50m (exc) | |
| 2306 | Pit | Fill | Width: (1.26m exc), Length: 0.64m (exc). Fill of feature [2305] - possible pit. Small piece of bone and charcoal fragment in fill. | 0.50m (exc) | Firm reddish brown sandy silt |

Trench 24

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|--------------|---|
| 2400 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.38m | Friable greyish brown silty clay |
| 2401 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.26m | Friable reddish brown silty clay |
| 2402 | Natural | Layer | Natural | 1.3m | Moderately Compact reddish orange clayey sand |
| 2403 | Ditch | Cut | Width: 2.74m +, Length: 1.80m + Linear. Top break of slope: sharp. Steep, straight sides. Base break of slope: sharp. Flat to concave base. Orientated E-W. Cut of possible enclosure ditch. Truncated by [2407], and ?? [2412] further South. The base has been affected by animal burrowing, but it appears to have steep straight sides. Roman pottery recovered from the fills. | 0.86m | |
| 2404 | Ditch | Fill | Width 1.8m, Length 1.8m +. Basal fill of ditch. Abundant | 0.18m | Firm blueish grey silty clay |

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| | | | small sub-angular stones. Most likely deliberate backfill. Roman pottery and animal bone recovered. | | |
| 2405 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 1.02m, Length: 1.8m+. Third fill of ditch [2403]. Probably deliberate backfill. Roman pottery recovered. | 0.60m | Friable reddish brown silty clay |
| 2406 | Ditch | Fill | Width 1.8m +, Length 1.8m +. Animal bone, Roman pottery and an Fe nail. Probably deliberate backfill. | 0.68m | Friable greyish brown silty clay |
| 2407 | Ditch | Cut | Width 2.8m+, length 1.8m+. Linear, top break of slope - sharp. Steep, straight sides. Base break of slope - sharp. Nature of base unknown. Roughly E-W. Cut of a possible drainage or enclosure ditch. Truncates ditch [2403] to the N. Due to drainage problems this slot was not fully excavated. Fills contain preserved wood (may be rooting) and Roman pottery. | 0.66m + | |
| 2408 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 2m+; Length: 1.8m+. Earliest fill reached of ditch [2407], ditch not fully excavated. Animal bone recovered. Preserved wood recovered, but left in situ as it did not look structural. | 0.15m+ | Firm blueish grey silty clay |
| 2409 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 2.6m, Length: 1.8m +. Abundant sub-rounded and sub-angular stones. Bone recovered. Fill appears to be redeposited natural. | 0.12m | Friable brownish orange silty sand |
| 2410 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 1.35m; Length: 1.8m+. Rare small sub-angular and sub-rounded stone inclusions. Ditch seems to form a U-shape towards the N end and may be a gully. | 0.18m | Firm blueish black silty clay |
| 2411 | Ditch | Fill | Roman pottery recovered. Probable backfill deposit. | | Friable reddish brown silty clay |
| 2412 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. Steep straight sides. Base break of slope - gradual. Flat base. Orientated E-W. Truncated by modern drain [2415]. Cut for possible enclosure ditch. True shape unknown. Truncated by a modern drain [2415] to N. No dateable material recovered. | 0.30m | |
| 2413 | | | Void | | |
| 2414 | Ditch | Fill | Sparse sub-rounded stones. Top fill of ditch [2412], most likely deliberate backfill. Bone | 0.16m | Firm blueish black silty clay |

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| | | | recovered. | | |
| 2415 | Drain | Cut | Width: 0.68m, Length: 1.8m. Linear in plan. Top break of slope - gradual. Steep sides. Base break of slope: gradual. Relatively flat base. Orientated E-W. Modern | 0.24m | |
| 2416 | Drain | Fill | Width: 0.64m, length 1.8m. Modern drain. | 0.26m | Friable reddish brown silty clay |
| 2417 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan, Top break of slope - sharp, sides steep sloping, base break of slope, moderate, but not fully established, Base not visible as feature not fully excavated. Cut of deep wide ditch, probable boundary ditch. Finds from fills suggests Iron Age/ Romano-British date. Ditch not fully excavated due to waterlogging. Fits with geophysical anomaly suggestive of small enclosure on SE corner of main enclosure (EI) | 1.3m+ | |
| 2418 | Ditch | Fill | Very common medium to small sub-rounded flint and stone pebbles. Pottery sherds and CBM recovered. Charcoal flecking. Deliberate backfill of boundary ditch. | 0.60m | Loose greyish brown sandy loam |
| 2419 | Ditch | Fill | Very common natural gravel and small sub-rounded pebbles. Sherds of pottery and animal bone fragments recovered, and charcoal smears. Silted fill of boundary ditch. | 0.40m | Moderately Compact yellowish brown sandy clay |
| 2420 | Ditch | Fill | Context contains stone pebbles. Pottery and animal bone recovered. | 0.48m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay loam |
| 2421 | Ditch | Fill | Greenish/greyish brown. Sandy clay and gravel. Common gravel and small poorly sorted stone pebbles. Possibly basal fill, but this was not fully established as the feature was not fully excavated due to waterlogging. | 0.50m + | Moderately Compact greenish brown sandy clay |
| 2422 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 0.88m; Length: 1.80m +. Abundant sub-angular and sub-rounded small stone inclusions. No dateable material recovered. | 0.08m | Friable blueish grey silty clay |
| 2423 | | Layer | Deposit under 2424. Caught in section | | |
| 2424 | | Layer | Peat/humic layer | | |

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| 2425 | Colluvium | Layer | Width: 1.5m+. Mid-greyish orangey brown, sandy clayey silt. Occasional sub-angular pebbles. Pottery (Roman) and bone recovered. | 0.36m | Friable greyish brown sandy silt |
| 2426 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2427 | Pit | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2428 | Ditch | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2429 | Ditch | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2430 | Ditch | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2431 | Ditch | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2432 | Pit | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2433 | Pit | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2434 | Ditch | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2435 | Ditch | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2436 | Gully | Fill | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 2437 | Gully | Cut | Unexcavated feature | | |
| 24130 | Ditch | Fill | Most likely deliberate backfill, bone recovered. | 0.16m | Firm blueish grey silty clay |

Trench 25

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 2500 | Topsoil | Layer | Uncommon sub-angular and sub-rounded stones (1cm to 6cm) and low rooting. | 0.38m | Loose greyish brown sandy silt |
| 2501 | Subsoil | Layer | Uncommon sub-angular stones (1cm to 4cm) | 0.32m | Loose yellowish brown sandy silt |
| 2502 | Natural | Layer | Mottled orange blue clay with no inclusions. | | Firm orangey blue clay |
| 2503 | Ditch | Cut | Curved linear in plan, rounded and smooth corners. Top break of slope - steep, moderately steep and smooth sides, base break of slope moderate, U-shaped base. Orientation: curves NW-NE. Possibly cuts linear feature [2505] but relationship unclear. Width 0.78m, length <4.00m | 0.42m | |
| 2504 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of Ditch 2503 | 0.42m | Firm blueish grey silty clay |
| 2505 | Ditch | Cut | Linear feature. Not excavated. Possibly truncated by [2503]. Relationship unclear in section. | 0.40m | |
| 2506 | Ditch | Fill | Width 0.40m. Fill of [2505], unexcavated. | | Firm greyish brown silty clay |

Trench 26

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|------------------|----------------------------------|
| 2600 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.30m | Soft greyish brown silty sand |
| 2601 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.17m | Firm orangey brown silty sand |
| 2602 | Natural | Layer | Frequent sandy gravel patches. | | Compact orangey brown silty sand |
| 2603 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. Top break of slope, sharp. Gently sloping sides. Base break of slope - gentle. Concave base with a smooth curve. Orientated NW/SE. Two fills. Pottery dump in northern fill - primary fill. Secondary fill in southern part of ditch. At end of use backfilled (26050 in one event also used to dispose of pottery. Then a spread (2604) placed after the backfilling in a slump within the southern side of the filled ditch [2603]. | 0.18m | |
| 2604 | Ditch | Fill | 5% charcoal, occasional smooth rounded pebbles, 20-60mm. Significantly darker than (2605). Pottery recovered. Not fully excavated. Width: 0.42m; Length: 1m excavated. Situated on S side of ditch above (2605). | 0.09m | Friable grey silty sand |
| 2605 | Ditch | Fill | Width: 0.68m; Length: 1m (exc). Pottery dump with charcoal and burnt bone. Possible worked flint. Pottery likely broken before placed in ditch. | 0.15m | Soft orangey brown sandy clay |

Trench 27

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|----------------------------------|
| 2700 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy soil, with moderate sub-angular and sub-rounded stones (1cm to 8cm). | 0.40m | Loose greyish brown sandy loam |
| 2701 | Subsoil | Layer | Sandy soil with uncommon sub-rounded and sub-angular stones (1cm-4cm) | 0.46m | Loose yellowish brown sandy loam |
| 2702 | Natural | Layer | Light-mid yellowish brown. Frequent manganese smearing. | | Firm yellowish brown clay silt |
| 2703 | Gully | Cut | Linear in plan. Rounded | 0.17m | |

corners, top break of slope - moderate. Sides have a moderate slope and straight. Base break of slope - gradual. Concave base. Orientation N-S. Eastern end of trench.

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| 2704 | Gully | Fill | Common sub-rounded stones (2-4cm). Width 0.70m | 0.17m | Firm yellowish brown sandy silt |
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Trench 28

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|---------------|----------------------------------|
| 2800 | Topsoil | Layer | Soil. Moderate sub-rounded and sub-angular stones (1-6cm) | 0.35m | Loose greyish brown |
| 2801 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy soil. Uncommon sub-rounded stones (2-7cm) | 0.48m | Loose yellowish brown sandy silt |
| 2802 | Natural | Layer | Mid-reddish-yellowish-brown clayey silt with frequent manganese swearing. | | Firm reddish brown clay silt |
| 2803 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. Rounded corners. Top break of slope - moderately sharp. Sides moderately steep and straight. Base break of slope - sharp. Base: concave almost u-shaped. | 0.32m | |
| 2804 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of Ditch 2803 | 0.32m | Firm yellowish brown silty clay |

Trench 29

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|---------------|----------------------------------|
| 2900 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.36m | Soft greyish brown sandy silt |
| 2901 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.25m | Firm orangey brown sandy silt |
| 2902 | Natural | Layer | Irregular grey gravelly patches. | | Compact reddish brown sandy silt |
| 2903 | Ditch | Cut | Cut of ditch visible on geophysics. | | |
| 2904 | Ditch | Fill | Reddish- grey brown. Small amount of animal bone, occasional charcoal fragments and flecks. | | Compact reddish brown sandy clay |
| 2905 | Gully | Cut | Cut of gully visible on geophysics. | | |
| 2906 | Gully | Fill | Small possible loom weight and some pots sherds recovered. Occasional | | Compact orangey brown silty clay |

charcoal fragments and flecks.

Trench 30

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|---|
| 3000 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.25m | Loose brownish grey silty sand |
| 3001 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.66m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 3002 | Natural | Layer | Sand and gravel with patches of grey clay. | | Compact greyish orange sand |
| 3003 | Gully | Fill | Width 0.6m, length 1.8m+. Frequent sub-angular pebbles and cobbles. Likely to be a low energy weathering accumulation. | 0.2m | Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 3004 | Gully | Cut | Width: 0.6m, length: 1.8m. Linear in plan, top break of slope - moderate. Sides - gradual. Base break of slope - moderate. Concave base. Orientated E-W. Possible remains of a field boundary. | 0.2m | |

Trench 31

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|----------------------------------|
| 3100 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.25m | greyish brown clay silt |
| 3101 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.34m | orangey brown sandy silt |
| 3102 | Natural | Layer | Has regular patches of sandy gravel. | | yellowish brown silty clay |
| 3103 | Ditch | Cut | Shallow ditch orientated N-S across trench. Similar to a furrow, but with a darker fill. Geophysics indicate features present at this end of the trench. | | |
| 3104 | Ditch | Fill | Grey brown silty clay, with occasional charcoal, pebbles and cobbles. No finds. | | Compact orangey brown silty clay |
| 3105 | Gully | Cut | Possible gully on same alignment as [3103]. Truncated by drain. | | |
| 3106 | Gully | Fill | Occasional to moderate pebbles and cobbles. | | greyish silty clay |

Trench 32

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 3200 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.27m | Loose brownish grey silty sand |
| 3201 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.28m | Friable orangey brown sandy clay |
| 3202 | Natural | Layer | Natural | | Compact greyish orange sandy clay |
| 3203 | Pit | Fill | Rare charcoal. Width - 0.42m. Upper fill of pit or posthole. Redeposited natural deposit, possibly a deliberate closing deposit. No finds. | 0.23m | Compact orangey yellow sandy clay |
| 3204 | Pit | Fill | Basal fill of pit/posthole [3205]. More humic, darker fill around the edge of the feature. Material used for packing around a post? No finds or dating. Width - 0.66m | 0.15m | Compact blueish grey sandy clay |
| 3205 | Pit | Cut | Round in plan. Top break of slope, sharp. Sides - moderately steep and convex. Base break of slope - moderate. Concave base. Possible posthole with packing. | | |

Trench 33**Context summary:**

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|------------------|----------------------------------|
| 3300 | Topsoil | Layer | Frequent stone (1-4cm). Frequent rooting. | 0.30M | Loose brownish grey sandy silt |
| 3301 | Subsoil | Layer | Frequent stones (10mm-40mm) occasional (60-100mm) stone. | 0.22m | Friable orangey brown silty sand |
| 3302 | Natural | Layer | Mixed with mid grey clay, frequent stones (60-120mm). In NW end sandy gravel and loose pale yellowish grey. | | orangey brown clay |
| 3303 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. Steep top break of slope. Sides- steep, near vertical on NW side, roughly 45 degrees on SE. Base break of slope abrupt in NW, gradual in SE. Irregular, sloping base. Orientated NE/SW. NE end different due to presence of natural rock. Width: 0.52m, length 0.82m excavated; continued beyond limit of trench. | 0.15m | |
| 3304 | Ditch | Fill | Width 0.52m, length - 0.82m excavated. Some medieval or old pottery recovered. | 0.15m | Friable brownish grey silty clay |

Trench 34

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 3400 | Topsoil | Layer | Frequent stones | 0.25m | Loose brownish grey silty sand |
| 3401 | Subsoil | Layer | Frequent pebbles | 0.3m | Friable orangey brown clayey sand |
| 3402 | Natural | Layer | Sand, gravel and grey clay. Sandier at east end. | | orangey yellow sand |

Trench 35

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|-------------|------------------|---|
| 3500 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.34m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 3501 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.28m | Compact brownish orange silty clay |
| 3502 | Natural | Layer | Natural | | Compact yellowish orange silty clay |
| 3503 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 3504 | Furrow | Cut | | | |

Trench 36

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|---|------------------|---|
| 3600 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.33m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 3601 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.22m | Compact brownish orange silty clay |
| 3602 | Natural | Layer | Natural | | silty clay |
| 3603 | Ditch | Fill | Width - 1.41m, Contained moderate bone, subrounded stones, rare charcoal. 50% exc, hand tools in rainy conditions. Some animal bone. Likely subsoil material filling the top of the ditch at the end of the closure period. | 0.21m | Compact brownish orange silty clay |
| 3604 | Ditch | Fill | Width - 1.32m. Fill of ditch. Fairly sterile, clayey fill. Likely a weathering deposit. No finds. | 0.24m | Compact orangey yellow silty clay |
| 3605 | Ditch | Fill | Width - 0.23m. Occasional subrounded stones, rare charcoal. 50 % exc, hand tools very rainy conditions. Basal fill of ditch. Fairly sterile and more clayey than upper fills. Likely a result of gleying/slumping. No finds. | 0.23m | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 3606 | Ditch | Cut | 1.42m. Linear, moderately sharp top BOS, moderately steep, slightly convex sides, moderate base BOS, flat base. Oriented NE-SW. 50% exc. Cut of ditch, fairly deep, lines up with ditch seen in previous evaluation. No dating, but contained bone. Likely field boundary. No other features in trench. | 0.63m | |

Trench 37

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|-------------|------------------|--|
| 3700 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.36m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 3701 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.44m | Compact brownish orange silty clay |
| 3702 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact pinky orange silty clay |
| 3703 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 3704 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 3705 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 3706 | Furrow | Cut | | | |

Trench 38

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Trench 39

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|------------------|--|
| 3900 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.29m | Friable brownish grey sandy clay |
| 3901 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.2m | Moderately Compact brownish yellow silty clay |
| 3902 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |

Trench 40

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|------------------|--|
| 4000 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.39m | Friable brownish grey sandy clay |
| 4001 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.11m | Moderately Compact brownish orange silty clay |
| 4002 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 4003 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 4004 | Furrow | Cut | | | |

Trench 41

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|------------------|---|
| 4100 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.38m | Friable brownish grey silty clay |
| 4101 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.18m | Moderately Compact orangey brown silty clay |
| 4102 | Subsoil | Layer | | | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |

Trench 42

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 4200 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.3m | Friable brownish grey silty clay |
| 4202 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |

Trench 43

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|------------------|---|
| 4300 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.35m | Friable brownish grey sandy clay |
| 4301 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.15m | Moderately Compact brownish orange sandy clay |
| 4302 | Natural | Layer | Mottled | | Compact greyish orange silty clay |

Trench 44

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|------------------|---|
| 4400 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.28m | Friable brownish grey sandy clay |
| 4401 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.18m | Moderately Compact brownish yellow silty clay |
| 4402 | Natural | Layer | Blue-grey/yellow mottled. Cut by land drains. | | Compact blueish yellow |

Trench 45

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-----------------------|------------------|---|
| 4500 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.3m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 4501 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.18m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 4502 | Natural | Layer | Cut by possible drain | | Compact greyish orange sandy clay |

Trench 46

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|------------------------|------------------|---|
| 4600 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.31m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 4601 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.19m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 4602 | Natural | Layer | Also cut by land drain | | Compact greyish orange sandy clay |
| 4603 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 4604 | Furrow | Cut | | | |

Trench 48

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|---|
| 4800 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.22m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 4801 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.16m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 4802 | Natural | Layer | Sandy clay with patches of blue-grey clay at west end. Also cut by land drain. | | Compact greyish orange |
| 4803 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 4804 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 4805 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 4806 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 4807 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 4808 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 4809 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 4810 | Subsoil | Layer | | | |

Trench 49

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---------------------------------|------------------|--|
| 4900 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.35m | |
| 4901 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.12m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 4902 | Natural | Layer | Also cut by modern field drains | | |
| 4903 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 4904 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 4905 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 4906 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 4907 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 4908 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 4909 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 4910 | Furrow | Cut | | | |

Trench 50

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--------------------|------------------|--|
| 5000 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.31m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 5001 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.24m | Moderately Compact brownish yellow sandy clay |
| 5002 | Natural | Layer | Cut by land drains | | |

Trench 51

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|--|
| 5100 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.24m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 5101 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.23m | Moderately Compact brownish orange sandy clay |
| 5102 | Natural | Layer | Blueish, brownish grey. Cut by land drains. | | Compact blueish grey sandy clay |

Trench 52

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|------------------|---------------------|
| 5200 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.33m | Moderately Compact |

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| 5201 | Subsoil | Layer | Cut by land drains/possible furrow. | 0.29m | brownish grey sandy clay Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
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Trench 53

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|----------------------------------|--------------|---|
| 5300 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.34m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 5301 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.22m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 5302 | Natural | Layer | Mottled brown and yellowy orange | | Compact yellowish orange sandy clay |

Trench 54

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|--------------|---|
| 5400 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.34m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 5401 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.29m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 5402 | Natural | Layer | Sandstone outcrops at N end. Cut by land drains. | | Compact orangey brown sandy clay |

Trench 55

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------------|--------------|--|
| 5500 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.28m | Moderately Compact brownish grey clayey sand |
| 5501 | Subsoil | Layer | Cut by land drain | 0.2m | Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 5502 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact brownish orange sandy clay |

Trench 56

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|--------------|---|
| 5600 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.3m | Friable brownish grey clayey sand |
| 5601 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.32m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |

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| 5602 | Natural | Layer | Sandstone fragments | Compact brownish orange sandy clay |
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Trench 57

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-----------------------|--------------|---|
| 5700 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.3m | Friable brownish grey sandy clay |
| 5701 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.32m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 5702 | Natural | Layer | Sandstone inclusions. | | Compact brownish orange sandy clay |

Trench 58

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|----------------------|--------------|--|
| 5800 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.40m | Moderately Compact brownish grey clayey sand |
| 5801 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.20m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 5802 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact greyish orange sandy clay |
| 5803 | Pit | Fill | Fill of possible pit | | |
| 5804 | Pit | Cut | Cut of possible pit. | | |

Trench 59

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------------------------|--------------|---|
| 5900 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.4m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 5901 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.26m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 5902 | Natural | Layer | Mottled blue-grey and orange. | | Compact blueish grey sandy clay |

Trench 60

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|--------------|---|
| 6000 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.34m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 6001 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.18m | Moderately Compact |

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| 6002 | Natural | Layer | Cut by land drains | orangey brown sandy clay Compact brownish orange sandy clay |
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Trench 61

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|--------------|---|
| 6100 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.39m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 6101 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.3m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 6102 | Natural | Layer | Orange patches. Also cut by land drain. | | Compact orangey grey sandy clay |
| 6103 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 6104 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 6105 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 6106 | Furrow | Cut | | | |

Trench 62

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|--------------|---|
| 6200 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.29m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 6201 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.15m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 6202 | Natural | Layer | Mid orangey blue-grey clay. All possible archaeological cuts into this context were investigated and found to be natural. Also cut by a land drain. | | Compact orangey grey clay |
| 6203 | Ditch | Fill | Found on investigation to be natural | | |
| 6204 | Ditch | Cut | On investigation found to be natural | | |
| 6205 | Pit | Fill | On investigation found to be natural | | |
| 6206 | Pit | Cut | On investigation found to be natural | | |
| 6207 | Pit | Fill | On investigation found to be natural | | |
| 6208 | Pit | Cut | On investigation found to be natural | | |

Trench 64

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|------------------|---|
| 6400 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.42m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 6401 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.25m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 6402 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact brownish orange sandy clay |

Trench 65

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|------------------|---|
| 6500 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.32m | Friable brownish grey sandy clay |
| 6501 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.46m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 6502 | Natural | Layer | Grey clay mottling. Occasional manganese flakes. Also cut by land drains. | | Compact brownish orange sandy clay |
| 6503 | Gully | Cut | Unexcavated. Orientated NE-SW. | | |
| 6504 | Gully | Fill | Very rare flakes of ironstone. Unexcavated. | | Moderately Compact reddish brown sandy clay |

Trench 66

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|---|
| 6600 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.21m | Friable brownish grey sandy clay |
| 6601 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.16m | Moderately Compact orangey brown sandy clay |
| 6602 | Natural | Layer | With brownish oranges sandy clay patches. Rare sub-angular stones and very rare sub-rounded stones, <90mm., well sorted. Cut by furrows (6605, 6607, 6609, 6611, 6613). Also cut by modern drains. | | Moderately Compact blueish grey clay |
| 6603 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. 1.2m wide, orientated N-S. Unexcavated. Historic field boundary on OS map. | | |
| 6604 | Ditch | Fill | Unexcavated | <0.90m | Moderately Compact |

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| | | | | blackish brown sandy clay |
| 6605 | Furrow | Cut | Orientated roughly N-S. | |
| 6606 | Furrow | Fill | Occasional sub-angular and sub-rounded stones | Moderately Compact reddish brown sandy clay |
| 6607 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 6605 | |
| 6608 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 6606. | |
| 6609 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 6605 | |
| 6610 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 6606 | |
| 6611 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 6605 | |
| 6612 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 6604 | |
| 6613 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 6605 | |
| 6614 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 6606 | |

Trench 67

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|---------------|---|
| 6700 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | | |
| 6701 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | | |
| 6702 | Natural | Layer | Mid-yellowish brown to N end, mix of blueish-grey sandy clay and patches of orange brown clay sand to S. Cut by furrows and a possible pit which appears to be natural. Also cut by modern drains (French drain and gravel) | | Moderately Compact yellowish brown sandy clay |
| 6703 | Furrow | Cut | Orientated roughly N-S. | | |
| 6704 | Furrow | Fill | Occasional charcoal fleck. Occasional sub-angular pebbles and gravels. Very rare pottery (post medieval?) | | Moderately Compact reddish brown sandy clay |
| 6705 | Field drain | Cut | Same as 6703 | | |
| 6706 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 6704 | | |
| 6707 | Pit | Cut | Sub-oval in plan. On investigation, appears to be natural. | | |
| 6708 | Pit | Fill | Rare sub-angular pebbles. 1.2m by 0.40m in plan. Appears to be natural. | | Moderately Compact blackish brown sandy clay |

Trench 68

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| 6800 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.19m | Soft greyish brown sandy clay |

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|------|---------|-------|--|-------|--|
| 6801 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.18m | Moderately Compact orangey brown clay |
| 6802 | Natural | Layer | Patches of orange brown sandy clay and ironstone. Rare sub-angular chert pieces and sub-rounded pebbles and gravels. | | Moderately Compact yellowish brown sandy clay |
| 6803 | Furrow | Fill | N-S | | |
| 6804 | Furrow | Fill | Occasional sub-angular and sub-rounded pebbles. | | Moderately Compact reddish brown sandy clay |
| 6805 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 6803 | | |
| 6806 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 6804 | | |
| 6807 | Ditch | Cut | Oriented N-S, 0.90m wide. Field boundary on OS map. | | |
| 6808 | Ditch | Fill | Occasional sub-angular stones. Fill of ditch, field boundary on OS map. | | Moderately Compact blackish brown sandy clay |
| 6809 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 6803 | | |
| 6810 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 6804 | | |
| 6811 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 6803 | | |
| 6812 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 6804 | | |

Trench 69

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|--|
| 6900 | Topsoil | Layer | Occasional pieces of modern debris (plastic, glass etc). Occasional sub-rounded and sub-angular pebbles and gravels. | 0.15m | Soft greyish brown sandy clay |
| 6901 | Subsoil | Layer | Occasional sub-angular pebbles and gravels (mostly chert). Rare sub-rounded pebbles. | 0.25m | Moderately Compact orangey brown clay |
| 6902 | Natural | Layer | Mix of yellowish brown and blueish grey clay, rare sub-angular chert stones <80mm | | Moderately Compact yellowish brown clay |
| 6903 | Pit | Cut | Sub-circular in plan, 0.60m diameter. Unexcavated-natural feature | | |
| 6904 | Pit | Fill | Rare sub-rounded stones. Unexcavated. | | Moderately Compact yellowish black sandy clay |
| 6905 | Furrow | Cut | N-S | | |
| 6906 | Furrow | Fill | Occasional pot fragments (post medieval?), Rare sub-angular and sub-rounded | | Moderately Compact reddish brown sandy clay |

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| | | | pebbles and gravels. | |
| 6907 | Furrow | Cut | As 6905 | |
| 6908 | Furrow | Fill | As 6906 | |
| 6909 | Furrow | Cut | As 6905 | |
| 6910 | Furrow | Fill | As 6906 | |
| 6911 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. Width 0.80m. Unexcavated. Possibly a field boundary on OS map. | |
| 6912 | Ditch | Fill | Occasional sub angular stones. Rare charcoal flecking. Unexcavated. Fill of possible field boundary visible on OS map. | Moderately Compact blackish brown sandy clay |
| 6913 | Pit | Cut | Sub-circular in plan, diameter about 0.60m. Natural feature | |
| 6914 | Pit | Fill | Fill as per 6904 | |

Trench 70

Length: Width: Orientation: Not excavated

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|-----------------------------|--------------|---|
| 7000 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.32m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 7001 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.15m | Compact orangey brown silty clay |
| 7002 | Natural | Layer | Areas of fragmented bedrock | | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 7003 | Pit | Cut | Quarry pit | | |
| 7004 | Pit | Fill | Quarry pit, no finds | | reddish brown silty clay |

Trench 71

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|--|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| 7100 | Topsoil | Layer | Common roots and rare sub-angular flints <30mm | 0.23m | Friable greenish brown clay silt |
| 7101 | Subsoil | Layer | Very rare <20mm sub-angular flints | 0.13m | Friable yellowish brown clay silt |
| 7102 | Natural | Layer | With patches of red yellow silty clay, common sub-angular flints, < 0.4m (?) | | greyish blue silty clay |
| 7103 | Ditch | Cut | Linear, sharp top BOS, moderate straight sides, gradual base BOS, flattish base. Orientated SW/NE. 50% of feature visible in Trench exc. Feature identified from geophysics and likely | 0.24m | |

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| | | | some form of field boundary or enclosure ditch. No finds, may be contemporary with [7015] based on similarities in fill. Width 1.36m, length 1.8m plus | | |
| 7104 | Ditch | Fill | 50% of feature visible in Trench exc, by hand, wet conditions. Single fill of ditch. Natural silting over time. No finds. | 0.24m | Friable brownish yellow clay silt |
| 7105 | Ditch | Cut | Linear, sharp top BOS, moderate to steep straight sides, gradual base BOS, flat base. Oriented SW/NE. 50% of visible feature within Trench excavated. Width 1.07m, length 1.8m plus. Cut of ditch with single fill. Likely contemporary with [7103] based on similarities in fill. Probably a field boundary or enclosure ditch. No finds. | 0.23m | |
| 7106 | Ditch | Fill | 50% of feature visible in Trench exc, by hand, wet conditions. Single fill of ditch. Natural silting of feature over time. No finds. Width 1.07m, length 1.8m plus. | 0.23m | Firm brownish yellow clay silt |

Trench 72

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|---|--------------|--------------------------|
| 7200 | Topsoil | Layer | Orangey hue. Common subrounded flints, heavy bioturbation from rooting and worms. Moderate charcoal flecks and pottery/fired clay fragments | 0.29m | brownish grey silty clay |
| 7201 | Subsoil | Layer | Rare tiny flint pea gravels | 0.19m | orangey brown silty clay |
| 7202 | Natural | Layer | Grey mottling. Sparse flint stones, subrounded, common sandstone inclusions poorly sorted common manganese flecks. Also cut by land | | yellow clay |
| 7203 | Ditch | Cut | Linear, sharp top BOS, concave and shallow sides, gentle sloped base BOS V-shaped to flat base, oriented SW-NE. Probably truncated in stripping, not by other features. Field boundary one fill, no finds. Similar features elsewhere on site have been dated to the IA-RB periods. | | |
| 7204 | Ditch | Fill | Contains rare subrounded | 0.16m | Compact brownish orange |

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| | | | small flint stones/ pea gravels >7%. 50% of visible feature within Trench exc. Hand exc during very wet weather. No finds. Fill of ditch formed by natural depositional processes. | | silty clay |
| 7205 | Ditch | Cut | Linear, sharp top BOS, straight 120 degrees angle sloped sides. Base BOS - concave, gentle break. Flattish base. E-W aligned. 60% of feature visible within Trench exc. Field boundary, fair sized, quite deep. One fill, no finds, unsure of date, but other features on site are IA, RB. Contemporary with gully at NE [7213]. Cut by later land drain at SW edge. Width 1.8m. 1.8m plus long, 1m slot exc. | | |
| 7206 | Ditch | Fill | Compact, but soft to excavate as wet. Secondary fill, likely naturally formed by depositional processes of eroded materials silting up throughout use of feature and after. Unsure of date. | 0.39m | Compact brownish orange silty clay |
| 7207 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 7208 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 7209 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 7210 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 7211 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 7212 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 7213 | Gully | Cut | Linear, sharp, well-defined top BOS. Shallow concave sides, concave base BOS, V-shaped (gentle) base, E-W. 60% of feature visible within Trench exc. Width 0.43m. 1m slot exc. Shallow gully ditch. Likely for drainage between fields. Unsure of date - no finds. Other features in area - IA-RB | 0.20m | |
| 7214 | Gully | Fill | 60% of feature vis within Trench exc. Excavated after heavy rainfall. No finds. Secondary (?) fill of gully. Fill likely quickly formed by siltation and depositional practices, probably started to form during the use of the gully and continued after. | 0.20m | Soft brownish orange silty clay |

Trench 73

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|-------------|------------------|---|
| 7300 | Topsoil | Layer | Tosoil | 0.18m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 7301 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.19m | Compact brownish orange silty clay |
| 7302 | Natural | Layer | Natural | | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 7303 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 7304 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 7305 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 7306 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 7307 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 7308 | Furrow | Cut | | | |

Trench 74

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|---|------------------|--------------------------------|
| 7400 | Topsoil | Layer | | | Soft greyish brown silty clay |
| 7401 | Subsoil | Layer | | | Soft orangey grey silty clay |
| 7402 | Natural | Layer | | | |
| 7403 | Ditch | Cut | 1. Linear, 2. N/A 3. Sharp 4. steep, smooth 5. moderate 6. concave, U-shaped, almost flat base 7. NE-SW 8. N/A 9 - Cut of linear ditch. Fill is generally sterile although one piece of pottery (small) was recovered RB? Appears on geophysics and is probably part of field system/droeways in this area. | | |
| 7404 | Ditch | Fill | 4. occasional manganese flecks 6. mattock, trowel, shovel, very wet conditions. Width - 1.26m, length 1m (exc) | 0.43m | Firm yellowish brown clay silt |
| 7405 | Gully | Cut | 1. Linear, 2. -, 3. Sharp, 4. Concave - straight, 5. Steep slopes coming to a sudden break, 6. U-shaped to flattish, 7. NE-SW, 8. -, 9. -, 10. 1 11. 1m slot; approx 60% of what is visible in evaluation trench. Drainage gully, small and shallow, with defined edges. 1 fill. No finds, unsure of date. | | |

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| 7406 | Gully | Fill | 4. Common manganese flecking >40-50%, rare, > 1% charcoal. No stones/gravels. Single fill of gully, no finds. Formed by natural siltation events, likely during use and after. | 0.16m | Compact brownish orange silty clay |
| 7407 | Gully | Cut | 1. linear, 2. N/A, 3. moderate, 4. moderate, smooth, 5. shallow, 6 U-shaped, concave, 7. NE-SW. Cut of gully. Unclear relationship with gully [7809] with which it is running parallel so one is probably a re-cut. Visible on geophysical survey, probably part of agricultural field system/droeway. | | |
| 7408 | Gully | Fill | 6. Exc by mattock, trowel, shovel, very wet bright conditions! | | Firm reddish brown clay silt |
| 7409 | Gully | Cut | 1., Linear, 2. -, 3. Moderate, 4. moderate steepness, smooth, 5. shallow, 6. concave, U-shape, 7. NE-SW. Cut of gully. | | |
| 7410 | Gully | Fill | 1-7 same as (7408) | | |

Trench 75

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|---|--------------|---|
| 7500 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.29m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 7501 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.19m | Compact orangey brown silty clay |
| 7502 | Natural | Layer | Greyish yellowy orange | | Compact greyish orange silty clay |
| 7503 | Ditch | Cut | 1. Curvilinear, 2 - , 3. sharp, 4 gradual straight sides, 5. gradual, 6. concave, 7. SW/NE, 11. <25% of feature visible in trench. Located towards southern end of T75, runs NE from west Trench edge for about 2m before turning to the NW. Most likely the corner of some enclosure ditch or two ditches meeting, but this was not clear in trench. No dating. Width 0.97m. | 0.22m | |
| 7504 | Ditch | Fill | Width 0.97m. Hand exc, wet. Single fill of ditch; natural silting over time. No finds. | 0.22m | Firm brownish yellow clay silt |

Trench 76

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|-------------------------------------|------------------|---|
| 7600 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.21m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 7601 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.21m | Compact brownish orange silty clay |
| 7602 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact yellowish orange silty clay |
| 7603 | Ditch | Cut | Cut of post medieval boundary ditch | | |
| 7604 | Ditch | Fill | | | |

Trench 77

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|------------|---------|--|------------------|--------------------------------|
| 7700 | Topsoil | Layer | Heavily disturbed by roots and worms. Heavily ploughed. Common subangular flints and stones. Post medieval pottery common and fired clay and charcoal also common. | 0.32m | Loose greyish brown silty clay |
| 7701 | Natural | Layer | Some manganese flecking. Natural differs in colour. Grey mottling and in some places dark blueish grey too. | | orangey yellow clay |
| 7702 | Tree throw | Cut | | | |
| 7703 | tree throw | Fill | | | |
| 7704 | Ditch | Cut | Post medieval field boundary | | |
| 7705 | Ditch | Fill | Post medieval field boundary. With rare charcoal flecks. Width: 1.67m approx, Length: 1.35m approx | 0.20m | Firm brownish grey silty clay |

Trench 78

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|---|------------------|------------------------------------|
| 7800 | Topsoil | Layer | Common roots with rare < sub angular flit | 0.29m | Friable greyish brown clay silt |
| 7801 | Subsoil | Layer | Rare < 20mm sub angular | 0.10m | Friable yellowish brown silty clay |
| 7802 | Natural | Layer | Rare < 20mm sub-angular | | Firm yellowish grey clay |
| 7803 | Ditch | Cut | Post medieval ditch | | |

7804 Ditch Fill

Trench 79

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|-------------|---------|--|------------------|---|
| 7900 | Topsoil | Layer | Soft and cohesive. Occasional rooting, rare sub angular and subrounded pebbles < 30mm | 0.33m | Soft brownish orange silty clay |
| 7901 | Subsoil | Layer | Very rare sub rounded pebbles. Much thinner to southern end of Trench possibly includes some colluvium as at bottom of slope. Material could have built up against hedge line | 0.33m | Soft brownish orange silty clay |
| 7902 | Natural | Layer | Grey mottling. Very small sub angular gravels | | Moderately Compact greyish orange clay |
| 7903 | Field drain | Cut | | | |
| 7904 | Field drain | Fill | | | |
| 7905 | Ditch | Cut | 1. linear, 2 - , 3. Rounded, 4. Concave, 5. Rounded to N, imperceptible to S, 6. Concave, 7. E-W. Width 0.54m. 1m slot exc. Cut of ditch running E-W, parallel to [7907] and 7m to the north. Substantially shallower than [7907], but similar profile, may have been truncated by modern soils/ploughing as subsoil/colluvium substantially deeper at northern end of trench. Contained pot crumb, but otherwise sterile. | 0.16m | |
| 7906 | Ditch | Fill | Width 0.21m max, 70% of feature visible in 1m slot exc by hand. Lower fill of ditch. Sterile, probably formed by inwash of surrounding natural as ditch remained open. | 0.10m | Moderately Compact greenish orange silty clay |
| 7907 | Ditch | Cut | Width 1.1m. 1. linear, 2. - , 3. rounded, 4 Convex at top, concave lower, 5. rounded, 6. concave, 7. E-W, 11. 60% In trench. Cut of E-W ditch, to south of and parallel to ditch [7905]. Fills contained pot crumb, tiny. Appears to be continuation of ditch on geophysics? Possibly drove road ditches? Some silting inwash at base suggesting open for a while. Fill homogenous, no obvious signs of banding, but likely to | 0.33m | |

be as a result of natural silting up. Runs parallel to hedge at northern end of field.

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| 7908 | Ditch | Fill | Occasional sub angular gravels, very rare charcoal flecks. Width 0.31m. Basal fill of ditch [7917]. Likely to have formed from natural inwashing events over time. Sterile, no finds. | 0.09m | Soft greenish brown silty clay |
| 7909 | land drain | Cut | | | |
| 7910 | land drain | Fill | | | |
| 7911 | land drain | Cut | | | |
| 7913 | Ditch | Fill | Occasional subrounded stones, large piece of ironstone, rare charcoal flecks, pot crumb. Upper fill of ditch [7907]. Homogenous, suggesting formed by natural silting up processes. Pot crumb only (earthenware???) | 0.25m | Soft reddish brown silty clay |
| 7914 | Ditch | Fill | Width 0.39m. Secondary fill of ditch [7905]. Contained very small earthenware pot crumbs. Quite mixed fill/blotchy (reddish sand patches), possibly resulting from deliberate slighting of ditch once no longer required. | 0.11m | Soft greyish orange silty clay |

Trench 80

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|--------------|---|
| 8000 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.32m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 8001 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 8002 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8003 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8004 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8005 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8006 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8007 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8008 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8009 | Field drain | Cut | | | |
| 8010 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8011 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8012 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8013 | Furrow | Cut | | | |

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| 8014 | Furrow | Fill | | |
| 8015 | Furrow | Cut | | |
| 8016 | Furrow | Fill | | |
| 8017 | Furrow | Cut | | |
| 8018 | Furrow | Fill | | |
| 8019 | Furrow | Cut | | |
| 8102 | Natural | Layer | with grey clay mottling. Very rare subrounded pebbles | Moderately Compact greenish orange clay |

Trench 81

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|------------|---------|--|--------------|---|
| 8100 | Topsoil | Layer | Rare sub angular stones <30mm, rare charcoal flecking occasional rooting | 0.22m | Moderately Compact yellowish brown silty clay |
| 8101 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.08m | Soft brownish yellow silty clay |
| 8103 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8104 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8105 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8106 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8107 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8108 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8109 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8110 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8111 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8112 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8113 | Land drain | Cut | | | |
| 8114 | land drain | Fill | | | |
| 8115 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8116 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8117 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8118 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8119 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8120 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8121 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8122 | Furrow | Fill | | | |

Trench 82

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|---|------------------|---|
| 8200 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.34m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 8201 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.15m | Compact greyish orange silty clay |
| 8202 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact yellowish orange silty clay |
| 8203 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8204 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8205 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8206 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8207 | Gully | Fill | Width 0.42m. Exc by hand tools sunny conditions. Rare charcoal, occasional subangular stones. Fill of gully [8208]. Pretty sterile clay fill, similar to natural. Low energy weathering fill. No finds. | 0.21m | Compact brownish yellow silty clay |
| 8208 | Gully | Cut | 0.42m width. Length 2m plus. 1. Linear, 2. -, 3. sharp, 4. steep and straight, 5. sharp, 6. narrow and straight, 7. E-W. Cut of gully. Fairly shallow V-shaped profile. Sterile fill with no finds, likely a drainage ditch. No dating evidence. At SW end of T 82 with no other features nearby. | 0.21m | |

Trench 83

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|-------------|------------------|---|
| 8300 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.3m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 8301 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.14m | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 8302 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact greyish orange silty clay |

Trench 84

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|-------------|------------------|---------------------|
| 8400 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.27m | Moderately Compact |

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| 8401 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.11m | greyish brown silty clay Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 8402 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact greyish orange |
| 8403 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8404 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8405 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8406 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8407 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8408 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8409 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8410 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8411 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8412 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8413 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8414 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8415 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8416 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8417 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8418 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8419 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8420 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8421 | post hole | Fill | | | orangey brown silty clay |
| 8422 | Posthole | | Seen in section, quite high, likely modern | | |

Trench 85

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|---|--------------|---|
| 8500 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.29m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 8501 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.16m | Compact yellowish grey silty clay |
| 8502 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact yellowish orange silty clay |
| 8503 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8504 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8505 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8506 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8507 | Ditch | Fill | Width 0.62m. Frequent manganese flecks, occasional small subangular gravels, rare flecks orange | 0.11m | Soft yellowish brown silty clay |

clay. Basal fill of ditch [8508], likely to have arisen from natural silting processes given profile and homogenous nature of fill.

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| 8508 | Furrow | Cut | Width 1.02m. 1. linear, 2. - , 3. Sharp to SE, rounded to NW, 4. Near vertical to SE, slightly concave to NW, 5. sharp to SE, rounded to NW, 6. concave, 7. NE-SW. Cut of linear ditch with irregular profile. Possible field/stock enclosure. Includes pot fragments ? Iron Age. | 0.36m | |
| 8509 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8510 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8511 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8512 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8514 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8516 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8517 | Ditch | Fill | Width 1.02m. Rare subangular stones <80mm, rare charcoal flecks, rare pot fragments, occasional pieces blue/grey natural clay. Upper fill of ditch [8508]. Mixed nature of fill and profile of upper boundary of this fill suggest that this fill resulted from deliberate slighting of the ditch with mix of contemporaneous topsoil and natural clay excavated elsewhere or possibly pushing of bank from eastern side back into ditch. | 0.25m | Soft orangey brown silty clay |

Trench 86

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|-------------|--------------|---|
| 8600 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.28m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 8601 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.08m | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 8602 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact yellowish orange silty clay |
| 8603 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8604 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8605 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8606 | Furrow | Cut | | | |

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| 8607 | Furrow | Fill | Possible furrow/ditch |
| 8608 | Furrow | Cut | Furrow/ditch |

Trench 87

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|--|------------------|--|
| 8700 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.35m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 8701 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.08m | Compact yellowish grey silty clay |
| 8702 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact yellowish orange silty clay |
| 8703 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8704 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8706 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8707 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of ditch [8708]. Three small sherds of pottery indicate feature is IA/RB. | | Compact |
| 8708 | Ditch | Cut | 1. linear, 2.-, 3. Moderate, 4. moderate, smooth., 5. Shallow, 6. U-shape, shallow, concave, 7. N-S. Cut by stone field drain. Cut of ditch visible on geophysical survey. Exc by EI, recorded by AMW. Cut by stone field drain meaning it was constantly filling with water. Sketch plan on Trench sheet. | | |
| 8709 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8710 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8711 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8712 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8713 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8714 | Furrow | Cut | | | |

Trench 88

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|-------------|------------------|--|
| 8800 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.27m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 8801 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.11m | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 8802 | Subsoil | Layer | | | Compact yellowish orange silty clay |

Trench 89

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|--|------------------|---|
| 8900 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.33m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 8901 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.14m | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 8902 | Natural | Layer | greyish yellow-y orange | | Compact brownish grey silty clay |
| 8903 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8904 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8905 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 8906 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 8907 | Pit | Fill | Width 0.29m. 50% exc by hand, wet conditions. Common charcoal flecks. Single fill of posthole (?) [8908]. Either burnt out remains of post or scrape of charcoal rich material. No finds. | 0.09m | Firm brownish grey clay silt |
| 8908 | Pit | Cut | 1. Sub-circular, 2. -, 3. Sharp, 4. Gradual straight sides, 5. gradual, 6. concave. Cut of possible posthole with single fill (8907). Located in centre of Trench 89, about 1m east of [8910]. Cut is very ephemeral and may in fact simply be a scrape of charcoal rich material. | | |
| 8909 | Pit | Fill | Width 0.39m. Single fill of posthole [8910]. Burnt out remains of stake/post. No finds. | 0.13m | Firm brownish grey clay silt |
| 8910 | Pit | Cut | Width 0.39m. 1. sub-oval, 2. - 3. Sharp, 4. Steep, straight sides (SE), gradual straight sides (NW)., 5. Gradual, 6. Concave. Cut of post/stake hole with a single fill (8909). One of three possible postholes in Tr 89. Located in centre of Trench about 5m NE of [8912] and 1m west of [8908]. Possibly part of some kind of fence line but purpose not clear. | 0.13m | |
| 8911 | Pit | Fill | Width 0.56m. Length 0.35m. Basal fill of posthole [8912]. Below 8913. Most likely burnt out remains of post that resulted in packing material of stone and clay becoming heated. Possibility of some | 0.25m | Firm greyish brown clay silt |

burnt bone also being present so may potentially be a cremation but no evidence of urn. 100% exc by AMW 21/10/19, (see AMW's comments [8912])

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| 8912 | Pit | Cut | Width 0.56m, length 0.69m. 1. sub-oval, 2. -, 3. sharp, 4. Vertical straight side with sharp break to undercut on SW side. Gradual concave side with gradual break to steep straight side. 5. Imperceptible, 6. concave. Cut of posthole with 2 fills (8911), (8913). One of three possible postholes in trench. Purpose unclear given more ephemeral nature of [8908] and [8910]. May have been part of fence line. Fill (8911) contained possible burnt bone but no evidence of cremation urn. Undercut, appears to have largely contained burnt stone and fired clay which may have been packing material. 100% exc by AMW 21/6/19 (??21/10/19?). Size of feature suggests it was more likely to be a small pit backfilled with burnt material. Undercut is not real and more likely a redeposited natural same as (8913) | 0.25m |
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| 8913 | Posthole | Fill | Rare charcoal flecks. 50% exc by hand, wet conditions. Top fill of posthole [8912]. Backfill following removal of post. Above (8911). 100% exc by AMW 21/10/19. Sample taken at this time. | 0.15m | Friable grey clay silt |
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Trench 90

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|------------|---------|----------------|--------------|---|
| 9000 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.25m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 9001 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.12m | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 9002 | Natural | Layer | Yellowy-orange | | Compact greyish yellow |
| 9003 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 9004 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 9005 | tree throw | Fill | | | |
| 9006 | tree throw | Cut | | | |

Trench 91

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|-------------|------------------|--|
| 9100 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.27m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 9101 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.08m | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 9102 | Natural | Layer | | | Compact yellowish orange silty clay |

Trench 92

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|---------|---------|------------------------|------------------|--|
| 9200 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.3m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 9201 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.1m | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 9202 | Natural | Layer | Greyish yellowy-orange | | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 9203 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 9204 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 9205 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 9206 | Furrow | Cut | | | |

Trench 93

Context summary:

| Context | Feature | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|----------|---------|---|------------------|--|
| 9300 | Topsoil | Layer | | | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 9301 | Subsoil | Layer | | | Compact greyish yellow silty clay |
| 9302 | Natural | Layer | Greyish orangey yellow | | Compact greyish orange silty clay |
| 9303 | Posthole | Fill | Probably subsoil within a natural discussion | | |
| 9304 | Posthole | Cut | Probably subsoil within a depression | | |

Trench 94

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| 9400 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy clay silt | 0.25m | Soft greyish brown clay silt |
| 9401 | Subsoil | Layer | | | Firm brownish orange silty clay |
| 9402 | Natural | Layer | Blue grey mottling, and mudstone. | | Compact brownish orange |

Trench 95

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|--|
| 9500 | Topsoil | Layer | Common rooting and plant remains, sparse sub-rounded stone pebbles. | 0.30m | Firm brownish grey silty clay |
| 9501 | Subsoil | Layer | Sparse rooting, common sub-rounded small stone pebbles. | 0.25m | Moderately Compact greyish brown sandy clay |
| 9502 | Natural | Layer | Common iron panning and moderate small sub-rounded small stone and natural limestone pebbles. Also cut by a modern land drain. | | Moderately Compact reddish orange sandy clay |
| 9503 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan, Sharp corners. Top break of slope: sharp. Steep to moderately sloping sides. Base break of slope gradual. U-shaped base. Orientated E-W. Width 2.02m. Possible boundary ditch. | 0.90m | |
| 9504 | Ditch | Fill | Deliberate backfill of boundary ditch. | 0.30m | Moderately Compact greyish brown sandy clay |
| 9505 | Ditch | Fill | Reddish and dark brown mottling. Sparse manganese flecks, moderate small sub-rounded stone/limestone pebbles, occasional charcoal smears, iron panning. Silted infilling of ditch [9503]. | 0.55m | Moderately Compact brownish grey sandy clay |
| 9506 | Ditch | Fill | Sandy clay loam. Very common iron panning and manganese smears. Medium to small sub-rounded natural limestone chunks. Redeposited natural - primary fill. | 0.20m | Loose brownish yellow sandy loam |

Trench 96

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|------------------|---------------------------------|
| 9600 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy clay silt. | 0.25m | Soft greyish brown sandy clay |
| 9601 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.10m | Firm brownish orange silty clay |
| 9602 | Natural | Layer | Very compacted. Blue grey mottling. Mudstone. Cut by furrows and by drains. | | Compact brownish orange |
| 9603 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 9604 | Furrow | Fill | Furrows filled by a light slightly greyish brown organic silty clay | | |
| 9605 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 9606 | Furrow | Fill | See (9604) | | |
| 9607 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 9608 | Furrow | Fill | See (9604) | | |
| 9609 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 9610 | Furrow | Fill | See (9604) | | |

Trench 97

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|---|
| 9700 | Topsoil | Layer | Occasional sub-rounded and sub-angular stones, <120mm. | 0.20m | Moderately Compact brown silty clay |
| 9701 | Subsoil | Layer | Rare sub-rounded pebbles, rare charcoal flecks, very rare sandstone pieces <50mm | 0.21m | Moderately Compact orangey brown silty clay |
| 9702 | Natural | Layer | Orange mottling. Very rare sub-rounded pebbles. Cut by a furrow and modern drains. | | Compact blueish grey silty clay |
| 9703 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 9704 | Furrow | Fill | | | |

Trench 98

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|---|
| 9800 | Topsoil | Layer | Occasional sub-rounded pebbles, rare sub-angular gravels | 0.21m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 9801 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.09m | Moderately Compact orangey brown silty clay |

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| 9802 | Natural | Layer | Orange mottling. Very rare sub-angular gravels, very rare sandstone pieces. | Compact blueish grey clay |
| 9803 | Furrow | Cut | | |
| 9804 | Furrow | Fill | Rare charcoal flecking, rare sub-angular stones chert and ironstone. Animal bone (not retained) | Moderately Compact orangey brown silty clay |
| 9805 | Furrow | Cut | | |
| 9806 | Furrow | Cut | See (9804) | |
| 9807 | Furrow | Cut | | |
| 9808 | Furrow | Fill | | |
| 9809 | Field drain | Cut | | |
| 9811 | Furrow | Cut | | |
| 9812 | Furrow | Fill | See (9804) Post medieval tile recovered (not retained) | |
| 9813 | Field drain | Cut | | |
| 9814 | Furrow | Fill | See (9804). Pottery recovered. | |
| 9815 | Furrow | Cut | | |
| 9816 | Furrow | Fill | See (9804) | |
| 9817 | Gully | Cut | Oriented NE-SW, 0.30m wide | |
| 9818 | Gully | Fill | Rare sub-angular stones. | Moderately Compact orangey brown silty clay |

Trench 99

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
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| 9900 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.26m | Friable brownish grey sandy clay |
| 9901 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.18m | Moderately Compact brownish orange sandy clay |
| 9902 | Natural | Layer | Yellow-orange | | Compact brownish yellow sandy clay |

Trench 100

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 10000 | Topsoil | Layer | Contains uncommon small to medium sub-angular stones | 0.44m | Soft greyish brown sandy silt |
| 10001 | Subsoil | Layer | Rare small sub-angular and sub-rounded stones. | 0.16m | Loose brownish yellow sandy silt |
| 10002 | Natural | Layer | Limestone bedrock. | | Hard whiteish yellow |

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| 10003 | Pit | Cut | Linear in plan. Not fully excavated. Cut of quarry pit. | | |
| 10004 | Pit | Fill | Uncommon small sub-rounded stones mid large limestone bedrock fragments. Fill of quarry pit. | 0.56m approx | Loose yellowish brown sandy silt |
| 10005 | Pit | Fill | Mottled. Not fully excavated. | | Firm orangey blue clay |
| 10006 | Pit | Fill | Fill of quarry pit | | Loose reddish brown sandy silt |
| 10007 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 10008 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 10009 | Ditch | Cut | | | |
| 10010 | Ditch | Fill | | | |
| 10011 | Ditch | Cut | | | |
| 10012 | Ditch | Fill | | | |
| 10013 | Ditch | Cut | | | |
| 10015 | Pit | Cut | Quarry pit | | |
| 10016 | Pit | Fill | | | |

Trench 101

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 10100 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.23m | Soft greyish brown sandy silt |
| 10101 | Subsoil | Layer | Common inclusions of large flat stones and very common small sub-angular stones. | 0.17m | Friable yellowish brown silt |
| 10102 | Natural | Layer | Limestone bedrock. Rocks multiple sizes, large and flat. | | |
| 10103 | Pit | Fill | Very common large flat stones. Slot extended and widened 09/05/19. Finds include small amount of ?medieval pottery. Animal bone recovered. Otherwise sterile apart from flat stones. Entire feature excavated by machine to depth of 1.3m BGL, after which it would have been unsafe to continue. | | Friable reddish brown sandy silt |
| 10104 | Pit | Cut | Cut of quarry pit | | |

Trench 102

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 10200 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.29m | Friable brownish grey sandy clay |

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| 10201 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.13m | Moderately Compact orangey brown |
| 10202 | Natural | Layer | Sandstone at S end. Cut by several furrows | | Compact brownish orange sandy clay |
| 10203 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 10204 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 10205 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 10206 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 10207 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 10208 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 10209 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 10210 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 10211 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 10212 | Furrow | Cut | | | |

Trench 103

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 10300 | Topsoil | Layer | Uncommon small sub-rounded stones | 0.32m | Loose brownish grey sandy silt |
| 10301 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.16m | Loose yellowish brown sandy silt |
| 10302 | Natural | Layer | | | Firm blueish orange clay |
| 10303 | Siltation | Layer | Width 2.62m. Thin layer above fills (10304) and (10305) of ditch [10306]. Possible siltation layer? | 0.17m | Friable brownish grey silty clay |
| 10304 | Ditch | Fill | Width 1.82m. Fill of ditch | 0.33m | Firm blueish grey sandy |
| 10305 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of ditch. Possibly side slumping. | 0.10m | Firm yellowish brown clay silt |
| 10306 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. Rounded corners. Top break of slope Gradual. Slightly concave and undulating sides. Base break of slope gradual-moderate. U-shaped base. Orientated NW-SE. Cut of possible enclosure ditch? W end of | | |

Trench 104

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| 10400 | Topsoil | Layer | Rare small sub rounded stones | 0.30m | Loose brownish grey sandy loam |
| 10401 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.24m | Friable yellowish brown |

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| | | | | | sandy silt |
| 10402 | Natural | Layer | | | Firm blueish orange clay |
| 10403 | Ditch | Fill | Width 0.47m | 0.12m | Friable reddish brown clay silt |
| 10404 | Ditch | Cut | Curvilinear in plan. Gradual top break of slope. Gentle sloping sides. Base break of slope - gradual. Slightly concave base. Orientated NE-SW. Possible gully? | | |
| 10405 | Ditch | Fill | Width 0.76m. Possibly the southern end of a small enclosure | 0.28m | Firm yellowish brown clay |
| 10406 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. Break of slope at top - gradual. Sides: N-slopy, S- steep. Base break of slope sharp. Flat base. Orientated E-W. Likely to be the southern end of a small enclosure. | 0.28m | |
| 10407 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of ditch recut [10408]. Some ceramic recovered from S end. | 0.44m | Firm yellowish brown clay |
| 10408 | Ditch | Cut | Liner in plan. Break of slope at top - gradual. Moderate sides. Gradual base break of slope. Flat base, orientated E-W. Recut of possible enclosure ditch. | 0.44m | |
| 10409 | Ditch | Fill | | | |
| 10410 | Ditch | Cut | | | |
| 10411 | Ditch | Fill | | | |
| 10412 | Ditch | Cut | | | |

Trench 105

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| 10500 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.25m | Soft greyish brown sandy silt |
| 10501 | Subsoil | Layer | | | Firm reddish brown sandy silt |
| 10502 | Natural | Layer | Limestone Bedrock | | |

Trench 106

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| 10600 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.26m | Soft greyish brown clay silt |
| 10601 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | | Compact brownish orange |

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| 10603 | Furrow | Cut |
| 10604 | Furrow | Fill |

Trench 107

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---------------------------|------------------|--|
| 10700 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.30m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 10701 | Subsoil | Layer | Subsoil | 0.21m | Moderately Compact orangey brown |
| 10702 | Natural | Layer | Natural | | Moderately Compact blueish grey clay |
| 10703 | Gully | Cut | Cut of field drain | | |
| 10704 | Gully | Fill | Fill of field drain 10703 | | |

Trench 108

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|------------------------------|
| 10800 | ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. Top break of slope - sharp; sides-moderate to N, steep to S; base break of slope - Gradual to N steep to S, flat base. Orientated E-W. Cut of small feature running E-W. Single clayey fill, no finds but contained charcoal. Width: 0.60m approx. | 0.22m | |
| 10801 | Topsoil | Layer | Topsoil | 0.16m | Friable yellowish brown silt |
| 10802 | Natural | Layer | Subsoil | 0.22m | Firm orangey clay |
| 10803 | Ditch | Fill | Fill of 10800 | 0.22m | Firm greyish orange clay |

Trench 109

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|------------------|-------------------------------|
| 10900 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.28m | Soft greyish brown clay silt |
| 10901 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.20m | Firm orangey brown silty clay |
| 10902 | Natural | Layer | Very compacted, orangeish brown with blue-grey mottling - mudstone. | | Compact orangey brown |

Trench 110

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 11000 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy clay silt | 0.28m | Soft greyish brown sandy clay |
| 11001 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.20m | Firm orangey brown sandy silty clay |
| 11002 | Natural | Layer | Very compacted brownish orange with blue-grey mottling. Mudstone. | | |
| 11101 | Subsoil | Layer | Sandy silty clay | 0.20m | Firm yellowish brown sandy clay |

Trench 111

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|------------------|-------------------------------|
| 11100 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy clayey silt | 0.22m | Soft greyish brown sandy silt |
| 11102 | Natural | Layer | Blue grey mottling. Mudstone. Also cut by modern drains | | Compact brownish orange |
| 11103 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 11104 | Furrow | Fill | | | brown sandy silt |

Trench 112

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 11200 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy clayey silt. | 0.20m | Soft greyish brown |
| 11201 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.14m | Firm yellowish brown sandy silty clay |
| 11202 | Natural | Layer | Some moderate blue grey mottling- mudstone | | Compact orangey brown |
| 11203 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 11204 | Furrow | Fill | Occasional pebbles. Sandy clay silt. | | brown sandy silt |
| 11205 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 11206 | Furrow | Fill | See 11204 | | |
| 11207 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 11208 | Furrow | Fill | See 11204 | | |
| 11209 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 11210 | Furrow | Fill | See 11204 | | |

Trench 113

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|-------------------------------|
| 11300 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy clayey silt. | 0.28m | Soft greyish brown sandy loam |
| 11301 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.16m | Firm greyish brown silty clay |
| 11302 | Natural | Layer | Very compacted brownish grey mudstone. | | |
| 11303 | Furrow | Cut | Oriented roughly E-W | | |
| 11304 | Furrow | Fill | Sandy clay silt. Occasional pebbles. | | Firm reddish brown sandy loam |
| 11305 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 11303 | | |
| 11306 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 11304 | | |
| 11307 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 11303 | | |
| 11308 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 11304 | | |
| 11309 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 11303 | | |
| 11310 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 11304 | | |
| 11311 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 11303 | | |
| 11312 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 11304 | | |
| 11313 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 11303 | | |
| 11314 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 11304 | | |
| 11315 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 11303 | | |
| 11316 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 11304 | | |
| 11317 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 11303 | | |
| 11318 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 11304 | | |
| 11319 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 11303 | | |
| 11320 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 11304 | | |
| 11321 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 11303 | | |
| 11322 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 11304 | | |

Trench 114

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|-------------------------------|
| 11400 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy clay silt | 0.26m | Soft greyish brown sandy loam |
| 11401 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.14m | Firm brown sandy silty clay |
| 11402 | Natural | Layer | Very compacted blue grey with orange brown mottling. Mudstone. | | |
| 11403 | Furrow | Cut | Orientated roughly E-W | | |
| 11404 | Furrow | Fill | Sandy clay silt, occasional | | Firm reddish brown sandy |

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| | | | pebbles. | loam |
| 11405 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 11403 | |
| 11406 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 11404 | |
| 11407 | Furrow | Cut | Same as 11403 | |
| 11408 | Furrow | Fill | Same as 11404 | |

Trench 115

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 11500 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy clay silt | 0.28m | Soft greyish brown sandy loam |
| 11501 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.20m | Firm yellowish brown sandy silty clay |
| 11502 | Natural | Layer | Limestone bedrock to the E. Very compacted blue-grey with orange mottling-mudstone to the W. Cut by one modern field drain. | | |

Trench 116

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|-------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| 11600 | Topsoil | Layer | | 0.30m | reddish brown sandy silt |
| 11601 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.05m | Firm reddish brown sandy silt |

Trench 117

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/ depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|------------------|--|
| 11700 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy clay silt | 0.22m | Soft greyish brown sandy silt loam |
| 11701 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.20m | Firm reddish brown sandy silt |
| 11702 | Natural | Layer | Limestone bedrock (N end). Very compacted blueish orange mudstone (S end). Also cut by furrow | | |
| 11703 | Pit | Cut | 0.53 by 0.52m in plan. | | |
| 11704 | Pit | Fill | | | Moderately Compact brownish red sandy clay |
| 11705 | Pit | Cut | Ovoid in plan. Top break of slope, sharp. Moderately steep and concave sides. Base break of slope moderately gentle. Concave | 0.19m | |

base. Width 0.62m, length: 0.86m. One of a group of 4 pits in Trench 117, possibly Neolithic?

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| 11706 | Pit | Fill | Slightly charcoaly upper fill of pit. Contains prehistoric looking pottery, burnt bone and hazelnut shell. Deposit of cooking waste or similar? Flint also recovered. | 0.07m | Moderately Compact brownish red sandy clay |
| 11707 | Pit | Cut | 0.63m by 0.57m in plan. Cut of pit. | | |
| 11708 | Pit | Fill | | | Moderately Compact brownish red sandy clay |
| 11709 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 11710 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 11711 | Pit | Cut | 0.46m visible in plan | | |
| 11712 | Pit | Fill | | | Moderately Compact brownish red sandy clay |
| 11713 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 11714 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 11715 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 11716 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 11717 | Pit | Fill | | | |

Trench 118

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|--|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| 11800 | Topsoil | Layer | Clayey sandy silt | 0.20m | Soft greyish brown clay |
| 11801 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.18m | Firm reddish brown sandy silty clay |
| 11802 | Natural | Layer | Very compacted blue grey with orange mottling - mudstone. Modern stone drain runs almost length of trench. | | |

Trench 119

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| 11900 | Topsoil | Layer | Sandy clayey silt. | 0.23m | Soft greyish brown sandy loam |
| 11901 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.18m | Soft orangey brown sandy silty clay |
| 11902 | Natural | Layer | Very compacted orange brown with blue grey mottling | | |

- mudstone.

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| 11903 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 11904 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 11905 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 11906 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 11907 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 11908 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 11909 | Furrow | Cut | | | |
| 11910 | Furrow | Fill | | | |
| 11911 | Ditch | Cut | Linear in plan. Top break of slope gradual. Moderately steep SE side. Shallow sloped NW side. Base break of slope gradual. V-shaped base. Orientated NE-SW. Different orientation to furrows (E-W). | | |
| 11912 | Ditch | Fill | Very common sub-angular stones. Moderate small sub-rounded cobbles. Width: 2.26m. Some large pieces of possible medieval tile recovered. Small fragments of possible Roman pottery and rare animal bone fragments. | 0.52m | Firm yellowish brown silty clay |
| 11913 | Tree throw | Fill | | | |
| 11914 | Tree throw | Cut | | | |

Trench 120

Context summary:

| Context | Feature type | Context | Description | Height/depth | Deposit description |
|---------|--------------|---------|---|--------------|---|
| 12000 | Topsoil | Layer | Occasional pebbles | 0.20m | Moderately Compact greyish brown silty clay |
| 12001 | Subsoil | Layer | | 0.19m | Moderately Compact orangey brown silty clay |
| 12002 | Natural | Layer | Patches of orange sand. | | Compact blueish grey clay |
| 12005 | Pit | Cut | Semi-circular in plan. Possibly for clay extraction? Large pit. | | |
| 12006 | Pit | Fill | Possible dump of building demolition/domestic waste. Limestone fragments, window glass etc. Occasional charcoal, black and white? Victorian pottery. 1.5m wide and 5.5m long. | | |
| 12007 | Pit | Fill | 1.5m wide max, 6m long. Occasional pieces of chert and limestone. Rare fragments of charcoal and | | Moderately Compact reddish brown silty clay |

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| | | | brick. Possibly deliberate backfill of [12005]. | |
| 12008 | Ditch | Cut | Lines up with field boundary on First Ed OS, as does [12010] - may be part of same feature? | |
| 12009 | Ditch | Fill | Similar fill to (12011). May be part of same feature. | Moderately Compact brown silty clay |
| 12010 | Pit | Cut | Lines up with [12088] with boundary on OS first Ed. They may be part of the same feature. | |
| 12011 | Pit | Fill | Similar fill to ditch fill (12009). May be same feature. | Moderately Compact brown silty clay |

Appendix 2: Summary of project archive

| TYPE | DETAILS* |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Artefacts and Environmental | Animal bones, Ceramics, Environmental, Glass, Human bones, Industrial, Metal, Worked bone, Worked stone/lithics, other |
| Paper | Context sheet, Diary (Field progress form), Drawing, Plan, Report, Section, Survey |
| Digital | Database, GIS, Images raster/digital photography, Spreadsheets, Survey, Text |

*OASIS terminology